

MIGRATION RESPONSE CENTRE KHARTOUM

PROFILE

Years of establishment: 2015 | **Management:** Managed by IOM | **Target groups:** Vulnerable migrants transiting through, stranded or living in Sudan

Migration Response Centres (MRCs) are situated along key migration routes, where they fill critical gaps by facilitating the identification of migrants in vulnerable situations and ensuring that they receive appropriate and immediate support. Migrants are assisted with shelter, food, non-food items, health and psychosocial assistance, among other types of assistance. Migrants wishing to return to their places of origin are supported with assisted voluntary return and reintegration¹ while returning migrants are provided with direct assistance and information over available services. The assistance is provided either directly at the MRCs, via mobile outreach, or via referral to partners.

In East and the Horn of Africa and Yemen, MRCs are currently operational in Hargeisa, Bossaso, and Mogadishu in Somalia; Obock in Djibouti; Semera, Metema, Dire Dawa, Togochale, and Moyale in Ethiopia; and Khartoum, Gedaref, and Kassala in Sudan; and Aden and Marib in Yemen. The services provided by each MRC vary based on location and needs.




1. Voluntary humanitarian return for the context in Yemen.









Migrants wait to be assisted at MRRC Khartoum. Medical support ranks high among the services sought.

Services delivered by the MRC and its mobile response team

	Registration and vulnerability assessment
	Counselling and mental health and psychosocial support
	Provision of food and non-food items
	Medical assistance
	Information sharing and awareness raising
	Assisted voluntary return and reintegration (AVRR), including pre-return assistance and coordination with embassies of migrants' countries of origin and exit clearance from the government of Sudan
	Helpline service
	Language assistance and interpretation
	Capacity building of partners on migrant protection
	Capacity building of migrant communities on community-based protection initiatives
	Mobile outreach to migrants in administrative detention and those staying at community-run safe houses
	Advocacy and humanitarian assistance to detained migrants
	Assistance to migrant community-run schools
	Transportation assistance for migrants requiring specialised service

Services delivered to MRC beneficiaries in collaboration with partners

	Shelter and direct assistance (Ethiopian and Eritrean Community Association safe houses)
	Education (Ethiopian, Eritrean, and Congolese community schools)
	Consular assistance (embassies and consulates of migrants' countries of origin)
	Medical assistance (public and private hospitals)
	Legal services (Legal Aid Commission)
	Assistance of persons of concern to UNHCR

Other partners

National Council for Child Welfare, Aliens Field Inspectorate Unit, Ministry of Interior, Counter-Trafficking Unit, Ministry of Interior, Khartoum State Ministry for Social Development, Khartoum State Ministry of Health

More details on the profiles of migrants registered at MRCs, assistance provided, migration routes and further information can be found in an interactive data dashboard [under this link](#) (accessible upon request).

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