UN Plans to Spend Sh3.1b in the Sudan

The United Nations will spend more than Sh3.1 billion in the rehabilitation of water, health and education infrastructure in Sudan. The UNHCR was carrying out a programme on landmine and HIV/AIDS awareness among the refugees and working with the authorities in Sudan on their educational needs.

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This will be in readiness for the return of refugees from Kenya and other countries.

The UN High Commissioner for Refugees representative George Okoth-Obbo, said the voluntary repatriation of the first batch of 66,000 Sudanese at Kakuma refugee camp in Turkana District would kick off in October.

He said the UNHCR was carrying out a programme on landmine and HIV/AIDS awareness among the refugees and working with the authorities in Sudan on their educational needs.

Speaking on Tuesday, Okoth-Obbo said the programme - including rehabilitation of facilities in Sudan and the repatriation of willing refugees - would cost about Sh7.76 billion.

There are more than 560,000 Sudanese refugees in Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, Central Africa Republic, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Egypt, among other countries.


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