

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON SPECIAL RAPPORTUER ON THE HUMAN RIGHTS TO SAFE DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION

1. Yes, Nigeria has been affected by forced displacement.

The Boko Harm insurgency is the greatest single cause of displacement in the North East States. As at 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2018, 1,782,490 IDPs are displaced in Six North East States. Nationalities of those forcibly displaced are mostly Nigerian, Niger, Cameroon and Chad from 2009-2018.

Government Strategy is that:

- i. Affected people have safe and equitable access to a sufficient quantity of water for domestic needs, per sector's standards
  - ii. Affected people have access to improved sanitation facilities, per sector's standards.
  - iii. Affected people benefit from community-tailored hygiene messages for improved hygiene practices and behaviors, per sector's standards.
  - iv. Affected people benefit from basic hygiene items, including top-ups, per sector's standards.
  - v. Support institutions (such as health and nutrition centers, and schools) with adequate WASH and sanitation facilities.
2. Government has set up a Presidential Committee on North East Initiative (PCNI) under the leadership of the Vice President. This is to provide WASH and other services to the displaced, secure, rehabilitate, construct WASH facilities in camps, host communities and resettled communities for the returnee.  
Special budgetary allocation provided for reconstruction and rehabilitation of damaged structures NE States.  
Nigerian Government also Collaborate with UN-Agencies, Donor partners, both National and International Agencies in providing humanitarian services.  
Government of Nigeria under the budgetary allocation for WASH has been able to construct 56Nos of Water schemes and 3Nos hand pumps as well as 318Nos Sanitation and hygiene facilities in the six NE States. This is to cater for displaced persons in host and resettled communities. In addition to WASH Intervention Budget implementation Plan, there is National Cholera Prevention, Preparedness and Control Plan being put in place by Government to protect population as well as ensure safe and sufficient quantity of water supply in high risk areas during outbreak of Cholera disease.
  3. Government have Constructed between (2016- 2018) 56Nos water schemes, 3Nos Hand pump and 318Nos Sanitation and hygiene facilities as per Sector standard to meet the

