

## RED CROSS RED CRESCENT RESPONSE

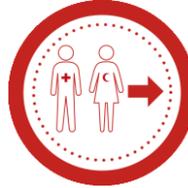
### Ebola Outbreak Snapshot

As of : October 22nd, 2014

The current Ebola virus disease outbreak in West Africa is unprecedented in terms of the number of cases, deaths and its geographical spread. Communities in West Africa have a vital role to play in the battle against this horrific disease, which has so far affected more than 9,000 people and killed more than 4,500 people.



**15 countries**  
with active Red  
Cross operations



**5,328**  
volunteers trained



**6 emergency**  
appeals  
(Guinea, Liberia, Sierra  
Leone, Senegal, Nigeria  
Coordination)



Prepared to help  
**39 million people**



Since March  
**169** International  
Red Cross Red Crescent  
staff in the field



**97%** of burials in Guinea  
managed by the Red Cross



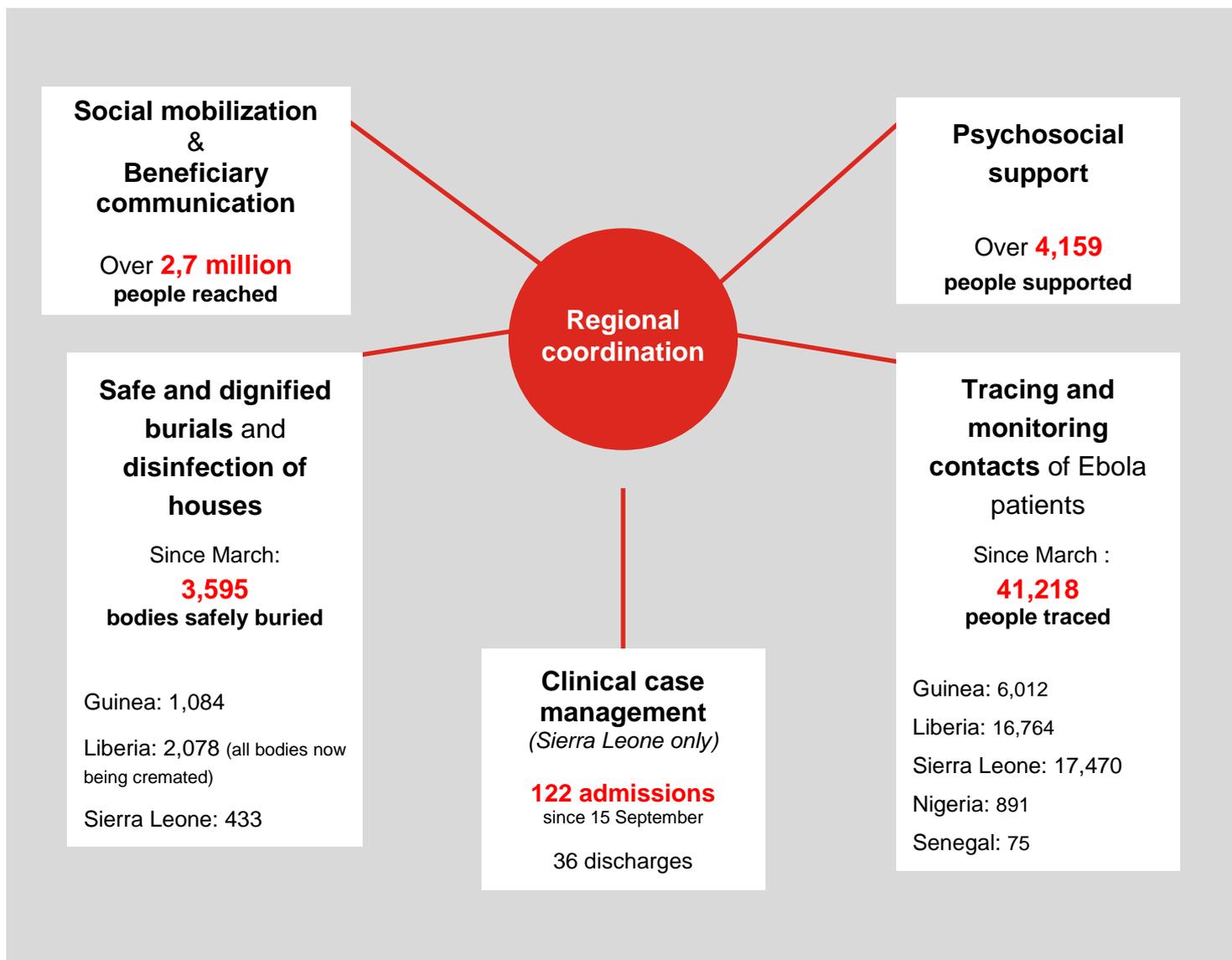
**9,287 cases**  
in Sierra Leone,  
Guinea, Liberia,  
Senegal and  
Nigeria

**4,742 deaths**  
since the outbreak  
began

Learn more at: [www.ifrc.org/ebola-crisis](http://www.ifrc.org/ebola-crisis)

#### New stories from the IFRC and the field:

- Ebola dampens Tabaski spirit in Guinea as cultural practices are put on hold: <http://www.ifrc.org/news-and-media/news-stories/africa/guinea/ebola-dampens-tabaski-spirit-in-guinea-as-cultural-practices-are-put-on-hold-67363/#sthash.RWneiwIQ.dpuf>



### Latest Press Releases regarding Ebola Virus Outbreak:

- Global cocoa sector joins fight against Ebola: <http://www.ifrc.org/news-and-media/press-releases/general/global-cocoa-sector-joins-fight-against-ebola/>
- Forum convened by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and co-organized with UNICEF, WHO, ECOWAS, BBC Media Action and West Africa Democracy Radio (WADR): <http://www.ifrc.org/en/news-and-media/opinions-and-positions/speeches/2014/forum-convened-by-the-international-federation-of-red-cross-and-red-crescent-societies-ifrc-and-co-organized-with-unicef-who-ecowas-bbc-media-action-and-west-africa-democracy-radio-wadr/>

### IFRC Blogs regarding Ebola Virus Outbreak:

- Ebola is real: the terror and tragedy of body management in Liberia: <https://www.ifrc.org/en/news-and-media/blogs/ebola-is-real-the-terror-and-tragedy-of-body-management-in-liberia-67033/>
- Ebola the thief: <https://www.ifrc.org/en/news-and-media/blogs/ebola-the-thief-66579/>

## EBOLA SURVIVORS : discharged from Ebola Treatment Centre in Kenema

Broad smiles and Ebola-free certificates in hand, **31 people** have now been discharged from ETC Kenema. Many patients were weak and lethargic when they came in, but through **treatment** provided by Red Cross staff, they grew stronger and have returned to their families. They received **counselling** from a Red Cross social worker to prepare them in case they received a frosty reception back in their communities. Stigma is still a problem in many parts of Sierra Leone and thousands of Red Cross volunteers are going **door-to-door** to deliver key messages about the disease and why survivors and their families should not be feared or shunned.

### ETC Kenema in numbers:

- **48 Red Cross international staff deployed** since August
- **250 staff needed** to run the centre.
- **80 bed** total capacity of the centre.
- Will scale up to full capacity with further staff, **for patient and health worker safety.**
- **10,000 m2:** equivalent of 2 football pitches.

