On 8th December 2017, at around 6:25 PM, there was a fire outbreak at the Government Girls Secondary School (GGSS) Camp, Monguno. IOM DTM and CCCM staff on ground report that the fire was a result of a cooking fire that was left exposed. The resultant damage has left 25 HH 95 INDs without shelters and properties. They are currently in need of shelter and NFIs. At the time of this report no aid has been provided to those affected.

Owing to the ongoing harmattan or sand storm season, dry gusty winds will become prevalent and exposed/unguarded fires will more often than not lead to fire incidents. The harmattan season is expected to last till February and more fire incidents are expected.

To mitigate further incidents such as this safe kitchen spaces should be constructed in camps and fire sensitization campaigns should be carried out in all camps. Priority should be given to camps with makeshift shelters as fire outbreaks in those areas are more likely to spread faster and cause more damage.