

Eritreans Continue Flooding Eastern Sudan

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The brutal political repression, the massive military conscription among the youth, and the persistent hunger and famine across the country is driving hundreds of Eritreans to seek political asylum in Sudan. In the past week, between July 20 and July 28, 2009 alone, 408 Eritrean refugees arrived in Shegerab refugee camp - a camp located in Eastern Sudan, sources of Eritrean People's Party reported.

The table below shows age and gender distribution of the new arrivals

| Age | Both Genders Total | Male Total | Female Total |
|--------------|--------------------|------------|--------------|
| 0-5 of Age | 10 | 4 | 6 |
| 5-18 of Age | 63 | 38 | 25 |
| 18 and Above | 335 | 284 | 51 |
| Total | 408 | 326 | 82 |

According to Eritrean People's Party source, which tracks the number of Eritrean refugees entering Sudan, reported that since January of this year 12,845 Eritreans have sought political asylum in Shegerab refugee camp.