



WFP response to South Sudan Crisis

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Humanitarian crisis in South Sudan

- Fighting erupted in Juba on 15 December and has since spread to other states, particularly Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile.
- IGAD cessation of hostilities agreement signed by parties to the conflict.
- Fighting continues in many areas including Jonglei, Unity and Upper Niles states.
- Dire humanitarian situation – more than 500,000 people are displaced within South Sudan, including 85,000 people seeking refugee UNMISS compounds.
- More than 130,000 refugees have crossed the border into Uganda, Kenya and Ethiopia.



Food security situation

- The latest IPC findings indicate that the conflict has had a compounding effect on an already fragile food security situation.
- An estimated 3.7 million people are at high risk of food insecurity as a result of the crisis. WFP and partners are focussing assistance to those in the Emergency category.
- The most affected areas include Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile states.

State	Minimum	Stressed	Acute	Emergency	Famine
Central Equatoria	703,397	532,746	153,768	33,638	-
Eastern Equatoria	417,964	473,599	141,687	30,558	-
Jonglei	42,658	299,666	620,170	567,084	-
Lakes	682,493	275,006	69,393	2,411	-
N Bahr el Ghazal	576,615	555,175	170,194	17,874	-
Unity	112,098	164,446	413,543	273,199	-
Upper Nile	331,175	352,770	421,209	172,121	-
W Bahr el Ghazal	371,864	112,881	21,561	1,460	-
Warrap	865,366	366,675	110,635	6,663	-
Western Equatoria	635,952	108,502	11,612	578	-
Total	4,739,582	3,241,465	2,133,772	1,105,585	-



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WFP operations

- As of 10 February, WFP has reached more than 220,000 people with food assistance in response to the current crisis.
- WFP is currently implementing a three month EMOP (through March 2014). A revision is being finalized in line with the revised Humanitarian Response Plan for South Sudan (January-June 2014) launched by the Humanitarian Coordinator on 4 February in Juba.
- The following activities will be implemented as part of the response:
 - Life-saving assistance to IDPs;
 - Support to conflict-affected communities; and
 - Targeted nutrition support for children under five.
- PRRO activities have been reprioritized for the continued provision of support to refugees and targeted nutrition programmes.
- WFP will also engage communities with Food for Assets and Food for Education activities as security and access permit.

Prepositioning

- **Prepositioning ahead of the rainy season has been critically impacted as a result of the current crisis.**
- Security and access remain key challenges. The Country Office has finalized a prepositioning methodology which includes three prepositioning approaches for:
 - i. secure locations,
 - ii. states with continued clashes or at risk of volatility into the rainy season, and
 - iii. refugee operations in Unity and Upper Nile states;
- Criteria for selection of revised prepositioning sites has also been defined.
- Up to 120,000 MT will need to be prepositioned before end May 2014.

Key risks

Operational issues and risks include:

- **Humanitarian Access** - negotiations to secure humanitarian space are ongoing at all levels with the government and SPLM/A in opposition.
- **Security for staff and assets** – Carefully reviewing use of UNMISS escorts to safeguard WFP staff and assets including warehouses.
- **Looting** - remains a key challenge, with approximately 4,385 MT of mixed commodities looted, and additional stocks at ‘high risk.’
- **Unsustainability of PoC sites** – a major concern for WFP and partners.
- **Collapse of banking systems** - impacts the way in which WFP continues to operate in affected areas.
- **Limited capacity of partners** - inability or unwillingness to operate in areas of higher insecurity, .



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Cluster support in South Sudan



- **Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster:** The cluster is coordinating food assistance planning among members to ensure activities and resources are effectively managed. Partners are also engaging in livelihoods support activities in coordination with FAO.
- **Logistics Cluster:** The Logistics Cluster provides critical storage and transport (road, river, air) services in order to fill gaps in commercial transport capacities in South Sudan. Civil-Military Coordination has also been augmented as part of the crisis response in order to facilitate humanitarian access for WFP and its partners.
- **Emergency Telecommunications Cluster:** The ET Cluster provides data and connectivity common services for the humanitarian community in areas where these services are not present.

South Sudan Funding Outlook

Project	2014 Planned Beneficiaries	Crisis Response Plan Requirement	Crisis Response Plan Shortfall
EMOP 200659	1,300,000*	US\$237m*	US\$237m*
PRRO 200572	1,200,000*	US\$266m*	US\$148.5m*
SO 200634 – UNHAS**	N/A	US\$19.3m	US\$8.5m
SO 200361 – Logistics Cluster ***	N/A	US\$16.1m	US\$12.2m
SO 200423 – Food Security and Livelihood Cluster	N/A	US\$540,000	US\$400,000
SO 200399 – Emergency Telecommunications Cluster	N/A	N/A	US\$2.3m****
Total	2,500,000	US\$539m	US\$409m

*To be confirmed in upcoming Budget Revisions.

** Budget Revision currently being prepared.

*** Logistics Cluster information is for Jan-June. The SO will run out of funds by the end of Feb.

**** 6-month shortfall for ETC.

Regional Impact

- More than 130,000 people have crossed the border from South Sudan into Uganda, Kenya, Ethiopia and Sudan
- WFP is prioritising the provision of critical food assistance and nutritional support to all new refugees, the majority of whom are women and children.
- WFP urgently needs additional \$79 million for refugee operations.

Project	New South Sudanese arrivals since mid-Dec	UNHCR projection by the end of 2014
Ethiopia	29,000	60,000
Kenya	14,000	50,000
Uganda	63,000	100,000
Sudan	23,000	50,000

Funding outlook - Regional

Project	6-month requirements US\$	6-month shortfall US\$	6-month shortfall (%)
Ethiopia PRRO 200365	US\$51m	US\$32m	63%
Kenya PRRO 200174	US\$66m	US\$30m	45%
Uganda PRRO 200429	US\$23m	US\$13m	55%
Sudan EMOP 200517	N/A	US\$3.5m*	N/A
* Needs for new South Sudanese refugees only.			



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