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Country: South Sudan

Highlights

- **Hailstorm in Rumbek (Lakes) compromises WFP Logistics and UNHAS air assets, including four helicopters and one caravan.**

An assessment is currently underway to evaluate the impact. It is anticipated that significant logistical challenges will be faced while the assets are being repaired or replaced.

- **Expansion of warehouses are at top gear to support repositioning efforts.**

The Bor (Jonglei) hub has been completed with a capacity of 11,000 mt. The Rumbek hub (Lakes; 5,000 mt) is expected to be completed by end March while the Bentiu hub (Unity; 10,000 mt) will be finished in April. Meanwhile, expansion in Wunrok (Warrap; phase one: 5,000 mt) will commence soon which will serve as a forward hub for Yida and Bentiu (Unity) as well as Abyei.

- **A robust fleet augmentation is in place, with the first convoy of 21 fleet trucks and commercial trucks (400 mt of mixed food commodities) already dispatched to Pochalla (Jonglei).** Since 01 January, approximately 29,000 mt of food commodities has been dispatched for repositioning. Some 15,500 of this amount has been dispatched to Bentiu and Yida (Unity) through crossline deliveries.

In numbers 

1.5 million IDPs (OCHA estimates)

506,938 displaced outside South Sudan (OCHA estimates)

113,000 seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS estimates)

2.5 million projected to remain in emergency or crisis level food insecurity from January to March 2015 (IPC, September 2014).

WFP Response

Food and Nutrition Assistance 

- Distributions through mobile teams have been completed in Nyanapol and Kuadalop (Jonglei).
- WFP and partner teams are on the ground in Ulang (Upper Nile), Jazera, Nimni and Kuach (Unity) to conduct registrations and distributions.
- Airdrops are continuing in Nyal and Ganylel (Unity) through partner GAA. Airdrops have also started in Dablual (Unity) with Samaritan's Purse.
- Following the arrival of trucks from Ethiopia, distributions are planned in Mathiang (Upper Nile) with NPA.

January 2015 EMOP and PRRO distributions by state

Project	State	GFD	BSFP	TSFP	FFE	FFA	Unique ben
EMOP	Central Equatoria	38,358	8,134	214	0	0	38,572
	Eastern Equatoria	4,993	0	0	0	0	4,993
	Jonglei	112,183	20,917	6,888	0	0	119,071
	Lakes	96,737	0	0	0	0	96,737
	Northern Bahr el Ghazal	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Unity	105,850	24,009	15,968	0	0	121,818
	Upper Nile	87,853	12,956	5,079	0	0	92,932
	Warrap	1,773	0	0	0	0	1,773
	Western Bahr el Ghazal	1,033	0	0	0	0	1,033
	Western Equatoria	0	0	0	0	0	0
EMOP Total		448,780	66,016	28,149	0	0	476,929
PRRO	Central Equatoria	10,034	0	1,050	70	0	11,154
	Eastern Equatoria	577	0	2,122	0	0	2,699
	Jonglei	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Lakes	175	0	2,780	3,776	6,975	13,706
	Northern Bahr el Ghazal	8,729	0	8,821	0	19,851	37,401
	Unity	86,164	2,819	2,790	0	0	88,954
	Upper Nile	129,884	0	4,094	0	0	133,978
	Warrap	67,373	0	15,977	0	28,969	112,319
	Western Bahr el Ghazal	13,119	0	2,789	700	0	16,608
	Western Equatoria	9,826	0	0	0	0	9,826
PRRO Total		325,881	2,819	40,423	4,546	55,795	426,645
EMOP&PRRO Total		774,661	68,835	68,572	4,546	55,795	903,574

Logistics 

- Approximately 1,300 mt of cereals has been loaded to trucks in Kosti (Sudan) bound for Melut (Upper Nile). Clearances are in the final stages and dispatches through the Sudan corridor are expected to begin on 15 March.
- A set of four barges loaded with 1,555 mt of food commodities arrived in Malakal (Upper Nile) on 08 March from Bor (Jonglei). Offloading is ongoing.
- The first convoy of trucks from Nazareth (Ethiopia) crossed the Gambella border on 12 March destined for Mathiang (Upper Nile).
- WFP is continuing its efforts to dispatch food from Uganda directly to forwarding hubs in South Sudan, bypassing Juba. Approximately 11,300 mt has been dispatched from Uganda; of that about 3,911 mt has been received in Bor, 2,204 mt in Wunrok; 32 mt in Rumbek; and 64 mt in Bentiu warehouses.
- Additionally, WFP is dispatching food from Kenya. Approximately 1,000 mt has been received in Bor (Jonglei).
- Since 01 January 2015, WFP has dispatched 69,295 mt of food commodities, of which a total of 11,400 mt has been airlifted or airdropped within South Sudan and from Ethiopia.

Special Operations

Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster 

- Emergency livestock vaccination was conducted for approximately 150 livestock in Aweil East, Northern Bahr el Ghazal.
- Warehouse capacities have been strengthened in the hubs of Wau, Bor and Rumbek in preparation for the Emergency Livelihood Response Programme (ELRP) distribution campaign.

Logistics Cluster 

- Over the last week, 91 mt of humanitarian supplies have been airlifted on behalf of six different organizations to Jonglei, Upper Nile, and Unity state (Akobo, Bentiu, Ganyel, Gum, Jiech, Jikmir, Kandak, Koch, Kuach, Leer, Mandeng, Panyagor, Pibor, and Pigi).
- The humanitarian barge has finished loading in Bor, capital of Jonglei State, and is expected to start moving in the next coming days.
- As South Sudan is well into the dry season, many roads are now open and physically passable. Locations that can now be accessed by road are no longer serviced by air. These locations include Bentiu, Bor, Duk, Gumuruk, Panyagor, Pibor and Yida. However, many locations are still only accessible by air.
- The Logistics Cluster is currently conducting a mission in Bentiu and will provide an update on the progress of the common storage facilities upon return to Juba.
- Funding continues to be a major constraint in 2015. The project is currently 16% funded with a shortfall of USD29.3 million. Funding constraints will affect the Cluster's ability to maintain the heavy lift helicopter (Mi 26).

- Roads across the country have dried up and many are now passable. However, the following key route remains impassable: Langchok – Wurieng – Mir Mir; Due to this road remaining closed, road transport to key locations in Southern Unity is not possible.
- Partners are currently sending cargo via Juba-Wau-Bentiu-Malakal to reach Maban by road. Should any organization be interested in this route, contact the Logistics Cluster for more information.
- The latest access constraints map can be found here: http://www.logcluster.org/sites/default/files/maps/ssd_lc_op_accessconstraints_a3l_20150306.pdf

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC) 

- In Nyal, a new ETC site is being established. A mission to deploy reliable internet connectivity equipment for the NGOs working on the ground is ongoing.
- In Leer, a front line ETC service deployment assessment mission is ongoing. NGOs on the ground are being involved and needs for the ETC services are being evaluated.
- In Aweil and Wau, a mission is ongoing to support security telecommunication services and resolve technical issues experienced in providing these services.
- ETC continues to provide radio programming services to humanitarian partners in South Sudan. During the reporting period, 18 radios were programmed for Internews, UNESCO, WFP, IRC and UNIDO.

UN Humanitarian Air Service 

- UNHAS transported 1,948 passengers and 17.5 metric tons of light cargo during the reporting period.
- 297 passengers were affected by flight cancellations (260) and lack of aircraft capacity (37) during the week. Flight cancellations were mostly caused by technical problems and poor visibility en route affecting 140 and 77 passengers respectively. More flights are expected to be cancelled during the second rotations on Friday due to poor visibility gradually spreading all over the country.
- UNHAS' 50-passenger capacity aircraft, Fokker 50 and the Dash-8 developed technical problems during the week, impacting on the response capacity. A regional-based Dash-8 aircraft was brought in from Nairobi to cushion the impact and provide needed services to the humanitarian community.
- Six medical evacuations were performed out of Yida, Bor, Waat, Yambio and Kapoeta for UNHCR, IRC, Save the Children-UK, MSF-Spain and Carter Centre.
- UNHAS facilitated the reunification of 7 children with their parents out of Leer to Juba on behalf of UNICEF.
- UNHAS supported 13 special missions during the week including, WFP/Cooperating partners' Rapid Response Mobile team deployment to Kuach.

Yuai and Katdalok; the Emergency Telecommunication Cluster mission to Rumbek and Leer; WFP mission for Food Security Monitoring round 15 in Nhaildiu, Unity State.

- During the week, UNHAS facilitated a high level mission for UNICEF to Nabweliangakine for the commissioning of a motorized water system in Kauto, Kapoeta East County in Eastern Equatoria.
- The South Sudan Civil Aviation Authority has approved the use of electronic tickets at Juba airport and around the country. The request was made by UNHAS at the instance of the User Group Committee.
- On 07 March, UNHAS organised a meeting with all contracted Air Operators to brief the aircraft crew on their responsibilities in the new Procedure for Handling High Risk Passengers at Transit Locations. A new pre-departure passenger briefing template has equally been developed and shared to the crew to ensure compliance.

Feeder Roads

- A joint site visit from Kworijik – Buko (50 km) with a representative from the Ministry of Agriculture and the mine clearance team took place on 13 March. The purpose of the visit was to familiarize everyone with the route alignment, meet locals and brainstorm on matters arising from the visit. Local authorities were informed about the visit. The visit is also a mitigation measure due to heavy military presence in the area.
- Following a site visit to Western Bahr El Ghazal by the Canadian Delegation and consultations with local and State authorities, a road south of Wau has been selected by the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD – Canada) to be rehabilitated under their funding.
- A training-of-trainers workshop for HIV/AIDS awareness raising activities is being prepared to take place in Wau next week.

Resourcing Update

Project	2015 Requirements (US\$)	Six-month Shortfall (US\$)
EMOP 200659	\$504 million	\$200 million
PRRO 200572	\$331 million*	\$77.8 million*
SO 200786 (UNHAS)	\$59.3 million	\$15.3 million
SO 200778 (Logistics)	\$34.9 million	\$13.4 million
SO 200775 (Food Security)	\$1.37 million	\$0.68 million
SO 200791 (ETC)	\$4.5 million	\$2 million
Total	\$935 million	\$309 million

Feeder Roads operations has a budget of US\$167.3 million, with a shortfall of US\$73.6 million

*Operation is undergoing budget revision—shortfall and requirement to be updated.

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