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Northern Sudan

- From 22-28 April, the ADRA-IOM team in Kosti reported tracking a total of 2,214 individuals (480 households) passing through the transit hub indicative of a 7% decrease from last week. Main destinations were Upper Nile (28%), Central Equatoria (28%) and Southern Kordofan (27%), with the rest heading to other states in relatively small numbers.
- For this reporting period ADRA-IOM also tracked a total of 218 individuals repatriated through the government-organized movements to Upper Nile (110), Southern Kordofan (88) and Western Bahr el Ghazal (20).
- On 18 April, the pusher *Doma* departed Kosti for Juba with four cargo barges carrying 713 individuals (167 households) on board. By end of the week, 3,085 individuals (659 households) were waiting at the Kotsi wharf for southbound transport.

Abyei

- Some persons in Abyei that were displaced as a result the attacks in January/February in Makeer, Todaj, Noon and Tajalei have started returning to Abyei area. Meanwhile, in a related development the Abyei market is gradually picking up nonetheless there is shortage of basic foodstuffs with most northern traders yet to return. The lack of access also continues to limit the availability of food in Abyei market.
- In response to support for poor vulnerable households in Abyei area, SNV and partners SAARF and ACAD continue restocking programmes of small ruminants targeting 44 households in Tajalei with another 22 households targeted in Leu village.
- On 27 April, UNICEF facilitated a meeting with UN agencies to establish education clusters in Abyei. The cluster led by both UNICEF and Save the Children will be responsible for all emergency education issues in Abyei area. The education specialist from Khartoum indicated that cluster coordination will also take place at national level. The Director General for education highlighted the challenges in the education sector in Abyei that include inadequate sitting facilities and classrooms; and lack of text books. Education partners operating in Abyei were urged to scale up their support to the education sector.

Blue Nile

- UNHCR reported that on 26 April 44 individuals (8 households) from Urra IDPs returned to Kortumbak. They benefited from the DDR program designed to assist people with disabilities. Another group of 26 individuals (6 households) returned to Piakejji, Liang, Lieka villages on 29 April.
- On April 27, RSCO attended the Health Coordination Meeting focused on progress of mapping health facilities so as to identify critical gaps in health services and updates on the humanitarian/health contingency plan.

Southern Kordofan

- As part of the UNMIS/HCT contingency plan; on 28 April, UNMIS/RCSO completed pre-positioning of NFIs and FIs to the designated Save Havens (SHs) adjacent to team sites in Talodi, Julud, Kauda and Kadugli. The contributions provided by six key humanitarian partners: UNICEF, UNHCR, IOM, UNFPA, WHO and WFP are planned response for the immediate requirements of a total of 5,000 civilians expected to move to SHs (at least 1,250 persons/Safe Heaven) in case of imminent threats.
- Following the UNST meeting on 27 April to review issues pertaining to the return of 30,000 Southerners, members of the UNST agreed on the critical need to address the immediate protection needs of the group throughout the post-election period and beyond July 09.

Darfur

- On 27 April, WFP-LCU/SRCS and UNHCR in West Darfur distributed none-food items to 729 households in Nyoro area.
- The UNDP Livelihood Project in South Darfur has signed an agreement with the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) in Nyala based on which the MoA will lead a baseline assessment for commodities selected for the pro-poor value chain project. Hence, UNDP conducted a three-day workshop on value chain approach that drew participants from the ministries of Agriculture, Finance, Animal Resources and

Social Welfare; and NGOs.

- African Development Bank (AfDB) is currently conducting a Darfur Water Project appraisal, including consultations with relevant international stakeholders and state ministries in El Fasher.
- UNOPS started the implementation of water infrastructure improvement project in El Geneina that will cover four main Darfur cities over a period of two years. Currently El Geneina activities include the renovation of the borehole system and replacement of water pumps. The project is funded by DFID and implemented through a contractor in cooperation with the Ministry of Planning and State Water Corporation.
- In North Darfur, EPI department has successfully completed the polio campaign targeting 460,551 children of less than five years of age. The campaign has covered the whole state with exception of Um Baru area.

East Sudan

- On 26 April, Practical Action (INGO) in Kassla invited the government line ministries, UN agencies, NGOs and CBOs participated in a seminar for consultation and discussion on a new project called 'Practical Answers for Sudan'. The participants provided recommendations and ideas for the implementation of the project which is overall aiming at helping people to overcome poverty by enabling and mobilizing communities through essential practical answers that is expected to be available for community members, by collecting, classifying and sharing of knowledge and experience. The project will be running for three- year with total funding of 798,762 Euros from EC.
- In Red Sea State, Welthungerhilfe (German Agro Action) launched a 3-years livelihoods project in Localities of Agig and Sinkat. The project will e providing support to agriculture, Horticulture and to livestock in coordination with line ministries and other livelihoods actors in Red Sea State. Other components of the project are introduction of water harvesting technique as we as rehabilitation of the existing drinking water sources in the two targeted Localities. Project funding is from EU.
- The governor of Red Sea State Mr. Mohamed Tahir Aila, called for a meeting to be convened on 16 May 2011, to discuss facilitation of UN agencies and NGOs access in Red Sea State. Participants of the meeting are MIC, Federal HAC, Red Sea State HAC, RCSO and Country Director of Plan-Sudan.

Southern Sudan

Central Equatoria

- RCSO continued to follow up on food assistance to 4,092 verified returnees at Juba port. As food and reintegration assistance to returnees was suspended on 15 April, due to ongoing investigation by WFP and partners over the allegations that food supplies are directly being sold in the local market.
- On 28 April, the INGO Cooperative Housing Foundation (CHF) reported that it had handed over three vocational training centers in Lobonok, Liriya, and Mangalla Payams to the Ministries of Labor and Education to accelerate the reintegration process.

Eastern Equatoria

- On 29 April, during the State Coordination meeting, it was agreed that all NGOs and humanitarian organizations operating in the state to provide the Government with detailed breakdown of their 2011 budget according to sectors to avoid duplication and ensure more equitable distribution of resources. Meanwhile, the meeting agreed that the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs, SSRRC, NCA, UNHCR and RCSO form a standing body responsible for emergency readiness and response.
- UNHCR verified number of organized returns stands at 2,680 individuals (722 households). However, over 1,000 individuals decided to remain in Torit because their final destination in Imurok Payam has inadequate social services and employment opportunities.
- Meanwhile, the land-allocation process by the state government to returnees from North Sudan and East Africa has been delayed due to land dispute over the designated resettlement area. The land allocation also awaits provision of social services in the area. The Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs, SSRRC and RCSO will convene soon to strategically review the basic services requirements.

Jonglei

- WFP has suspended operations in seven of the eleven counties in the state after a national staff member was ambushed and killed on 27 April. The suspension according to the agency will directly affect 135,000 people who are in need of food rations
- On 24 April a team of UNDP contracted surveyors arrived in Bor to help survey the land for local communities and vulnerable returnees in Bor.
- In response to the displaced persons in Pibor; MSF and INTERSOS distributed a four-day food rations and NFIs respectively to 3,435 people.

Lakes

- On 29 April, WFP reported that their humanitarian operations have been suspended in Lakes State following the commandeering of the WFP truck with 15 MT of food for school feeding program.
- UNHCR's vulnerability assessment of the returnees in Cueibet and Wulu Counties is ongoing. The agency also has completed its vulnerability assessments in both Yirol East and West.

Northern Bahr el Ghazal

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Unity

- WFP is planning to pre-position 470 MT of food items in Abiemnom before the start of the rainy season. However, security concerns constraint the completion of the per-positioning.
- On 27 April, SSRRC, OCHA and RCSO held a joint meeting with the Ministers of Information and Social Development, that focused security issues affecting IDPs and the on ongoing efforts to locate the two missing IOM drivers in SPLA controlled areas. Meanwhile MSF-H reported that IDPs in Wankai and Bouth are facing difficulties, but refrain to consider their conditions as desperate.

Upper Nile

- FAO will start the distribution of agricultural tools in the coming week. FAO also pre-positioned 239MT of seeds and 2,700 pieces of tools. This initiative will target 17,000 HHs in the state.
- CARE International expressed willingness to distribute seeds and tools to target 6,750 households.

Warrab

- NRC started an emergency shelter project (very rudimentary "Rokuba" structures) targeting 1,500 most vulnerable returnee households in Twic and Gogrial East. Though the project will complement GIZ/UNHCR shelter programme the marked disparity in design may cause discontent.
- WVI is about to drill two boreholes in neighbourhood 23, while UNICEF will perform the same activity in neighbourhoods 20 & 22 in in Kuajok town.

Western Bahr el Ghazal

- On 29 April, the State Monthly Humanitarian Coordination Forum focused on expected partners' contribution towards the reintegration support for returnees that are being resettled on the government donated land in Alel-Chock locality in Wau North Payam, Jur River County.
- UNHCR action plan for reintegration support was on 26 April approved by the Council of Ministers. The plan will constitute reintegration issues in the shelter, water and sanitation, health, education, security and policing sectors. UNDP will construct 9,000 concrete 2 bedrooms shelters for returnees in three counties.
- GTZ with support from UNHCR intends to begin procurement of local materials early next week to construct 500 shelters for vulnerable returnees in Wau and Jur River Counties.

Western Equatoria

- On 27 April, RCSO attended a Rule of law meeting held at the Ministry of Local Government, co-chaired by UNDP. The meeting was attended by participants from UN agencies and officials from Government line ministries as well as actors involved in keeping law and order including Persons, and wildlife. The meeting aimed at promoting partnerships within rule of law institutions discussed access to justice, and training of police amongst other issues.
- On 28 April, RCSO and UNHCR met with the Deputy Governor purposely for formal authorization in respect to the government's request to UNHCR to move the Ambororo out of Ezo to Mboki in Central Africa Republic (CAR). UNHCR already contacted Uganda People's Defence Force (UPDF) to transport the Ambororo and they accepted upon formal authorization from the State government.
- The State Ministry of Public Services conducted a two-day workshop from 27-28 April 2011 for public servants that aimed at improving their productivity and delivery of services as part of the public service reforms.

ABBREVIATIONS

AWD: Acute Watery Diarrhoea
 CHF: Common Humanitarian Fund
 CRMA: Crisis and Recovery Mapping Analysis
 DG: Director-General

RIEP: Rapid-Impact Emergency Programme
 RCSO: Resident Co-ordinator's Support Office
 SMoA: State Ministry of Agriculture
 SMoE: State Ministry of Education

EC: European Commission EPI: Expanded Programme of Immunization ERS: Early Recovery Section GBV: Gender-Based Violence HAC: Humanitarian Aid Commission LRA: Lord's Resistance Army	SMoH: State Ministry of Health SSRRC: Southern Sudan Relief and rehabilitation Commission (designated SRRC in the north) WG: Working Group WES: Water, Environment and Sanitation UNST: UN State Team
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