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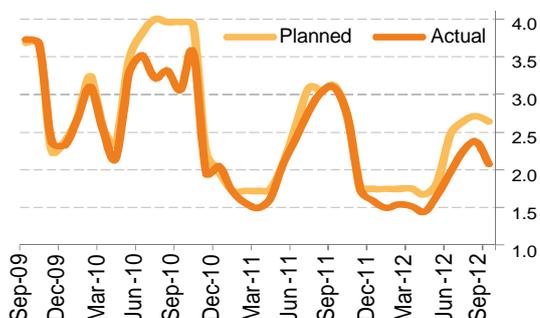
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS SECTOR FACT SHEET

Between 3.2 and 3.5 million people in Sudan will face stressed or crisis levels of acute food insecurity in the course of 2013.

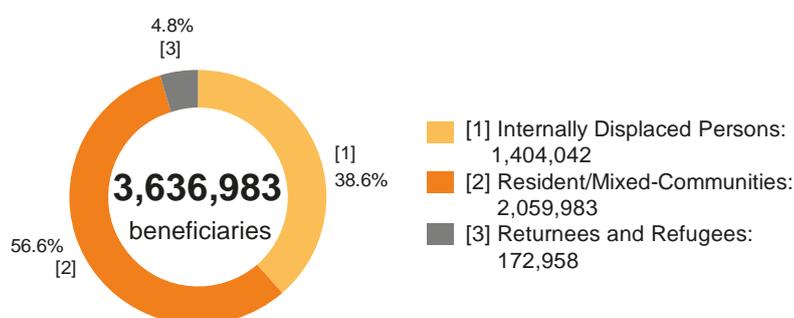
Source: Famine Early Warning System Network (FEWSNET)

Food aid flows to Sudan

Beneficiaries planned vs. actually reached (in millions)



Food assistance beneficiaries in Sudan (2013 Plan)



WHAT?

- The most vulnerable segments of the population—particularly long-term displaced people, female- or child-headed households and the elderly—are the hardest hit by food insecurity and limited livelihood resources.
- Seasonal migratory routes have been restricted by the closure of border points between Sudan and South Sudan, causing concentrations of millions of animals in areas ill-equipped to cope with the additional pressure on natural resources. This greatly heightens the potential for localized conflict and the spread of animal diseases.
- Coordination of food security and livelihoods interventions by national and international humanitarian partners is vital to ensure efficiency and effectiveness.

HUMANITARIAN FOCUS

- Improve food security status of 3.6 million food-insecure people through the provision of 270,000 metric tonnes of food assistance and USD 37 million of cash-based food vouchers (roughly 55,000 metric tonnes).
- Improve food and livelihoods security of vulnerable households through the improvement of the crop production capacity of 3.3 million people and controlling livestock epidemics and endemic diseases for 11.7 million livestock.
- Sustainably restore and improve natural resources in vulnerable communities and eco-systems such as by planting tree seedlings and promoting energy saving technologies and community-based natural resource management.
- Strengthen sector coordination and the capacity of government line ministries, national NGOs and community-based organizations in various aspects of food security and livelihoods.



FROM THE FIELD

February 2013. West Darfur:

Jamiya stands outside her home in West Darfur with a dabanga used for crop storage. She is a returnee from Btoata village in Beida locality. Here, FAR Sudan is helping to reestablish returnees' livelihoods through various interventions in seven communities including the provision of improved storage systems (like the dabanga) and animal restocking – with partial support from the Sudan Common Humanitarian Fund.

People began returning to the locality in 2010-2011, and many arrived with few resources with which to re-start farming. Livestock herds had also been decimated during the conflict, further eroding food security.

At the time of the first round of CHF last year, immediate support such as seeds and tools were needed, as well as crop storage systems and other items so that families could re-establish themselves.

FAR's intervention not only provided communities with seeds and tools to plant a winter crop for the 2012 season, but also supported the construction of storage systems like the dabanga which will give families more control over their surplus, allowing them to ration their food supply for later consumption or sale at market. FAR also supported restocking of animal herds and husbandry training to help families manage healthy herds. Training in milk, cheese and yogurt production and sale allows them to increase their own food diversity as well as cultivate new income sources. Conscious of possible adverse environmental impacts due to larger, more-robust herds, FAR operates sister programs in the locality that support forestry regeneration and tree nurseries.

FAR works closely with community based organizations in Beida locality to target households that are in particular need. Household food security is critical to building

lasting solutions for returnee families. (Photo: OCHA)

SECTOR INFORMATION

Government lead: Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, Ministry of Animal Resources

Lead Agency: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and World Food Programme (WFP)

Projects: 74

Beneficiaries:
5,107,000 (2,672,000 women + 2,435,000 men)

Funds requested: \$407,421,045

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