South Sudan
September 2019

While armed conflict has declined in South Sudan since the warring parties signed a peace agreement in September 2018, implementation of the deal is lagging, the political situation remains fragile, and millions remain displaced both inside and outside of the country. Meanwhile, instability in neighboring countries has driven nearly 300,000 refugees into South Sudan. Poor rule of law and easy access to arms has resulted in an increase in inter- and intra-communal violence that continues to force people from their homes. Still, the South Sudanese remain hopeful. Despite UNHCR’s non-return advisory for refugees (updated in April 2019), more displaced persons are showing interest in heading home.

POPULATIONS OF CONCERN

299,162
Number of refugees in South Sudan. 92% come from Sudan, 5% from the Democratic Republic of the Congo, 2% from Ethiopia, and 1% from the Central African Republic.

1.46 million
Number of internally displaced persons in South Sudan. 12% of which are staying inside six UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites.

213,376
Number of South Sudanese refugees who have returned to South Sudan in a self-organized manner (November 2017 – 31 August 2019) of an estimated 2.3 million displaced in six surrounding countries.

OPERATIONAL PRESENCE

302 national staff > 103 international staff

Refugee Response
Refugees reside in 21 refugee camps and urban settings in the Upper Nile, Unity, and Western and Central Equatoria regions. While assisting refugees in finding durable solutions, UNHCR and partners provide services, such as education, healthcare, water and sanitation, and livelihood support. Host communities also benefit.

Refugee Return Monitoring
UNHCR and partners systematically monitor self-organized refugee returns through 34 border-crossing points.

Statelessness Prevention
UNHCR has supported the government in issuing nationality certificates to more than 15,000 people at risk for statelessness since 2012.

IDP Response
UNHCR co-leads the coordination of the humanitarian community’s protection activities and camp management activities on a national level and on a local level in several locations. Protection desks are established in six UNMISS PoC sites so UNHCR can engage directly with IDPs. Mobile protection activities extend to 190 priority locations.

FUNDING

$152.2 million
Requested for the 2019 operation

44% unfunded
67 M
56% funded
85.2 M

September Updates

- Thousands of people were internally displaced in Warrap and Central Equatoria by flooding and armed conflict, respectively. UNHCR and partners provided emergency support.
- UNHCR ramped up its response to severe seasonal flooding in Maban County, which has impacted 150,000 refugees and 50,000 members of the host community.
- South Sudan’s Commission for Refugee Affairs and UNHCR secured the release of 20 registered asylum-seekers after they were detained by immigration officials in Juba, Central Equatoria State.
- More than 17,000 refugee children were screened for malnutrition as part of a quarterly exercise. Eight-hundred-and-fifty were enrolled to receive supplementary nutrition support.
## Select September Activities*

**PROTECTION**

### SGBV Prevention
- 31 new sexual- and gender-based violence cases identified and supported
- 143 women and girls at risk supported with food or non-food items
- 1,721 people trained in preventing SGBV and sexual exploitation and abuse
- 9,251 people provided with information on referral pathways and available services for SGBV survivors

**Access to Justice**
- 60 detention monitoring visits conducted
- 29 traditional court sessions monitored
- 22 people provided with legal counseling

**Child Protection**
- 39 separated/unaccompanied children identified and provided case management services
- 220 at-risk children provided food or material assistance, such as clothing, blankets or mosquito nets
- 9,516 children participated in recreational activities in child friendly spaces

**HEALTH**
- 66,169 people consulted with healthcare professionals
- 491 patients started on antiretroviral therapy for HIV/AIDS
- 1,808 new patients admitted for inpatient care
- 81,169 people reached through health education initiatives, including Ebola prevention programming
- 80 patients started on Tuberculosis treatment
- 550 babies delivered at emergency obstetric and newborn care facilities
- 533 students received scholastic materials, such as exercise books, pens and school uniforms
- 110 teachers benefited from training

**EDUCATION**
- 27 students selected for the DAFI scholarship programme (Albert Einstein German Academic Initiative)
- 33 people provided solar lamps

**WATER & SANITATION**
- 41,357 people reached through hygiene campaigns focused on proper latrine use, safe water handling and waste disposal
- 148,441 people provided soap
- 253 household latrines constructed

**SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS**
- 2,793 people received core relief items, such as blankets, sleeping mats, soap, buckets, mosquito nets, and kitchen sets
- 1,287 households provided shelter materials, such as family tents or plastic sheeting, timber, corrugated iron sheets for roofing, etc.
- 29 emergency shelters provided
- 144 women and girls provided feminine hygiene kits

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*Numbers include refugees, IDPs, returnees and host community members.*

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A refugee mother and child in Bunj Referral Hospital, which UNHCR supports, in 2019. © UNHCR/Elizabeth Stuart
FOOD SECURITY & NUTRITION

17,139 children screened for malnutrition
850 malnourished children identified and referred for services
3,750 children reached through supplementary feeding program
2,529 people distributed seeds and tools

3,281 pregnant and breastfeeding women screened for malnutrition
573 malnourished pregnant and breastfeeding women identified and referred for services
1,981 mothers reached from supplementary feeding program
4,129 people provided skills or vocational training

ACCESS TO ENERGY

287 people trained on energy efficient cooking practices
1,314 fuel efficient stoves produced by refugee women
11,500 trees planted
13,619 seedlings distributed for planting

Partnerships

Government Partners: Ministry of Interior, Commission for Refugee Affairs, Relief and Rehabilitation Commission, Directorate of Nationality, Passports and Immigration

Implementing Partners: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), Association of Christian Resource Organisation Serving Sudan (ACROSS), Agence d'Aide à la Coopération Technique et au Développement (ACTED), CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Hope Restoration (HRSS), Humanity & Inclusion (HI), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), INTERSOS, IsraAID, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Nile Hope, Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), Women Development Group (WDG), World Vision International

Operational Partners: CAFOD, Caritas, Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB), FAO, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), MEDAIR, Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium, Swiss, Holland), Mentor Initiative, Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), OXFAM, REACH, UNAIDS, UNICEF, UNMAS, UNMISS, WFP, WHO, Women for Women International

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Contributions earmarked for the South Sudan situation (including six neighboring countries): United States of America 54.3 M | Australian private donors 9.1 M | Germany 9.1 M | Canada 4.6 M | Sweden 3.1 M | German private donors 9.1 M | Norway | Miscellaneous private donors

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