Humanitarian access continued to be hindered by various constraints particularly violence against civilians including aid workers/assets, interference in the implementation of humanitarian activities and active hostilities since January. Following an analysis, these incidents were caused by all parties to the conflict. Since the beginning of the year, more than 890 incidents have been recorded of which 119 or 13% accounts for July 2014.

**Access Constraints**

From January to July 2014

- Interference in implementation: 12%
- Violence against personnel/assets: 72%
- Active hostilities: 4%
- Restriction of movement within the country: 4%
- Physics environment: 3%
- Obstacle to the access to population: 4%

**Impact on Humanitarian Response**

The reported number of access incidents has progressively increased since May by 38%. The number of reported incidents against humanitarian personnel/assets has also increased by 60% since May, with serious incidents of threat, attacks against aid workers, as well as robberies/looting and ambushes. Ongoing active hostilities in Bambari and Batangafo also continue to impede humanitarian access in these areas.

**Actions Taken**

1. **Humanitarian Country team (HCT) and actors**
   - Extensively engage with all partners to the conflict to raise awareness on the impact of access constraints on humanitarian programmes.
   - Advocate for unhindered access to vulnerable and affected people, for the delivery of assistance by the humanitarian community.
   - Liaise with international military forces on humanitarian access issues including ensuring security for communities at risk through field deployments and patrols.
   - Support the Government to ensure the protection of civilians.