



Country: South Sudan

Highlights

- First successful test of vegetable oil airdrops.** On 08 May in Ganyiel WFP's Logistics unit, in conjunction with US-based company SkyLIFE, conducted the first test airdrops of vegetable oil. Further technical reviews are ongoing to make improvements on the dropping procedure.
- WFP/UNICEF Joint Nutrition Scale Up review this week.** The Joint Nutrition Scale Up plan was launched last year and the review was held 05-07 May in Juba, with staff arriving from the organizations' Regional Bureaus and Headquarters. Representatives from Government, donor organizations, Nutrition Cluster and Cooperating Partners also attended. On the last day participants identified concrete actions for improvement to determine the way forward for the second year of the scale-up.
- WFP continues to seek information on its missing staff members.** Safe return and additional information are sought for Mark Diang, who was abducted from Malakal airport in October 2014 as well as for three drivers whose last known whereabouts were Akoka on 01 April.

In numbers

- 1.5 million** IDPs (OCHA estimates)
- 515,000** displaced outside South Sudan (UNHCR estimates)
- 119,700** 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

- A rapid response mission including general food distribution and blanket supplementary feeding for children under 5, was completed in Akobo on 01 May.
- WFP and Cooperating Partner teams are currently deployed in Mogok, Nyambor, Gorwai, Old Fangak, Kuernyang, Jiech (Jonglei), Nyal, Mankien and Thaker (Unity).
- Next deployments are planned for Wai, Lankien, Pading, Kandak (Jonglei), Gai Reang (Upper Nile), Abiemnhom and Dablual (Unity).
- Insecurity across Jonglei, Upper Nile and Unity continues to inhibit the capacity of rapid response mission teams to reach targeted populations in many sites.

March 2015 EMOP and PRRO distributions by state							
Project	State	GFD	BSFP	TSFP	FFE	FFA	Unique ben
EMOP	Central Equatoria	54,519	6,600	437	-	-	54,956
	Eastern Equatoria	5,871	-	-	-	-	5,871
	Jonglei	90,565	42,832	7,346	-	-	97,911
	Lakes	79,310	-	-	-	-	79,310
	Northern Bahr el Ghazal	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Unity	295,747	70,959	12,089	-	-	307,836
	Upper Nile	142,283	16,318	6,523	-	-	148,806
	Warrap	8,522	-	-	-	-	8,522
	Western Bahr el Ghazal	6,036	-	-	-	-	6,036
	Western Equatoria	-	-	-	-	-	-
EMOP Total		682,853	136,709	26,395	-	-	709,248
PRRO	Central Equatoria	17,690	-	2,709	1,217	-	21,616
	Eastern Equatoria	577	-	2,920	18,950	-	22,447
	Jonglei	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Lakes	171	-	4,564	9,061	-	13,796
	Northern Bahr el Ghazal	8,192	-	18,047	39,674	-	65,913
	Unity	91,755	-	2,167	-	-	93,922
	Upper Nile	130,413	-	4,040	-	-	134,453
	Warrap	129,490	-	11,107	-	-	140,597
	Western Bahr el Ghazal	5,715	-	1,653	16,549	-	23,917
Western Equatoria	12,761	-	-	-	-	12,761	
PRRO Total		396,764	-	47,207	85,451	-	529,422
EMOP&PRRO Total		1,079,617	136,709	73,602	85,451	-	1,238,670

Logistics

- The successful vegetable oil airdrop test in Ganyiel on 08 May sets the groundwork to reduce airlifts of the commodity for remote locations, which could vastly improve delivery of the emergency food basket and greatly reduce costs for the air operations.
- WFP South Sudan's fifth IL-76 is expected to arrive next week, for positioning in Jimma, Ethiopia. Deliveries with this aircraft will mainly be airdrops in the three conflict states, due to limited road access. Currently daily uplift capacity is approximately 400 mt.
- Fuel shortages reported on the open market have not yet caused major issues for WFP's commercial contracted transporters but WFP is closely monitoring the situation.
- Since 01 January 2015, WFP has dispatched 123,991 mt of food commodities, of which a total of 19,456 mt has been airlifted or airdropped within South Sudan and from Ethiopia.

Special Operations

Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster



- In the past week, FSL Cluster partners dispatched 7,000 Fuel Efficient Stoves to partners for distribution to beneficiaries in Mingkaman.
- As part of efforts to strengthen the cold chain system throughout the country, FSL Cluster partner teams comprising Cold Chain Technicians were deployed to Terekeka, Tali, Mingkaman, Bunagok, Mundri East, Yiol West and Cueibet. This week FSL cluster partner teams completed their mission, in which they installed and repaired solar refrigerators and also provided hands-on training.

Logistics Cluster



- Over the last week, 81 mt of relief items have been airlifted to Akobo, Ganyiel, Jiech, Koch, Kuernyang, Lankien, Motot, Nyal, Pagil, Pibor, Pochalla, Waat, Wai, Walgak, and Yuai on behalf of 13 humanitarian organisations.
- Cargo for an additional barge movement to Malakal is currently being consolidated/planned.
- A fixed wing aircraft will soon be added to the Logistics Cluster fleet to increase the daily airlift capacity.
- The mid-year review of the Humanitarian Response Plan (HRP) has begun. The Logistics Cluster is working closely with OCHA, partners, and other key actors to update the logistics response plan for the remainder of the year.
- Road access is beginning to be hampered due to scattered rains across the country. The latest Access Constraints map can be found here: http://logcluster.org/sites/default/files/maps/ssd_lc_op_accessconstraints_a3l_20150508.pdf

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)



- In Leer, establishment of the new ETC site has been temporarily suspended until the security situation improves. Recently deployed equipment for Internet connectivity and renewable power had to be removed due to insecurity.
- Aid workers, including ETC partners were relocated from Koch on 04 May because of skirmishes in the area. All equipment, including the ETC renewable power system was left behind.
- A mission to Malakal which was previously postponed due to fighting last week, to determine and resolve security telecommunication equipment issues, is ongoing. An ETC radio specialist will also provide comprehensive training to field staff, radio operators and drivers.
- The ETC and the United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP) are establishing a new collaboration to promote renewable power in South Sudan. In order to promote the ETC operations, a UNEP/OCHA visit to the ETC site in Mingkaman is scheduled for 11 May.

UN Humanitarian Air Service



- UNHAS transported 1,975 passengers and 18 mt of light cargo during the reporting period.
- This week 281 passengers were affected by flight cancellations (201) and lack of aircraft capacity

(80). Flight cancellations were mostly caused by aircraft reaching cut-off times (88 pax), lack of security clearance or high exposure to security risks (60 pax) at Akobo, Bor, Pibor, Labrab, Kuach and Udier, and to bad weather conditions (53 pax) in Akobo, Ganyiel and Rubkona.

- A regional based Dash-8 aircraft was brought in to mitigate the effect on from the mechanical breakdown of the 50-seater Fokker-50.
- Five medical evacuations were performed out of Leer and Yambio for MEDAIR, MSF-Spain and UNHCR.
- Ten UNMISS staff were relocated out of Malakal due to insecurity in Upper Nile. UNHAS remains on standby for security evacuation requests.
- On behalf of UNHCR, UNHAS facilitated the return of 19 refugees to Ajourng Thok, Yambio, Yei, and Yida after undergoing medical treatment in Juba.
- UNHAS facilitated eleven special missions during the reporting period including; WFP/Cooperating partners' Rapid Response Mobile team deployments to Kuernyang, Akobo, Wai, Kurwai, Ganyiel, Thaker and Ngop; UNESCO's mission to Torit, UNICEF's mission to Kuernyang, UNOPS's mission to Tambura and UNDSS's security assessment mission to Pagak.
- Several VHF radios used to facilitate staff communication and passenger movements at the Juba International Airport were confiscated by National Security this week, on the allegations of interference with the control room frequency. WFP management is liaising with the national authorities to retrieve the radios.

Feeder Roads



- Works on the large slab culvert on the Mundri-Bangolo road (67.25 km | Western Equatoria) continue. The contractor's fuel shortages have been mitigated by providing extra fuel in stock for another project in the area. This ensures activities can progress smoothly.
- The weekly monitoring visit to the Kworijik-Tendere-Buko road (50 km | Central Equatoria) took place to ensure compliance with the work plan. Demining activities, setting out of the centerline, bush clearing and scrubbing continue. Filling material and gravel from three different locations in the project area have been taken to the laboratory for testing this week.
- Changes have been observed along the Pageri-Magwi road (65 km | Eastern Equatoria) as road rehabilitation has progressed: an MTN communications tower has been completed in Opari, a kiosk for sale of airtime and mobile phones was installed in Pageri (increasing the mobile network services in the area); a new hotel and fuel station have been built and are operating in Magwi town due to increased demand, and a commercial bank has been built and is operational.

Resourcing Update



Project	2015 Requirements	Six-month Shortfall
EMOP 200659	\$504 million	\$197 million
PRRO 200572	\$288.6 million*	\$86 million*
SO 200786 (UNHAS)	\$59.3 million	\$16.5 million
SO 200778 (Logistics)	\$34.9 million	\$11 million
SO 200775 (Food Security)	\$1.37 million	\$0.68 million
SO 200791 (ETC)	\$4.5 million	\$2 million
Total	\$892.7 million	\$313.2 million

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

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

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