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Country: South Sudan

Highlights

- ECHO and WFP convene high-level event in Nairobi, Reframing the Approach to Food Assistance in South Sudan. In coordination with the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator, WFP and ECHO co-hosted community-based organizations, UN agencies, national and international NGOs, academia, media, donors, international organizations and officials from South Sudan from 10-11 December. The event focuses on six core themes: extending the reach of humanitarian assistance; safeguarding humanitarian principles; leveraging markets and expanding cash transfers; building peace constituencies through community engagement; sustaining investments by laying the groundwork for social protection and resilience; and putting a human face on the South Sudan crises and ongoing aid effort.

- South Sudan and Sudan MOU extended. In a meeting held in Juba between the Governments of South Sudan and Sudan and WFP, the cross border transportation MoU between the two governments was extended from 30 December 2015 to 30 June 2016. The Kosti transport corridor has been vital in the delivery of WFP food assistance to populations in need.

WFP Response

Food and Nutrition Assistance

- WFP and Cooperating Partners’ IRRM teams completed missions in Gorwai, Walgak (Jonglei), Mayendit (Unity), Jikmir and Makak (Upper Nile) this week.

- Teams are currently deployed in Nyambor, Old Fangak, Pultruk, Kardolok, Kurneyoun (Jonglei), Mankien (Unity), Pagak, Maiwuit, Athidway, Gaireang and Wathjak (Upper Nile).

Logistics

- In a bid to address the current shortfalls for Malakal, a freight contract has been organized to airlift 86 mt of assorted food commodities to meet the December 2015 shortfalls. Deliveries commenced on 07 December and with two planned rotations daily on the B-737, the airlifting should be complete by next week.

- Delivery of 2,200 mt of assorted commodities by river from Bor to Mingkaman, has been completed to cover December shortfalls.

- UNMISS has agreed to increase the number of humanitarian trucks per convoy from 30 to 50. As per UNDSS’s recommendations, they will only be required to provide Force Protection escort from Rokon to Mundri (though there have been discussions to expand that to Juba to Mundri). This will hopefully increase the amount WFP will be able to transport.

- The road condition from Juba to Rumbek via Mundri has improved. WFP plans to use commercial transporters for the next convoy, expected on 22 December.

- Since 01 January 2015, WFP has dispatched nearly 201,600 mt of food commodities including prepositioning, of which a total of about 54,000 mt has been airlifted or airdropped from within South Sudan and from Ethiopia.
Special Operations

Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster
- Nothing significant to report.

Logistics Cluster
- This past week, the Logistics Cluster delivered 96.8 mt to Athidway, Bauw, Koch, Leer, Paloch, Thonyor and Wau Shilluk (via Malakal) on behalf of four organizations.
- The current Logistics Cluster fleet consists of four Mi-8 helicopters and one chartered AN-32 aircraft. Two helicopters were out for unexpected maintenance this week, limiting the Cluster’s capacity for airlift. Options for a permanent fixed-wing plane are currently being explored.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to support high priority rapid responses and mobile missions into southern Unity and Upper Nile. This week, over 33 mt of survival kits have been delivered to the ongoing response in Leer county and an additional 3 mt delivered to mobile missions in Upper Nile.
- The Logistics Cluster barge docked in Bor on 07 December. The Cluster will have two barges (half a barge set) for a return trip to Malakal and loading will begin in early January. The Logistics Cluster is attempting to make barge transport a more regular, reliable service to Malakal.
- The most recent Access Constraints map can be found at the following link: http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-4-december-2015

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)
- In 2016, the ETC strategy will focus on supporting the humanitarian community through coordination, building partnerships and brokering services. While maintaining its key function as the provider of last resort solutions and strategically prepositioning equipment for fast deployment, the ETC will hand-over the management of its ongoing Internet services to identified on-site lead organizations by the end of 2015.
- An ETC hand-over mission is ongoing in Ganyiel and Nyal to identify specific mechanisms to develop on-site capacity for the management of the ICT equipment and services. An ad-hoc cost-sharing model is also being developed with partners on the ground.
- Deployment of the Humanitarian Internet Support Project (HISP) continues in Mingkaman. Thus far eight organizations have been connected, with additional ones requesting connectivity.
- The ETC continues to provide radio programming services to humanitarian partners in South Sudan. During the reporting period, 81 radios were programmed for UN and NGO partners.

UN Humanitarian Air Service
- UNHAS facilitated two special flights in support of ongoing inter-agency response missions in Leer and Thonyor (both in Leer county, Unity state).
- This week, one dedicated flight was performed in support of a UNHCR high level mission to Ajoung Thok.
- UNHAS facilitated the reunification of nine children with their families in Malakal, Lankien and Bor on behalf of UNICEF.
- During the week, one flight was launched for the medical evacuation of an OXFAM-GB staff out of Nyal. Three other medical evacuation cases were accommodated on UNHAS regular flight out of Mingkaman, Yida and Malakal on behalf of ACTED, UNHCR and Solidarites.
- UNHAS facilitated WFP and Cooperating Partners’ Rapid Response Mobile team deployments in and out Athidway, Buaw, Dablual, Gai-Reang, Gorwai, Jiech, Mankien, Mayendit and Wathjack.
- This week UNHAS transported 2,180 passengers and 14 mt of light cargo.
- A meeting of the UNHAS Steering Committee was organised during the week to review operational performance in 2015 and the projections for 2016. A new Procedure for Passenger and Cargo Coordination guidance was equally endorsed during the meeting.
- UNHAS organised a one-day end of the year staff retreat to review the 2015 operation and to discuss strategies to enhance operational effectiveness and efficiency in the coming year.

Feeder Roads
- National NGO Action for Development (AFOD) is implementing community sensitisation activities along the Kangi – Kuajok road and has so far reached approximately 2,000 people from the local communities, engaging them in various activities. WFP arranged a meeting with the Executive Directors of AFOD and construction company Rhino Stars to discuss collaboration to further improve implementation of the project.
- Fuel shortages across the country remain a challenge and might result in delays. This week a contractor working in Warrap explained his fuel trucks are stuck at Yirol as the water level of the river is too high. Local authorities have also asked the contractor to provide assistance in repairing the bridge.
- Security incidents in Eastern and Central Equatoria, as well as Western Bahr El Ghazal have put this week’s scheduled missions on hold until further notice.
- Technical evaluation of the six bids received for construction and maintenance works on the Canadian-funded Fargacika – Bagari Jedid road (89km in Western Bahr el Ghazal) is ongoing.
- A call for proposals for community sensitisation and mobilisation along the Canadian-funded road in Western Bahr El Ghazal was launched by the Wau sub-office on 07 December. Community sensitisation is a critical complementary activity of the Feeder Roads operation, which aims at community engagement to ensure successful implementation and sustainability of the project after handing over to the authorities.
Resourcing Update

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

*Shortfall to the end of December 2015.

WFP South Sudan donors (listed alphabetically)*:

- Canada
- United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund
- China
- European Union
- Norway
- Germany
- Japan
- Netherlands
- South Korea
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom
- United States

*Since 01 January 2015

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