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In Numbers

- 1.69 million** internally displaced people (OCHA estimates)
- 714,882** South Sudanese refugees (UNHCR estimates)
- 186,660** people seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS estimates)
- 2.8 million** people in emergency or crisis level food insecurity (IPC, January to March 2016)

Highlights

- WFP kicks off general food distributions in Northern Bahr el Ghazal to support 200,000 households through lean season.
- Market price monitoring indicates continued rising trends of staple food costs.

WFP's Activities

- General food distributions (GFD) have commenced in Northern Bahr el Ghazal to provide food assistance through the lean season to over 200,000 people whose food security situation has deteriorated due to high prices and the collapsing economy. Next week, WFP is planning to start GFD in Eastern Equatoria State to about 223,000 people. At the same time, Food for Assets programmes are ongoing to support food insecure populations through the lean season while building productive assets.
- WFP is preparing to support the construction of 20km of roads through its Food for Assets programme under the Whitaker Peace and Development Initiative. The road will connect Maji in Budi with Natpotpot in Kapoeta, Eastern Equatoria State. Over 160mt of food assistance will be provided to participants in the project.
- WFP's latest price market bulletin highlights the continued rising trend of foods costs and other commodities. In the past three months, the minimum food basket cost has climbed 62 percent, and 260 percent since the same time last year. This has translated into reduced access to staple foods for poor and vulnerable households and rising food insecurity.



Food Assistance

- WFP's nutrition strategy is being reinforced in areas which are not regularly targeted for large scale food distributions to ensure linkages between treatment and food security interventions through the lean season, such as in Greater Bahr el Ghazal. Families with children being treated for malnutrition will be included in the GFD caseload to help ensure the whole household has access to sufficient food as a way to prevent relapses.
- WFP and its partners completed Integrated Rapid Response Mechanism (IRRM) missions in Nyal, Nimni, Biil (Unity, Pieri, Pathai, Nyambor, Dengjok, Nyandit, Bilkey, Kaikuny, Gakdong (Jonglei) and Athidway (Upper Nile). More than 3,500mt of life-saving food assistance reached over 220,000 beneficiaries in the past week.
- IRRM missions are ongoing in 13 locations in Unity, Jonglei and Upper Nile states to reach about 236,000 beneficiaries with over 4,000mt of food assistance.
- Missions are planned for Jazeera (Unity), Nyanapol, Chuil, Wai, Riang, Keew (Jonglei) and Mading, Gum, Maker, Ngueny, Pagak, Maiwuit (Upper Nile) where approximately 189,900 beneficiaries will be targeted.

Beneficiaries (April 2016)



Logistics

- WFP has secured four barge sets with a total capacity of 6,000mt to facilitate river deliveries of supplies from Bor to Malakal. Loading of more than 2,000mt of food and non-food items is ongoing and one barge set is about to make the return from Malakal to Bor.

- Heavy rains continue to affect the conditions of the roads and the airstrips. Roads across the country are increasingly being reported as closed and physically impassable and a number of airstrips only suitable for helicopter and not fixed wing landing.
- This year, WFP has dispatched more than 160,000mt of food commodities using air, land, and river transport. Of this, 91,000mt have been dispatched to meet repositioning requirements through the rainy season. An additional 34,000mt is currently under procurement and are expected to be available within the next four to six weeks.

Clusters and Special Operations



Logistics Cluster

- Over the last week, 127mt of humanitarian supplies have been airlifted on behalf of 12 different organizations to Jonglei, Upper Nile, and Unity states.
- Loading of the Logistics Cluster barge-set is ongoing in Bor is expected to be completed within the first week of June.
- The Logistics Cluster plans to complete a short mission to Aweil from 6-9 June 2016 to discuss and identify organizational needs and the common storage capacity currently available in Aweil.
- The latest access constraints map can be found here: <http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-20-may-2016>.



Emergency Telecommunications

Cluster (ETC)

- Two week-long *Let's Comm* digital trainings were concluded for 25 ICT technicians from different UN agencies, government, and NGOs, including WFP, UNICEF, the Ministry of Telecommunications & Postal Service, Samaritan Organization, and FAO. The training prepared technicians for migration from analogue to digital radio technology. The digital technology allows devices that were once incompatible to connect, simplify and streamline voice communications within humanitarian operations.
- Training for High Frequency Radio programming was provided to Telecommunication Assistants as part of capacity building plan in WFP's Aweil sub-office.



UN Humanitarian Air Service

- Fourteen flights were cancelled during the week due to poor weather which rendered airstrips un-landable, affecting the movement of 223 humanitarian personnel in deep field locations. UNHAS has performed recovery flights to all

locations.

- Despite poor weather conditions, 1,856 passengers and 22.8 metric tons of light humanitarian cargo were transported over the past week.
- UNHAS facilitated the medical evacuation of six aid workers on its regular flights out of Maban, Rubkona, Mathiang, Kapoeta, Ajuong Thok and Yambio for three NGOs and two UN agencies.
- The mobile team deployment of the WFP and cooperating partners' Rapid Response Missions was facilitated in and out of Athidway, Bieh, Duk Padiet, Duk Poktap, Kandak, Mankien, Motot, Nyangore, Pajut, Paloich, Pathai, Payuel, Pieri and Yuai.
- UNHAS supported the UNDSS Security Assessment missions to Malakal and WFP's Security Risk Assessments in Pajut, Bor, Maban and Mingkaman.



Feeder Roads

- Nothing significant to report.



Food Security & Livelihoods (FSL) Cluster

- Nothing significant to report.

WFP Operations in South Sudan			
	2016 Requirements (in USD)	6 Months Net Funding Requirements (May-October) (in USD)	People Reached (April 2016)
EMOP 200859 (Oct 2015–Sept 2016)	424.4 million	158.7 million	936,780
PRRO 200572 (Jan 2014–Dec 2016)	277 million	45.9 million	593,605
SO 200775 Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster (Jan 2015–Dec 2016)	585,000	0	N/A
SO 200778 Logistics Cluster (Jan 2015–Dec 2016)	36.2 million	16.5 million	N/A
SO 200931 ETC (Jan–Dec 2016)	663,000	330,000	N/A
SO 200786 UNHAS (Jan 2015–Dec 2016)	58.6 million	12 million	N/A
The Feeder Roads Special Operation has a total budget of US\$167.3 million, with a shortfall of US\$70.4 million.			

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