South Sudan Situation Report #105  27 November 2015

Country: South Sudan

Highlights

- **WFP reaches about 1.32 million people throughout South Sudan in October.** Through its emergency conflict-related interventions, WFP distributed just under 8,900 mt of food to more than 667,200 people this month, mostly in the Greater Upper Nile region. Approximately 651,900 people engaged in a variety of Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation activities were reached with about 5,800 mt of food assistance.

  From January to October 2015, WFP distributed over 158,500 mt to roughly 2.6 million people in country.

- **Central and southern Unity reconnaissance assessment report released.** Joint assessment missions were completed by WFP, UNICEF, FAO, FEWSNET and ACF in central and southern Unity earlier this month. The objective was to conduct initial reconnaissance to better understand the severity of the situation and set the stage for more in-depth assessments and surveillance in the field. The assessment confirms that an emergency food security situation still exists, though the findings from the mission indicate there is currently no famine - at least not in the locations visited (based on mortality, Global Acute Malnutrition rates and food availability). However, it was noted that the situation is dire, particularly in more interior areas. Moreover, the report acknowledges that communities that were not accessible during the assessment are likely facing even worse circumstances. Though communities did not reveal catastrophic or famine conditions for now, there was a clear indication of a possible further deterioration from January 2016 when the onset of the dry season is expected and fish harvest reduced. [http://www.wfp.org/content/south-sudan-reconnaissance-assessment-central-and-southern-unity-november-2015](http://www.wfp.org/content/south-sudan-reconnaissance-assessment-central-and-southern-unity-november-2015)

WFP Response

**Food and Nutrition Assistance**

- WFP and Cooperating Partners’ IRRM teams completed missions in Haat (Jonglei) and Ganyiel (Unity) this week.

- Teams are currently deployed in Pathai, Lankien, Old Fangak, Walgak, Gorwai, Kaikuny (Jonglei), Ngueny, Makak, Jikmir, Mandeng, Mathiang and Wathjak (Upper Nile).

- Planned upcoming missions will cover Nyambor, Chuil, Ayueldit, Duk Poktah, Wai, Jiech, Pading, Puirtruk, Katdalok (Jonglei), Reang, Athidway (Upper Nile), Dabual, Buaw, Koch, Mir Mir, Mayendit, Nyal, Mankien and Thaker (Unity).

**Logistics**

- Of the 56 heavy trucks stuck in the Western Corridor, only 11 remain in transit. The rest have arrived in Juba, Yambio and Bor for off-loading in WFP and cooperating partners’ warehouses, to minimize the risk to cargo.

- Logistics operation to supply approximately 2,500 mt of mixed food commodities to Mingkaman by river commenced in Bor this week. Four boats carrying 206 mt of sorghum have already arrived in Mingkaman from Bor and a second convoy is planned for next week. Loading of 970 mt of food onto these boats was completed this week.

- UNMISS force protection arrived in Juba from Rumbek escorting 28 empty WFP fleet trucks. The trucks will be used to uplift commodities on the Western Corridor since they are better equipped to handle the current road conditions.

In numbers

- 1.66 million IDPs (OCHA estimates)
- 643,800 displaced outside South Sudan (UNHCR estimates)
- 183,700 seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS estimates)
- 2.4 million projected to remain in emergency or crisis level food insecurity from October to December 2015 (IPC, September 2015)
Logistics (continued)

- Since 1 January 2015, WFP has dispatched nearly 195,100 mt of food commodities including prepositioning, of which a total of about 49,000 mt has been airlifted or airdropped from within South Sudan and from Ethiopia.

Special Operations

Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster

- The joint central and southern Unity verification mission has been completed and the report finalized.
- A joint market trader survey has been completed. The report has been circulated and is available upon request.
- FSL partners are training 24 cold chain technicians and livestock officers in the use and maintenance of direct drive solar refrigerators from 24 November to 01 December.
- Livestock vaccinations are ongoing in Lakes state and Abyei.

Logistics Cluster

- This past week, the Logistics Cluster delivered 109.5 mt to Boma, Ganyiel, Kurwai, Malakal, Mandeng, Mathiang, Motot, Nyal, Pagak, Pibor, Rubkona, Waat and Wau Shilluk (via Malakal) on behalf of 12 organizations.
- This week the Logistics Cluster has been using a chartered AN26 and AN32 aircrafts to support deliveries to Rubkona, Paloich, Malakal, and Wau Shilluk (via Malakal). Charters will continue to support fixed wing destinations until a replacement is identified for the Logistics Cluster fixed wing that crashed in early November.
- The barge (two sets) are currently returning to Bor. The Logistics Cluster has secured two barges to be loaded upon return for onward movement to Malakal.
- Physical access has continued to deteriorate as a result of the rainy season. The most recent Access Constraints map can be found at the following link: http://www.logcluster.org/map/access-constraints-map-20-november-2015

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

- An ETC mission is currently ongoing in Ganyiel to install radio communications services for the humanitarian community responding in this location. Due to the lack of mobile coverage, ETC radio communications and internet connectivity services are essential for an efficient emergency response in this area.
- In addition to the installation, the mission will also provide training on basic usage of radio communications, assess the status of all ETC services in the area (including the solar power system) and provide ICT Helpdesk support.
- The first two partners in Mingkaman, OCHA and UNFPA, have been successfully connected to the Humanitarian Internet Support Project (HISP) service, a reliable and long-term solution based on a cost-sharing mechanism. By the end of next week, the engineering and technical team will connect the other eight targeted partners for the full implementation of the system in this location.
- Over the last two weeks, the ETC hosted two Let’s Comm Digital training sessions on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) infrastructure deployment. The course, facilitated by WFP’s IT emergency response team, FITTEST, successfully equipped 24 IT officers from UN agencies, NGOs and the Government with the skills and knowledge to be able to design, implement and maintain DMR networks.

UN Humanitarian Air Service

- During the week, UNHAS facilitated two inter-agency assessment and response missions to Buaw and Koch.
- UNHAS performed a special flight in support of a high level mission of the Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection office of the European Union (ECHO) to Malakal.
- Seven children were transported to Nyal, Paloich and Waat in support of UNICEF family reunification activities.
- Three cases of medical evacuations were accommodated on UNHAS regular flights out of Nyal, Torit and Yambio on behalf of UNICEF, AVSI and UNHCR.
- This week UNHAS transported 2,417 passengers and 18 mt of light cargo.
- UNHAS facilitated WFP and Cooperating Partners’ Rapid Response Mobile team deployments in and out Dablual, Ganyiel, Gorwai, Haat, Jiech, Jikmir, Juabor, Kaikuiny, Makak, Mandeng, Mathiang, Mogok, Thaker and Walgak.

Feeder Roads

- The second addendum to an existing Memorandum of Understanding between the Feeder Roads team and the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Cooperatives and Rural Development (MAFCRD) was signed this week. This Addendum covers structure works on the Terekeka–Muni–Tombek road in Central Equatoria which are funded by IFAD.
- A monitoring mission to the Kuajok–Lunyaker road (56 km | Central Equatoria) was conducted by a WFP Senior Engineer on 26 November. A number of repair works are being performed on this road and are nearing completion.
- For the Kuajok–Lunyaker road (50 km | Warrap State) a borrow pit close to the project site has been identified, which will significantly reduce hauling costs as appropriate material in the area is scarce.
- In order to mitigate the fuel crisis, the contractor for the Kuajok–Lunyaker road, for example, is importing fuel from outside the country. The fuel-transporting trucks are currently stuck in Yirol (Lakes state) on their way to Warrap, along with approximately 150 other trucks due to extremely poor trunk road conditions and the still too high to cross water level of the river.
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.

*Since 01 January 2015

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