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In Numbers

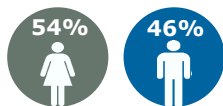
- 2 million** South Sudanese assisted by WFP in March
- 1.9 million** internally displaced people (OCHA)
- 1.7 million** South Sudanese refugees (UNHCR)
- 218,653** seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS)
- 4.9 million** people facing severe food insecurity from Feb-April 2017 (IPC, Feb. 2017)

Highlights

- WFP Country Director and OCHA Head of Office visit Wau, urging local authorities to ensure security and safety of humanitarian staff.
- SCOPE biometric registrations near completion in Panyijar county.
- Market price monitoring highlights dramatic increases in food prices. In February 2017, a food basket in Juba costs five times as much as the year before.

People assisted

March 2017



GENDER MARKER **2A** EMOP 200859

Global Humanitarian Funding

Overall:
USD 1.64 billion
WFP share:
USD 774.1 million

WFP 6-month Net Funding Requirements (April–September 2017)

Emergency Operation (EMOP 200859)	USD 59 million
Protracted Relief & Recovery Operation	USD 62.6 million
Logistics Cluster	USD 4.8 million
UNHAS	USD 6.6 million

Situation Update

- In a visit to Wau on 19 April, Directors of WFP, OCHA, UNICEF and IOM urged local authorities to ensure the safety and security of humanitarian staff. This visit followed the killing of three workers contracted as porters by WFP's office in Wau, Western Bahr El Ghazal, last week. A recent upsurge in violence starting on 10 April has displaced at least 13,500 people in Wau, according to IOM. WFP is closely monitoring the situation in order to continue its assistance to people in need.
- Since 13 February, WFP in collaboration with IOM, has registered a total of 69,389 individuals or 15,494 households in SCOPE across seven sites in Panyijar county. To date, 318,000 individuals have been registered in WFP's beneficiary and transfer management platform across South Sudan. This platform provides opportunities for strategic partnerships for enhanced efficiency.
- WFP's latest monthly market price bulletin highlights a continued weakening of the South Sudanese Pound against the US Dollar, and dramatic increases in food prices, which contribute significantly to the overall inflation rate. The price of cereals and bread increased by more than five times since February 2016. Poor households are most severely impacted by the observed inflation rates as their food baskets consists mainly of cereals. According to the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), the national inflation rate stood at 425.9 percent in February. Furthermore, insecurity along the supply routes and high transportation costs are contributing factors to the likelihood of supply reduction during the lean season. The WFP report indicates that prices of food commodities will remain at elevated levels or even to increase further as the lean season progresses.
- This week, a one-day workshop on accountability to affected people, (AAP), Protection and Gender mainstreaming was organized for WFP staff members



and WFP cooperating partners in Malakal. The workshop is part of efforts by WFP to strengthen the mainstreaming of gender and protection issues across its operations in South Sudan.

WFP Response



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In March, WFP assisted a total of 2 million people through general food distributions (GFD), blanket/targeted supplementary feeding for children and pregnant and nursing mothers, food assistance for assets (FFA) purchase for progress (P4P) and school meals programmes.
- Currently, there are 9 integrated rapid response mechanism (IRRM) teams deployed in Upper Nile, Unity and Jonglei states, providing life-saving food assistance to more than 193,400 people. WFP plans to deploy to 22 additional locations in the coming weeks to serve as many as 385,000 people.



Supply Chain

- To ensure the availability of food items in inaccessible areas of operation during the rainy season, WFP continues to pre-position food commodities. So far, nearly 80,000mt (or 70 percent) of the total plan of 115,000mt of food commodities have been pre-positioned in strategic locations across South Sudan.
- Over the past week, a total of three convoys of 72 trucks carrying 3,140mt of cereals have arrived in Bentiu (South Sudan) from El-Obeid (Sudan) through the newly opened northern corridor. WFP is currently preparing an additional convoy for the same route. In addition, 111 trucks left Juba this week with 4,243mt of assorted commodities to Aweil, Wunrok, Menkien, Ajuongthok, Mayom, Yida and Bentiu.
- Since the beginning of the year, WFP has dispatched a total of 99,000mt of food commodities by road and 22,400mt by air.

Clusters and Common Services



Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster (FSLC)

- Over the past week, FSL Cluster in collaboration with the Nutrition Cluster prepared for a conference to review the inter-cluster responses in South Sudan, Somalia, Yemen and Nigeria and the Development of an integrated famine response package taking place on 26 April in Rome. The Clusters documented the integrated emergency response, including food assistance and therapeutic feeding followed by livelihood support and transitioning to early recovery over time. In addition, FSL and Nutrition Cluster jointly providing data for integrated mapping and info graphics to be presented during the conference.

- FSL cluster has provided support to the integrated food security phase classification (IPC) technical working group (TWG) in support of the IPC verification missions to 'super' hotspots in the IPC 5 locations and 19 other hotspots around the country. The information collected by WFP, FAO, UNICEF and FSL partners will be used during the IPC update scheduled for the week of 8 May.



Logistics Cluster

- In the past week, the Logistics Cluster delivered 97 mt to Aburoc, Bauw, Chuil, Dablual, Diel (Atar3), Jiech, Koch, Kodok, Lankien, Loth, Nyal and Rumbek.
- The Logistics Cluster continues to coordinate the inter-cluster famine response with three MI8 helicopters. This week, approximately 38mt of relief cargo has been delivered to the area.
- Working closely with OCHA access unit, the Logistics Cluster is coordinating a convoy to Kajo Keji, on behalf of the humanitarian community.
- The most recent Access Constraints Map can be found at this [link](#).



UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- During the past week, UNHAS transported a total of 1,425 passengers and 28.2mt of light humanitarian cargo to 56 destinations, and facilitated 43 WFP airdrops, delivering 1,206mt of food to five locations on behalf of three organizations.
- Last week, UNHAS performed one medical evacuation and 45 security relocation from Akobo, accommodating passengers on three flights.
- Over the past week, UNHAS supported several missions, including a high-level mission of agency heads to Wau, an ICRC charter flight, two Inter-Cluster Working Group (ICWG) Rapid Response Missions (RRM) to Pakur and Mayendit, and an OCHA Mission to Mier and Loth.
- Flights to Kapoeta were disrupted due to rain, causing the airstrip to be wet, and a VIP Government mission.



Feeder Roads

- The construction of cross-drainage structures along the Terekeka-Muni-Tombek and Juba-Kajokeji roads is ongoing. WFP's engineers work in close collaboration with WFP contractors to improve performance. The current completion rate is 74 percent.
- Construction works of additional four cross-drainage structures along Juba-Kajokeji road are ongoing, at a current completion of 85 percent. WFP expects the construction works to be completed by the end of April 2017.

WFP Operations					
	2017 Requirements (in USD)	6 Months Net Funding Requirements (in USD) (Mar-Aug 2017)	People Assisted (February 2017) *	Female**	Male**
EMOP 200859 TOTAL (Oct 2015-Sept 2017)	732 million***	59 million	1,075,677	675,658	548,186
General Food Distribution (GFD)			983,191	529,637	453,554
Nutrition Assistance			240,653	146,021	94,632
PRRO 200572 TOTAL (Jan 2014-Dec 2017)	190 million	62.6 million	381,684	211,720	196,744
General Food Distribution (GFD)			250,559	127,524	123,035
Nutrition Assistance			35,864	25,321	10,543
Food for Education			122,041	58,875	63,166
Food Assistance for Assets			-	-	-

*Unique beneficiaries, excluding overlap

**May include overlap of beneficiaries

*** Requirements for October - December 2017 are estimated.

2016-2017 WFP South Sudan donors (listed alphabetically)*:



* Not included: SSHF and Private Donors

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