

South Sudan

1-15 October 2017

396

Refugees, IDPs and partners received capacity training during the reporting period across South Sudan.

2,100

Tree seedlings planted in Upper Nile during the reporting period.

915

New arrivals registered in Unity during the reporting period.

KEY FIGURES

INSIDE SOUTH SUDAN

279,160

Refugees in South Sudan as of 30 September 2017.

1.87 million

IDPs in South Sudan including 214,763 in UNMISS Protection of Civilian sites as of 12 October 2017

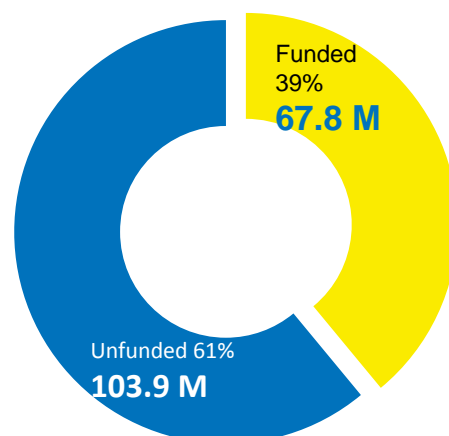
US \$883.5 million

Funding requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in 2017.

FUNDING AS OF 02 OCTOBER 2017

USD 172 M

requested for South Sudan



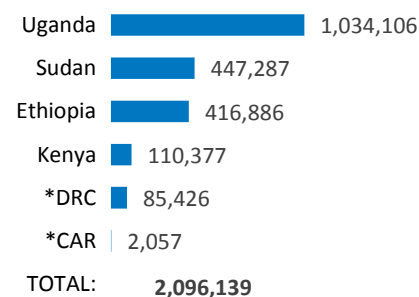
Refugee girls performing on the occasion of International Day of the Girl Child on 11 October in Ajuong Thok Refugee Camp.

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POPULATION OF CONCERN

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries as of 30 September 2017.

Host Countries



*DRC – Democratic Republic of Congo

*CAR – Central Africa Republic

Update on Achievements

Operational Context

- **IGAD concludes meetings with South Sudanese stakeholders:** The Inter- Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) announced that it has concluded its meetings with all significant parties to the conflict in South Sudan. In a statement, the East African Regional bloc said that these consultations have all been positive and constructive. IGAD delegates thanked each and every one of the participants for their commitment, engagement and thoughtful contributions. Ismail Wais, IGAD Special Envoy for South Sudan pointed out that over the next few weeks the IGAD Special Envoy's Taskforce will reflect on the outcomes of the consultation meetings, including consideration of the various written contributions provided to us, and develop options and recommendations for the revitalisation process.
- **IGAD team sets deadline for peace revitalization after meeting President Kiir:** On 15 October, the Inter- Governmental Authority on Development (IGAD) set a two-month deadline for revitalization of the 2015 peace accord in South Sudan, after meeting President Kiir. The visiting IGAD delegation, laid down a timetable after talking to all the parties. The timetable will operate within two months if everything goes according to the schedule, the revitalization process will be accomplished. President Kiir reaffirmed his commitment to revitalization of the 2015 peace agreement. Also, the President encouraged IGAD leaders to continue with their efforts. The delegation concluded that their consultation was fruitful. Workneh Gebeyehu, Ethiopia's Foreign Minister who is also chairman of the IGAD Council of Ministers pointed out that the regional bloc will convene a meeting for its foreign ministers before a summit of heads of states and government on South Sudan peace revitalization. Furthermore, earlier consultations saw different warring factions and oppositions groups having agreed to revitalise the now stalled peace process with a view of finding a permanent solution to the conflict. The former First Vice President, the main opposition leader Dr Riek Machar prefers revitalization of the peace agreement to the national dialogue process.
- **National Dialogue sub-committees report candid grassroots discussions:** The National Dialogue (ND) steering committee says grassroots consultations in Yei, Aweil and Juba are progressing well, with frank and honest discussions with communities. ND teams had been to the above locations, gathering public opinion on the structure and issues that should be brought up during the dialogue process. These teams will spend one month on the ground gathering proposals. The Co-Chair of the National Dialogue Steering Committee, Angelo Beda, said there is no conflict between the National Dialogue and the 2015 peace agreement. He said the two can consolidate peace in the country. His remarks came after meeting with the IGAD envoy to South Sudan. Beda said that there are areas where the peace process can help the National Dialogue and there are areas where National Dialogue can contribute to the peace agreement.



PROTECTION

Achievements and Impact

Unity

- In Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR registered 915 new arrivals (457F, 458M) including 682 children. Cumulatively, 10,709 new arrivals have been registered in 2017. Last year within the same period, 9,583 new arrivals were registered, which represents 10% increase due to the increased number of children leaving their parents in South Kordofan to pursue education opportunities.
- In Yida, UNHCR relocated 789 refugees to Jamjang camps; 19 to Ajuong Thok and 770 to Pamir refugee camps, including 61 refugees previously settled in Yida and 728 new arrivals. Cumulatively, 12,224 refugees have been relocated in 2017, out of which 1,733 individuals were previously residing in Yida refugee settlement. The Pamir refugee camp population stands at 16,405 individuals, while the population in Ajuong Thok refugee camp is 37,382 individuals as of 15 October.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, 235 refugees (153F, 82M) took part in the on-going participatory assessment for the sub-groups of youth and female heads of households. While access to livelihoods was the major concern, inadequate hygiene, access to higher education, limited participation and safety were raised among other issues by the youth. Findings will be discussed in detail with key actors on the ground to inform the right course of actions in 2018 interventions.
- In Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR and Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) held a town hall meeting with 130 refugee leaders. UNHCR and CRA encouraged leaders to provide a concrete schedule to relocate to camps in Jamjang.
- In Ajuong Thok, UNHCR recorded eight cases of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence (SGBV). The reported cases included 2 physical assaults; 2 rape cases; 3 emotional abuse incidents and 1 denial of resources case. All survivors were provided with comprehensive case management services and psycho-social support.
- In Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR trained 35 members (17 girls, 18 boys) of child parliament club on their roles and responsibilities, debate structuring, identification and referrals of protection risks to partners as part of strengthening child protection community structures.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR in coordination with its partner UMCOR and CRA trained 45 refugee leaders (20 Congolese and 25 Nuba) including youth, men and women on Conflict Resolution and Management, Leadership and Communication. The training identified poverty as a major cause of conflict in the community, coupled with poor leadership, tribalism, insecurity and alcoholism. Also, UNHCR conducted a two-day training for 35 refugees on dry season vegetable production techniques.
- In Yei, UNHCR partner ACROSS distributed Digital Audio Players (DAPs) with pre-recorded messages on Reproductive Health and Family Planning to community health workers in refugee locations in Lasu. Since this activity was rolled out in June, 18 awareness sessions have been conducted using DAPs, reaching approximately 3,000 refugees in Lasu and the other four locations.
- In Juba, UNHCR registered 35 (22 M, 13 F) asylum-seekers including 33 from Eritrea and two from Ethiopia. Also, UNHCR registered 28 news arrivals, including three new-borns from Sudan.

Upper Nile

- In Maban camps, UNHCR in collaboration with Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) commenced verification of refugees. The exercise aims to validate and update the family composition of refugees, residing in the camps, update their biometric information and issue refugee identity cards to all refugees who are aged 16 years and above (about 65,000). So far, 1,270 individuals have been verified. The exercise will cover approximately 143,000 refugees in four camps during the next six months.
- In Doro and Kaya refugee camps, UNHCR and its partners Lutheran World Federation (LWF) and Save the Children International (SCI) conducted an innovation training for 58 children, applying one of the innovative approaches (design thinking/human-centered design) to children's project design/development. During the training, children and youth learned how to translate their ideas into tangible products and services and design and develop projects that tackle their problems in the community.

Western Equatoria

- During the reporting period, UNHCR in collaboration with CRA renewed 1,060 ID cards for refugees including 923 in Makpandu refugee settlement and 135 in Tombura County.



EDUCATION

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Yusuf Batil, Gendrassa and Kaya refugee camps, UNHCR partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) distributed 158 desks, 971 school uniforms and 64 balls for football/volleyball. The assistance provided aimed at improving learning environment and attendance of students.
- In Maban, UNHCR and its partners LWF and Save the Children International (SCI) submitted names of 779 students, including 720 refugees and 59 host community members, for Primary 8/Accelerated Education Program (ALP) Level 4 for South Sudan Primary Leaving Examinations. This will promote uniformity of education in both host and refugee community by the government.

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR extended electricity supply to Soba Secondary School and Napata Primary School to operationalize the Instant Networking of Schools (INS) kit and enable to project the lesson on a projector.

Western Equatoria

- In Yambio, UNHCR in collaboration with the State Ministry of Education, Gender, Child and Social Welfare enrolled 15 refugees and 5 host community youth members in a six-month vocational training in tailoring, masonry, carpentry, driving, plumbing and mechanic.
- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR partner World Vision International (WVI) paid examination fees for 19 ALP candidates for Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE) and 36 Secondary School candidates.
- In Makpandu, WVI distributed 2,324 sanitary kits to 116 girls of reproductive age in primary and secondary schools.



HEALTH

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR procured Newborn Care items including drugs/medicines and medical equipment for Maban hospital, Kaya and Gendrassa Public Health Care Centers (PHCC) as well as medical kits for community health workers.

Western Equatoria

- In Yambio, UNHCR in collaboration with CARE International conducted training for 34 participants on clinical management of rape for partners. Participants were drawn from various humanitarian actors including World Vision International (WVI), Government Health Facilities, Yambio Prison, World Health Organization (WHO), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and UNHCR).



FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION

Achievements and Impact

- During the reporting period, UNHCR, World Food Programme (WFP), and partners continued conducting nutrition surveys in refugee camps. The surveys have been completed in Gorom and Doro refugee camps and were under way in Yusuf Batil, Gendrassa, Kaya and Makpandu. The survey focused on Anthropometric features (weight, height, mass mid-upper arm circumference-MUAC), nutritional oedema, health indicators, anaemia testing, infant and young child feeding practices and food security, targeting children aged 6-59 months and non-pregnant women of reproductive age.



WATER AND SANITATION

Achievements and Impact

Unity

- In Ajuong Thok, water supply coverage stood at 18.78 liters per person per day, while in Pamir camp - 19.53 litres per person per day. Crude latrine coverage stood at 7 in Ajuong Thok and 8 in Pamir.
- UNHCR partner Samaritan's Purse constructed 29 family and two communal latrines in Ajuong Thok and 23 family and two communal latrines in Pamir. Pamir has now 1,468, while Ajuong Thok 4,533 family latrines.

Upper Nile

- In Maban camps, water supply coverage stood at 18 litres per person per day during the reporting period.
- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and Medair installed a new borehole with the capacity of 20,000 liters per hour.



SHELTER AND NFIS

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Yusuf Batil and Doro refugee camps, the construction of 50 mudbrick transitional shelters for persons with special needs (PSNs) is under way. To date, 27 transitional shelters have been completed which represents 54% of the year target.
- In Gendrassa, Yusuf Batil and Doro, the construction of 1,050 mud daub wall transitional shelters is under way. To date, 840 transitional shelters have been roofed with corrugated iron sheets, representing 80% of the year target.
- In Kaya refugee camp, the upgrade of 325 transitional shelters is under way. To date, 241 transitional shelters have been roofed with corrugated iron sheets, representing 65% of the year target.
- In Gendrassa and Kaya camps, the major upgrade of 30 classrooms is under way. To date, 16 out of 30 classrooms have been completed, providing a conducive learning environment for more than 2,720 pupils.



CAMP COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

Achievements and Impact

Upper Nile

- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) distributed visibility items to 32 members of the Joint Peace Committee for conducting peace awareness/campaigns in refugee camps and host community villages.
- In Kaya refugee camp, UNHCR partner ACTED distributed four bicycles to the Executive camp Committee to facilitate mobilization, community sensitization/campaigns and address the logistical challenges faced by the committee.
- In Doro, DRC provided mobile phones to 15 members of the Outreach workers and 5 Community Watch Groups to facilitate feedback mechanism and support the Watch Group in the community-based approach to safeguarding facilities.
- In Maban, DRC conducted training for 32 (11 F, 21 M) members of the Outreach workers that focused on key camp management techniques for improved mobilization, recording of complaints, follow-ups, feedback and coordination of service provision.

**ACCESS TO ENERGY****Achievements and Impact****Upper Nile**

- In Maban, UNHCR partner Relief International (RI) distributed 1,400 tree seedlings to 158 households. Also, RI distributed 700 seedlings to Maban Primary School as part of tree planting effort.

**COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE****Achievements and Impact****Central Equatoria**

- In Yei, UNHCR in coordination with its partner UMCOR and Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) trained 82 (35 refugees, 28 host community members, 19 IDPs) on dry season vegetable production.

Upper Nile

- In Maban, UNHCR partner ACTED trained 50 members (21 F, 29 M) of livelihood sectorial committee on basic agriculture, principles of agriculture extension and community dynamics. The training sought to strengthen existing camp structures to ensure sustainability of livelihood interventions implemented in the camps.
- In Maban, UNHCR and partners, Relief International and ACTED, facilitated a three-day perma-gardening training for 82 persons of concern. As a result, 14 perma-gardens were established to promote year-round vegetable production at the household level.
- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, ACTED distributed 100 beehives to the host community to support livelihood diversification through beekeeping activities.

Western Equatoria

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, 150 agricultural plots have been allocated to refugees and host community. UNHCR will allocate more resources for provisional of additional 300 plots in the remaining of 2017 and in 2018 to assist farmers to achieve self-reliance.

IDP RESPONSE*COORDINATION***Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps****Upper Nile**

- In Melut, UNHCR conducted a comprehensive assessment inside the Protection of Civilian (POC) site to identify the main challenges, profiles and intentions of the IDP population. Since September 2017. The assessment collected data of 175 Households covering approximately 533 individuals. The data will inform UNHCR interventions in the POC, through the establishment of a household database for protection monitoring and assistance tracking. The assessment findings will also lead interventions in potential areas of return, shaping the support for possible relocations and promotion of other durable solutions. , UNHCR took over the coordination and protection response in the POC, after the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) withdrew its presence due to security concerns.

OPERATIONS**SHELTER AND NFIS****Achievements and Impact****Upper Nile**

- In Malakal, UNHCR and its partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) distributed non-food items (NFIs) to 12 persons with special needs (PSNs) living in dilapidated shelters. NFIs included kitchen sets, sleeping mats, plastic sheets and mosquito nets. Also, 65 women of reproductive age living in PSN households received dignity kits.



COORDINATION AND CAMP MANAGEMENT

Achievements and Impact

Jonglei

- In Bor, UNHCR completed data collection of 48 IDPs who are in need of age assessment certificate. Cumulatively, 313 IDPs have been assisted to obtain these certificates.
- In Bor, UNHCR distributed walking sticks and mobility devices to 19 elderly persons with walking challenges living in the Protection of Civilian (POC) site.



COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

Achievements and Impact

Jonglei/Lakes

- In Bor, UNHCR partner Intersos as part of income-generation and self-reliance project trained 26 women in baking techniques. The training helped women to start selling their products and generate income.
- In Aweril, Duk and Twic East counties, UNHCR partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) supported 40 youth with the establishment of Agro-Pastoralist Schools. Previous school farms have shown good production in Mingkaman, which has resulted in an income accumulation of South Sudanese Pounds 3, 600 per month per each farm
- During the reporting period, HDC distributed 40 goats to 20 households in Twic East County and 254 goats to 127 households in Duk with the aim to improve their livelihood.

Central Equatoria

- In Yei, UNHCR and UMCOR trained 57 IDPs and host community members with specific needs on business management skills. The trainees that included SGBV survivors will be supported with starter kits/grants to start and/ or boost their various businesses.

Identified Needs and Remaining Gaps

Jonglei

- UNHCR partner HDC identified 481 (120 in Mingkaman, 141 in Twic East and 220 in Duk) PSNs in need of various NFIs such as blankets, mosquito nets, soap and plastic sheets.

Working in partnership

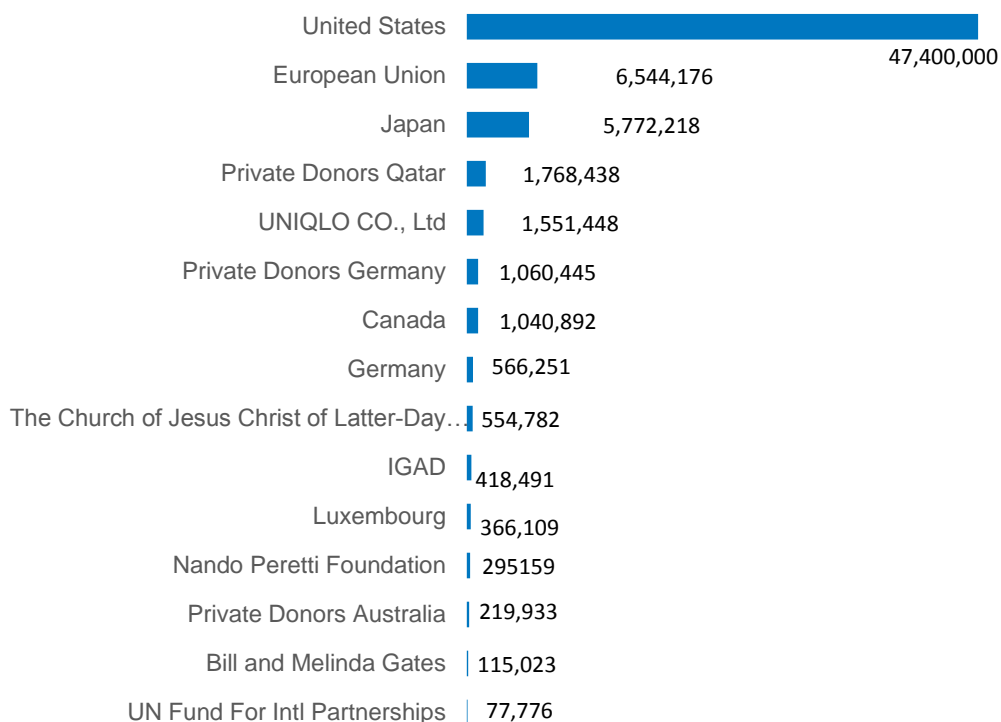
- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).
- In the **refugee response**, main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior and Minister of Wildlife Conservation and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA). Implementing partners in 2017 are : Action Africa Help International (AAHI), Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), ACROSS, ACTED, CARE International, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), International Medical Corps (IMC), International Rescue Committee (IRC), Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Relief International (RI), Samaritan's Purse (SP), Save the Children International (SCI), UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief), UNV and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the **IDP response**, the main government counterpart is the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC). Implementing partners in 2017 are ADRA, UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, International Rescue Committee (IRC), Nile Hope, UNV, Women Aid Vision and Women Development Group. Within the IDP response cluster system, UNHCR in South Sudan is Lead of the Protection Cluster (with NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the IOM-led Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- On **prevention of statelessness**, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports, and Immigration (DNPI).
- UNHCR maintains an **operational partnership** with CAFOD, Caritas, CMMB, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), Medair, Mentor Initiative, OXFAM, UNAIDS, UNOCHA, UN-Habitat, UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNMAS, UNMISS, World Food Programme (WFP), World Health Organization (WHO), Women for Women International and UN Women.

Financial Information

Total recorded contributions for the operation amount to some **US\$ 67.8 million**, for the financial year 2017 as of 2 October. UNHCR is grateful for the critical support provided by donors who have contributed to this operation as well as those who have

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