

# South Sudan

16-31 October 2018

# 13,400+

Refugees received relief packages across South Sudan during the reporting period.

# 3,500+

Refugees reached with Ebola virus prevention awareness in Western Equatoria during the reporting period.

# 850+

Refugees and IDPs received capacity building across South Sudan during the reporting period.

#### **KEY FIGURES**

**INSIDE SOUTH SUDAN** 

299,123

Refugees inside South Sudan as of 31 October 2018.

# 1.84 million

IDPs in South Sudan including 197,996 in UNMISS Protection of Civilians sites as of 14 September 2018.

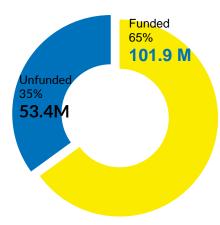
# US \$782.7 million

Funding requested by UNHCR for the South Sudan Situation in 2018.

#### **FUNDING AS OF 16 OCTOBER 2018**

# USD 155.3 M

requested for South Sudan



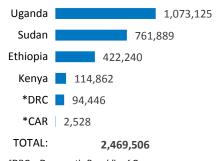


UNHCR staff member assisting elderly and disabled IDPs on their arrival to Akobo as part of the voluntary relocation from Bor to Akobo © UNHCR

#### POPULATION OF CONCERN

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries as of 30 September 2018.

# **Host Countries**



\*DRC - Democratic Republic of Congo \*CAR - Central Africa Republic



# REFUGEE RESPONSE



### **Achievements and Impact**

### Unity

- As of 31 October 2018, Ajuong Thok refugee camp population stood at 43,795, Pamir refugee camp at 31,944 and Yida refugee settlement at 51,951.
- During the reporting period, UNHCR registered 223 newly arrived refugees (162 men, 122 women) from South Kordofan, which is a decrease of 36% compared to the same period in 2017.
- UNHCR relocated 446 refugees to Jamjang's two refugee camps (117 Ajuong Thok camp, 329 Pamir camp) including 289 new arrivals and 157 refugees previously settled in Yida. In the same period in 2017, 582 refugees were relocated including 76 refugees from Yida settlement.
- In Unity, UNHCR partner International Rescue Committee (IRC) supported 15 new Sexual Gender-Based Violence (SGBV) cases, which is an increase of 50% as compared to the same period in 2017. Increase of awareness and referral pathway among communities is a main contributing factor to the increased number of reported cases. Cumulatively, 401 cases have been supported since January (Pamir 141, Yida 63, and Ajuong Thok 197).
- IRC and Lutheran World Federation (LWF) facilitated a three-day training on basic concepts of SGBV, Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA), and the referral pathways for 12 teachers (10 men, 2 women) from five primary schools in Ajuong Thok refugee camp. The training enhanced the understanding of teachers about violence against women and girls and PSEA. Cumulatively 130 teachers have been trained since January 2018 (70 Ajuong Thok, 20 Yida, 70 Pamir).
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR identified 2,952 persons with specific needs (PSNs). PSNs include separated children, older persons at risk and persons with disabilities as well as children victim of violence, abuse, exploitation or neglect. UNHCR and partners are working to address the high-risk cases.
- In Jamjang's refugee camps, LWF identified 75 children at risk (36 boys, 39 girls) including unaccompanied and separated children (UASC), early pregnancy and children in conflict with the law. The majority (35) are unaccompanied children (18 boys, 17 girls). The high number of UASC is due to the spontaneous movements of refugee families to and from South Sudan.

#### **Upper Nile**

- In Gendrassa refugee camp, UNHCR and partners Lutheran World Federation (LWF), Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and Save the Children International (SCI) completed the Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) verification exercise, which was suspended due to the attacks on 23rd July. Cumulatively, 1,654 were verified and 314 identity cards were issued to refugees.
- Across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR and partners recorded 12 cases of SGBV including cases that involve rape, physical assault and domestic violence.
- In Gendrassa and Yusuf Batil refugee camps, UNHCR and partner SCI conducted trainings for 50 children and 50 youths on principles of child protection, understanding of child protection, non-discrimination, resilience and integrating protection of children in the community. In addition, 30 students were trained in child protection, human and children's rights in Yusuf Batil camp.

#### **Western Equatoria**

- In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR registered 89 newly arrived refugee families (185 individuals) and three new-born babies. The new arrivals are from the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and Central Africa Republic (CAR).
- In Yambio, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) and South Sudan's Government counterpart Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) conducted a three-day training for 30 refugee leaders and government officials (23 men, 7 women) on protection and human rights.





# **EDUCATION**

# **Achievements and Impact**

### Unity

■ In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Lutheran World Federation (LWF) trained 214 teachers (148 men, 39 women) on inclusive education in primary and accelerated learning programming.

#### **Central Equatoria**

In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) paid school fees for 205 students (105 boys, 100 girls) enrolled at 11 primary schools for 2018's third term.

# Western Equatoria

In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed 52 solar lamps to 52 students (40 boys, 12 girls) from primary, secondary schools as well as from Accelerated Learning Programme (ALP) to aide their revision for the final examination.



# **HEALTH**

**Achievements and Impact** 

#### **Upper Nile**

- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) reopened West Primary Health Care Unit (PHCU). The PHCU temporarily closed and services consolidated following the attacks on 23rd July. Also, Voluntary Counselling and Testing (VCT) services resumed across the camp.
- In Maban, RI trained 93 (59 men, 34 women) community health promoters on HIV Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials to familiarise them with the new IEC materials.

#### Unity

• In Pamir and Ajuong Thok refugee camps, UNHCR and partners Africa Humanitarian Action (AHA), International Rescue Committee (IRC) conducted a three-day training for 141 community health workers (79 - Ajuong Thok, 62 - Pamir) on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials. Participants will use IECs to sensitise and educate their communities on HIV and AIDS in order to reduce the current stigma and increase the usage of services.

# Western Equatoria

■ In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) screened 762 refugees (344 men, 418 women) for Ebola virus, all of them tested negative. Also, 3,737 refugees (1,378 men, 2,359 women) were reached with Ebola awareness and sensitisation messages.



# **FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION**

**Achievements and Impact** 

#### **Central Equatoria**

■ In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) provided nutrition support to 18 mothers as a preventive measure against malnutrition. Items included rice and soya beans.

# **Upper Nile**



Across Maban's four refugee camps, UNHCR, World Food Programme (WFP) and partners Danish Refugee Council, ACTED and Samaritan's Purse conducted soap and General Food Distributions (GFD) to 140,997 refugees. Food items included (cereals, salt, vegetable cooking oil and pulses). Also, WFP gave 600 South Sudanese Pounds (SSP) for milling.

## Unity

During the reporting period, UNHCR, WFP conducted GFD to 123,056 refugees (43,292 - Ajuong Thok, 30,598 - Pamir, 49,166 - Yida). The food ration served for October provided 1,017 Kcal per day (48.4%) which is significantly lower than the standard, which had a direct adverse effect on the nutrition status of the population.



# WATER AND SANITATION

## **Achievements and Impact**

• Across the refugee camps in South Sudan, UNHCR and partners commemorated the 2018 Global Handwashing Day on 25th and 26th October. The Global Handwashing Day is commemorated every year on 15 October under the theme "clean hands – a recipe for health focuses on the links between handwashing and food – including food hygiene and nutrition."

#### Unity

- The water supply coverage stood at 18.3 litres per person per day in Ajuong Thok camp, while 13.8 litres per person per day in Pamir camp. In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, crude latrine coverage was eight persons/latrine while 11 persons/latrine in Pamir camp.
- In Ajuong Thok refugee camp, UNHCR partner Samaritan's Purse constructed 60 family latrines, while 20 latrines were decommissioned in Pamir and Ajuong Thok camps.

#### **Upper Nile**

- The water supply coverage across all four refugee camps in Maban stood at 21 litres per person per day.
- In Yusuf Batil refugee camp, UNHCR and partner ACTED completed the construction of six latrine stances for teachers and students. These latrines will improve the sanitation and make the learning environment more condusive for four teachers and approximately 315 students.

#### Central Equatoria

 UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supported refugees to build 21 open wells at four locations: Yago, Kukuyi, Zabara and Lomi.

#### Western Equatoria

■ In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed laundry soap to 4,259 refugees.



# **SHELTER AND NFIS**

# **Achievements and Impact**

#### Unity

• In Ajuong Thok and Pamir refugee camp, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 254 newly arrived refugees (71 families) to ensure their dignified settlement in the camps. CRIs included kitchen sets, jerry cans, buckets, sleeping mats, blankets, mosquito net, and soap.

#### **Upper Nile**



- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Save the Children International distributed CRIs to 178 children with specific needs (83 boys, 95 girls) from the host community. CRIs included mosquito nets, buckets, cups, sleeping mats and bed sheets.
- In Doro refugee camp, UNHCR and partner Africa Action Help International (AAHI) refurbished 9.9km-long road and opened another 5.5km of secondary feeder roads in Doro extension site. These roads are essential to improve and address accessibility to all parts of the refugee camp.

#### Western Equatoria

In Makpandu refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner World Vision International (WVI) distributed CRIs to 267 newly arrived refugees. Items included blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, kitchen sets, jerry cans, buckets, plastic sheets and second-hand clothes.



# **ACCESS TO ENERGY**

# **Achievements and Impact**

# **Upper Nile**

- In Maban, UNHCR and partner Relief International (RI) trained 38 Fuel Efficient Stove (FES) producers on moulding and production. Cumulatively, a total 187 fuel-efficient stoves have been produced to reduce environmental degradation and SGBV cases during the collection of firewood.
- In Gendrassa, Yusuf Batil and Doro refugee camps, RI supported the planting of 2,260 assorted tree seedlings (acacia, sesbania and neem) to mitigate deforestation in areas surrounding the refugee camps. Cumulatively, the woodlots contains 86, 360 assorted tree species.



# COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

# **Achievements and Impact**

#### **Upper Nile**

- In Maban, UNHCR and partners ACTED and Relief International (RI) provided entrepreneurship training to 285 (113 men, 172 women) refugees and host community youths on budgeting, business costing, marketing, record keeping, financial management and business planning.
- In Maban, ACTED and RI completed tillage operations aimed at increasing access to arable land for refugees and host community during the 2018 planting season. Cumulatively, 1,161 acres (93% of planned target in 2018) has been ploughed for crop and vegetable production.
- In Maban, RI provided technical support to 43 Village Savings Loans Association (VSLAs) groups comprising of 857 refugees (192 men, 665 women). These groups saved 165,865 South Sudanese Pounds in Yusuf Batil and Doro camps. VSLAs promote financial inclusion through increasing refugees' access to financial and social capital.
- In Kaya and Gendrassa refugee camps, ACTED completed the construction of 60 poultry houses for 60 persons with specific needs engaged in poultry rearing to increase consumption of protein at the household level and income generation.

#### **Unity**

• In Yida refugee settlement, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council (DRC) conducted a one-day training for 20 selected members of the natural resources management committee in Jau County. The training is part of the handover process of the Yida orchard.

#### Central Equatoria

In Yei, UNHCR and partner United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) conducted training for 53 (35 men, 8 women) farmers on good agronomic practices including timely weeding, pest and disease control, harvesting and good post-harvest handling practices. This will increase food production and reduce their negative coping mechanisms.



- In Yei, UNHCR enrolled 10 refugee youths (9 men, 1 woman) in a three-month advanced vocational training in carpentry and masonry.
- In Yei, two grinding mills installed in the first quarter of this year continue to operate and generate income for two refugee groups; Boboto and Dieu Merci. So far, 240,595 South Sudanese Pounds has been earned as profit.

# **IDP** Response

COORDINATION



**Achievements and Impact** 

#### **Upper Nile**

- In Malakal town, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC) rolled out the first Mobile Legal Clinic. 75 individuals (44 women, 31 men) attended and received legal information, advice and counselling on Housing, Land and Property (HLP) rights and remedies as well as on obtaining civil documents, accessing government social benefits, legal processes, registration with State Ministry of Health and potential access to government compensation schemes.
- In Malakal's Protection of Civilian (POC) site, HDC conducted an open day awareness session for 44 participants (20 men, 24 women) on Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and the use of the Community Based Complaint Mechanism (CBCM) box at the protection desk.

#### Bahr el Ghazal

• In Wau town, UNHCR supported 500 persons at risk of statelessness to enrol for nationality documents through the Department of Nationality Passport and Immigration (DNPI). Cumulatively, UNHCR has supported 2,500 most vulnerable persons, above the 2,000 target for 2018. These documents assist vulnerable groups in gaining access to education, employment and identification.

### <u>Jonglei</u>

• In Bor, UNHCR through the Solution Working Group (SWG) supported the first and second voluntary relocation of 244 IDPs to Akobo, UNMISS airlifted these IDPs. UNHCR provided them with a cash grant to meet their needs while on the ground. Also, UNHCR provided dignity kits to female IDPs of reproductive age. The relocation provides a durable solution to IDPs who have been living in Bor POC site for five years.

# **Protection Cluster**OPERATIONS



# **SHELTER AND NFIS**

#### **Achievements and Impact**

# Western Bahr el Ghazal

In Bazia County, UNHCR distributed Core Relief Items (CRIs) to 4,150 vulnerable IDPs. CRI items included plastic sheets and jerry cans. IDPs fled from Western Equatoria as result of intensive fighting. Cumulatively, UNHCR has provided non-food assistance to 19,761 individuals since the beginning of 2018 in the Western Bahr el Ghazal region.

# **Central Equatoria**



In Yei, UNHCR and its partner, United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) distributed CRIs to 964 IDPs. Items included; blankets, kitchen sets, mosquito nets, jerry cans, washing soaps, second-hand clothes.

#### Unity

 During the reporting period, UNHCR and partner Danish Refugee Council distributed second-hand clothes to 3,300 IDPs in Kurkal and Kochtheiy in Bentiu and Rubkona towns.

#### Jonglei

• In Bor, UNHCR distributed sanitary materials kits comprising of sanitary cloths, bucket, soaps and underwear to 69 adolescent girls to improve their hygiene and sanitation.



# COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND SELF-RELIANCE

## **Achievements and Impact**

#### Jonglei

In Duk County, UNHCR and partner Humanitarian and Development Consortium (HDC) trained 50 youth and women on microfinance management and business skills to enhance their management of small businesses. UNHCR will provide beneficiaries a starter grant to start a small business using the acquired skills. This will promote self-reliance among the internally displaced persons and host communities in the area.

# Working in partnership

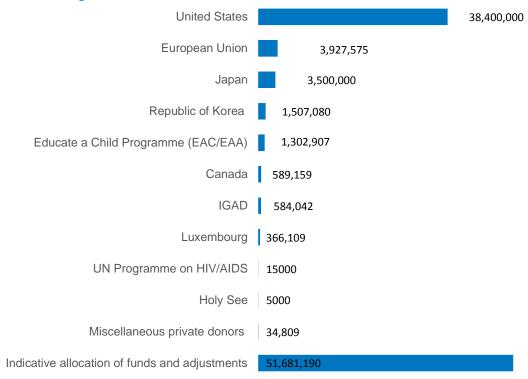
- UNHCR works closely with the Government of South Sudan to deliver assistance and protection services to refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs).
- In the **refugee response**, the main government counterparts are the Ministry of Interior and the Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA). Implementing partners in 2018 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), Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), and World Vision International (WVI).
- In the IDP response, the main government counterpart is the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC). Implementing partners in 2018 are: Action Africa Help International (AAHI), UMCOR, Danish Refugee Council (DRC), Handicap International, Humanitarian Development Consortium, INTERSOS, Nile Hope, Hope Restoration, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Women Development Group.
- Within the Inter-Agency Cluster System for IDP response, UNHCR in South Sudan is the Protection Cluster Lead (with the NRC co-leading), Co-Lead of the CCCM Cluster along with IOM and ACTED, and undertakes enhanced participation in the Shelter/NFI Cluster.
- On the prevention of statelessness, UNHCR's main counterpart is the Directorate of Nationality, Passports, and Immigration (DNPI).
- UNHCR maintains operational partnerships with CAFOD, Caritas, CMMB, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), ICRC, Jesuit Refugee Service (JSR), Médecins Sans Frontières (France, Belgium), 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.

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