

Vulnerability Verification and Return Intentions Mahad IDP Collective Site Juba | March 2020



### **OVERVIEW**

Vulnerability verification exercise was conducted to verify and update the status of the existing most vulnerable case load in Mahad and to identify new vulnerable cases at household level. This report compiles and analyses data from 365 vulnerable IDPs households comprised of 425 individuals with specific needs. It builds on the protection profiling exercise routinely conducted by Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC). The 365 vulnerable households identified is equivalent to 23% of the total households in Mahad collective site .

### **METHODOLOGY**

The verification exercise was conducted by UNHCR in partnership with Humanitarian Development Consortium (HDC), IsraAid, Handicap International(HI), Japan Centre for Conflict Prevention(JCCP), Light for the World(LFTW) in close collaboration with community leaders. The leaders participated actively in mobilizing and sensitizing the households. Due to the sensitive nature of the information collected at

household/individual levels, all interviewers were trained on data collection and protection of sensitive information. Data was collected using mobile devices. The interviews were conducted by community workers from protection partners under the supervision of UNHCR protection staff.

#### Geographic scope:

The verification exercise was conducted exclusively in Mahad IDP collective site.

### Verification/Screening methodology:

Mobilization and sensitization was initially conducted by Mahad IDP collective site leaders to describe the purpose of the exercise. Interviewers collected information at household level as follows:

- Each household was visited. Interviewers pre-screened the households according to the established checklist to determine whether the households meet UNHCR heightened protection risks criteria. If this was the case, the household was interviewed, if not, interviewers would stop and proceed to the next household.
- Detailed interviews were conducted with the head of households/vulnerable persons meeting the criteria. Interviewers used a vulnerability assessment tool loaded onto mobile tablets to capture extensive information including details on categories of core vulnerabilities, additional protection risks, needs, household composition and intentions to return/relocate.

 Word Food Programme registration card was captured. The information was also checked against the existing UNHCR PSN database.

### Vulnerability database:

Verification exercise provided updated information on the most vulnerable individuals, forming targeting basis for UNHCR and partners' operational response, including psychosocial support, SGBV intervention and protection-based material assistance. Humanitarian agencies can use the vulnerability data to provide interventions responding to pressing protection risks/needs of the most vulnerable households as well as tracking interventions to such households to minimize gaps and overlap, based on Data Sharing Agreement (DSA) and protocols on confidentiality and data protection.



# **DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE PSNs HOUSEHOLDS VERIFIED**



96% of vulnerable households verified originate from Jonglei State,2% Upper Nile State, 1% Eastern Equatoria State , 1% from Central Equatoria State.

# Priority Needs at Mahad IDP collective site.



The vast majority of vulnerable displaced households prioritized food, medical care, water, basic domestic/household items and shelter as top five priority needs in Mahad.



**365** vulnerable households in Mahad comprised of **425** individuals verified. Of the vulnerable individuals, **50%** are adults ages 18-59 years(**213** individuals), **35%** are children under 18 years(**147**individuals), **15%** adults ages 60 years and above(**65** individuals). In terms of gender **66%** of the vulnerable individuals are females (**280 individuals**) and **34%** are males (**145 individuals**).

## Priority Needs at Place of Return/Relocation for those vulnerable HHs who expressed intentions to leave Mahad.



The vulnerable displaced households prioritized safety and security, food, education, basic domestic/household items and shelter as top five priority needs in the areas of return/relocation.





## **VERIFIED VULNERABILITY IN MAHAD IDP COLLECTIVE SITE**





Key Vulnerabilities		Additional Protection Risks & Needs of Vulnerable Households	
37%	of the PSN verified at household level in Mahad have Serious Medical Conditions (SMC)	74%	of the vulnerable HHs cannot produce income for their households
27%	of the PSN verified at household level in Mahad are Children at Risk(CR)		
26%	of the PSN verified at household level in Mahad are Persons with Disabilities (DS)	71%	of the vulnerable HHs lack legal documentation (National ID Card, Birth Certificate)
21%	of the PSN verified at household level in Mahad are Single Parent (SP) without support	39%	of the vulnerable HHs are in need of psychosocial support or counselling services
21%	of the PSN verified at household level in Mahad are Women at Risk (WR) $% \left( {{\rm{WR}}} \right)$	15%	of the vulnerable HHs have experienced discrimination in access to basic services
14%	of the Persons with Specific Needs (PSN) verified at household level in Mahad are Elderly at Risk(ER)		
3%	of the PSN verified at household have Family Unity (FU) needs	12%	of the vulnerable HHs reported to have experienced multiple displacement
1%	of the verified PSN are Unaccompanied or Separated Children (SC)	4%	of the vulnerable HHs reported tensions/hostilities between IDP groups
1%	of the verified PSN at household level are Person with Specific Legal and Protection Issues(LP)		
0.5%	of the verified PSN at household level are survivors of Torture (TR)	2%	of the vulnerable HHs reported property destruction

# INTENTIONS OF VULNERABLE HOUSHOLDS TO RETURN/RELOCATE.

2000 HOUSEHOLDS EXPRESSED INTENTIONS TO LEAVE MAHAD COMPRISED OF 330 VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS





Years that the IDPs were displaced to Mahad collective site



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## **IDP Households Preconditions for Return/Relocation**



Of the **55%** of the IDP households who expressed intentions to return/relocate, **41%** households reported that they are able to return on conditions that the area of returns are safe, **29%** Don't know, **17%** are able to return when they are able to have money to go, **6%** of the households are yet to get the information from the family members in the areas of returns, **4%** are able to return within the next 3 months, **2%** are able to return upon completion of treatment and **1%** of the households would wish to return upon the next dry season.

## **IDP Households Reasons for Return/Relocation**

55%

Reunite with family in area of intended return/relocation	
Livelihoods are better in intended area of return/relocation	34%
Reunite with community / Community support in the area of intended return/relocation	27%
Check on my house/land /property in the area of intended return/relocation	16%
Shelter is better in intended area of return/relocation	15%
Education is better in intended area of return/relocation	13%
Health services are better in intended area of return/relocation	11%
Security in intended area of return/relocation is good/has improved	8%
Road access to intended area of return/relocation has improved	3%
Infrastructure is better in intended area of return/relocation	2%
Insecurity in Mahad	1%

Of the 55% of the IDP households who expressed intentions to return/relocate, 55% of the households reported reasons as being family unity, 34% cited that livelihoods are better where they would wish to return, 27% to reunite with community and receive community support, 16% cited to check on property, 15% cited better shelter in the intended area of return /relocation, 13% cited better education services, 11% cited better health services in the area of return, 8% cited good and improved security in the intended area of return, 3% cited improvement in road access, 2% cited better infrastructure in the intended areas of return/relocation and 1% cited insecurity at Mahad collective site.