SOUTH SUDAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE - ETHIOPIA
FOOD & NUTRITION FACTSHEET

February 2026

Nutrition Facility Construction Progress – Luakdong

Highlights

WFP and WVI launched the February cycle of General Food Distribution (GFD) on 28 February 2026, reaching 28,445 refugees in Luakdong. The distribution remains ongoing and is expected to reach a total of 50,000 individuals upon completion. Nutrition services continued in both Tormorok and Luakdong, with malnourished individuals admitted following routine screening. Hot-meal support was provided to vulnerable individuals, while caregivers and community members received nutrition and hygiene counselling, including IYCF guidance. Construction of the nutrition centre by AAH progressed during the reporting period, and GOAL conducted CMAM training for health staff, further strengthening treatment capacity.

Response & Challenges

Despite ongoing service delivery, significant gaps persist due to limited food assistance for unregistered refugees and the continued suspension of MAM/TSFP services. Levels of undernutrition in Tormorok and Luakdong remain concerning, reflecting the compounding impact of ration shortfalls and the absence of MAM supplies. The absence of the blanket supplementary feeding program (BSFP) for pregnant and lactating women (PLW) and children under five years old has further increased vulnerability and heightened the risk of nutritional deterioration.

Achievements

Food Distribution

People received 100% dry food ration (February Cycle) (Cumulative rations since August 2025: 240,191)	28,445	(As of 4th March 2026)
People received hot meal (Last Week) (Cumulative meals since August 2025: 81,200)	4,987	
Targeted vulnerable individuals addressed by food vouchers(Last week)	0	

Care for Pregnant & Lactating Women (PLW)

Screened **1,042** New Admission **0** In TSFP Program **1,094** Prevalence **31%**

Outpatient Therapeutic Program (OTP) - Treatment of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM)

New Admission **232** In OTP Program **1,475** % Cured **88%** % Deafultered **0%** % Death **0%**

Stablization Center program (SC) -Treatment of complicated Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM)

New Admission **26** In SC Program **7** % Stabilized **80%** % Death **0%**

Targeted Supplementary Feeding Program -Treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM)

New Admission **13** In TSFP Program **809** % Cured **50%** % Deafultered **0%** % Death **0%**

Infant and Young Child Feeding in Emergencies (IYCF-E) Program

Group Sessions Conducted **756** Health/Nutrition Education Sessions Conducted **643**

PLW Attended Welcoming Session **19,724** People Attended Health/Nutrition Education Sessions **170,125**

Key Figures

82K Population Planning Figure **(New arrivals)**

430K Refugees from South Sudan in Ethiopia (prior Feb 2025)

18 Response Partners Under Emergency Response Plan

49,751 Total Individuals Registered Refugees Level 1 (Since 22 July 2025)

Demographic (Registered Refugees Level 1)

	Female (57%)	Male (43%)
Adults	23%	9%
Children	34%	34%

11,482 Children Screend for Acute Malnutrition (February Cycle)

Proxy GAM* Prevalence in Children (6–59) months)	15%	Increasing**
Proxy SAM Prevalence	10%	Decreasing**
Proxy GAM* Prevalence in PLW	31%	Decreasing**

*GAM: Global Acute Malnutrition
** Compared to previous week**

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