

POPULATION UPDATE

KEY FIGURES

46,181

South Sudanese refugee arrivals reported since 1 January 2017

15,208

New arrivals reported in White Nile in 2017

10,171

New arrivals reported in South Kordofan in 2017

7,807

New arrivals reported in West Kordofan in 2017

9,962

New arrivals reported in East Darfur in 2017

351,048

South Sudanese refugees in Sudan since December 2013.

FUNDING

USD 166.65 million

requested for the operation



PRIORITIES

- Provision of immediate life-saving support to new arrivals, including food, health, nutrition and non-food item assistance.
- UNHCR-COR household-level registration at reception centres.
- UNHCR-COR biometric registration at refugee sites and settlements.

NEW ARRIVALS

- Between 1-15 March, over 10,000 South Sudanese refugees fled into Sudan, arriving in the border states of White Nile, South and West Kordofan and East Darfur at an average daily rate of nearly 690 refugees per day.
- Since 1 January, over 46,000 refugees have arrived in Sudan in 2017, which exceeds average arrival trends observed in January through March in 2014-2016. This brings the total number of South Sudanese refugees to over 351,000 who have fled to Sudan since the start of the conflict in December 2013 (*see updated map on p.2*).
- Given intensified localized fighting in Upper Nile and parts of Unity states, and ongoing deterioration of the food security situation in Unity, Warrap and Western and Northern Bahr el Ghazal, high new arrivals are anticipated throughout 2017.

STATE	NEW ARRIVALS 2017			TOTAL (1 JAN – 15 MAR)
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH (1-15)	
White Nile	3,801	5,901	5,506	15,208
South Kordofan	480	8,185	1,506	10,171
East Darfur	4,300	2,975	2,687	9,962
West Kordofan	1,708	5,462	637	7,807
South Darfur	709	2,324	--	3,033
TOTAL	10,998	24,847	10,336	46,181

- UNHCR is working with COR across affected states to ensure refugees are registered at the household level upon arrival, and have timely access to NFIs, emergency food rations, nutrition screenings and medical services. Biometric registration is ongoing across White Nile refugee sites and at the Kario site in East Darfur, for both new and existing caseloads.
- Following reports of cholera cases at the Malakal POC site, the state Ministry of Health in White Nile is preparing health screening and vaccination campaigns for cholera and measles at border entry points and for existing caseloads at refugee sites.

OTHER INCREASES

- An inter-agency mission to Al Lait, North Darfur (12 – 16 February) estimated that there are 19,531 South Sudanese refugees living across ten locations. The refugees entered Sudan through West Kordofan and have transited to North Darfur since May 2016, and are currently being supported by local host communities. This brings the total population in North Darfur to over 20,000, including approximately 1,000 refugees living in Al Taweisha locality.
- In East Darfur, over 23,000 South Sudanese refugees living in remote areas of Abu Jabra, Abu Karinka, Adila, Asalaaya, Sheiria and Yassin localities were recently identified by HAC and COR. An inter-agency mission to Adila is currently underway to verify reports and assess refugee and host community needs. Additionally, a UNHCR-COR fact-finding mission to Khor Omer IDP camp (21 February) reported that the refugee population at the camp has been reduced from over 24,000 individuals to approximately 7,600. This brings the total population in East Darfur to nearly 79,000.



SUDAN

Refugees from South Sudan

as of 15 March 2017

