# SOUTH SUDAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE - ETHIOPIA
# FOOD & NUTRITION FACTSHEET

16 - 31 January 2026

## Highlights

The General Food Distribution in Luakdong was recently completed reaching 99.98% of registered refugees. As unregistered asylum seekers have been unable to access dry rations due to their registration status, vulnerable households are increasingly resorting to negative coping mechanisms. Nutrition services by GOAL remain operational in Tormorok and Luakdong, supporting 3,636 malnourished individuals; however, funding constraints limit the scale and quality of services. Continued donor support is essential to stabilize food security, prevent further nutrition deterioration, and equitable access for at-risk groups.

## Response & Challenges

The huge number of unregistered refugees who lack access to food assistance is causing not only protection risks but also driving high malnutrition rate in Tormorok. This week, the malnutrition rate in Tormorok slightly rose to a GAM of 15% and a SAM of 12.1% largely due to food insecurity among unregistered individuals. AAH's nutrition center construction is progressing well, supported by a non-cost extension up to 30 March 2026 but an additional extension period will be required to finalize ongoing works. DCA completed beneficiary selection and e-card distribution for the fresh food voucher program. GOAL also delivered a seven-day Basic CMAM training to staff from Nyinenyang Hospital, Matar Health Center, DPO, and Doctors with Africa CUAMM, reaching 30 participants.

## Achievements

### Food Distribution

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| People received 100% dry food ration (December Cycle) (Cumulative rations since August 2025: 218,372) | 50,131 |
| People received hot meal (Last Week) (Cumulative meals since August 2025: 46,798) | 3,118 |
| Targeted vulnerable individuals addressed by food vouchers(Last week) | 0 |

### Care for Pregnant & Lactating Women (PLW)

Screened **2,226** | New Admission **140** (18- 31 Jan) | In TSFP Program **1,094** | Prevalence **31.2%**

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

New Admission **129** (18- 31 Jan) | In OTP Program **1,336** | % Cured **99%** | % Deafultered **1.9%** | % Death **0%**

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

New Admission **13** (18- 31 Jan) | In SC Program **6** | % Stabilized **80%** | % Death **0%**

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

New Admission **43** (18- 31 Jan) | In TSFP Program **809** | % Cured **100%** | % Deafultered **0%** | % Death **0%**

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

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| Group Sessions Conducted | 726 | Health/Nutrition Education Sessions Conducted | 609 |
| PLW Attended Welcoming Session | 18,271 | People Attended Health/Nutrition Education Sessions | 127,517 |

## Key Figures

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

**430K** Refugees from South Sudan in Ethiopia (Prior to Feb 2026)

**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%) |
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| Adults | 23% | 9% |
| Children | 34% | 34% |

**10,414** Children Screend for Acute Malnutrition (January Cycle)

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| Proxy GAM* Prevalence in Children (6–59) months) | 15% | Increasing** |
| Proxy SAM Prevalence | 12% | Increasing** |
| Proxy GAM* Prevalence in PLW | 31% | Increasing** |

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

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