

## **In Numbers**

6.48 million people facing acute food insecurity from May to July 2020 (IPC)

- 1.7 million acutely malnourished women and children (IPC)
- 1.5 million people assisted by WFP in May 2020
- 1.47 million internally displaced people (OCHA)
- 2.2 million South Sudanese refugees (UNHCR)
- 188,528 seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS)

### People assisted May 2020



**Overall:** 

10.8

Global Humanitarian Funding<br/>2020USD 1.5 billion<br/>WFP share:<br/>USD 671<br/>millionWFP 6-month Net Funding Requirements(June-November '20)226.7

#### Strategic Outcome 1

Food-insecure women, men and children in crisis-affected areas have access to safe and nutritious food

#### **Strategic Outcome 2**

People at risk of malnutrition in crisis affected areas,	1.8
specially young children and pregnant and lactating women, are able to meet their basic nutrition requirements all year round	

#### Strategic Outcome 3

Food-insecure smallholders and communities in non-	13.2
conflict zones have enhanced livelihoods and resilience to	
seasonal climate shocks throughout the year	

#### **Strategic Outcome 4**

The humanitarian community has access to reliable common

services until satisfactory alternatives are available



Photo: A child sits on a scale at a nutrition facility. WFP/Gabriela Vivacqua



# WFP South Sudan Situation Report #272

## **Highlights**

- WFP has reached 3.7 million beneficiaries with one to three months' worth of food assistance since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Double-ration distributions for June and July assistance are nearing completion at all refugee camps and Protection of Civilians sites.
- WFP has prepared COVID-19 risk communication material for over 3,000 distribution points.



- WFP continues to support national-led COVID-19 prevention and preparedness efforts. South Sudan has recorded 1,952 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 36 death as of 25 June 2020.
- In response to the pandemic, and to protect its staff and beneficiaries, WFP continues with several contingency measures, including physical distancing at distributions and revised distribution procedures.
- WFP has reached 3.7 million people with one to three months' worth of food assistance since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. In the first round, 2.8 million people received more than one month's worth of assistance to preposition food commodities at the household level to avoid large gatherings, minimize risks and promote social distancing. A second round of double distributions for June and July assistance, targeting 2.8 million people, is ongoing.
- Double-ration distributions, for June and July assistance, have been completed at all refugee camps, except for Maban, which is expected to conclude this week. They have also been completed in Bor Protection of Civilians (PoC) site and Juba PoC 1.
- WFP is providing food assistance to COVID-19 quarantine and isolation facilities in Rumbek and Yambio. WFP has developed guidance for food assistance that safeguards human rights and collaborated with state-level task forces and working groups on assistance to these facilities.
- To increase COVID-19 awareness amongst communities, WFP has prepared information, education and communication (IEC) materials from the Risk Communication Group for over 3,000 distribution points. Most of the materials have been sent out to partners for use during community engagement / distributions, and for display at static sites.
- WFP, as the co-lead of the Operational Support and Logistics pillar of the National Response Plan on COVID-19 Pandemic, is supporting mapping of essential COVID-19 commodities in an effort to coordinate and monitor supplies procured by humanitarian organizations.

- Together with WHO, WFP developed standard operating procedures and supporting documents for quarantine in order to harmonize and streamline the procedure for humanitarian travel out of Juba. Templates of documents required at airport check-in were endorsed by the National Steering Committee on COVID-19 and shared for adoption by respective organizations to ensure continuity of humanitarian operations across the country.
- As the South Sudan Government opened its airspace in May for commercial flights and Ethiopian Airlines has resumed its passenger flights to South Sudan, WFP Global Passenger Services flights between Addis Ababa and Juba have been terminated. Instead, United Nations Humanitarian Air Service in South Sudan will be operating ad-hoc flights between Juba and Addis Ababa as part of its regular service to temporarily compliment commercial flights until full reliability is restored. For further information, organizations can contact: unhas.southsudan@wfp.org. WFP Global Aviation launched the flights to Juba on 21 May and performed five return flights transporting 196 passengers from 36 agencies.
- Over the last two weeks, UNHAS has transported 66 COVID-19 suspected samples from across South Sudan to the Public Health Laboratory in Juba for testing.
- The Logistics Cluster facilitated an adhoc river movement to transport 120 mt of priority COVID-19 cargo on behalf of UNICEF to Malakal, Upper Nile State.

# WFP Response

#### **Food and Nutrition Assistance**

- In areas experiencing increased levels of subnational conflict, WFP along with partners is currently advocating with all parties for a humanitarian pause to enable food distributions and humanitarian assistance.
- Deliveries to Uror County, Jonglei State, were discontinued three weeks ago following a spike in subnational fighting. Thanks to improved security WFP resumed deliveries and distributions are ongoing. Due to the fragile security situation food will not be prepositioned in Uror but just-in-time deliveries will continue where possible.
- Insecurity along key supply routes has negatively affected the delivery of humanitarian assistance in Mundri West, Western Equatoria State. Political subnational conflict has been reported throughout June 2020. Assistance reached people in Mundri almost a month after movement to the area was suspended due to insecurity. WFP is providing lean season response, June-July rations, to 14,625 persons (Internally Displaced Persons and vulnerable host communities) in both Mundri East & West and is currently at 83 percent coverage; distributions are ongoing.
- Through Rapid Response teams, WFP dispatched two months' worth of General Food Assistance for 14,230 people, including 1,200 children under five, in Ayod County, Jonglei State, in the last two weeks.
- Admissions for both severe and moderate acute malnutrition

have remained lower than projected for 2020 and the same period in 2019. Discussions are underway within the Nutrition Cluster to understand reasons for low admissions. In response to low admissions in IPC 4 (Acute Malnutrition) areas, WFP has prioritized six counties for close monitoring; Malakal, Baliet, Melut, Renk, Budi and Twic East. Nutrition surge response, under the Cluster, is planned for Renk, Budi and Twic East counties.

• Data collection for the first round of Post Distribution Monitoring (PDM) for 2020 is ongoing at 22 percent of the sampled respondents successfully contacted.



- WFP is expediting delivery of food from the Northern, Southern and Eastern corridors to major hubs in South Sudan. The border status is being closely monitored. All the borders remain open for humanitarian cargo except the Aweil and Bentiu borders with Sudan which are not operational due to insecurity on the Sudan side. The closure of these borders has caused delays in the arrival of cargo from Sudan.
- As of 19 June 2020, 146,448 mt of food and nutrition items, equivalent to 77 percent of the planned 190,530 mt, were prepositioned to areas that will be inaccessible during the rainy season. The prepositioned stocks are enough to serve over 2.8 million people for six months.

# **Clusters and Common Services**

# 🚊 Logistics Cluster

- Over the reporting period, transport of 351 mt of Food Security, General Operations, General Program, Health, Logistics, Nutrition and WASH cargo to 19 locations was facilitated on behalf of 20 organizations.
- The Logistics Cluster coordinated the departure of a road humanitarian convoy towards Yambio, enabling the transportation of approximately 120 mt of humanitarian cargo.
- As roads are becoming impassable or passable with difficulties across South Sudan, the Logistics Cluster ceased Beyond Responses operations in Bentiu. From January to May 2020, a total of 409 mt of humanitarian cargo was delivered to deep field locations in Unity State compared to 234 mt over the same reporting period in 2019.
- The most recent access maps can be found <u>here</u>.

# UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

 Over the last two weeks, UNHAS transported 364 passengers and 26.6 mt of light humanitarian cargo to 33 destinations across South Sudan. UNHAS performed four medical evacuations, on behalf of four organizations, from Nyal, Old Fangak, Torit and Rubkona to Juba. UNHAS performed one security relocation transporting 42 humanitarians, on behalf of 16 organizations, from Pibor to Juba.

WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan									
	Total Requirements (in USD)	Allocated Contribu- tions (in USD) *	6 Months Net Funding Re- quirements (in USD)	People Assisted (May 2020)	Female	Male			
ICSP TOTAL	2.97b	1 6 4 2 9	226.7		974 725	650 780			
(2018-2020)	2.976	1,642.8	226.7	1,525,524	874,735	650,789			
Activity 1 Provide nutrition-sensitive food assistance to crisis- affected populations	1652.5	765.3	165.9	1,026,630	557,153	469,477			
Strategic Result 1: Access to food Activity 2									
Provide food and nutrition assistance to refugees	364.5	141.0	35.0	2,893	2,128	765			
-	504.5	141.0	55.0	2,000	2,120	705			
Strategic Result 1: Access to food Activity 3									
Provide nutrition assistance to populations at risk of malnutrition	437.6	161.5	1.8	248,229	181,753	66,476			
Strategic Result 2: End malnutrition									
Activity 4 Provide livelihood support and build resilience of rural households	213.5	69.6	13.2	247,773	133,701	114,072			
Strategic Result 3: Smallholder Productivity									
and Income Activity 5									
Operate air services for the humanitarian com- munity	152.4	130.4	1.3	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships									
Activity 6									
Coordinate the Logistics Cluster in support of the humanitarian community	73.5	63.1	0	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships Activity 7									
Supply Chain provision	16.6	9.5	0	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships Activity 8									
Inter-Agency IT Communication Service	7.0	5.3	0.4	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships		2.5			,,,				
Activity 9									
SCOPE Service to humanitarian partners	46.6	13.3	8.8	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships									
Activity 10									
Provision of IT services to the humanitarian community	1.3	0.0	0.3	N/A	N/A	N/A			
Strategic Result 8: Global Partnerships									
Non Activity Specific funding	0.0	283.8							

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