In Numbers

1.69 million internally displaced people (OCHA estimates)
711,960 South Sudanese refugees (UNHCR estimates)
186,660 people seeking shelter with the UN (UNMISS estimates)
2.8 million people in emergency or crisis level food insecurity (IPC, January to March 2016)

Highlights

• Efforts to scale up assistance continue to reach food insecure households in Northern Bahr el Ghazal and Eastern Equatoria as early onset of lean season affects millions.
• Third year of joint UNICEF/WFP partnership launched to strengthen nutrition interventions.

WFP’s Activities

• Internal food security analysis shows that South Sudan will face the most severe lean season in 2016 since its independence, driven by insecurity, poor harvests, and displacement in some areas of the country. As many as 5.3 million people may face severe food insecurity, with particular areas of concern in the non-conflict affected states of Northern Bahr el Ghazal and Eastern Equatoria. WFP is scaling up its support to households and communities affected by the early onset of the lean season. In addition to calling forward additional stocks, WFP is advancing food for assets (FFA) payments and expanding general food distributions to prevent any further deterioration of the food security and nutrition situation.

• The third year of the Joint UNICEF/WFP Nutrition Response Plan (2016-2017) was launched continuing the partnership to meet the nutrition needs in South Sudan. A meeting was held with stakeholders to review the achievements and challenges of the partnership so far, and to outline the 2016-2017 objectives and strategies. Through the Plan, UNICEF and WFP will continue treating all forms of malnutrition by ensuring quality implementation at the field level as well as building infrastructure to treat and prevent malnutrition at a systemic level.

• WFP is evaluating the possibility of introducing a cash based transfer (CBT) in Makpandu refugee camp, Western Equatoria, where about 4,000 people are receiving monthly food assistance.

Food Assistance

• WFP and its partners completed Integrated Rapid Response Mechanism (IRRM) missions in Tonga (Upper Nile), as well as Haat and Pultruk (Jonglei). More than 346mt of life-saving food assistance reached over 20,000 beneficiaries in the past week.

• IRRM missions are ongoing in Ganylel, Mayendit, Nimni, Biil (Unity); Kiechkuon, Wau Shilluk, Gai Reang (Upper Nile); and Jiech (Jonglei). WFP plans to assist more than 184,000 people in these areas with life saving assistance with registration ongoing in some locations to determine exact requirements and beneficiary numbers.

• Missions are planned for Kuach, Kadet, Dablual (Unity), Kaikuny, Nyambor (Jonglei) where more than 60,000 people are being targeted for food assistance.

Logistics

• Over 84,000mt of assorted food commodities have been dispatched to prepositioning locations, representing 69% of the total requirements. Priority has been given to locations that are likely to be cut off first during the rainy season.
• The eleventh road convoy ex-Kosti (Sudan) arrived in Renk on 2 May carrying 1,675mt of sorghum. Cross-loading of trucks for delivery to Maban is ongoing. The next convoy is planned to depart Kosti on 8 May.

• Offloading of cargo which arrived in Malakal on 20 April was delayed due to rehabilitation works being undertaken on the docking site by UNMISS. Offloading has now commenced alongside rehabilitation works.

• WFP is exploring the possibility of sending barges out of Sudan and Renk towards Malakal. Work is ongoing to determine security and access requirements.

• Since January 2016, WFP has dispatched over 135,400mt of assorted commodities directly to forward hubs from Juba, Ethiopia, Sudan, Kenya and Uganda.

Clusters and Special Operations

Logistics Cluster

• This past week, the Logistics Cluster facilitated the delivery of 94mt of relief items to Chuil, Ganyiel, Kaldak, Kodok, Leer, Maban, Malakal, Mandeng, Mathiang, Nyal, Pagak, Pochalla, and Thonyor on behalf of 13 organisations.

• Deliveries of seeds and fishing kits on behalf of FAO partners continued this week. A total of 151mt has been airlifted to Chuil, Kaldak, Maban, Malakal, Mandeng, Mathiang, Old Fangak, and Pochalla.

• An ad hoc charter was mobilized this past week to augment the current airlift capacity to ensure other deliveries continued to take place while the airlift of seeds/tools continued.

• The loading of the Logistics Cluster’s third barge of the year is expected to start by the end of this week. The barge set will be completely dedicated to Logistics Cluster partners operating in Malakal.

Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster

• The Initial Rapid Needs Assessment (IRNA) mission that took place in Mundri West (Western Equatoria) highlighted that food stocks will last less than a week at household level in four of the five visited locations and that cultivation that was previously taking place has been disrupted by insecurity.

• Food Security & Livelihoods (FSL), Nutrition, WASH and Health clusters are collaborating in a desk review on food security situation in Northern Bahr el Ghazal to identify an appropriate response as agreed upon during the ICWG. A joint FSL and Nutrition mission is scheduled in Aweil North during the week of 16 May.

Emergency Telecommunications Cluster (ETC)

• The ETC has decommisioned crisis communication equipment in Bentiu, provided by the Government of Luxemburg, which will be transported to Koch county to provide internet connectivity to the Humanitarian Hub established in Koch.

• Capacity enhancement training of field staff in Wau, Mingkaman and Rumbek was conducted to ensure telecommunications procedures are implemented consistently and to enhance service delivery. Additional trainings are planned for other field locations.

UN Humanitarian Air Service

• The UNHAS schedule has been revised to include Mundri, served on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The latest flight schedule is available at: http://www.logcluster.org/document/unhas-flight-schedule-1-may-2016

• UNHAS facilitated a charter flight for ICRC from Rumbek to Old Fangak and Nyadion (Jongle) without disruption to the regular flight schedule.

• Three medical evacuations were facilitated by UNHAS from Nyal and Malakal to Juba.

• Flights were cancelled to Kodok, Yuai, Mundri, Pibor and Lankein, due to wet airstrips and en route weather conditions. Recovery flights were made available for the 76 passengers affected.

• Over the one week reporting period, UNHAS transported 1,527 passengers and 18mt of light humanitarian cargo serving 58 destinations.

Feeder Roads

• Nothing significant to report.
WFP Operations in South Sudan

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The Feeder Roads Special Operation has a total budget of US$167.3 million, with a shortfall of US$70.4 million.

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