# WORLD VISION SOUTH SUDAN HUNGER RESPONSE SITUATION REPORT NO. 10



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#### **KEY MESSAGES**

- Children worst affected: South Sudan's children are experiencing hunger and malnutrition caused by a protection crisis. Food insecurity rises wherever significant conflict occurs in the country. Over the past weeks, intra ethnic conflict has intensified in locations that were less prone to conflict in the past. These areas lack the capacity to establish resilience, creating a crisis for the children and families who live there.
- Country wide food insecurity rising: While famine is no longer declared in South Sudan, the overall food security crisis experienced across the country continues to deteriorate largely due to conflict. The number of people experiencing "severe" food insecurity has increased, reaching 6.0 million (50% of the population) in July. However, this number is likely higher, as conflict and insecurity continue.
- Need to scale-up response: Due to continued overwhelming need, activities carried out to prevent a further deterioration of the food security situation must be

- scaled up. Funding is urgently needed, particularly to prevent the reemergence of famine in at risk areas. The speed at which this is done is paramount considering operations during the rainy season are significantly more costly and challenging.
- Displacement: Currently there are roughly 1.9 million people internally displaced within South Sudan, and roughly 2 million seeking refuge in neighboring countries. This number is likely to rise if conflict in the eastern part of the Greater Upper Nile region continues. World Vision is calling on stakeholders to facilitate peace and security throughout the country and to allow urgent and unimpeded access to humanitarian and development actors in the country.
- Cholera: As at 20 August, 15,882 cases and 274 related deaths were reported in 2017. There is a general declining trend reported over the past three weeks with 10 counties reporting active cases, down from the total of 23 that have reported cases this year.

#### SITUATION HIGHLIGHTS



\*All financial figures in US dollars



#### **HUMANITARIAN SITUATION OVERVIEW**

- South Sudanese refugees in Uganda surpass one million: On average, during the last year, 1,800 refugees a day crossed South Sudan's border and sought refuge in Uganda. The majority of refugees 85 per cent have been women and children.
- Army Worm affecting crops: A report on the army worm infestation in Lopa (Lafon), Moti and Israel in Torit County was produced by Food Security Livelihood (FSL) partners and is currently under discussion for further action in consultation with the government.
- Low immunisation coverages: In Eastern Equatoria, the Extended Program of Immunization (EPI) has reported coverage as low as 17 percent. Therefore, the Director General at the State Ministry of Health has urged partners to support scale up of immunization.
- Worrying malnutrition rates: Preliminary survey results indicate GAM rates are at emergency levels after a preliminary SMART survey was conducted in Torit, Kapoeta North and South counties. Early results reveal emergency global acute malnutrition rates. The report is currently being validated at Juba level and will be shared once released.
- Floods reported: Torrential rains and floods affected an estimated 1,500 families in Aweil North County. Authorities are calling upon humanitarian partners to assess the needs of the affected families and provide assistance.
- Strange disease reported in Nyiboli, Aweil West: Six people reportedly died of an unknown disease within a week. According to the local authorities, the disease is characterized by severe vomiting and diarrhea. The World Health Organization is to conduct an investigation into the disease.
- Thousands displaced: More than 1,500 families were displaced during the past two months in Aweil East as a result of insecurity and armed clashes. Families from Mathian Bul, Wag Agor and Ador villages to Angot, Warag, Rum Aker and major villages have been displaced.

#### WHAT WORLD VISION IS DOING

- Food assistance: 219,847 people received food assistance through general food distribution, rapid response, blanket and targeted supplementary feeding, food for education, girls' incentives and food for assets projects.
- Cash programming: 86,793 people benefited from a cash disbursement of 70.3 million SSP (US \$600,603) through conditional cash programming, cash for assets and value vouchers.
- Food security and livelihood supplies: 18,622 people received livelihood support which included vegetable seeds, fishing kits and gardening tools complimented with trainings in improved fishing practices and preservation, and vegetable production.
- Resilience skills: 124 farmers attended post-harvest handling training where they learnt improved storage methods, management of pests, improved grain cleaning and drying methods.
- Agriculture skills: A total of 258 lead farmers and extension workers learnt improved farming practices where they learnt vegetable production techniques, nursery bed settings and management.
- Environmental conservation: 37 people selected from government and ministry attended a three day climate smart agriculture training aimed at increasing productivity and enhancing resilience using local farmers under the three pillars of productivity, adaptation and mitigation.

### HEALTH AND NUTRITION

• **Health Supplies**: 350 insecticide treated nets were distributed to mothers attending antenatal clinics.

- Screening, care and treatment: 40,124 children were screened for malnutrition, with 1,976 malnourished children identified and admitted into care and treatment. Furthermore 16,087 pregnant and lactating women were screened for malnutrition, with 1,166 identified as malnourished and admitted into care and treatment.
- Behavioral Change Messages: 3,834 mothers participated in health and nutrition education sessions where they learned appropriate infant and young children feeding practices, health and hygiene practices and other health seeking behaviors promoted through World Vision supported health facilities.
- Child birth assistance: 269 mothers received skilled delivery attendance and care through World Vision supported antenatal clinics.
- Community resource strengthening: 122 health workers learnt maternal and child health skills on screening, case follow-up, vaccination, and disease management and control.
- Advocacy: 33 parish development committee members in Gogrial West learned skills in community engagement and consultative methods.

## EDUCATION AND PROTECTION

- Access to education: 16,836 children attended World Vision supported early childhood development centres, primary and secondary schools.
- School supplies: All five World Vision supported primary schools in Juba attended by about 1,620 children received text books.



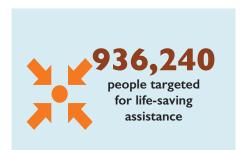
- Birth registration: 325 children supported to acquire birth registration certificates.
- Child friendly spaces: 8,700 children attended child friendly spaces where they accessed education and protection services.
- Gender behavioural change: 1,115 people learned about sexual and gender based violence, prevention, referral mechanisms and child rights through awareness campaigns conducted in Juba.
- Advocacy: 617 people attended campaigns sessions to promote education enrolment, retention and completion
- .School feeding programmes: 17,886 children received 102.4 metric tons of food supplied under school meals and Girls Initiative assistance targeted to promote school attendance, retention and completion.



- Portable water: Over 98,000 people received about 1.5 million litres of clean water daily in World Vision supported areas of Dengtoma, Kor Adar, Malek, Malakal Town, Aburoc, Manyo, Melut town and Renk town.
- Infrastructure support: Four boreholes were constructed in four World Vision supported health facilities in Twic County.

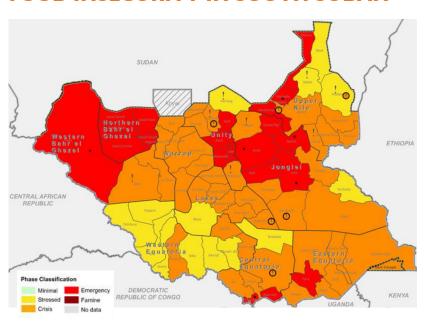
#### **NEEDS**

- Inadequate access to clean and safe water supply in famine affected communities
- Limited access to nutrition and health services in Internally Displaced Persons and famine affected communities
- Agricultural inputs for the main rainy season





#### **FOOD INSECURITY IN SOUTH SUDAN**



#### **RESPONSE HIGHLIGHTS**



202,825

people reached with food security and livelihood support



98,000

people reached with water, sanitation and hygiene support



45,273

people reached with nutrition support



44,732

people reached with health assistance



27,850

children reached with child protection and education interventions



#### **GAP AND FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**



#### WV SOUTH SUDAN HUMANITARIAN DONORS AND PARTNERS:





















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