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Key overall developments

- The NFI Common Pipeline partners continue targeted replenishment of jerry cans and plastic sheeting, essential items for protection and hygiene during the rains. Distributions are ongoing, but expected to be complete by the end of July.

Needs and response by sector

Population movements and returns

West Darfur

Regular activities

- UNHCR met with leaders and sheikhs in the Zalingei IDP camps to discuss returns. Around 610 households have returned to their places of origin or other agricultural areas to cultivate crops. Some 35 families from Khamsa Dagaig moved to Orukum, though this is not their place of origin, to cultivate land there following an agreement with landlords.
- A UNHCR mission to Forobaranga revealed some tensions over land use. Members of the local population said they feared violence if they attempted to farm outside their village. UNHCR asked UNAMID to increase patrols and will continue to monitor the situation.
- Sheikhs from Dorti camp reported some IDPs were threatened and harassed when they went to cultivate their land. At a village some 20 km north of Dorti camp they allegedly were told by the Omda that their land no longer belonged to them since they were staying in the camp. HAC agreed to follow up the issue with the concerned authorities.

Education

South Darfur

Regular activities

- World Vision distributed 140 girls' school uniforms to 140 students in three schools around Nyala town.
- UNICEF began a training programme for 60 facilitators working on the Accelerated Learning Programme in South Darfur. The facilitators will go on to deliver training to local teachers to implement the programme, which aims at helping out of school children, especially girls, to catch up on their education.

West Darfur

Regular activities

- UNICEF has provided 90 sets of education materials to support primary education for up to 4,500 children in remote areas of Jebel Moon. At the same time, UNICEF and the Child Friendly Community Initiative completed construction of four new classrooms in Arosharo in Jebel Moon.

Food Security and Livelihoods

North Darfur

Regular activities

- July food distribution under General Food Distribution, Blanket Supplementary Feeding Programme (BSFP), and seasonal support are ongoing as per plan, with distributions being carried out in El Fasher rural, Kuma, Korma, Kafod, Kalimando clusters Kutum Route 4 (Dessa) & Route 5 (Hashaba). Distributions have been completed in Zamzam IDP camp.
- Under BSFP, 147,000 children under-five received food rations in Kutum route 1 - Abdul Shakour, Kutum Route 5 - Hashaba, and Kutum route 4 - Deesa. In Shangil Tobay and Shadad camps, the screening of 300 children under-five children was conducted on 18-22 July. The third round of screening of children has started in Abu Shouk, Al Salam IDP camps, Kebkabiya town, Zamzam IDP camp, Mellit and Sayah.
- WFP and Africa Humanitarian Action jointly conducted food distributions for the first time in Shangil Tobay and Shadad camps.
- During the week, WFP signed a memorandum of understanding with the State Ministry of Education to provide school meals to 174,000 school children in North Darfur.

South Darfur

Regular activities

- World Vision implemented the following key programme activities in South Darfur during the past week:
 - Completed general food distribution (GFD) in Otash and Mershing camps. A total of 103,697 beneficiaries received 1,134.7 metric tons of commodities.
 - Completed replacing of ration cards in Sakali and Sakali west, while this is ongoing in Otash

- Held pre-distribution meetings in Mershing as part of distribution process
- Conducted tree planting campaign at Mershing; a total of 3,000 seedlings were distributed and a total of 400 farmers participated in the campaign, while other 17,500 various seedlings were distributed at Khor Abechi, Danganure and Edd al Fursan communities
- Vaccinated and treated 13,100 animals at Khor Abechi and Juruf communities
- Distributed 340 goats to 85 households at Rehed Albirdi, Umshoka and Eldelaib and trained HH members on animal husbandry
- Follow up of chickens distributed to the beneficiaries in Rehed Albirdi locality is ongoing.
- WFP and partner, Sudanese Popular Committee for Relief and Rehabilitation, are conducting joint food distributions in Muhagiriya and Shaeria for July and August, which are expected to be completed this week.
- WFP partner, Sudanese Red Crescent, registered 13,824 households affected by conflict in Abu Jabra in May 2009. This will be followed by verifications to confirm IDPs in need of food assistance.
- WFP and the Ministry of Health fed 200 beneficiaries (179 under-five children and 21 lactating and pregnant mothers) in the three supplementary feeding centres and the two OTP centres in Kass Town. 59 new beneficiaries were admitted (57 under-five children and two pregnant mothers) and two under-five children were discharged from the programme.
- The fourth round of BSFP distributions is ongoing in Seleah and Yassin, including MUAC measurements of targeted children.

West Darfur

Regular activities

- Food pre-positioning has been completed in West Darfur, with over 15,000 metric tons of food in place to cover distributions until September 2009.
- Some 1,275 children were screened for Blanket Supplementary Feeding in Armankul. WFP found 111 children were moderately malnourished, while the three children who were severely malnourished were referred to a therapeutic feeding centre.

Health and Nutrition

South Darfur

Short-term response

- UNICEF has provided 80 cartons of nutritional paste to support feeding programmes in Kalma camp, along with other materials for selective feeding programmes. UNICEF has also supported the State Ministry of Health to complete localised nutrition surveys in Otash camp and in Kass.

Regular activities

- World Vision implemented the following key programme activities in South Darfur during the past week:
 - Handled consultations for 1,940 patients at clinics in Galdi, Geneina, Manawashi, Mershing and Otash; vaccinated 467 children and provided ante-natal care to 249 women
 - Treated 1,525 malnourished children in Manawashi and Mershing and gave them high energy food and 27 other children were de-wormed.
 - Conducted health education for 698 people through community mobilization.
- Merlin completed the fourth Blanket Supplementary Food Programme (BFSP) Distribution to children under five in Seleah and Yassin with a total of 8703 children fed. 4344 of these were from Seleah and 4359 from Yassin.

West Darfur

Short-term response

- UNICEF has provided food supplies for care-givers in Nertiti and Zalingei Therapeutic Feeding Programmes, as part of a joint agreement with the World Food Programme the State Ministry of Health. UNICEF has also provided 70 cartons of nutritional paste in collaboration with the ICRC in Kutrum, to support nutrition programmes in the area.

Regular activities

- UNICEF has supplied ten cartons of therapeutic milk for the specialist feeding programme in El Geneina, along with 40 cartons of nutritional paste, 50 cartons of therapeutic milk for feeding programmes in Mornei. The supplies should be sufficient to meet current needs for up to two months.

Non-Food Items (NFIs)

North Darfur

Regular activities

- German Agro Action (GAA) supported replenishment distributions of jerry cans and plastic sheeting to 273 households in Bakuri, 230 households in Birmaza, 435 households in Disa Camp, 570 households in Kutum, and 696 households in Mallit.
- Additionally, the NFI Common Pipeline provided plastic sheeting to both Malteser International and Humanitarian Aid Development Organization (HAD) in support of health clinics.

South Darfur

Regular activities

- Replenishment of rainy season items also continues in South Darfur by NFI Common Pipeline cooperating partners:
 - Norwegian Church Aid (NCA) supported 2,300 households in Billel/Belie Camp.
 - Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS) supported 2,720 households in Khor Omer Camp.

West Darfur

Regular activities

- In Habila, UNHCR distributed NFIs to implementing partner HelpAge International (HAI) in support of its shelter construction projects, as well as eye clinics to be established at Beida and Kongo Haraza.
- UNHCR implementing partner Intersos began NFI distribution in the rural locations of Habila.

- UNJLC replenishment of rainy season items continues in West Darfur:
- Concern supported 5,084 households in Mornei.
- CRS supported 2,492 households in Krenek Camp.
- Helpage International supported 237 households in Goker Camp, 550 households in Habila Camp, 267 households in Krinding I Camp, 674 households in Krinding II Camp, 695 households in Mornei, and 451 households in Sisi Camp.
- NCA are supporting 20,116 households in Zalingei.

Protection and Human Rights

South Darfur

Regular activities

- World Vision implemented the following key programme activities in South Darfur during the past week:
 - Sensitised 631 women, 74 men and 639 children on children's issues and rights and gender issues at Manawashi and Mershing Child Friendly Spaces
 - Conducted three children events at Mershing and Manawashi; the events included drama and games
 - Provided care and psychosocial support to 899 children at Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) in Alsalam, Galdi, Manawashi and Mershing
 - Trained 100 women on gender development in Alsalam camp
 - Conducted adult literacy classes for 1,225 women in Manawashi, Mershing and Otash, meanwhile, 5,297 other women registered for adult education in Otash centres.
 - Thirty people from 10 peace building committee members and twenty community members participated on peace building training at Manawashi
 - Conducted three meetings with peace building committees at Khore Abechi, Krumje and Mershing, Income generating activities projects were discussed.
- UNHCR and the Commission for Refugees (COR) conducted a mission to Um Dafog (South Darfur) this week though they were unable to talk to the refugees. A follow up mission will be necessary to determine protection concerns.
- UNHCR obtained the release of two asylum seekers from CAR following notification by the COR that the Nyala Immigration and Passport Department had been holding them for several days.
- The first students to follow the new HIV/AIDS life skills curriculum began studies this week, in an initiative supported by UNICEF. In partnership with the State Ministry of Health, nearly 20,000 special text books have been provided in South Darfur to enable the curriculum to be implemented.
- UNICEF began a training programme on child rights and child protection issues for 30 high rank officers in the Sudan Armed Forces (SAF). SAF training started today in Nyala to benefit 30 high rank officers and officers on issues related to Child Rights and Child Protection.

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Regular activities

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Water and Sanitation

South Darfur

Short-term response

- In Kass camp for internally displaced persons, the State Water Corporation - assisted by UNICEF - conducted a general environmental clean-up campaign, repaired 31 household latrines and undertook disinfection on more than 2,400 water containers. Meanwhile, in Otash camp, the two partners installed 180 metres of new water pipelines to improve supply.

Regular activities

- World Vision implemented the following key programme activities in South Darfur during the past week:
 - Repaired water pipe lines at Shawa and technical school camps in Kass, three hand pumps at Mershing and Manawashi and replaced two water taps at Ardaiba camp.
 - Installed one borehole at Barcol Altaror community.
 - Completed lining of 30 latrines at Barcol Alfogara and Barcol Alardaiba communities.
 - Completed construction work on the tank base for Jughma water system.
 - Sited 200 latrines at Khor Abechi, while other 100 family latrines were lined at Manawashi community
 - Trained 20 hand pump caretakers from ten villages in Rehed Albirdi locality and conducted Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation training (for 90) households in Barcol Alfugara and Barcol Alardaiba communities
 - Conducted a clean-up campaign attended by 1,136 people in Duma and Khore Abechi communities
 - Distributed 46 carton of soap during clean up campaign to promote hygiene amongst people
 - Conducted hygiene promotion visits to 249 households in Mershing, Manawashi and Duma communities
 - Tested 89 samples of water at households and water points level for Free Residual Chlorine (FRC), so far 29 hand pumps were disinfected with chlorine at Mershing and Manawashi communities
- There was a one day cleaning day in response to a Merlin health promotion held with all the local leaders and Community Health Committee members of Babanusa-Gereida. They promised to organise this on weekly basis as one way of preventing Acute Watery Diarrhoea.
- In partnership between the State Water Corporation and UNICEF, more than 1,500 households in Mossei, Otash, Alsalam, Elneem and Kass camps were reached by hygiene promotion teams, while throughout South Darfur more than 556, 000 bars of soap were distributed to support hygiene and sanitation activities with more than 667,000 internally displaced persons.

West Darfur

Short-term response

- The State Water Corporation was supported by UNICEF to repair hand pumps in Nertiti and Krinding 1 camps, ensuring safe water supplies for 2,500 people. +

Regular activities

- The State Water Corporation, assisted by UNICEF, repaired 500 household latrines in Dorti and Krinding 1 camps, while hygiene promotion teams reached over 1,100 households in Dorti, Krinding, Ryiad, Taiba and Nertiti. The two partners also supported environmental cleaning campaigns in Nertiti and Taiba camps, benefiting more than 14,000 people.

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