



**Humanitarian Action in Darfur**  
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**Key overall developments**

- The second round of WFP's new food security monitoring system (FSMS) is underway. First round results are being analysed and will be used as a baseline against which future FSMS data will be used to measure seasonal trends in the food security situation.
- Distributions from NFI Common Pipeline warehouses have now recommenced in all three Darfur states. IOM will be assuming responsibility for transportation services for the NFI Common Pipeline; implementation is pending receipt of funds, which is urgently being sought by UNJLC and IOM. In the interim period, NGO partners continue to collect NFIs for emergency distributions from the warehouses directly.
- The State Ministries of Health (SMOH) will distribute a leaflet on Influenza A H1N1 to all partners. These will be disseminated to all localities and orientation workshops will be conducted to the staff and communities.
- No cases of suspected Influenza A (H1N1) have been reported in the Darfur region.
- The process of revising/reviewing Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) Preparedness and Response Plan in coordination with SMOH and NGOs has commenced in the Darfur States. The form to assess the availability of human and material resources has been developed for the input from all health partners.

**Needs and response by sector**

***Education***

**South Darfur**

- Computer training for 15 youth groups at Manawashi continued with World Vision (WV) support.
- Five Child clubs are being established in Kass. Girls' education and Nomadic Education Departments are campaigning in Buram, Ed El Fursan, Rehed Al Birdi, Kass and Abu Agoura to mobilise local communities and partners to increase enrolment in grade one and for nomadic children, especially girls.

**West Darfur**

- Damage to 216 temporary classrooms in three camps in Zalingei for internally displaced persons was caused by recent storms. Local Parent Teacher Association members and community leaders have agreed to provide labour to repair and replace the damaged classrooms, while UNICEF will assist with the purchase of materials. When fully functional, the classrooms will serve 13,000 children in the three camps.

***Food Security and Livelihoods***

**North Darfur**

- WFP General Food Distribution (GFD) and Blanket Supplementary Feeding have been completed for May in Kassab, Fata Barno Camps and Kutum Town with similar distributions ongoing in Abu Shouk and Tawilla IDP camps.
- Darfur Peace and Development Organization (DPDO), a local organization, conducted training on solar cookers last week for 28 participants in Asalam IDPs camp in El Fasher.
- Practical Action (PA) has finalised the distribution of 821 sets of Liquid Propane Gas (LPG) to El Fasher and some rural areas. Additionally, 400 women in seven villages in El Fasher rural areas have been trained on producing mud stoves. Also, PA has conducted a community mobilisation campaign to advocate popular forest projects in Abu Digaze, El Fasher rural area.

**South Darfur**

- WFP Nyala finalised verification of 2,057 individuals who arrived in Beleil camp from Muhajariya, Shabab and Abudangal areas, while 158 individuals displaced from Muhajariya to Khor Omer were included in the Ed Daein food distribution for May. WFP in Ed Daein will continue food distribution monitoring with the Sudanese Red Crescent and Tearfund in Adeila, Assalaya and Ed Daein. It will also conduct food security monitoring for the second quarter in Ed Daein, Assalaya and Alfirdos.
- World Vision (WV) completed general food distributions for 22,430 new arrivals at Al Salam camp. They received 269.2 metric tons (MT) of food.
- Food distributions at Kalma camp was commenced by WV.
- 50 Community Animal Health Workers (CAWHS) in Niteaga village received training from WV. World Vision collected more than 450 biological samples (e.g. blood, dung) from animals to determine the prevalence of livestock diseases in the area.
- 60 cattle troughs were distributed by WV to 210 households in Niteaga village.

- Preparations for seed fairs in South Darfur in June are underway by WV. The preparations included verification of households that will receive seed vouchers and WV conducted awareness sessions on the importance of seed fairs, how the vouchers are distributed, the types and quality of seeds distributed among other issues.

#### West Darfur

- WFP completed the training of 22 enumerators from the State Ministry of Agriculture. The participants will collect data from the second round of the FSMS in West Darfur which will cover 22 clusters during this round, compared to 18 clusters in the first round conducted in February 2009. WFP has completed GFD for May in locations in Zalingei, Mornie and the northern corridor of West Darfur state.

### **Health and Nutrition**

#### North Darfur

##### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- UNICEF supported an international NGO to carry out a screening of malnourished children among new arrivals in Zam Zam camp. Of more than 6,900 children screened, 570 were found to be moderately malnourished and 78 to be severely malnourished. All these cases were admitted into the new Health and Nutrition centre established by the NGO in the camp.
- A team of 11 Egyptian doctors has arrived in North Darfur to support the secondary health care services in the state for a period of one month.

##### **Regular activities**

- The Child Health Week phase of the Sudan Accelerated Child Survival Initiative (SACSI), supported by UNICEF, was completed across North Darfur, with more than 434,000 children vaccinated against polio. Details of other activities supported through the Child Health Weeks are being compiled.
- UNFPA ND will support Kebkabiya hospital with reproductive health kits including post-rape kits.
- UNFPA ND supported El Fasher maternity hospital with reproductive health kits.
- UNFPA ND Supported Malteser with clean delivery kits and personal hygiene kits to be distributed and used in Darussalam area.
- 30 midwives were trained in Kutum by GOAL in collaboration with the SMOH on antenatal care and the management of pregnancy complications.

#### South Darfur

##### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- UNICEF sent items to Feina in order to continue the routine vaccination at the clinic previously run by MSF-H and to Kalma.

##### **Regular activities**

- The cumulative number of cases of suspected meningitis is 229. During week 18, 1-7 May, the number of reported cases is 14. 54 percent of cases between 5-14 years of age, 22 percent are 15-29 years of age and 8 percent are 2-4 years of age. Over the week, Nyala Teaching hospital in South Darfur received eight cases of suspected meningitis, one of them an IDP.
- World Vision conducted consultations and provided primary health care to 518 patients at clinics in Galdi, El Geneina, Manawashi, Mershing and Otash. WV supervised the safe delivery of 14 children, vaccinated 183 children and mothers and provided ante-natal care to 137 women.
- 382 children at Supplementary Feeding Centres were screened and provided with 0.67 metric tons of high energy food for two weeks by WV.
- Two severely malnourished children were admitted for treatment by WV.
- Health education visits to 554 households in Manawashi and Mershing, were conducted by WV that reached out to 3,205 people through community mobilisation.
- More than 7,000 young people were reached with HIV awareness messages in seven camps in Nyala throughout April based on data now compiled, in a coordinated effort with the State Ministry of Health, UNICEF and others.
- South Darfur WHO circulated key messages on influenza A (H1N1). Local authorities indicated that they screen passengers on international flights to Nyala Airport for suspected cases.

#### West Darfur

##### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- Ten of the 13 primary health care facilities affected by the expulsion of NGO partners are now functioning under the management of the State Ministry of Health and funded from federal health authorities. However, some of these facilities are reporting very limited human resource capacity.
- One additional Therapeutic Feeding Centre resumed activities in the last week with the support of UNICEF. Of the 13 Therapeutic Feeding Centres formerly managed by expelled NGOs in West Darfur 11 are now operating. Therapeutic Feeding Centres in Hamidiya and Hassahissa camps remain closed. Discussions are underway with relevant camp communities, the State Ministry of Health and remaining NGOs regarding the re-establishment of these centres.

##### **Regular activities**

- The mass meningitis vaccination campaign is ongoing in East Jabal Marra with collaboration of MDM, UNICEF and WHO and has covered more than 14000 people so far. The campaign has also started in Congo sector of Nyala locality and vaccinated about 14,500 people so far.

### **Non-Food Items (NFIs)**

#### North Darfur

- This week in North Darfur, MSF-Spain supported 118 newly-displaced households in Shangil Tobayi camp with NFIs from the NFI Common Pipeline.

#### South Darfur

- Sudanese Red Crescent Society (SRCS) distributed plastic sheeting to 98 households of newly displaced in El Neem camp in Ed Daein.
- Samaritan's Purse served newly-displaced 115 households in Marla, in the Nyala locality, with plastic sleeping mats, blankets, plastic sheeting and cooking sets.
- UNICEF supported therapeutic feeding centres in Nyala, Kass, Ed El Fursan and the East Jebel Marra area with plastic sheeting and blankets from the NFI Common Pipeline.

#### West Darfur

- Following a fire, Terre des Hommes (TDH) supported 79 households in Ryad camp with essential household items and emergency shelter.

### **Protection and Human Rights**

#### South Darfur

- Psychosocial support, care and informal education to 1,399 children at community centres and child friendly spaces at Al Salam camp, Galdi, Manawashi and Mershing settlements were provided by WV that also held three events for the children.
- Adult literacy classes for 968 women and income generation activities for women at Al Salam camp, Galdi, Manawashi and Mershing settlements received WV's support. They also held two events for the women.
- 63 women at Manawashi and Mershing settlements were trained on the construction of fuel-efficient stoves by WV.
- Seven focus group discussions were conducted by WV in Manawashi and Mershing in which 922 children – 501 girls and 421 boys – were sensitised on issues related to children and their rights, and six focus group discussions in which 747 women and 102 men were sensitised on children's rights and gender issues. Also, two focus group discussions were held for village protection committees in Manawashi and Mershing.
- UNFPA SD supported the organisation of a women's exhibition at Nyala University in partnership with the state committee on combating violence against women and the Wali advisor unit on children and women. In the event presentations were made by different government departments, UNFPA, UNICEF and HAC.

#### West Darfur

- UNICEF facilitated a two-day workshop on casework management for social workers in West Darfur. Thirty five social workers completed the full training while an additional 20 social workers participated partly in the workshop.

### **Water and Sanitation**

#### North Darfur

#### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- UNICEF supported the State Water Corporation to maintain 137 hand pumps in Abu Shouk, Zam Zam, Asalam and Kassab camps for internally displaced persons. Thirty four hand pumps were repaired in other locations, towns and rural areas in North Darfur.
- With UNICEF support 378 communal latrines were constructed in Zam Zam camp for newly arrived IDPs and in Abu Shouk and Kassab camp 625 communal latrines were repaired.

#### **Regular activities**

- In Zam Zam camp more than 3,600 households were reached with hygiene education messages and mobilised to clean more than 3,700 jerry cans. A similar effort reached 319 households in Abu Shouk camp where community members also cleaned more than 2,200 jerry cans.

#### South Darfur

#### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- UNICEF will support its partners to provide water and sanitation services in Kalma camp for internally displaced persons, following an agreement by camp leaders for international NGOs to start operations in the camp. The camp has been effectively closed to humanitarian actors since early March. Shortages in water and sanitation provision in Kalma are increasing due to excessive temperatures and UNICEF will support and advocate synchronised efforts by more than one organisation.
- With UNICEF support the State Water Corporation maintained 30 motorised water schemes and 120 hand pumps across South Darfur. In Al Salaam locality four wells were drilled and fitted with hand pumps benefiting 1,000 people.
- Water and Environmental Sanitation (WES) supported by UNICEF installed four shallow wells in Asalam locality. A 400 meter distribution system has been extended to the new arrival areas and public tap construction is in progress. Chlorination continued in the IDP camps (except Kalma) by trained local IDPs. 400 household latrines were constructed and 500 replaced in Otash IDP camp. 1,436 cartons of soap have been distributed to Otash, Asalam, Kass, Beileil, Dereige and Mosie. 1,073 cartons are waiting transportation to Ed Daein, Mershing, Manawashi, Duma and El Sereif camps. Before the rainy season starts, a second batch of distribution is planned for next week if transportation can be made available.
- A camp wide clean up campaign is on progress in Kass, Otash and Mosie. Access to safe means of solid waste disposal increased for 180 people through construction of 30 HH latrines in Otash sector ten (people relocated from Kalma). One general cleaning campaign was conducted in Mosie.

#### **Regular activities**

- WV continued the construction of ten replacement latrines in Duma.
- Hygiene promotion visits to 298 households were conducted by WV in Duma and involved 406 people in a clean-up campaign in the area and 178 people in another clean-up campaign in Kereri.
- Eight water points in Duma East were inspected and found to be clean.
- WV offered hygiene promotion training to 81 people in three villages in the Bulbul area and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) committees in Umshoka, Hialmatar and Saisaban villages.

- The lining of 35 latrine pits in the central Nyala area was completed and 77 pits in four villages in Edd al Fursan locality – Hialmatar, Saisaban, Seakahadid and Aldelaib.
- 25 family latrines were constructed by WV in Hialmatar and Seakahadid villages, Edd al Fursan locality.
- By visiting almost 900 households more than 7,000 people were reached across South Darfur with hygiene and sanitation messages in a partnership between UNICEF and the State Water Corporation. Almost 200 community sessions were also held about improving water services and programmes.
- In Kass, Tulus, Rehed Al Birdi and Buram camps 125,000 anti-malaria bed nets were distributed to IDPs, with the support of UNICEF.
- UNICEF, in co-operation with the State Ministry of Education, is distributing 1,000 cartons of exercise books in all camps in Nyala, as well as Gereida camp and Kass camp. About 75,000 children will benefit from this initiative ahead of the new school year which starts in the coming months.

#### West Darfur

##### **Short-term response to NGO expulsions**

- Solid waste management activities implemented by the State Water Corporation with the support of UNICEF and the local community benefited over 400 households in Taiba. Furthermore, the State Ministry of Health started solid waste management and hygiene promotion activities in Dukhun, Mornie, Mukhiar, Zallingei and Nertiti.
- With UNICEF support the State Water Corporation continued sanitation and hygiene promotion activities in Nertiti.
- The drilling of ten wells in rural areas of Gornei and Saga was completed and installation of hand pumps is to begin shortly with the support of the State Water Corporation and UNICEF.
- With UNICEF support the State Water Corporation continued to maintain and operate 18 motorised water schemes in Zallingei, Mornie, Habilla, Um Shalaya and Geneina benefiting more than 100,000 people. The State Water Corporation maintained ten hand pumps in Durti, Ryad and Ardamata camps.
- Almost 1,100 households were reached with hygiene messages in Durti, Ryad and Ardamata camps. Cleaning campaigns were also conducted in Taiba and Ardamata camps.

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