



WFP South Sudan

Situation Report #290

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Highlights

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- In May 2021, WFP reached over 3 million people with food assistance with emergency food assistance and livelihoods support.
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Situation Update

- **Vice President Rebecca de Mabior led a mission to Torit on June 28 with government representatives, including the Minister of Humanitarian Affairs, Minister of Youth and Environment, Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC) Representative along with the RC/HC a.i. to convey key messages to the youth groups in response to escalated attacks against humanitarians including: 1) Violence is not the way to start dialogue on jobs and employment, 2) Humanitarian actors are not a target, and 3) Freedom of South Sudanese to work anywhere in the country is sacrosanct.** Several other senior Government officials have also warned the population of South Sudan against attacking humanitarian actors, including the National Minister of Labour who criticised attacks by the youth groups and called for them to peacefully raise their concerns, which can be addressed by a review conducted by the national authorities.
- **In Eastern Equatoria, insecurity along major roads remains a chronic challenge for humanitarian access.** On 12 June, a WFP convoy was robbed by armed gunmen along the Torit-Imehijak road, while on 13 June, another UN convoy was robbed along Ikotos-Torit road. The following day, a commercial convoy was ambushed along Narus-Kapoeta road and a WFP convoy was also detained by community members at camp 15 due to grievances that food assistance had not yet reached their area because of delays caused by insecurity and poor road conditions.
- **In Warrap, armed youth groups from the local community looted 10 mt of food from the WFP warehouse in Kirrik, Tonj North on 19 June.** Following subsequent indications that the group planned to return to loot more food from the warehouse, other youth groups from the same local community mobilized to protect the warehouse and prevent any further looting.
- **In Jonglei and the Greater Pibor Administrative Area (GPAA), small scale raids continue to threaten the grassroots peace dialogue between the Dinka Bor, Lou Nuer and Murle and impede humanitarian access.** On 19 June 2021, armed men suspected to be Murle attacked Tuok cattle camp in Ayod, and raided an unknown number of cattle which subsequently led to a revenge attack. Similarly, on 23 June, a WFP convoy was attacked between Gadiang and Duk Pajut by Murle perpetrators during which the drivers and passengers were robbed of their personal belongings and a small amount of food was looted.
- **WFP appreciates recent contributions from ECHO, FCDO, New Zealand and the United States BPRM.** FCDO confirmed GBP 10,5 million to support the HARISS project to procure cereals to support 192,000 individuals in areas of high food insecurity, common services (UNHAS and Logistics Cluster) and road spot or chokepoint repair and road rehabilitation or construction projects to expand the transport network and facilitate food delivery particularly during rainy season. ECHO confirmed a top up contribution of Euro 5 million for common services (LC and UNHAS), bringing the total amount from Euro 2,5 million to Euro 7,5 million. New Zealand

In The Numbers

3.9 million people WFP plans to assist in June 2021

7.24 million people facing acute food insecurity from April to July 2021.

Of this, **108,000 in IPC 5**, 2.4 million in IPC 4, and 4.6 million in IPC 3 ([IPC](#))

1.9 million acutely malnourished women and children ([IPC](#))

1.47 million internally displaced people ([OCHA](#))

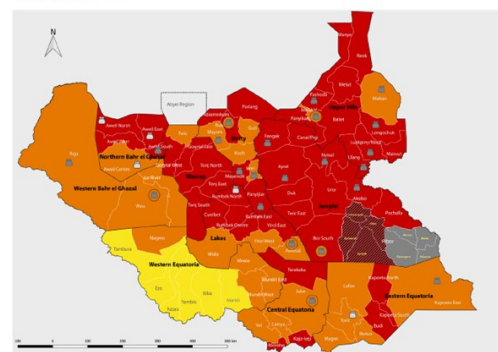
2.2 million South Sudanese refugees ([UNHCR](#))

USD 1.5 billion Global Humanitarian Funding Requirement 2021 (USD 671 million for WFP)

USD 169.7 million WFP six month net funding requirement from July to December 2021

Projection: Acute Food Insecurity | April - July 2021

7.2M 7.2 million people or 60% of the people analysed will likely face high levels of acute food insecurity (IPC Phase 3 or above) from April to July 2021.



confirmed USD 1,459,854 fully flexible funds to the iCSP. The US through BPRM confirmed USD 1,2 million to UNHAS.



Supply Chain

WFP Response



Food and Nutrition Assistance

- In June, WFP targeted **3.9 million** individuals in 79 counties, 2.7 million of which under WFP's emergency response, 819,606 individuals with nutrition commodities, and 1.1 million will receive assistance under WFP's safety nets and resilience programmes.
- To date in the six Priority One IPC 5 risk Counties, WFP has reached **344,689 beneficiaries** (92% achievement) in May and **325,837 beneficiaries** (87% achievement) in June.
 - In **Aweil South**, double distributions for May and June have been completed reaching 50,051 people and representing 100% achievement.
 - In **Tonj East**, the double distribution for May and June will be completed 30 June.
 - May distributions in **Tonj North and Tonj South** have been completed. The June single distribution will be completed 30 June.
 - In **Akobo**, June distributions are ongoing in two locations and currently stand at 77% completed.
 - In **Pibor** — May and June double distributions have been completed, reaching 96,065 people and a 94% achievement rate.



Safety Nets and Resilience

- Schools reopening meant that WFP could get back to partnering with the Ministry of Education and General Instruction (MOGEI) on activities to enhance the quality of the School Feeding programme, one of the largest safety net programmes in the country. WFP signed a Letter of Understanding with the MOGEI outlining the best way to cooperate for the effective delivery of the School Feeding programme which includes a number of capacity strengthening initiatives that would ultimately help improve education sector performance.
- Through this partnership, WFP plans to scale up support reach nearly **277,000 girls** and over **256,000 boys (533,000 children)** through the School Feeding programme in over 1,100 schools across all ten states and three administrative areas.



Innovations & Cash-Based Transfers

- WFP is working with Financial Service Providers (FSPs) to enhance the CBT digitization and improve assurances over the processes of payment to beneficiaries, especially in Protection of Civilian (PoCs) sites. Through this FSP model, WFP generates the payment instructions from SCOPE, and FSPs receive a Payment Advice File through a secure link which can then be processed in the system for cash delivery to beneficiaries. This FSP model has successfully been implemented in Juba, Malakal, and Bor interventions.
- For the first time, WFP started the implementation of the SCOPE cards for Food Assistance for Assets cash and GFD transfers in the IPC 5 areas Kuajok and Tonj South.



Food Security and Livelihoods Cluster (FSL)

- In total, WFP plans to transport **370,000 mt** of food in 2021. To date, **232,439 mt** of food has been sourced in or brought into South Sudan, representing 62.8 percent of the yearly requirements.
- Through the emergency road and dyke repairs project in Jonglei, **20.4 km of roads** and **66** out of 73 breached **dyke points** in Bor South have been repaired.
- In Renk, WFP is procuring **37,000 mt** of sorghum locally from suppliers in three instalments. This week, uplift of the first batch was completed and suppliers have been contracted to start the second batch. WFP also installed 3 additional—for a total of 6 – mobile storage units (MSUs) for Agriculture Bank of South Sudan (ABSS) to support capacity building and provide additional storage capacity.



Logistics Cluster

- The Logistics Cluster transported 230 mt of Non-Food Items (NFIs) to 25 locations on behalf of 19 organizations during the reporting period.
- One coordinated convoy departed from Juba to Rumbek and Wau, transporting approx. 680 mt of NFIs.
- The Logistics Cluster installed a Mobile Storage Unit (240 m²) in Warrap Town, Tonj North, which will be managed as common storage space by a partner on behalf of the humanitarian community.
- Two coordination meetings were held, in Juba and in Wau, with a total of 19 participating organizations.
- The latest Physical Access Constraints map, updated and shared with partners on a weekly basis, is available [here](#).



UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

- UNHAS transported 3,235 passengers and 115 mt of light humanitarian cargo to 54 destinations.
- UNHAS performed 6 medical evacuations on behalf of 3 organizations from Mundri, Rubkona, Wau and Yei.
- UNHAS performed one security relocation with 6 pax on behalf of 2 organization from Nyal to Juba.
- UNHAS continues to support the COVID-19 national vaccination programme, transporting 1,213 kg of cargo (vaccines and other medical and IEC items) to 30 locations. UNHAS also supported UNICEF in the transportation of COVID-19 vaccines.

In Focus: WFP increases local procurement by 30% in Renk

WFP, together with the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS) and the Agriculture Bank of South Sudan (ABSS), has embarked on an initiative to revitalize the agriculture sector by strengthening the institutional capacity of the Ministry and ABSS and supporting smallholder farmers with agricultural inputs to improve production and productivity, training to reduce post-harvest loss and access to markets. This project allows WFP to leverage our sizable demand for food to meet our operational requirements (which would normally be met in regional or international markets) to strengthen the agricultural sector through close collaboration with MAFS and ABSS.

Through this initiative in Renk, WFP is attempting to increase local procurement of sorghum from 10,000 mt in 2020 to 40,000 mt in 2021 in collaboration with ABSS to catalyze local productivity and production. This allows WFP to support smallholder farmers with technical assistance to improve food quality, diversify their production, and access market opportunities for their surplus, while at the same time contributing to improved food security and nutrition outcomes by linking local procurement with ongoing food assistance activities. WFP is now able to use the surplus sorghum produced in Renk to support Food Assistance for Assets and School Feeding programmes in other priority locations across the country. To facilitate this local procurement, WFP has also invested in expanding warehousing capacity in Renk through the installation of six MSUs (pictured left) at the ABSS compound as well as the production and delivery of empty bags for local procurement. Thanks to the new MSUs, ABSS will now be able to procure the sorghum locally from traders, store it in the MSU's, and proceed with re-bagging and storage in a safe environment to avoid post-harvest loss.

This institutional capacity building collaboration with the MAFS and ABSS in Renk provides a unique opportunity to strengthen the agriculture sector to ensure provision of comprehensive agricultural support services while investing in communities, promoting sustainable food systems, and contributing to improved food and nutrition security.



New MSU's installed at ABSS compound in Renk (Photos: WFP)

WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

	Total Requirements (millions In USD)	Allocated Contributions (millions in USD) *	6 Months Net Funding Requirements July to December 2021 (millions in USD)	People Assisted (April 2021)	Female	Male
ICSP TOTAL (2018-2021)	3,885.3	2,137.6	169.7	2,564,631	1,438,745	1,125,886
Activity 1: Provide nutrition-sensitive food assistance to crisis-affected populations	2,181.1	998.2	103.1	1,982,964	1,112,433	870,531
Activity 2: Provide food and nutrition assistance to refugees	477.5	184.4	37.3	240,335	134,827	105,508
Activity 3: Provide nutrition assistance to populations at risk of malnutrition	548.7	224.4	2.7	193,423	108,509	84,914
Activity 4: Provide livelihood support and build resilience of rural households	275.4	97.4	0.8	147,909	82,976	64,933
Activity 5: Operate air services for the humanitarian community	208.3	158.5	12.9	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 6: Coordinate the Logistics Cluster in support of the humanitarian community	97.6	83.0	3.4	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 7: Supply Chain provision	21.4	10.5	2.3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 8: Inter-Agency IT Communication Service	9.6	7.0	0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 9: SCOPE Service to humanitarian partners	53.9	14.7	5.7	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 10: Provision of IT services to the humanitarian community	1.3	0	0.0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Activity 11: Provision of infrastructure development services for humanitarian access and community	10.5	3.5	1.5	N/A	N/A	N/A
Non Activity Specific funding		356.0				

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