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HIGHLIGHTS

IOM health teams continue to respond to the malaria epidemic

Mobile response teams reach vulnerable populations in Jonglei's Canal County

IOM trains IDPs on psychosocial support at the Bentiu PoC site

Since December 2013, the crisis in South Sudan has displaced more than 2.3 million people, including 645,000 who have fled to neighbouring countries and more than 1.66 million others who remain internally displaced. Approximately 206,400 people are sheltering at UN Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) protection of civilian (PoC) sites across the country.

The malaria epidemic continues to spread, with nearly 1.6 million cases reported this year, according to the UN. To respond the high numbers of malaria cases at IOM clinics, IOM has dispatched additional malaria tests and treatment and recruited more hygiene promoters to encourage early diagnosis and treatment of malaria at the PoC sites in Bentiu, Unity State, and Malakal, Upper Nile State.

IOM mobile response teams recently distributed lifesaving water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) assistance to displaced and vulnerable households in remote areas of Canal County, Jonglei State. From 28 October to 18 November, IOM registered and provided assistance to more than 1,300 household in Kurwai payam. IOM also trained ten hygiene promoters ,who will spread messages on the importance of handwashing, the dangers of open defecation and tips on food and water hygiene among their own communities. IOM is currently in Kolapach payam to provide WASH assistance to an

additional 3,500 people. For more information, please see http://bit.ly/10iKnMD.

Along with partner World Vision, an IOM team is currently in Wau Shilluk, Upper Nile, to distribute emergency shelter materials, including ropes and plastic sheeting, to an estimated 2,000 households.

IOM has extended its psychosocial support (PSS) programme to the Bentiu PoC, training 20 IDPs to form mobile PSS teams. The teams will help design and implement PSS activities for communities across the PoC site.

| UNMISS PoC Biometric Registration Data as of 27 November | IDPs |
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| UN House Juba, Central Equatoria State | 27,987 |
| Bor, Jonglei State | 2,283 |
| Malakal, Upper Nile State | 47,791 |
| Bentiu, Unity State | 127,253 |
| Melut, Upper Nile State | 928 |
| Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal State | 202 |
| Total | 206,444 |

BENTIU POC SITE

IOM provides multi-sector humanitarian assistance to nearly 127,300 IDPs sheltering at the Bentiu PoC site, where the IDP population has increased by more than 40 per cent since early July.

Displacement, Tracking and Monitoring (DTM)

6,645 health consultations*

Top Medical Conditions at IOM

Upper Respiratory Tract Infection

614 children vaccinated

120 babies delivered

Static Clinics in Bentiu:

Between 7 and 20 November, 3,244 IDPs arrived at the site. According to data collected from new arrivals, food insecurity continues to be the main push factor, in addition to recent fighting in Nhialdiu in southern Rubkona County. From 14—20 November, the majority of new arrivals fled Unity's Leer, Rubkona and Koch counties.

For further information on displacement data and trends in South Sudan, please refer to the DTM website at http://www.iomsouthsudan.org/tracking/index.php.

CCCM

IOM is leading efforts to expand the Bentiu PoC site to improve living conditions and increase IDP access to humanitarian services. The IOM site planning team is currently working on further development in Sectors 1 and 2 and the contingency area.

Relocation resumed on 17 and 19 November, and 64 households, or 218 people, moved from PoC 1 to improved areas of Sector 1.

Nearly all humanitarian agencies have relocated to the new humanitarian hub office area, which provides improved space and facilities for offices and meetings.

Health

Malaria remains the highest cause of morbidity at IOM clinics in Bentiu, accounting for half of all consultations. IOM has dispatched additional malaria tests and recruited more hygiene promoters to conduct house-to-house visits and refer IDPs with malaria symptoms for early treatment.

From 16–22 November, IOM health promoters reached more than 11,000 IDPs with messages on good health seeking habits, malaria prevention and maternal health care from; 1,020 IDPs were referred to health facilities for vaccinations, reproductive health care and clinical care.

With support from the USAID Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/

OFDA) Rapid Response Fund (RRF), IOM is providing oral cholera vaccines (OCV) at the entrance gate of the PoC site, reaching 1,179 people during the reporting period.

WASH

Malaria

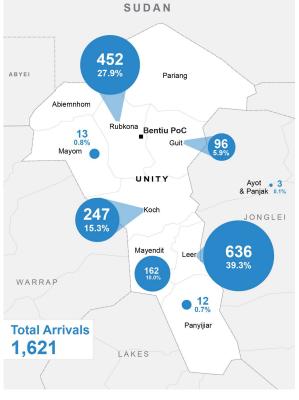
IOM is providing safe, treated drinking water to more than 47,000 IDPs at the Bentiu PoC, with IDPs receiving an average of 9.7 litres per person per day.

*From 9—22 November

IOM and partners continue to develop the Surface Water Treatment (SWAT) system, which will enable use of rain water to increase clean water consumption at the PoC site.

IOM also conducts regular maintenance and repair of WASH infrastructure, liquid waste management and garbage collection activities.

To celebrate World Toilet Day on 19 November, IOM helped reach nearly 4,500 IDPs with messages on good sanitation practices and the dangers of open defecation.



County of origin of new arrivals to

Bentiu PoC site from 14-20 Nov



IDPs continue to arrive at the Bentiu PoC. IOM/Bannon 2015

MALAKAL POC SITE

At the Malakal PoC site, the UN is providing protection to approximately 47,800 IDPs. As the CCCM and WASH focal point for Upper Nile, IOM provides multi-sector assistance to IDPs across the site.

DTM

Fewer than 15 new arrivals were recorded at the Malakal PoC site between 9 and 22 November. Most new arrivals came from nearby Wau Shilluk. The reduced influx trend is attributed to the recent food distribution in Wau Shilluk. However, once households exhaust their food supply, entries into the PoC may once again increase.



CCCM

IOM is supporting camp manager Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and UNMISS to prepare for the relocation of IDPs from crowded PoCs 3 and 4 to the new contingency area/Sector 4. Relocations remain on hold as additional security arrangements are implemented.

f 172 health consultations * Top Medical Conditions at IOM Static Clinics: Malaria

Upper Respiratory Tract Infection

305 children vaccinated **68** babies delivered

Health

Malaria remains the top cause of morbidity at IOM health care clinics in the Malakal PoC, representing 45 per cent of consultations conducted from 9 to 22 November.

During the week of 16 November, IOM health staff conducted 15 health promotion sessions at the clinics, reaching 632 people. In addition, more than 4,000 people benefited from households visits.

With support from the RRF, IOM continues to administer OCV at the entrance *From 9—22 November gate of the PoC site, reaching 1,617 people during the reporting period.

Shelter/NFI

IOM recently delivered shelter materials—including 8,000 rubber ropes, 4,000 nylon ropes and 110 bamboo poles—to Malakal for construction of communal shelters.

IOM is providing an average of 13.2 litres of safe drinking water per person per day for all 47,791 IDPs residing at the Malakal PoC site.

IOM WASH teams also undertake liquid and solid waste management in the PoC. During the second week of November, IOM ensured the proper disposal of 47.3m³ of liquid waste from 56 stances latrines in Sector 3 and 504m³ of solid waste from Sectors 2 and 3 to the waste disposal area outside of the PoC.

IOM WASH hygiene promoters recently responded to an increase in open defecation practices by sharing messages related to the health risks of open defecation, with a particular focus on children.

MELUT POC SITE

WASH

IOM provides WASH services to more than 900 IDPs at the Melut PoC site. IDPs are receiving an average of 15 litres of safe drinking water per person per day, as well as accessing latrines and bathing facilities at a ratio of 1 latrine per 27 people and 1 bathing facility per 28 people. IOM also conducts regular hygiene promotion activities.

RENK

Health

In Renk County, Upper Nile, IOM provides clinical assistance to IDPs, returnees and host communities. From 9 to 22 November, IOM health staff conducted 2,949 health consultations at three clinics in the county. Consistent with the malaria epidemic across the country, malaria was the most prevalent medical conditions of patients seeking health assistance.



SURVIVAL KIT OPERATION

IOM is working with partners to implement an emergency airlift operation to provide lifesaving assistance to civilians who remain cut-off from relief aid due to insecurity in Greater Upper Nile.

To date, relief agencies have delivered nearly 20,500 survival kits in 12 deep-field locations. Coordination and planning of additional deliveries in hard-to-reach areas are underway.

The lightweight, portable kits include mosquito nets, short-maturity vegetable seeds, fishing supplies, water containers, water purification tablets, oral rehydration salts, nutritional biscuits and kitchen sets.



IOM staff both deploy on survival kit operations and help assemble/coordinate the delivery of survival kits from Rumbek, Lakes State.

RAPID RESPONSE FUND (RRF)

With funding from USAID/OFDA, IOM manages the RRF to support relief agencies across the country to swiftly implement specific emergency interventions. The RRF currently covers five states in South Sudan with the support of partner organizations and IOM direct-implementation projects.

With support from the RRF, the International Rescue Committee (IRC) is operating two mobile primary health care clinics in Sectors 4 and 5 at the Bentiu PoC. During the week of 16 November, IRC conducted 441 health consultations, diagnosing 254 cases of malaria. IRC also launched a tetanus immunization campaign, targeting children under two years of age and pregnant women.

PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT (PSS)

IOM is addressing psychosocial needs of IDPs, with a focus on youth and adults, at the UN PoC sites in Bentiu and Bor, Jonglei State. IOM's programmes are community-driven, training IDPs on psychosocial support provision and enabling them to identify and develop activities that would best meet their own community's needs.

From 21 October to 11 November, IOM trained IDPs on basic psychosocial support services and developed a 20-person mobile psychosocial team at the Bentiu PoC. The mobile team



has already established elders, widows and youth support groups and drama groups across the PoC site. IOM remains on the ground in Bentiu to provide on-the-job training to ensure successful implementation of the new activities.

With IOM's support, IDPs in Bor continue to participate in seven PSS mobile teams, including an educators group, a women's group, a sports group, a cultural group, a mediation group, an interfaith group and a group of lay counsellors. Last week, the mediation group facilitated a discussion with the IDP community regarding movements outside of the PoC site and associated risks.

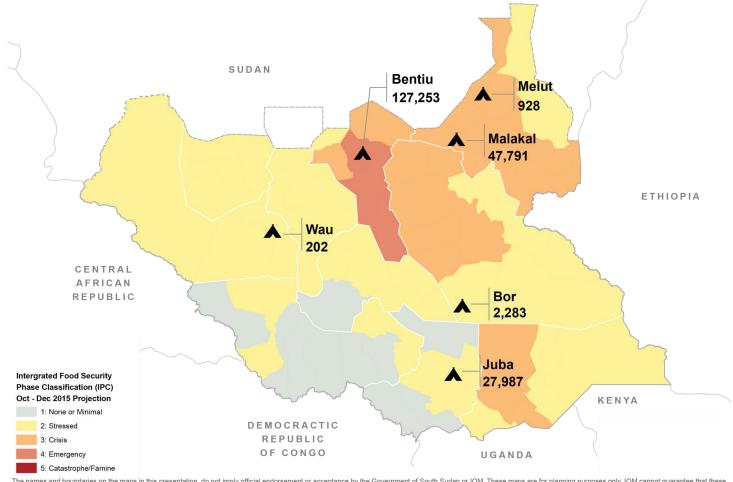
COMMON-TRANSPORT SERVICE (CTS)

The IOM-operated CTS is a free-for-user service for transporting humanitarian supplies in South Sudan to help partners deliver assistance to vulnerable populations.

From 7 to 20 November, 13 CTS trucks delivered more than 1,413 metric tons (MT) of humanitarian cargo to Bentiu, Bor, Malakal and Rumbek.



UN POC SITES AND IPC* DATA



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