

# IOM SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE



IOM hygiene promotion teams share education about proper handwashing on World Water Day, 22 March, 2019. © Headon/IOM 2019



South Sudanese internally displaced persons



South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries



Health consultations conducted



Cargo transported for IOM & partners



People provided safe drinking water

## SITUATION OVERVIEW

Insecurity and access issues in Tokori continued to impact IOM's access to key Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) screening sites. Cattle raids also caused conflict in various parts of the country. The inaccessibility caused delays in gathering information from the site, as well as hurdles for delivering services in the areas concerned.

The peace process continued to advance between the Government and opposition groups, with peace celebrations taking place throughout the country.

#### Monthly Highlights

- Assisted voluntary return operation to support 218 internally displaced persons (IDPs) to return to the area of Deim Zuber in the PoCAA in Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal
- IOM disseminated the research finding and key recommendations for the Closing the Gender Gap in WASH study
- Deployed two RRT teams to Mayom County and Pibor county to conduct reactive measles vaccination campaigns in response to an ongoing measles outbreak



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## **EBOLA RESPONSE**

Due to the ongoing Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, IOM has been carrying out preparedness activities across the border in Yei, focusing on health screenings, health and hygiene promotion, water, sanitation and hygiene support, and displacement tracking. New point of entry (PoE) screening site at Khor-Kaya/Busia started full screening operations of inbound traveler to South Sudan on 21 March, bringing the total number of active PoE sites established by IOM in Yei River State to 10.



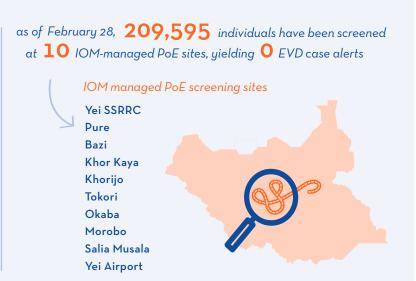




108,074

individuals reached with health and hygiene promotion

IOM continues to disseminate messages on EVD awareness (regarding prevention and transmission and signs of EVD), proper handwashing with soap and water and maintaining a safe water chain



## MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT

IOM MHPSS team supported International women's day in Bentiu in Unity, Malakal in Upper Nile and Wau in Western Bahr el Ghazal, reaching more than 11,000 people with awareness raising messages through radio programmes and through art workshops, including dance, drama and sports.

MHPSS team organized a 4-day interactive session in Wau town between 36 social workers and various service providers from government, NGOs and faith-based organizations and representatives from the youth union to discuss adolescents and youth development issues in the host communities. The sessions aimed at equipping the social workers with better understanding of the profiles and issues affecting the young population in Wau for better planning their activities and interventions in the host communities.

## **LOGISTICS**



**581** metric tonnes of humanitarian cargo delivered



**32** humanitarian partners served



**2,146** MT of cargo transported in 2019

## **CORE PIPELINE**

IOM transported 390.3 metric tonnes of pipeline supplies for preposition and distribution. IOM also processed and responded to 10 requests from S-NFI and WASH partners, which will benefit 20,635 households.

## CAMP COORDINATION & CAMP MANAGEMENT

In March, IOM led an assisted voluntary return operation to support 218 internally displaced persons (IDPs) living in the Wau PoCAA to return to the area of Deim Zuber approximately 210km north-east of Wau town. Camp management coordinated with various partners including WFP, FAO, IOM Shelter/NFI, IOM DTM and protection partners to deliver a return support package and connect community members to food and livelihood services in Deim Zubeir. Camp management is also coordinating with the Cluster to ensure service gaps are addressed. In Bentiu, Unity, IOM monitoring and evaluation team conducted a training for 43 female enumerators and for 33 female enumerators in Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal. In Malakal PoC, Upper Nile, IOM completed rehabilitation of Sector 4 to address congestion and improve living conditions.

#### **CCCM CLUSTER**

Following armed conflict in Kwajena and Alur in Western Bahr el Ghazal and subsequent significant displacement into the PoCAA and the Hai Masna collective center, CCCM Cluster supported the national Camp Management partner, AFOD, to coordinate partners to respond to the influx. Shelter/NFI, WASH, FSL, Nutrition, Protection, GBV and Health partners have all been engaged in the response.



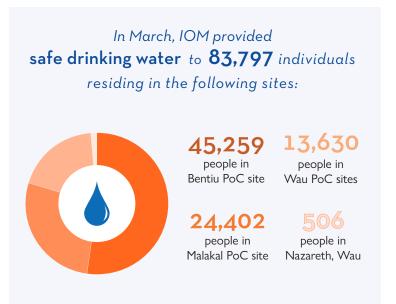
Upgrades to Malakal PoC have improved living conditions for residents © Mominee/ IOM 2019

## WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE

IOM constructed one latrine block with 20 stances in Malakal PoC site, of which two stances are accessible for people with disabilities. An estimate of 400 internally displaced people will benefit from those newly constructed sanitation facilities.

IOM WASH team distributed WASH NFI kits to 900 households in New Fangak, Jonglei and Kapoeta South, Eastern Equatoria. In addition, the IOM teams in Mayom in Unity, Kapoeta South and Magwi, Eastern Equatoria and Ayod in Jonglei distributed dignity kits to 245 women and girls. IOM teams on the ground in Central and Eastern Equatoria, Warrap, Unity, Western Bahr el Ghazal and Upper Nile, supported by community hygiene promoters (CHPs), reached 41,585 beneficiaries with hygiene promotion in all locations of intervention outside the formal displacement sites, including EVD preparedness locations.

To further support Hygiene Promotion activities, 21 Community Hygiene Promoters were trained in Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal. In March, IOM also trained 13 water management committees in Juba, Kapoeta South, Mayom and Wau, on basic maintainence of water points and management of water sources, which ensures the sustainability of the water sources.



#### boreholes manually drilled in March:

**6** in Mayom (Unity)

1 in Twic (Warrap)

#### boreholes mechanically drilled in March:

2 in Juba (Central Equatoria)

#### boreholes rehabilitated in March:

14 in Kapoeta South (Eastern Equatoria)

1 in Juba (Central Equatoria)

1 Magwi (Eastern Equatoria)

**3** Yei (Central Equatoria)

1 Koch (Unity)

**5** Gogrial East

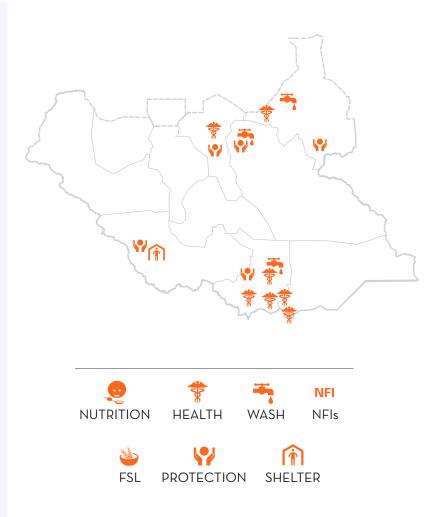


these thirty-four boreholes provide clean drinking water for 17,000 individuals

## RAPID RESPONSE FUND

The Rapid Response Fund (RRF) is supported by USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance. One new partner started a project with funding from RRF in March: MENTOR Initiative initiated vector disease control activities for Bentiu and Malakal Protection of Civilian sites (PoCs) to control the fly and mosquito populations that carry diseases in preparation for the rainy season, when malaria and other diseases carried by insects' increase. The project will benefit 138,871 IDPs living in the two PoCs; 24,402 in Malakal PoC and 114,469 in Bentiu PoC. The RRF team conducted one monitoring visit to Rokon and Dolo counties to monitor MaCDA's GBV response activities before the close of their project on March 26, 2019.

- Lacha Community Economic Development (LCED): responding to lifesaving shelter needs for IDPs in Mabia IDP settlement outside of Tambura, Tambura County, Western Equatoria
- Crisis Resilience Initiative (CRI): providing child protection services in Koch County, Unity, South Sudan
- Africa Development Aid (ADA): conducting emergency WASH and child protection interventions in Pigi County, Jonglei
- Mother and Child Development Aid: implementing urgent GBV response and prevention activities in Rokon and Dolo counties, Central Equatoria
- The Rescue Initiative South Sudan (TRI-SS): responding to emergency health needs in Korijo IDP settlement in Keriwa, Kajo Keji County, Central Equatoria
- Solidarities International (SI): implementing lifesaving WASH services and water trucking for the IDP population in Aburoc, Fashoda County, Upper Nile
- Samaritan's Purse (SP): building the capacity of healthcare workers and rapid response teams in Nimule, Yei and Juba to respond to potential EVD cases
- MENTOR Initiative (MI): prevention of vectorborne diseases in Malakal and Bentiu PoCs through larvaciding and indoor residual spraying of shelters in both PoCs; Bentiu PoC, Unity and Malakal PoC, Upper Nile



## MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

IOM, in collaborations with IC Net Limited, delivered a training on risk-based passenger controls for 17 Immigration and Customs officers that work at Juba International Airport (JIA). IOM also held a training on human trafficking for 23 government officers from the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare. The training focused on identifying victims of trafficking, health service needs, and communication skills for protection and trafficking cases.

## HEALTH

IOM provided primary health care services through seven static health facilities (Bentiu PoC, Malakal PoC, Wau PoCAA and Wau collective sites), and three mobile clinics at Jebel Kheir, Bazia and Farajalah in Wau county. In March, IOM deployed two RRT teams to Mayom County and Pibor county to conduct reactive measles vaccination campaigns in response to an ongoing measles outbreak in these locations. In Mayom, IOM vaccination team reached 56,647 children aged between six to 59 months, and in Pibor, 13,965 children were reached between the ages of six months to 15 years.



**36,870**consultations
conducted



1,803
antenatal care (ANC)
visits conducted



**2,145**children vaccinated with routine immunization

## PROTECTION/ GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

IOM held International Women's Day celebrations in Juba in Central Equatoria, Wau in Western Bahr el Ghazal, Malakal in Upper Nile, and Bentiu in Unity. A radio talk show was hosted in these locations, where panelists discussed ways in which women can contribute to development, the opportunities and challenges faced by women leaders in South Sudan and ways in which women can inspire and support other women to take on leadership roles. IOM disseminated the research finding and key recommendations for the closing the gender gap in WASH study with two disseminations, including one research validation workshop with WASH Cluster, government and donor representatives, and during the intersectoral meeting for WASH actors organized by the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MoWRI).



Participants discuss gender equality in the 'Closing the Gender Gap' study ©Wilson/ IOM 2019

## **TRANSITION & RECOVERY**

IOM conducted two conflict mitigation trainings in Noong and Leu for 106 youth (98 males and 8 females) from Misseriya and Ngok Dinka communities in Abyei. Ten small business groups were equipped with start-up kits in Bentiu, Unity. Rehabilitation and construction work at Liech primary school was completed, with three existing permanent classroom blocks rehabilitated and the construction of a new classroom block. Two pit latrine blocks were also renovated and a 430 metre long compound perimeter fence with a main gate and alternative door were installed.

#### SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS

The IOM S-NFI team in Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal, with the active participation of community members, completed construction of 100 one room shelters (ORS) and repaired 250 partially damaged structures. Construction was completed in coordination with village committees formed in each village. IOM provided multipurpose cash assistance to 2,572 individuals in Wau area of return (2,200 individuals), Lokoloko CC (93 individuals), POC AA (273 individuals) and POC 1 (6 individuals). IOM S-NFI team in partnership with IOM MHPSS and Non-violent Peaceforce, trained 47 Villages Committee members on Post Incident Support (PSI) on GBV, and Psychological First Aid (PFA) in Wau.

#### **SNFI CLUSTER**

The Cluster partners provided in kind S-NFI assistance to 114,445 individuals through ES/NFI distributions in Central Equatoria, Eastern Equatoria, Jonglei, Unity, Upper Nile, Western Bahar el Ghazal and Western Equatoria. Additionally, Cluster partners provided Cash Based Interventions to 53,249 individuals in Eastern Equatoria, Unity, Western Bahar e Ghazel and Western Equatoria States. IOM S-NFI facilitated training to 60 participants representing different national NGOs on behalf of the cluster.

## DISPLACEMENT TRACKING MATRIX

IOM continued monthly biometric authentication activities across multiple displacement sites and host community settings during WFP food distributions at 27 sites. Flow monitoring activities to monitor trends in mobility dynamics at key transit hubs and border points, including in the context of EVD preparedness, continued throughout the month at 32 flow monitoring points. A total of 16,260 groups (mostly households) representing 59,918 people were surveyed in March as part of the Flow Monitoring Registry. Of these, 28,650 individuals were surveyed on arrival from the Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda and the Central African Republic to inform Ebola Virus Disease Preparedness programming. DTM published its mobility tracking Round 4 narrative report, providing a comprehensive update on the displacement and return situation in South Sudan.

#### DTM REPORTS RELEASED IN MARCH

#### Flow Monitoring

<u>Displacement Site Flow Monitoring (Jan 2019)</u>
<u>Displacement Site Flow Monitoring (Feb 2019)</u>
<u>Ebola Preparedness Flow Monitoring Dashboard (Feb 2019)</u>
<u>Flow Monitoring Dashboard (Feb 2019)</u>

#### Headcount Reports

Bentiu Headcount (Feb 2019)
Wau PoCAA Headcount (Feb 2019)

#### Other Reports

Shelter Count: Khorijo IDP Site (Feb 2019)

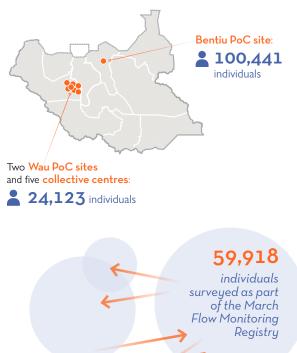
Event Tracking: Jur River (Mar 2019)

Event Tracking: Yei (Mar 2019)

#### Mobility Tracking

Mobility Tracking Round 4 (Mar 2019)

### Monthly headcount figures:





Children in Mayorn were recently vaccinated for measles after reports of an outbreak in the area. © Nero/ IOM 2019

# Measles immunization campaign launches in Mayom

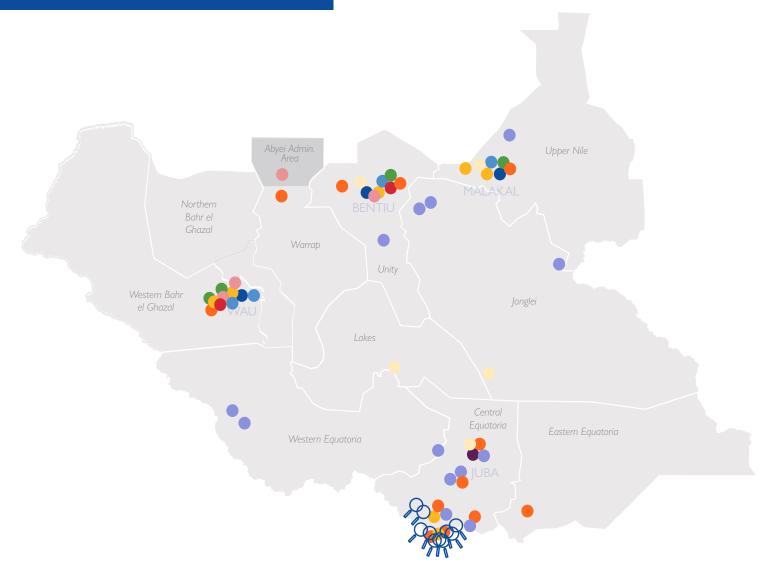
A campaign to immunize nearly 40,000 children against measles was launched on 6 March. The campaign is being carried out by the Ministry of Health with support from the World Health Organization (WHO), the UN's Children Fund (UNICEF) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM). It comes after a measles outbreak was recently confirmed in Mayom, former Unity State.

At least 17 measles cases with no deaths have been reported in Mayom County, with nearly 90 per cent of those affected aged less than 5 years and originating from Pup and Mankien Payams.

The nine-day campaign, targeted 37,193 children aged from 6 to 59 months in 10 bomas, namely Kuerbona, Mankien, Riak, Ruathnyibol, Kueryiek, Ngop, Pub, Bieh, Wangbour and Wangkei.

Learn more about this campaign <u>here</u>.

# IOM FIELD OPERATIONS



#### **IOM Programmatic Activities in February**





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