



IOM SOUTH SUDAN UPDATE



In January, IOM teams travelled to communities bordering DRC and Uganda to assess point-of-entry screening sites and educate nearby communities about Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) prevention and symptoms. ©Tangermann/IOM 2018



1.8 million

South Sudanese internally displaced persons
(OCHA figures)



2.5 million

South Sudanese refugees in neighbouring countries
(UNHCR figures)



48,304

Health consultations conducted



371 metric tonnes

Cargo transported for IOM & partners



88,758

People provided safe drinking water

SITUATION OVERVIEW

Insecurity in Yei increased with active conflict between opposition forces and the Government of South Sudan in Greater Equatoria States caused displacement of conflict affected communities and blocking IOM's access to key Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) screening sites. However, the peace process continued to advance between the Government and other opposition groups, with peace celebrations taking place throughout the country. Displaced communities, particularly in the Wau protection of civilian (PoC) adjacent area indicated greater intention to return home with the continued peace process. During the same reporting period, violent cattle raids in multiple locations throughout South Sudan, including Unity, has led to tragic death and displacement.

January Highlights

- ✔ Water distribution system completed in Yei Civil Hospital, as part of EVD preparedness activities
- ✔ New recovery project launched in Abyei Administrative Area
- ✔ Camp leadership elections held in Bentiu PoC site



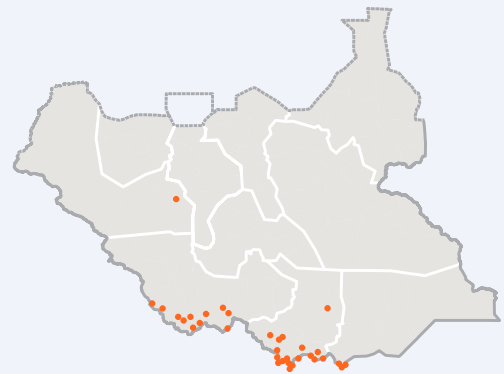
EBOLA RESPONSE

Due to the ongoing EVD outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, IOM has been carrying out preparedness activities in Yei, focusing on health screenings, health and hygiene promotion, water, sanitation and hygiene support and displacement tracking. This month, IOM completed the rehabilitation of a water distribution system in Yei Civil Hospital, which is a key EVD referral hospital, increasing the number of health facilities supported as part of EVD preparedness to three.

Screening ongoing for a total of **8 PoE screening sites** in Yei River State: Yei Airport, Yei RRC, Tikori, Kaya, Okaba, Khorijo, Pure and Bazi. Assessment ongoing for 10 additional PoE screening sites.

As of 27 January, **99,125 individuals** have been screened (since September 2018) at the 8 IOM PoE sites with zero cases confirmed.

23,342 individuals reached with **health and hygiene promotion** since October 2018 through activities held in 9 locations (Yei SSRRC screening point, Pure, Morobo, Khorijo, Kaya, Gimunu, Tokori, Marakonye and Attende). 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.



Active and planned PoE screening points in South Sudan (managed by IOM, World Vision, WHO, CUAMM and Cordaid)

LOGISTICS



371 metric tonnes of humanitarian cargo delivered



to **29** humanitarian partners throughout South Sudan



totalling **371** MT of cargo transported in 2019

MENTAL HEALTH & PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT (MHPSS)

IOM provides income generation and livelihood opportunities to its support group members and their family and friends to foster wellbeing, self-confidence and independence. In Malakal, IOM's MHPSS team continued to support young mothers through training and providing materials for knitting table clothes and other items and to train men to make shoes from old tires. With partners in Malakal, IOM continued implementation and strengthening of the Hope Campaign, which focuses on suicide prevention. The referral pathway has been updated involving all the relevant actors. The number of reported suicide attempts and fatalities is much lower than those reported at the same time two years ago. In Wau, IOM mobilized 150 people in the PoC, collective sites (Lokoloko, Nazareth and Cathedral) and the host community (Jebel Kheir) for baking skills training. IOM provides income generating opportunities to its support group members and their family and friends to foster wellbeing, self-confidence and independence.

In Wau, Malakal and Bentiu,

8,220 children and **18,563 adults** were provided with counselling, home visits, referrals and support group activities

1,825 persons were identified at-risk and **1,186 caregivers** were provided with focused services

2,705 persons were provided with psychological first aid

21 new support groups (widows, youth, adolescents, women, etc) were formed

MHPSS NETWORK & TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

In Bentiu, the MHPSS Technical Working Group (TWG) conducted a training on child gender-based violence (GBV) survivors' psychosocial support for 26 service providers in Bentiu.

CAMP COORDINATION & CAMP MANAGEMENT (CCCM)

In January, the camp management in Bentiu supported the election of the new camp leadership for the next six months. Besides representation of women and youth, this new community leadership forum includes representation of persons living with disability. In Malakal, camp management engineering teams collaborated with VISTAS on a youth cash-for-work programme to maintain the drainage system in areas where machineries cannot access. In Wau, IOM participated in a multi-sectoral assessment in Deim Zubeir, where displaced people living in the PoC site have requested to return to. To support informed decisions for the displaced community, camp management led an assessment to the areas with three main objectives:

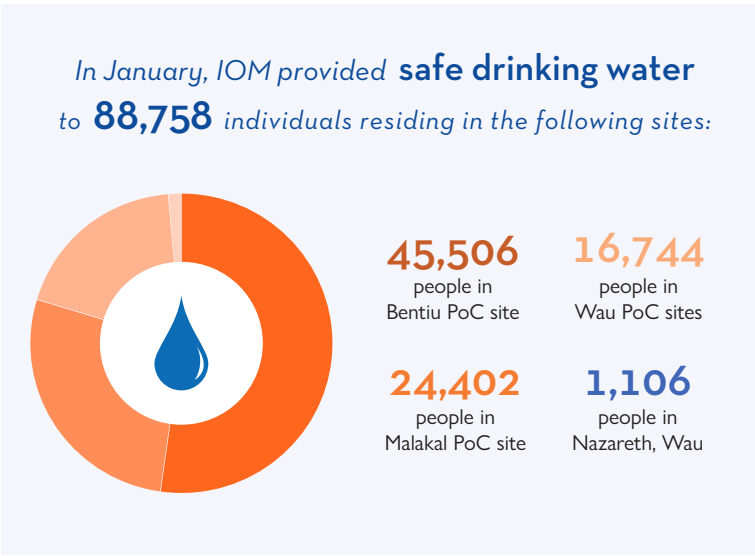
- Assess the general security situation in Deim Zubeir and conduct a protection risk analysis based on threats, vulnerability and capacities;
- Determine the host community's and authorities' willingness and readiness to receive returnees from Wau;
- Map the existing services and conditions in the area, identifying key gaps and key needs to address to enable displaced persons to return

CCCM CLUSTER

At national level, the Cluster finalized the CCCM mobile response standard operating procedures document, which provide practical guidance to the camp management agencies on mobile responses in hard to reach areas. In January, the Cluster through the state focal point in Upper Nile, participated in the drafting of the Upper Nile Solutions Working Group Strategy, which aims to develop a coordinated intervention that supports individuals returning to areas of origin. In Unity, the Cluster participated in the inter-cluster mission in three counties - Leer, Mayiendit and Koch - where partners spoke with returnees to the area from Bentiu and Juba PoCs and Sudan.

WATER, SANITATION & HYGIENE (WASH)

In Kapoeta North, IOM's WASH team constructed two latrine blocks for 300 students in Lomeyen Primary School. The addition of the latrines in the Lomeyen Primary School qualifies the school to comply with the minimum sanitary requirements to access WFP's Food for School Programme. In Mayom, Unity, IOM distributed dignity kits to 86 women and girls. The data collected through post-distribution monitoring surveys suggest that the dignity kits have had a great impact on the social inclusion of women and girls during their menstruation: the proportion of women who experienced social limitations, for example, school attendance, during their menstruation dropped from 92 per cent (prior to the distribution) to 32 per cent (after the distribution). IOM, in partnership with community hygiene promoters, reached 33,835 beneficiaries with hygiene promotion in all locations of intervention outside formal displacement sites.



- 7 boreholes manually drilled**
Mayom, Unit: 6; Fashoda, Upper Nile: 1
- 4 boreholes rehabilitated**
Bagari, WBeG: 1; Wau, WBeG: 3



these drilled and rehabilitated boreholes provided clean drinking water to **5,500** individuals



households received WASH NFI kits in:
Magwi, Eastern Equatoria; Baggari and Wau, Western Bahr el Ghazal;

2,999



water management committees trained in:
Juba, Kapoeta South, Mayom, Twic and Wau

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RAPID RESPONSE FUND (RRF)

With support from the USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, two new partners started projects with funding from Rapid Response Fund (RRF) this month. The Rescue Initiative South Sudan (TRI-SS) is implementing emergency health services in Korijo internal displacement site settlement and Keriwa in Kajo Keji County, Central Equatoria. Doctors with Africa (CUAMM) conducted a one-month measles vaccination campaign in Yirol West, Rumbek East, and Wulu counties, Lakes. The RRF team conducted four monitoring visits: one to CRI in Koch County, one to ADA in Pigi County, one to CUAMM in Yirol West and Rumbek East counties and one to TRI-SS in Kajo Keji.



The Rescue Initiative South Sudan (TRI-SS): responding to emergency health needs in Korijo IDP settlement in Keriwa, Kajo Keji County, Central Equatoria



Doctors With Africa: conducted a measles vaccination campaign for children 6-59 months in Keriwa, Kajo Keji County, Central Equatoria



Civil Society Human Rights Organisation (CSHRO): responding to child protection, prevention of gender-based violence and psychosocial support needs of IDPs in Tambura County.



Community Action Organization (CAO): providing urgent child protection services for IDPs and host community children in Ulang County, Upper Nile, South Sudan.



Mother and Child Development Aid: implementing urgent GBV response and prevention activities in Rokon and Dolo counties, Central Equatoria.



Crisis Resilience Initiative (CRI): providing child protection services in Koch County, Unity, South Sudan.



Nile Sustainable Development Organisation (NSDO): implementing WASH interventions for displaced persons in Mangaten IDP settlement, Juba.



Africa Development Aid (ADA): conducting emergency WASH and child protection interventions in Pigi County, Jonglei.



Lacha Community Economic Development (LCED): responding to lifesaving shelter needs for IDPs in Mabia IDP settlement outside of Tambura, Tambura County, Western Equatoria.



NUTRITION

HEALTH

WASH

NFI
NFIs

FSL

PROTECTION

SHELTER

HEALTH

IOM continued to provide primary health care services in seven static health facilities (Bentiu PoC, Malakal PoC, Wau PoC and collective sites) while providing outreach emergency primary health services in Jebel Kheir, Bazia and Farajalah, all of which are in Wau. Based on a suspected case of measles in Malakal, which finally turned out to be rubella, IOM conducted a measles vaccination campaign for new arrivals aged 9 months to 15 years at the main entry gates of the PoC. IOM is currently working with health partners on how to support immunization against rubella in Malakal.



48,304
consultations



1,896
antenatal care (ANC) visits



2,975
children vaccinated

MIGRATION MANAGEMENT

In Juba, IOM's migration management team facilitated a roundtable discussion with key Government agencies and academia to review the Government of South Sudan's draft Migration Policy. This month, IOM assisted an Eritrean national who have been selected for refugee resettlement to Canada.

CORE PIPELINE

In January, IOM Pipeline delivered Shelter and Non-Food Items (S-NFI) and WASH supplies for 5,348 households in Wau, Leer (Unity), Bentiu and Lujulu (Central Equatoria) through two partners to support S-NFI and WASH responses in these locations.



Women participate in discussions about GBV in Wau © IOM 2019

Preventing Gender-Based Violence

IOM's work on GBV prevention and response has a big focus on building the capacity of partners to facilitate social norm change and supporting women leadership and livelihoods. In January, IOM facilitated a training on men's engagement in GBV prevention, which 21 people attended, including IOM staff and staff from IOM partners Kapoeta Development Initiative and Active Youth Agency. Evidence in the field of GBV recognizes the key role men have to play in preventing GBV and empowering women and through such trainings and systematic community engagements, IOM hopes to create activist and role model men who can champion the case for gender equality. In the same month, Active Youth Agency in Juba, facilitated a women leadership training for 25 women and established 4 women's livelihood groups with 10 member who were trained on business skills development and provided with start-up capital. Kapoeta Development Initiative which operates in Kapoeta also facilitated the formation of 10 women's livelihood groups comprised of six members each.

SHELTER & NON-FOOD ITEMS (S-NFI)

The IOM S-NFI team completed grass clearance around the fence of Benitu PoC to counter security concerns, particularly for women collecting grass, which also generated income for over 300 people. About 522 mats were produced from the cleared grass. In Wau town, the S-NFI team selected 100 households for one room shelter construction support in areas of return under IOM's settlement project. IOM provided multipurpose cash grants to 255 displaced families from Ngoku, currently living Lokoloko collection centre. In addition, IOM distributed household and shelter items to 7,940 internally displaced people and returnees in Bazia payam, Wau.

SNFI CLUSTER

S-NFI Cluster partners reached 4,134 households through 5 distributions in different areas of the country. Cluster partners completed 12 assessments/verifications for S-NFI needs. S-NFI Cluster Strategic Review Committee (SRC) for South Sudan Humanitarian Fund (SSHF) reviewed 20 proposals submitted by the partners. SRC approved 14 Proposals totaling USD 2,300,000 in 1st Standard Allocation.

TRANSITION & RECOVERY

IOM's transition and recovery team handed over start-up kits to eight small business groups in Lokoloko and Jebel Kheir while continuing to mentor an additional 15 groups in Wau. In the Abyei Administrative Area, IOM launched a new recovery project, which aims to promote peaceful-coexistence and improved livelihoods opportunities and basic services in Abyei. IOM's rehabilitation of the Liech primary school in Bentiu was approximately 40 per cent completed by the end of January.

DISPLACEMENT TRACKING MATRIX (DTM)

As support to the World Food Programme's (WFP) distributions, IOM biometrically authenticated beneficiaries for the first time in Bentiu PoC and Guit town, Kadet, Kuach town and Nimni in Guit County, Unity. IOM also supported WFP by checking the finger prints of 10,367 individuals before a SCOPE registration in Wau town, Western Bahr el Ghazal.

DTM REPORTS RELEASED IN JANUARY

Intention/ Perception Surveys

[Bentiu and Rubkona \(September 2018\)](#)

[Wau PoCAA \(December 2018\)](#)

Biometric Registration

[BMR Update: Juba PoC Sites \(October 2018\)](#)

Mobility Tracking

[Round 3: Unity Focus](#)

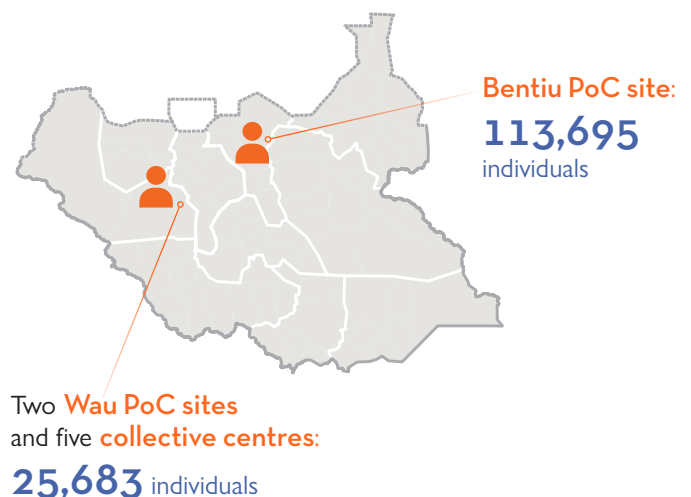
[Round 3: Lakes Focus](#)

Headcount Trends

[Wau PoC and Collective Centres \(2018\)](#)

[Bentiu PoC \(2018\)](#)

January headcount figures:



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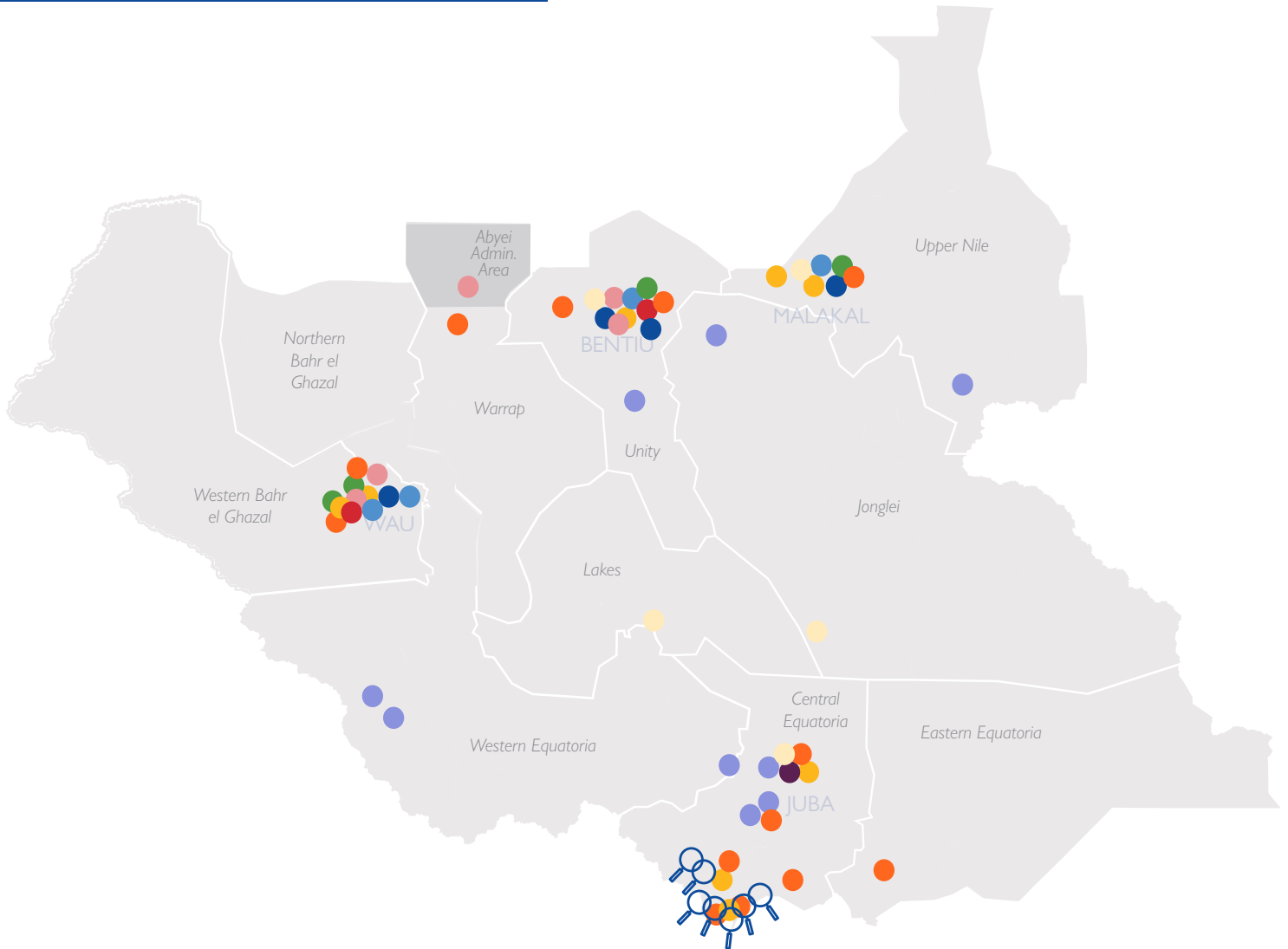


Social workers in Agok raised awareness of the problems associated with early marriage © IOM 2019

State Social Workers Speak to Communities on Early Marriage

In Wau, IOM supports the development of social workers' capacity from the State Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare through training, mentoring and technical supervision from a Social Work Expert. As a part of this initiative, the Wau State Social Workers led two awareness raising sessions on early marriage, peace building and conflict resolution which were attended by 250 people in Agok, Hai Jebel and Hai Ingaz. A session on importance education to young people was provided to residents of Wau Juvenile Centre. The Minister and the Director General of the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare participated at some of the sessions and they have emphasized that the increasing rate of young people getting married is alarming. They both appealed to community leaders and members represented by different groups of women, parents, men, youth, elderly and persons with disability to help promote well-being of South Sudan's young population. They encouraged the important role of the community in raising further understanding on the need to create opportunities for the young people to continue their education rather than get married at a very young age.

IOM FIELD OPERATIONS



IOM Programmatic Activities in January

- WASH
- Health
- S/NFI
- CCCM
- DTM
- MHPSS
- TRD
- MMU
- Logs/CTS
- RRF

IOM-managed Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Point of Entry (PoE) Screening Location

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