

Supporting displaced communities

South Sudan

Monthly Situation Report August 2024



Population headcount exercise in Old Fangak © DRC, August 2024

Key Figures









CCCM National Cluster Update

In August 2024, the CCCM Cluster took significant steps to enhance coordination with the Relief and Rehabilitation Commission (RRC), marking a key milestone with the first National CCCM Cluster Coordination Meeting co-chaired by the RRC. This represents a major development in the ongoing efforts to strengthen collaboration between humanitarian partners and the government.

As part of the nationwide flood response, the CCCM Cluster has supported the development and disseminated of key messages through community structures and partners. These messages, focusing on flood preparedness, safety protocols, and available services, aim to ensure that potentially flood-affected communities are well-informed and aware of available assistance.

CCCM Cluster Coordinators visited flood-affected areas in Jonglei, Upper Nile, and Unity States to assess the impacts on displacement sites and ensure a coordinated flood response.

The Cluster welcomed Coalition for Humanity as a new partner, focusing on the southern counties of Unity State. Their presence enhances the cluster's ability to reach remote, hard-to-access areas, providing vital assistance to displaced populations.

Update from States

Greater Equatoria

• Flood Assessment: On 8th and 9th August, an Initial Rapid Needs Assessment Report (IRNA) was conducted in Mangalla and Lodu Payams in Central Equatoria State. CCCM participated in the assessment and the main issues noted were, 11,000 people have been displaced by floods from the islands and lowlands of Juban and Terekeka counties, farmland submerged in water, access to schools and health facilities cut of and livestock drowned.

Unity

- Water level and intensified rain: During the month, the state was hit by heavy rainfall leading to flooding in Rubkona, Bentiu Town, Rotriak, Leer, and Panyijiar. CCCM cluster coordinated with different stakeholders and disseminated the key early warning flood preparedness messaging. The water level increase and flooding in Unity state water level continued to destroy shelters, food, and NFIs and crowded shelters. Schools, clinics, and humanitarian stores/Mimi warehouses where products like nutrition were highly affected in Rotriak.
- Flood Assessment: CCCM SFP led joint IRNA was conducted to Rotriak on 23rd of August 2024. Protection and CCCM Cluster members; DRC, IOM, UNHCR participated. Athe IRNA report has been shared with OCHA, ICCG and National CCCM cluster. Critical need identified include, installation of culverts, improvement of drainage systems by opening water channels and providing water pump generators. CCCM has coordinated with DRC and IOM to mobilize some culverts and pumps to respond the need, work is ongoing.
- Water level monitoring and stormwater management: Close water level and dikes monitoring is continuing in the state. Water level in Bentiu XPoC has increased by 8CM. IOM continued flood mitigation through rehabilitating and reinforcing dikes using trucks, grader, compactor, and Heavy-Duty Trash Pumps. discharge of stormwater by IOM CCCM is on ongoing in Bentiu and Rubkona and approximately 28.7million liters of stormwater was discharged during the reporting month. Similarly, DRC CCCM through site maintenance committee pumped out of water stormwater stored up in the retention dams in site A, C, D1, D2 and E.



- IOM CCCM conducted site level coordination meeting and service monitoring: IOM CCCM coordinated WASH resilience and equity workshop to address sanitation situation in Bentiu IDP camp as well as with WFP to complete the construction of Women Innovation Hub in Bentiu IDP camp. DRC CCCM conducted site level coordination meetings in site A, B, and Rotriak. The meetings were attended by 50 (34M;16F) community members and 5 partners. Key issue discussed during the meetings include access to food, lack of plastic sheeting, storm water management and flooding.
- Community Feedback Mechanism (CFM): majority of the complains by the community through the CFM are WASH, Shelter/NFI and delay of the general food distribution. DRC CCCM also referred 44 complaints on food, lost cards, deactivated cards and NFIs.
- Site care and maintenance/infrastructure development: IOM rehabilitated 685m of weaker dyke in Kulkar Rubkona, Biar Rubkona and IDP camp. In addition, rehabilitation of drainage and culverts works is still on-going in sector 5, IDP camp. IOM also rehabilitated 810m of roads in the IDP camp sector 5. Following the closure of water point in Site D, a breakthrough has been reached between the community and IOM WASH, thanks to intervention of the governor of Unity state, WASH cluster and commissioner of Guit county, the water point in site D was opened and is now operational.

Upper Nile

- Flood Response Update and Response: A multi-sectoral response is planned for the flood-affected population in Nasir, with UNHCR involved and OCHA leading resource mobilization efforts. Tools and materials for dyke reinforcement are being dispatched to support flood mitigation. In flood response, over 64 million liters of water were pumped out of the Malakal PoC over the past three weeks, and more than 1,300 meters of drainage were rehabilitated, significantly improving living conditions.
- **Displacement to Tonga:** A joint team was deployed to Tonga Payam to assess the situation of over 3,000 displaced individuals arriving daily in need of urgent humanitarian support.
- Shelter Assistance: In Malakal PoC, 245 shelter assistance packages were distributed after resolving initial disagreements with the community, and agricultural inputs, including seeds, were provided to residents, with support for food distribution coordinated among agencies.
- **Site Maintenance Activities:** Drainage maintenance in Kodok, including digging and flood risk mitigation, is ongoing. Meanwhile, 900 households in Kodok Payam received cash assistance, and awareness sessions were conducted for nearly 800 households on service usage and safety. Regular site maintenance, including drainage clearing and shelter renovation, continued throughout the month.

Western Bahr el Gazal, Northern Bahr el Gazal, Abyei, and Warrap States

- Trainings: A 3-day training was held for the Durable Solution Inclusion Committee (DSIC) to strengthen community leaders' roles in the Durable Solution Project. The training covered community involvement, conflict management, camp closure, and the importance of coordination and information sharing. It also addressed general protection and PSEA to safeguard community rights. During the session, the DSIC Executive Body was formed for the Hai Masna and Naivasha IDP sites, enabling the committee to support the integration of IDPs into host communities at New Site and Khor Malang.
- Complains and Feedback Mechanism (CFM): IOM CCCM recorded 66 individual complaints in both Naivasha and Hai Masna IDP sites, most cases regarding shelter in bad conditions and lost/stolen ration biometric registration Card. These complaints have been referred to the S/NFI and DTM for further action.
- **Flood Messages to IDP Communities:** The flood key message dissemination is being carried out at Naivasha and Hai Masna IDPs sites through Community Leadership Committee. The purpose is to alert the IDPs community about the flood impacts.
- **Durable solutions:** IOM-CCCM facilitated durable solutions BMR /Verification of integration beneficiaries of Naivasha and Hai Masna IDPs sites and demarcation of the reintegration sites, engaging IDPs who highlighted the need for integrations. Additional complains were received in the sites, where some IDPs mentioned they were missed out and not captured during validation exercise conducted by DTM return and reintegration process.
- Awareness raising: CCCM team has reached 400 HHs through door-to-door messages on the open defecation in Naivasha and 41 HHs in Hai Masna IDPs sites, this is promenade by current worsening conditions of WASH facilities that pushed most community members to defecate openly specially children. This awareness campaign is to educate the community on the risks and dangers of such practise and how best they can avoid any disease outbreak that can be anticipated as the result of such acts should this continues through this rainy season.

Jonglei State and Greater Pibor Administrative Area

• Flooding updates: A flood alert has been issued due to rising water levels from nearby rivers and swamps. NPA distributed non-food items (NFIs) to 325 households affected by the floods, with an additional 175 households receiving only blankets and mosquito nets. These items, donated by UNHCR, were transported from the Paguir airstrip to Old Fangak by NPA. A population headcount was conducted between 29th August and 4th September 2024, with data analysis to be shared once finalized in Juba. In Pochalla, heavy flooding caused by the



overflowing Akobo and Oboth rivers has severely impacted communities along the riverbanks and downstream areas. The worst-hit areas include Akiela payam and parts of Pochalla payam (Akoye) in Pochalla South County. Additionally, other villages in Pochalla North County are expected to face similar levels of flooding.

Coordination Meetings: DRC held a coordination meeting in Old Fangak on 27th August 2024, which was attended by 20 participants from
various organizations. Another coordination meeting was chaired by a UNOCHA representative on 10th September 2024 and was cofacilitated by FCA and DRC.

Key Advocacy Points

Funding and Coordination Needs:

- Upper Nile Advocate for increased capacity building of local administrative structures on governance, community participation, and coordination among site stakeholders, while enhancing peacebuilding activities to promote peaceful coexistence between host and IDP populations.
- WBEG Funding to repair of WASH facilities in the Naivasha and Hai Masna IDPs sites.

Shelter and Infrastructure

- Upper Nile Advocate for immediate shelter construction and prepositioning of NFIs for returnees and flood-affected populations, alongside efforts to create alternative livelihood opportunities, such as vocational training and fishing gear provision, to enhance resilience and bridge service gaps.
- Unity This year the shelter cluster did not distribute shelter kits in the IDPs sites and there is mass complain making the camp management difficult.

WASH

• Significant gap in the WASH sector, with insufficient partners in Jonglei. In Upper Nile, WASH partners are needed to scale up borehole rehabilitation, conduct hygiene awareness, and construct household latrines in areas of return to address high open defecation practices, and promote health services, including mobile teams for underserved areas in Nasir and Ulang Counties.

