

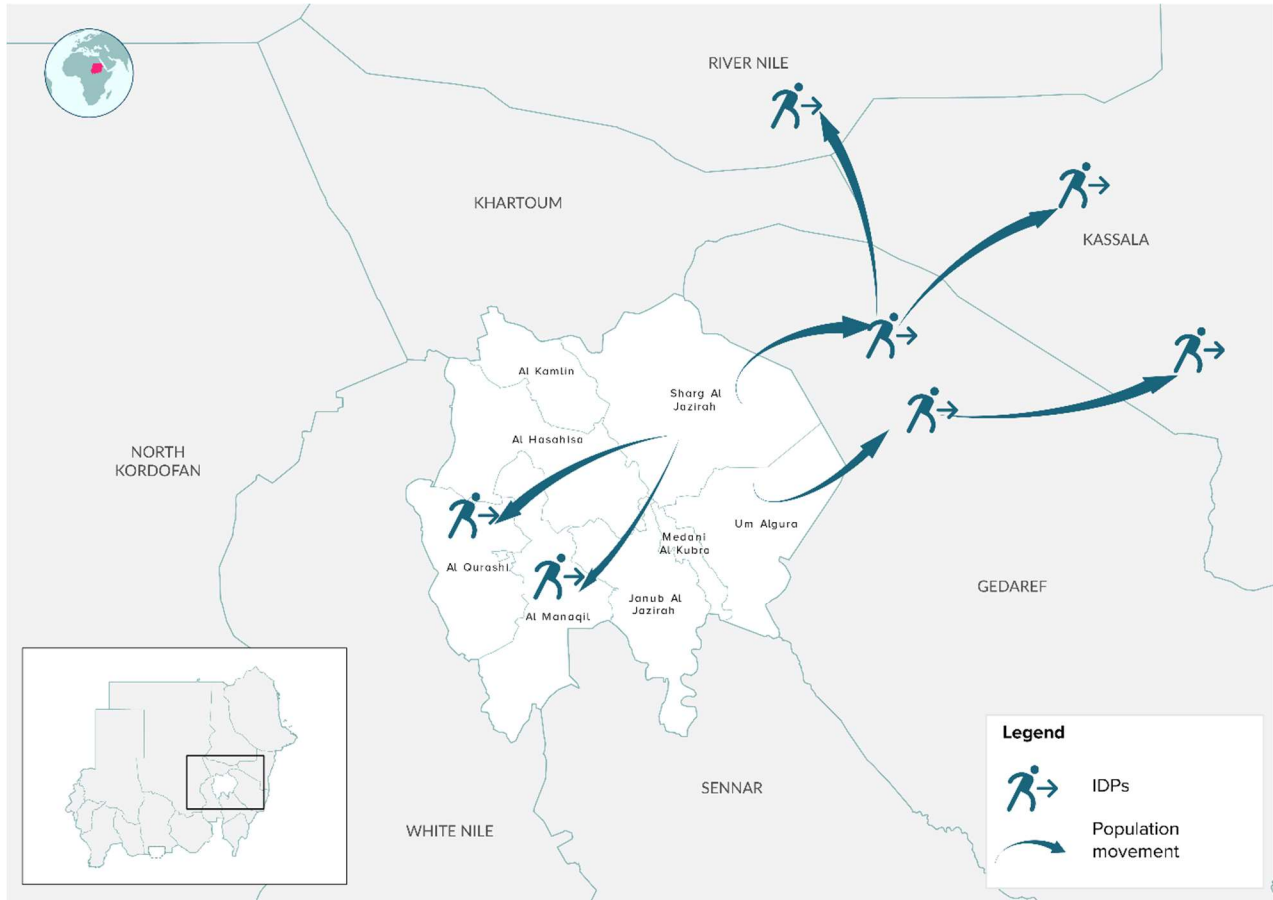


Flash Update 1.0: Aj Jazirah Displacement Situation

Site Management Response

18 November 2024

Displacement Overview



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As of **13 November 2024**, DTM reports a total of **343,473 individuals (68,801 households)** displaced from Aj Jazirah since **20 October 2024** due to escalating conflict and insecurity. The displaced population includes **15,129 individuals** who had already experienced prior displacement, indicating significant levels of secondary displacement.





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Key Displacement Figures

Time Period	Displacement Locations	Number of Individuals Displaced
20–30 October 2024	Sharg Aj Jazirah, Um Algura, Tamboul, and surrounding areas	135,405 individuals
30 October–13 November	Across various locations in Aj Jazirah	208,068 individuals

Geographic Distribution of Displaced Populations

State	Key Localities	Number of Individuals	Percentage of Total
Gedaref	Madeinat Al Gedaref (50,000), Al Butanah (34,000)	149,415 individuals	44%
Kassala	Halfa Aj Jadeedah (47,500), Rei' Nahr Atbara (40,000)	92,965 individuals	27%
River Nile	Shendi (33,725), Al Matama (17,389)	78,129 individuals	23%
Aj Jazirah	Al Manaqil (34%), Al Qurashi (26%), Al Kamlin (20%)	292,513 IDPs hosted	N/A

Displacement Pathways and Challenges

- **Movement Restrictions:** Many IDPs face challenges relocating to safer areas due to limited shelter capacity, movement restrictions, and a lack of humanitarian aid.
- **Shelter Capacity:** Overcrowding and lack of adequate facilities at sites such as Village 4 in River Nile State and Ghebesha in Gedaref exacerbate the situation.

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Mapping and Coordination

- Site mapping has been completed in **17 locations** in River Nile states and ongoing efforts to map other sites across Gedaref, Kassala.
- Coordination between **UNHCR, MSF, Mutawinat**, and other partners has enabled targeted responses for shelter, WASH, and health interventions.

Shelter and NFIs

- **Gedaref: 240 family tents** distributed to Alsalamabi, Alrabwa, and Elshreef Elagib camps.





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- **Kassala:** NFIs distributed to **1,803 households (9,758 individuals)** in New Halfa. Additionally, **203 tents** and **5 rub halls** installed.
- **River Nile:** Shelter gaps remain critical at Village 4, where overcrowding continues.

WASH

- **MSF Switzerland** installed emergency latrines and water bladders in Ghebesha, Gedaref.
- Hygiene awareness campaigns, led by **Mutawinat**, reached **5,000 individuals** in Kassala, focusing on cholera prevention.

Health Services

- Mobile health clinics operational in Gedaref and Kassala, treating cholera, malaria, and respiratory infections.
- Psychosocial support provided for vulnerable groups, including mental health sessions for men in Kassala.

Protection and Documentation

- **Mutawinat** has issued loss certificates to IDPs in Kassala to facilitate access to services and freedom of movement.
- GBV awareness sessions and case management services have supported women and girls in Kassala and Gedaref.

Challenges and Immediate Needs

Key Challenges

1. **Overcrowding:** Sites like Village 4 in River Nile State hosts 13,000 individuals beyond its capacity of 468 housing units, leading to overcrowding and co-location of 3-5 households per unit.
2. **Health and WASH Gaps:** Cholera and malaria outbreaks in Gedaref and Kassala highlight the urgent need for expanded water and sanitation infrastructure.
3. **Lack of Documentation:** Over 80% of IDPs in Kassala report losing civil documents, restricting access to services.

Urgent Needs

- **Shelter and NFIs:** Immediate distribution of tents and household items to reduce overcrowding and provide adequate shelter.
- **WASH:** Expansion of water trucking and latrine construction to mitigate disease outbreaks.
- **Health:** Increased deployment of mobile clinics and provision of medicines for cholera and chronic illnesses.
- **Protection:** Scale-up of GBV response and mental health services.





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Next Steps and Recommendations

The Site Management Cluster urges humanitarian partners to:

1. Urgently mobilize financial resources to address critical gaps in Site Management, Protection, Shelter, WASH, Health and other sectors to support timely and effective response efforts.
2. Ensure the immediate provision of life-saving, multi-sectoral humanitarian assistance to internally displaced persons (IDPs) in priority gathering sites across River Nile State, Gedaref, and Kassala.
3. Form an emergency response task force composed of representatives from cluster coordination teams to ensure the equitable delivery of life-saving assistance to IDPs in both gathering sites and host communities.
4. Create mobile site management teams to cover IDP gathering sites across localities in River Nile State, Gedaref, and Kassala, moving away from an area-based approach to ensure flexibility and comprehensive coverage.
5. Provide targeted capacity-building support to local authorities managing and supervising IDP sites, enabling them to effectively address the needs of displaced populations and ensure sustainable site management and protection of IDPs.

The Site Management Cluster coordination team invites all actors to share updates on their responses in gathering sites to ensure a holistic approach and avoid duplication of efforts.

For more information or to contribute to the response, please contact the Site Management coordination team.

