

South Sudan Country Office

Situation Report No.59 (05 - 31 March, 2015)

UNFPA Humanitarian Response Indicators

Indicators for the reporting period

- 9,867 Women accessed ANC services
- 1,535 Women provided with PNC services
- 1,196 Assisted deliveries
- 103 Caesarian sections performed
- 330 Women provided with post-abortion care services
- 476 Women reached with FP services
- 9,490 Condoms distributed
- 28,061 People reached with GBV messages



UNFPA Midwife Eno Inyang supporting ANC services at CARE clinic in Bentiu, Unity State. Photo: UNFPA/Amadou Baraze

1. Situation overview

The security situation is relatively calm during the reporting period. However, heavy shelling and fighting were reported around Bentiu, Unity State. Also inter-communal tensions in Lakes State have left many dead. Overall incidents of criminality are reportedly on the increase.

South Sudanese parties failed to reach an agreement on the outstanding issues by the deadline of 5 March 2015, as set by the Intergovernmental Authority for Development (IGAD). However, efforts to reach political solution to the current conflict will continue under the mediation of the IGAD and the international community with the negotiations expected to resume next April.

Humanitarian partners continued prepositioning commodities in the affected areas before the heavy raining season and scaling up lifesavings services for IDPs and their host communities.

UNFPA received new funding from Japan to provide comprehensive emergency obstetric and neonatal care (CEmONC) services in the three most affected states, aiming to ensure that pregnant women, girls and newborn receive appropriate referral services in addition to protection from Gender-Based Violence (GBV).

Overall Humanitarian Needs in 2015

12 million

Total population of South Sudan

6.4 million

Estimated number of people in need of humanitarian aid

3.4 million

Targeted with RH and GBV services

850,000

Women of Reproductive age group

140,000

Projected number of births

8,000

Projected births that will require caesarean section

32.000

Women and girls at risk of sexual violence

25 million

Funding required

2. UNFPA Emergency Response

Reproductive Health

During the reporting period 9,867 pregnant women accessed antenatal care (ANC) services, 1,196 assisted deliveries

were conducted, 1,535 women were provided with postnatal care (PNC) services, 330 women accessed post abortion care services, 2,267 clients counselled and tested for HIV and treated for STIs, 476 women accessed family planning services, 103 caesarean sections performed. No maternal death has been reported during this period. But it should be noted that a majority of pregnant women (over 70%) continue to deliver from their homes due to various reasons; insecurity, lack of access and cultural consideration among others.

In Mingkaman, Lakes State, 545 young people aged between 14-19 years (304 Females and 241 males) were reached with messages on ASRH, HIV and STIs prevention and teenage pregnancy. 18 partner staff from IMC were oriented on basics of HIV counseling and testing. UNFPA together

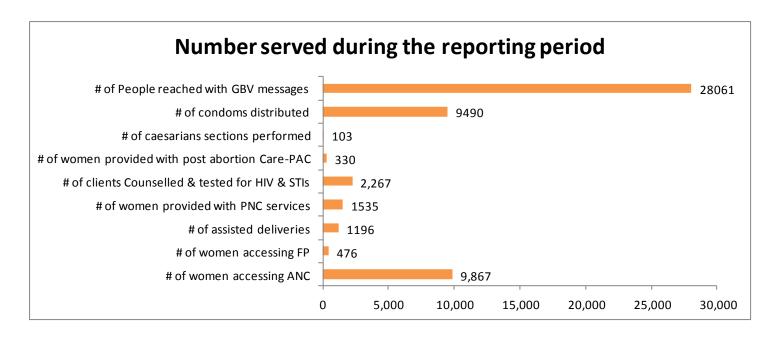


Women attending ANC at UNFPA supported RH clinic in Bentiu. Photo: UNFPA/ Amadou Baraze

with WHO HIV Consultant held discussions with RH Clinic staff on the establishment of support groups for mothers and their partners under PMTCT services. A total of 52 mothers are going to be followed up with a proposal to recruit their partners.

UNFPA conducted mentorship to partner staff on Clinical Management of Rape. RH supplies have been prepositioned to Mingkaman to support the RH needs.

Twenty two (22) partner staff from IMC were oriented on Clinical management of Rape and Rational use of RH kits. 11 Staff from the UNFPA supported RH clinic were oriented on the new EMTCT registers, protocols and guidelines in collaboration with the WHO Consultant on HIV/AIDS.



Gender Based Violence (GBV)

Provision of support to GBV survivors in need of medical and psychosocial services continued in Malakal, Bentiu, UN House PoCs and Awerial. Psychosocial support activities with women's groups include among other activities; bead making, knitting and literacy.

During the reporting period 1,461 dignity kits with protective items were distributed to women and girls of reproductive age in Nimule (Eastern Equatoria State), Cueibet (Lakes State) and in Mandeng(Upper Nile State).

28,061 people were reached with GBV messages explaining where GBV survivors can go to find services and the benefits of reporting sexual violence cases to the health center immediately. This was done through house to house outreach and INTERNEWS FM radio.

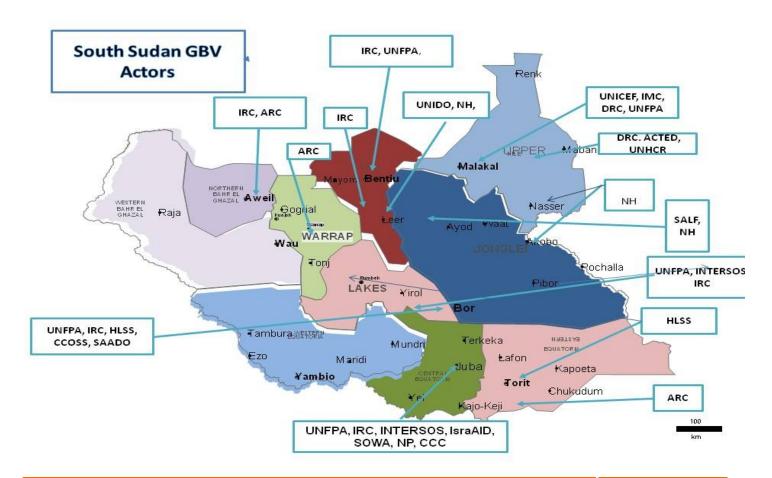
The International Women's Day (IWD) was commemorated under the theme "Make Sustainable Peace Happen in South Sudan." At National level, more than 800 women and men gathered at Nyakuron Cultural Centre to pray for peace in South Sudan. In the PoC sites in Bentiu and UN House PoC 2 and 3 and in Awerial IDP camp site women and girls participated in different activities including prayers, song and dance.

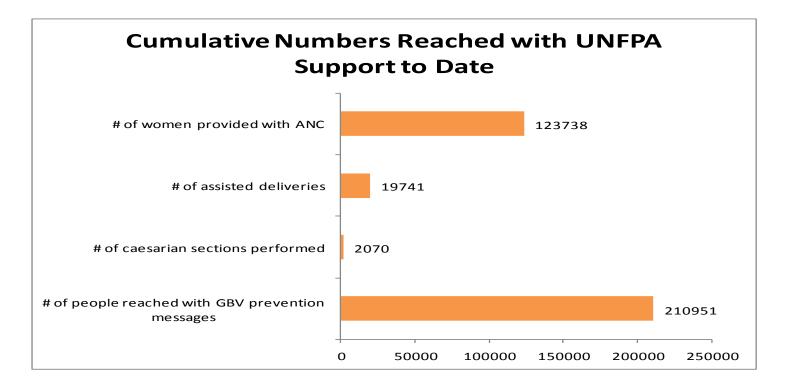
In Malakal, Upper Nile, 12 community leaders, 12 women representatives, 42 youths and 8 NGO staff were trained on the basic concepts of GBV and mediation.

Post Rape kits have been received in Malakal and the distribution to eligible organizations is ongoing.

In Juba, Central Equatoria State, the GBV sub-cluster conducted a training on Psychosocial First Aid attended by 32 (22 women and 10 men) participants. They were trained by the ESARO GBV AoR Advisor, Ms Jessica Gorham..

In Bor, Jonglei State, 16 people (8 women and 8 men) were trained on Psychological First Aid. The participants were drawn from Social workers, police/prison and health workers. This is part of efforts to build a response in Bor town where the IDPs are increasingly returning.





3. Funding

During the reporting period UNFPA has received 3.22 million USD from the Government of Japan for its 2015 response to implement the project "Strengthening Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Neonatal Care in Crisis Affected Areas in South Sudan".

UNFPA has also received 750,000 USD from OFDA-USAID to strenghen GBV Sub-Cluster Coordination mechanism at National and State level.

UNFPA seeks 25 million USD to scale up its reponse and service provision to internally displaced people and their host communities.

4. Donors Supporting Operations of UNFPA in South Sudan













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