



**Humanitarian Action in Darfur**  
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**Key overall developments**

- Neu-Anspach (Frankfurt), 19 September: Due to the recent clashes in North Darfur, the non-governmental organization (NGO) Partner Aid International (PAI) announced that they have ceased operations in the Khazan Tunger area, south-west of El Fasher. The suspension of activities leaves about 20,000 people without medical care.
- Montreal, 18 September: The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) has allocated \$613,000 to Development and Peace for a project led by its Caritas partner in the region. The project will provide healthcare and nutrition services to over 137,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) affected by the conflict in West and South Darfur.

**Needs and response by sector**

***Education***

South Darfur

- UNICEF facilitated a one-day Child Friendly School (CFS) presentation with examples of CFS in South America, Egypt and New Zealand. The event was attended by representatives from the NGOs and State Ministry of Education (SMoE).

***Food Security and Livelihoods***

North Darfur

- Oxfam – in collaboration with the local Veterinary Department – undertook an animal vaccination campaign around Kabkabiya, Saraf Omra and Ben Hussan with 104,000 doses of vaccines against diseases such as sheep pox and anthrax were administered over the last month.
- Oxfam undertook an assessment of the community para-vets, who were recently trained in Kabkabiya. In the past three months, the para-vets treated over 90,000 sheep and goats 5,205 donkeys 61,440 heads of cattle 40,660 camels, 1,260 horses, and 6,220 poultry.

***Health and Nutrition***

North Darfur

- UNICEF implemented Accelerated Child Survival Initiative (ACSI) campaign in Rowata, Rokero and Daya villages in Jebel Marra targeting 19,000 children less than five years of age. Prior to the implementation of the campaign, 134 vaccinators were involved in a two-day training in Measles, Polio, De-worming, Folic acid and health education.
- With UNICEF support the State Ministry of Health (SMoH) Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses (IMCI) department completed the training in basic standard management for 18 medical assistants from Kutum and Kabkabiya localities.
- UNICEF supported the SMoH - reproductive health department – in the supervision of the training of 15 midwives from El Fasher, Mallet, Kabkabiya and Kutum localities.

***Non-Food Items (NFIs)***

The United Nations Joint Logistics Center (UNJLC) field offices are working with partners in each state to compile distributions plans in anticipation of the winterization period. Plastic sleeping mats and blankets have been procured and movement of available stocks to the Darfur state capitals has begun.

North Darfur

- German Agro Action (GAA) continued to support flood-affected households in Mellit, distributing non-food items from the Common Pipeline to an additional 230 households.

South Darfur

- Oxfam's response to the recent floods in Kalma IDP Camp continues. This week Oxfam is distributing plastic sheeting, jerry cans and women's clothing to 7,000 families, in addition to the regular monthly distributions of soap. Shelter kits containing grass-mats and bamboo poles are also being distributed to flood-affected households. A clean-up campaign is also being organised around the camp.

### West Darfur

- Save the Children-US (SC-US) supported 1,978 households with targeted replenishments of non-food items in Kerenek IDP Camp in the El Geneina locality.
- The Common Pipeline served community projects with plastic sheeting in El Geneina. Distributions were carried out by the NGO War Child in support of a training and education centre and by the NGO Terre des Hommes (TDH) for a community centre.

### ***Water and Sanitation***

#### North Darfur

- As part of cholera prevention plan, the State Ministry of Health (SMoH) – with UNICEF support – trained 20 private well attendants in El Fasher town in chlorination procedures of water supplies and disinfection of 14 hand dug wells.
- In Zam Zam IDP Camp, UNICEF and the State Water Corporation/Water, Environment and Sanitation Dept (WES) supported IDPs to repair five (5) hand pumps benefiting 2,500 people. WES also supported 54,688 IDPs with chlorinated water supplies through running of water systems. Also, the WES team conducted bacteriological analysis for 120 Household water samples.

#### South Darfur

- In Al Salam IDP Camp, UNICEF supported WES in the construction of 17 Household latrines in addition to one (1) general clean-up campaign for 137 participants.
- In Otash IDP Camp, WES – with UNICEF support – conducted 916 household hygiene promotion visits, including a general clean-up campaign, in which 472 participants participated. Two (2) hygiene sessions for 122 participants were also conducted during the week.
- A two-day sanitation hygiene promotional workshop – supported by UNICEF – was held in Kass last week. Forty three (43) participants attended the meeting, which was also an activity to assist in the promotion of the International Year of Sanitation.

#### West Darfur

- WES – with UNICEF support – constructed 47 household latrines to provided 312 people in Krinding-I and Traj with safe excreta disposal facilities
- WES – with UNICEF support – conducted one (1) cleanup campaign in Nertiti in which 160 households benefited. Hygiene promotion messages concentrating on personal hygiene and environment cleanliness, reached 889 household particularly in Dorti, El Riyad, Nertiti and Ardamata camps.

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