

#### **SOUTH SUDAN**

# Food Security & Livelihoods Cluster

Strengthening Humanitarian Response



FSL Cluster Partners' Meeting, Juba 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2022

WFP food assistance in Pigi Canal County, April 2017

### Agenda



#### FSL cluster meeting Wednesday May 11th 11:00 am - 13:00 pm

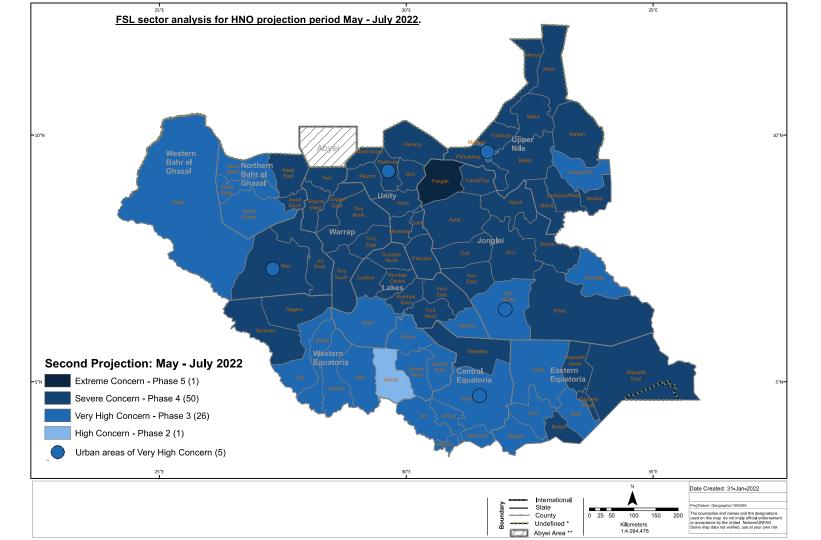
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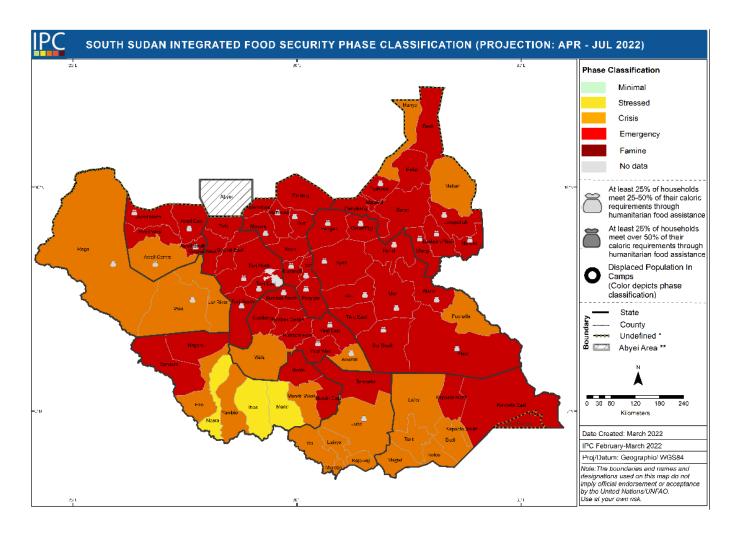
- 1. Weather update Mark (FAO)
- 2. Study on agro ecology in Uganda by CAFOD/ Trocaire Partnership (CTP) -
- 3. Resource scarcity & re-prioritization of the HRP Alistair (FSLC)

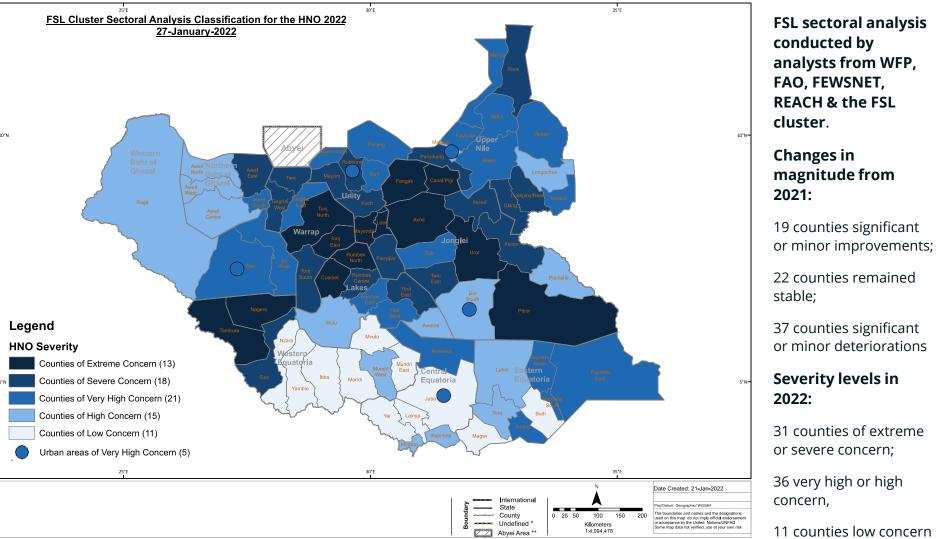
#### FSLC updates:

GNAFC HDP nexus mapping – Alistair (FSLC)

AOB:







37 counties significant or minor deteriorations

Severity levels in

31 counties of extreme or severe concern;

36 very high or high

11 counties low concern

# Response and Advocacy



- Humanitarian food assistance must be scaled up to save lives and prevent collapse of livelihoods especially in counties of extreme & severe concern.
- Livelihood support through improved market access, provision of seeds and tools (farm inputs) to stimulate production back to surplus levels, particularly in the greenbelt (parts of Greater Equatoria)
- Maintain support to small scale subsistence producers in locations with less favorable agricultural potential and include animal health support
- Scale up and improve access to basic services, including WASH and health service delivery throughout the year and emergency nutrition, especially during the lean season
- Implementation of the peace agreement and addressing the root causes of insecurity

# Response and Advocacy



**Access:** despite increased security & access in 2019 the past two years have seen a dramatic reversal due to three years of flooding, severe localized conflict events & youth agitation disrupting delivery of humanitarian assistance

#### Impact of funding constraints on response



**Food pipeline:** reduced ration for refugees and former POC residents from 100% to 50% in 2021; and funding shortfalls for 2022 will result in only two counties (Fangak and Canal Pigi) receiving a 70% ration with other extreme & severe counties, at best receiving 50% rations



**Livelihood pipeline:** essential for protection and restoration of rural livelihoods was only 40% funded in 2021 and there are similar expectation for 2022

Why is our advocacy falling on deaf ears?

- COVID & Ukraine war costs & diversion of resources
- Growing global food insecurity & rates of malnutrition at time when resources scarce
- Especially across Horn of Africa
- Donor fatigue with SSD ....... would have helped if Fangak was designated an area Phase 5!

HRP 2022: Strategic	Specific objectives relevant for FSLC	FSLC sector objectives for 2021			
objectives:	Using intersectoral analysis approach	Sector analysis: IPC → HNO → HRP			
	Measurement: outcome indicators	Measurement output indicators			
SO1: Life saving Vulnerable people who experience multi sectoral severity levels 4 & 5 have reduced morbidity & mortality through equitable & dignified access to critical cross sectoral basic services to meet their basic needs	To reduce the number of people in IPC 3+ (all counties in South Sudan)  Outcome indicators: % population in IPC 3+  IPC phase 4 counties (Red shading: Emergency) triggers the four famine clusters: integrated response WASH, Health, Nutrition & FSL;  Or HNO severity levels 4 & 5 both FSL and intersectoral	CO1: Emergency food assistance: unconditional & GFD+: number of beneficiaries (in kind/ cash or voucher);  CO2: Complementary emergency cropping, livelihood & livestock support (cropping/ veg/ fish/ livestock): number of beneficiaries (in kind / voucher e.g. ITF/ CVA)			
SO2: Centrality of protection: Vulnerable people are exposed to fewer protection threats & incidents, and those who are exposed have access to tailored, timely, appropriate services through integrated & inclusive humanitarian actions	Other cluster/ sectors delivery of integrated services  FSL incorporation of mainstreaming of protection, safety, GBV prevention, Prevention of Sexual Abuse & Exploitation, conflict sensitivity analysis etc.	Additionally other (non HRP) FSL instruments:  WFP supported FFA/ FFE (in the UNCF)  FAO resilience projects (in the UNCF)  NGO resilience projects e.g. FEED II, SSJR, CRS in Jonglei  Links with the NWOW & HDP nexus  And CO1 and CO2			
SO3: Resilience/ Coping mechanisms Vulnerable people withstand & recover from shocks, have their resilience to shocks & stressors built and seek solutions to displacement which respect their rights	To increase the resilience of households (all counties in South Sudan)  Outcome indicators: Resilience capacity index & livelihood change coping index  Core components:  1. Social safety nets + SO1 contributions 2. Basic services + SO2 contributions 3. Capital assets e.g. livestock/ saving groups etc. 4. Adaptive capacities: education/ training/ extension etc.  Plus contribution from ALL other clusters in building the four components across collective outcomes under SO1 & SO2	CO3: Ability to recover and absorb shocks (resilience): number trained in improved agronomic practices; number of livestock vaccinated & treated;  Additionally other (non HRP) FSL instruments:  WFP supported FFA/ FFE (in the UNCF)  FAO resilience projects (in the UNCF)  NGO resilience projects e.g. FEED II, SSJR, CRS in Jonglei  Links with the NWOW & HDP nexus  And CO1 and CO2			

CO1: Provide **food assistance** to prevent famine and improve food consumption, dietary diversity and coping strategies for vulnerable populations (in IPC 5, 4 & some 3) in a way that prevents the spread & transmission of COVID 19 (compulsory use of new SOP & guidelines);

All activities work to establish a nexus between Humanitarian response. Peace building (conflict sensitivity) and Resilience programming

	Priority		Indicative Activities		Indicators
\[   \lambda   \]   \[   \lambda   \]   \[   \lambda   \]	Saving lives through food assistance (in-kind & cash-based transfers) Priority locations: IPC 4 and IPC 5 HHs (famine response modality if required) Use of IRRM (WFP/ UNICEF/ FAO) for crisis event rapid response Targeting vulnerable HHs & populations: women, girls, men & boys, elderly, disabled, people with special needs, children U5, HIV & chronic sick Focus on famine prevention & response through multi sector integrated actions (e.g. with protection (GBV/ Child), WASH, Nutrition & Health through actors with requisite capacity)		In-kind food assistance: GFD: blanket/ seasonal/ targeted and GFD+ includes Blanket Supplementary Feeding Program (BSFP); More hybrid rations in- kind plus cash component Cash & voucher-based transfers with food security/ nutrition	\[     \lambda     \]     \[     \lambda     \]     \[     \lambda     \]	Number of SAD* beneficiaries receiving food, cash transfers and vouchers Number of market system actors involved in emergency response Value of cash/ voucher received by SAD beneficiaries (and proportion in relation to food basket) Quantity of SAD food assistance distributed (tonnage/ total cash value) Quantity of livelihood kits delivered by
✓	Accountability with information provision, participation and complaint & feedback mechanisms ensuring inclusion of vulnerable target groups and other marginalized groups  Women's needs, voice & rights;	~	objectives IRRM: food, fishing & quick maturing vegetable seeds	✓	IRRM (SADD) No less than 50% women committee members, in roles mirroring that of men:
	Focus on seasonal food assistance with other multi sector integrated actions (e.g. with Protection, WASH, Nutrition & Health actors); Informed assistance through robust SCOPE registration, assessment & post distribution monitoring that should ensure targeting of severely food insecure HHs Focus on incorporating flexible contingency plans to adapt to the changing context & responsive to priorities		Conditional cash transfers (social skills & safety nets)/ Conditionality: (investments in assets, training, or communal work groups/ planning committees etc.); Conditional food assistance through food for assets (FFA) by NGO partners only	<td>Number FDP with functioning CRM/ CFM; Beneficiary satisfaction with information, participation and CFM; Number of SAD Post Distribution Monitoring (PDM) undertaken; Use of Gender Age Marker</td>	Number FDP with functioning CRM/ CFM; Beneficiary satisfaction with information, participation and CFM; Number of SAD Post Distribution Monitoring (PDM) undertaken; Use of Gender Age Marker

Target = **4.6 million** (GFD 3.5 + FFA 0.8 + NGO 0.3) unique beneficiaries excludes refugees (90% WFP and 10% bilateral funding by NGOs); **WFP \$515** million (NBP x 80% GFD + CB + FFA);

52: Enhance and sustain **emergency food production** through complementary vegetable and crop livelihood inputs, fishing and livestock support in a wat prevents the spread & transmission of COVID 19 (compulsory use of new SOP & guidelines);

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Priority		Indicative Activities		Indicators			
Agricultural food production (own consumption &	✓	Emergency food production:	<b>✓</b>	Number of HHs (female, child & male headed) receiving			
sale) and access to food;		main season agriculture seeds		agricultural inputs/ vegetable & fishing kits			
Targeting vulnerable HHs & populations: women,		& tool distribution; fishing,	✓	Number of HHs receiving cash/ vouchers (ITF/ nutrition)			
girls, men & boys, elderly, disabled, PLW, children		vegetable & crop kits;		SADD			
U5, HIV & chronic sick	✓	Nutrition vouchers (plus	✓	Quantity & variety of seeds distributed			
Reduction in post-harvest losses and safeguarding		poultry & shoat distribution;	✓	Quantity & variety of crops produced (outcome)			
animal health.		Seed fairs;	✓	Number of rapid response kits distributed			
Restoration & support of fishing activities	✓	Emergency food & livelihood	✓	No less than 50% women committee members, in roles			
Animal health support through livestock		support: fishing kits/		mirroring that of men;			
vaccination and treatment		vegetable kits; rapid response	✓	Number of animals vaccinated & treated;			
Focus on restoring, strengthening and sustaining		kits (fish kit/ cow pea & three	✓	Number of livestock vaccine cold chain established/			
livelihoods (IPC 4 and IPC 3 HHs) alongside more		variety of fast maturing		maintained animal disease surveillance reports			
multi sector integrated actions (e.g. WASH,		vegetable seed)	✓	Number of CAHWs trained/ supported through cost			
Nutrition & Health)	✓	Livestock treatment and		recovery			
Women's + female youth, needs, voice & rights;		vaccination; livestock disease	✓	Number FDP with functioning CRM/ CFM;			
Informed assistance through robust SAD		surveillance, Community	✓	Beneficiary satisfaction with information, participation			
assessment & post distribution monitoring		Animal Health Workers		and CFM;			
Accountability with information provision,		Training and inputs support,	✓	% women receiving livelihood kits (crop/ veg/ fish);			
participation and complaint & feedback		cold chain establishment and	✓	Use of Gender Age Marker			
mechanisms ensuring inclusion of vulnerable		maintenance, prevention &	✓	Number of SAD returnees receiving livelihood support			
target groups and marginalized groups		treatment especially zoonoses	✓	Number of food security-related reports prepared and			
SAD capacity building, skills & knowledge		e.g. RVF;		shared with stakeholders in timely manner			
development and community engagement	✓	Livelihood support to returnee	✓	Number of national and state level food security and			
Access to support from returnee households		households		livelihoods coordination meetings			
Availability of timely food security information	✓	Provision of timely food		· ·			
		security information					

Target = 1.2 million HHs (approx.. MSR (60%) & DSR (40%)) with livelihood kits; unique beneficiaries **6 million** (FAO 80% caseload UB) and 9 million animals vaccinated & 1 million treated; **FAO \$65 million (CO2 & 3)** – per three-year ELRP 2020 – 2022 costing;

CO3: Reduce dependency on food and agricultural inputs to support and strengthen households' ability to absorb shocks in a way that prevents the spread & transmission of COVID 19 (compulsory use of new SOP & guidelines);

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	Priority		Indicative Activities		Indicators
<b>√</b>	Maintenance of agro pastoral community emergency coping	✓	Support to seed fairs using locally sourced seed; seed security	✓	Quantity of seed procured locally
	capacity		& multiplication strengthening/ Support market functionality	✓	Quantity of cereal procured locally
✓	SAD capacity building, skills & knowledge development and		e.g. assist traders to re-supply markets/ local procurement for	✓	Number of market system actors involved in
	community engagement		FAO ITFs & aggregation of produce for WFP assistance;		emergency response
✓	Targeting vulnerable HHs & populations: women, girls, men	✓	Support value chain addition e.g. through agriculture, fishery	✓	Number of SAD persons trained
	& boys, elderly, people with special needs, children U5, HIV &		and livestock products/ by-products preservation & marketing	✓	Number of SAD people trained by (e.g. improved
	chronic sick	✓	Training & capacity building: both adaptive and absorptive on-		nutrition/ land conservation/ reducing post-harvest
✓	Focus on restoring and strengthening livelihoods (across IPC		farm production (farmer/agro-pastoral field schools,		losses/ improved farming practices);
	3 & 4 counties) alongside more multi sector integrated		demonstration plots), income generation (business skills),	✓	No less than 50% women committee members, in
	actions (e.g. WASH, Nutrition & Health)		vocational training etc.		roles mirroring that of men;
✓	Women's and female youth needs, voice & rights;	✓	Multi sectoral models: livelihoods, nutrition sensitive food	✓	Number of functional saving & loans groups (SAD)
✓	Resilience markers: community engagement; local capacity to		security, hygiene, sanitation	✓	Number of members of VSLAs etc. (SAD)
	cope with shocks and stresses; strategy to reduce	✓	Reducing pest and crop disease e.g. FAW & DL surveillance,	✓	% SAD complaint/ feedback received then
	humanitarian needs; cash transfers where possible to		detection, prevention & eradication		responded to
	empower beneficiaries and increase efficiency	✓	Reduction in postharvest losses and introduction of	✓	Beneficiary satisfaction with information,
✓	Accountability with information provision, participation and		appropriate preservation technologies (e.g. hermetic storage		participation and CFM;
	complaint & feedback mechanisms ensuring inclusion of		bags)	✓	Use of Gender Age Marker
	vulnerable target groups and marginalized groups	✓	Diversification & restoration of livelihoods; small grants for	✓	Number of households benefitting from market
✓	Informed assistance through robust SAD assessment & post		petty trade; village saving & loan schemes & micro finance etc.		access interventions
	distribution monitoring	✓	Use of local biomass briquettes & fuel-efficient stoves	✓	Number of households getting NRM trainings and
✓	Strengthen Supply Chain by minimizing exposure to risks	✓	Training HH on proper safe management of food supply chain		benefitting from NRM services (disaggregated by
	(floods, drought, COVID19)	✓	Trainings and interventions to promote market access		sex, age, and status)
✓	Enable access to markets for inputs, outputs, and services	✓	Training natural resource management	✓	Number of conflict related meetings facilitated with
✓	Promote sustainable management of natural resources	✓	Enable conflict related meetings to strengthen local peace		signed resolutions (disaggregated by sex, age, and
✓	Strengthen local peace structures		structures		status)
✓	Strengthen communities and local structures capacities in	✓	Setting up and training community and county-level disaster	✓	Number of people attending conflict resolution
	climate-related hazard knowledge, risk communication and		risk reduction committees to lead the development of hazard		related meetings
	coordination		information tools	✓	Percentage of training participants report increased
✓	Enhance capacities of men and women for developing and	✓	Implementing local climate-sensitive agricultural and natural		relevant knowledge (disaggregated by gender)
	implementing gender-sensitive local-level disaster risk		resource and disaster risk reduction strategies	✓	Number of targeted households adopted & applied
	management plans				NRM/ DRR measures in production/ livelihood
					systems. Household head 40% male & 60% female.
					(disaggregated by gender)

### FSL cluster HRP for 2022 – 2023: Prioritization matrix

#### Activities/ locations to be supported if only 25% of the cluster envelope is received:

- -Undertake general food distribution or unconditional cash/voucher transfers for the most severely food insecure (IPC 4 & 5, refugees and POC/ IDPs), with blanket supplementary feeding for children under 5
- -Distribute fishing & rapid response livelihood kits as part of an integrated response e.g. IRRM with WFP, FAO and UNICEF
- -Protect livelihoods through main season seeds & tool and fish & vegetable kit distribution (IPC 4 & 5)
- -Implement emergency livestock interventions in IPC 4 & 5 counties (51 in total)
- -Implement activities to help sustain community coping mechanisms and build resilience for IPC 4 & 5 HH (most vulnerable extreme poor criteria approx.. bottom 30%) In 2022: overall population 27% IPC 4 + 3% IPC 5; refer to the population breakdown which varies from county to county;
- -Continue with COVID IEC materials & messaging with adherence to distribution SOP/ guidelines for in kind/ cash/ livelihood kits; and identification of PSN
- -Support to Disaster Risk Reduction & activities addressing climate change & conflict mitigation in highest priority counties (IPC 4 & 5)
- -Procure 25% of emergency food and livelihood & livestock pipeline

#### Activities/ locations to be supported if only 26 - 50% of the cluster envelope is received:

- -Undertake general food distribution or unconditional cash/ voucher transfers for the most severely food insecure (IPC 4 & 5, refugees and POC/ IDPs), with blanket supplementary feeding for children under 5
- -Distribute fishing & rapid response livelihood kits as part of an integrated response e.g. IRRM with WFP, FAO and UNICEF
- -Protect livelihoods through main season seeds & tool and fish & vegetable kit distribution (IPC 4 & 5)
- -Implement emergency livestock interventions in IPC 4 & 5 counties (51 in total)
- -Implement activities to help sustain community coping mechanisms and build resilience in IPC 4 & 5 (most vulnerable extreme poor criteria approx.. bottom 30%)
- -Continue with COVID IEC materials & messaging with adherence to distribution SOP/ guidelines for in kind/ cash/ livelihood kits; and identification of PSN
- -Support to Disaster Risk Reduction & activities addressing climate change & conflict mitigation in highest priority counties (IPC 4 & 5)
- -Procure 25% of emergency food and livelihood & livestock pipeline

#### Additional activities/locations to be supported if/once 50 - 75% of the cluster envelope is received:

- -Implement targeted food and nutrition assistance for most at-risk IPC  ${\bf 3}$
- -Provide conditional assistance in the form of cash/ vouchers or food
- -Support market functionality: scaled up support for market dependent households in especially urban locations and emerging vulnerabilities in IPC 3 HHs (likely the poor wealth groups); In 2022: overall population 35% IPC 3; refer to the population breakdown which varies from county to county;
- -Protect livelihoods through main season seeds & tool and fish & vegetable kit distribution (IPC 3)
- -Implement emergency livestock interventions in IPC 3 counties
- -Implement activities to help sustain community coping mechanisms and build resilience in IPC3: measures to combat: Post harvest losses (PHL); pest surveillance & control especially FAW and DL
- -COVID IEC materials & messaging with adherence to distribution SOP/ guidelines for in kind/ cash/ livelihood kits; and identification of PSN
- -Support to Disaster Risk Reduction & activities addressing climate change & conflict mitigation in other priority counties (IPC 3)
- -Procure additional 25% of emergency food and livelihood & livestock pipeline: without final 50% then prioritization/ smaller rations/ spreading available resources more thinly which is what has happened 2017 2021 already and expected to be the case in 2022;

# Additional activities/locations to be supported if/once 76-100% of the cluster envelope is received:

- -Protect livelihoods through **second main season** seeds & tool and fish & vegetable kit distribution (supporting **Green Belt** locations targeting IPC 3 and 4 HHs)
- -Protect livelihoods through dry season fish
- & vegetable kit distribution (IPC 3)
- -Extend support for market functionality: scaled up support for market dependent households in especially urban locations and emerging vulnerabilities in IPC 3 HHs;
- -Implement emergency livestock interventions & distribute vegetable kits in
- IPC 3: measures to combat: Post harvest losses (PHL); pest surveillance & control especially FAW and DL
- -Implement activities to help sustain community coping mechanisms and build resilience to IPC 3 areas not already reached:
- -COVID IEC materials & messaging with adherence to distribution SOP/ guidelines for in kind/ cash/ livelihood kits; and identification of PSN
- -Procure final 25% of emergency food & livelihoods pipeline: without final 25% then prioritization/ smaller rations/ spreading available resources more thinly which is what has happened 2017 2021 already and expected to be the case in 2022:

### FSL cluster HRP for 2022 – 2023: Prioritization matrix

- Main focus is IPC/ HNO planned response based on IPC/ IPC compatible analysis
- Priority IPC 4 counties (1) phase 4 + P5 pockets; (2) >30% IPC 4; and (3) <30% IPC 4
- Focus exclusively on IPC 4 & 5 populations
  - Where P5 pockets 70% ration (8 10 counties) for 8 months
  - All other locations 50% ration for 5 to 7 months;
  - Limited for those IPC 3 populations/ counties in other countries IPC 3 triggers an alert & response; 'normalized' in SSD ☺
- Other crisis events in 2022: Abyei/ Twic (shortages & big thank you MSF); Tambura;
   Leer/ Mayendit; Cattle Keepers in Equatoria's etc. insufficient resources;
- "take from the hungry to feed the starving"
- All clusters struggling for resources; needs > resources; re-prioritization → refine targeting & exclude less food insecure locations/ persons etc.

### **Summary of HDP mapping so far in South Sudan**



- Three **Reconciliation, Stabilization, Resilience Trust Fund** (RSRTF) UNMISS projects: (1) Jonglei across eight counties (WFP), (2) Unity / Koch (UNDP/ World Relief/ Care) and (3) Central Equatoria (IOM) TBC
- Pastoral FFA pilots in Rumbek East, Awerial, Kapoeta North & Terekeka (WFP & Partners with FAO & VSF)
- **BMZ funded** Basic infrastructure (health & education), food security & nutrition, income & savings and research into peace & conflict in Torit & Magwi (WHH), Aweil East (IRC), locations in Unity (Malteser) with research coordinated & facilitated by Bonn International Centre for Conflict Studies (BICC)
- Partnership for Recovery & Resilience preparatory data collection in Yambio, Torit, Wau & Aweil; so far only a coordination body no implementation (that we are aware of)
- Any other contenders in this initial HDP projects in this initial scoping exercise:
  - O World Vision FEED project?
  - CRS Jonglei Resilience project?

#### Follow up actions in South Sudan April – December 2022

- March GNAFC develops Concept Note with FSL cluster
- April/ May Cluster IMO team conduct mapping exercise:
  - Humanitarian & Resilience data already available from 2021
  - Identify other Development & Peace actors & their initiatives
  - Scope our any interesting consortia or NGO/ UN projects that operate along the HDP nexus
- March June: Request for 1 2 page project brief from FSL cluster partners that can highlight HDP nexus type programming (this may also be multi sectoral);
- June September: GNAFC team provide qualitative facilitator (trained in PRA/ PIA processes) to conduct participatory review & learning exercise for selected projects (assuming the partners are in agreement ☺)
- October: Reporting on learning & lessons learnt;
- November: advocacy paper on key learning from South Sudan on HDP nexus programming
- What new options of collaboration in 2023 with GNAFC?