Peace in the Community Program: Police providing security to refugees in Pamir

Refugees in Pamir reported incidents of insecurity on the road between Pamir and Ajuong Thok, therefore the Jamjang FM team recorded a program with the Deputy Inspector of Police in Pamir, Al-Tom Osman. He told us they are planning to improve the patrolling in the camp. The South Sudan Commission for Refugee Affairs (CRA) Field Officer, Aleu Ngong, confirmed to Jamjang FM that they have joint plans with UNHCR to put new police stations in different zones at Pamir. During the program members of the community in Pamir camp pointed out that security is the responsibility of every one.

Health Program: Demand for better services at Pamir’s Hope Hospital

Jamjang FM team hosted IRC Health and Nutrition Manager Dr. Mathew Kelion in a live program to respond to refugee’s complaints on services provided by Hope PHCC in Pamir. He assured listeners that IRC is working to improve the services in the hospital by constructing waiting area for patients and new wards. On the topic of ambulance services, IRC will create new mechanisms to enable refugees to report to block leaders when there is need for an ambulance, who can then request the service from health supervisors. During the program the refugees in Pamir requested IRC to improve the quality of services provided in the hospital as the number of relocated refugees from Yida to Pamir is increasing.

What We Heard This Week

We want latrines
Refugees in block 17 have explained that a number of households have no access to latrines. They have asked Samaritan’s Purse to conduct assessment for those households and to construct latrines for them.
Youth, block 17, Ajuong Thok

Give students schools items
Refugees in Ajuong Thok explained that a number of pupils did not receive school materials and they have asked that LWF provide the items to make education more accessible for children in the refugee camps.
Youth, Ajuong Thok

Farming lands grabbed
It is reported that, ten refugee farmers have lost their farming lands to local farmers who forcefully took the lands and threaten refugees at gun point. This includes refugees who were allocated land in Ngabule area. Now they asking IRC if it is possible for them to get different and safer farming lands.
Adult, Ajuong Thok

Parents need to know early child education and development
Refugees in block 42 in Ajuong Thok have raised concerns that many parents do not send their children to child friendly spaces and they have suggested that if LWF are able to speak with parents, they can explain the importance of early child education.
Adults, block 42, Ajuong Thok

New arrivals to come want to be assist
As the number of new arrival increases in Ajuong Thok camp, new arrivals in block 42 complained that they have not received any assistance from humanitarian partners since the time they arrived.
Adults, block 42, Ajuong Thok

Youth want to play games
Youth in block 35, Ajuong Thok have told us that they do not have gaming equipment such as footballs or volleyballs and that with nothing to occupy their time more youth are engaging in anti-social activities. They have said that they would be very grateful if DRC provide them with a volleyball and volleyball net.
Youth, block 35, Ajuong Thok

35 Feedback Collected From
- Adults (over 35 years old) 20%
- Youth (11-35 years old) 80%

Feedback Gathered Through 367 Interactions
- Information Officer 100%
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**Community Feedback**

- **Protection**: 8%
- **NFI**: 17%
- **Health**: 14%
- **Food Distribution**: 14%
- **FSL**: 6%
- **WASH**: 9%
- **CCCM**: 6%
- **Culture**: 3%
- **Education**: 23%

**Weekly Program Highlights Continued**

**Education Program: Satisfaction with double shifts in schools**

Following protests by school students in Ajuong Thok, Jamjang FM visited the primary schools to experience what it is like to be in the school as the shifts change. We spoke with teachers, school head masters, as well as the parents teachers association (PTA) to understand the challenges and benefits of the system. Jamjang FM team then hosted in a live program LWF Education Coordinator and Ajuong Thok camp chairman. LWF explained that the reasons for dividing the school classes between morning and evening shifts was to create conducive environment for students in the classrooms and to reduce the congestion. LWF also explained that UNHCR is constructing 40 additional classrooms which will further reduce. Ajuong Thok camp chairman advised students to go back to schools.

**Programs Produced and Broadcast**

Internews Jamjang runs humanitarian radio station, Jamjang 89.4 FM in Ajuong Thok. The programs are largely based on feedback from community members, and insight from humanitarian organizations. Our main topics this week were:

- **AGRICULTURE**: 3
- **HEALTH**: 3
- **EDUCATION**: 2
- **HUMANITARIAN**: 1
- **PEACE & SECURITY**: 1
Health Program
Dr. Panyuan working for UNFPA called upon the entire community in Bentiu PoC, Bentiu Town and nearby areas to report any fistula case to Bentiu hospital or MSF clinic. While appearing on Kondial FM, he said that they will be referred to the state’s main hospital for operations. He further explained that doctors had arrived to operate on fistula cases and had limited time for this task. He explained that fistula is caused by early marriage of young girls, rape and during the process of delivery. Doctors have conducted successful fistula operations within the state’s main hospital. He added that the operation is free of charge and urged all the people in need of the operation to register with UNFPA.

Drowning
Residents living in Sector 2, 3, 4 & 5 have reported that children are drowning in water ponds. They said that 16 children have drowned since the PoC opened, with the most recent child drowning only two weeks ago. The residents don’t know why protection agencies have stopped deploying staff to prevent children from bathing in the water channels. They are urging concerned agencies to do more to protect children from drowning.

Mixed LG’s, Sector 2, 3, 4 & 5

TB Treatment
A resident of PoC Sector1, has said she’s been suffering from tuberculosis for a long time. She said that she was being helped by the IOM clinic before it closed. “I am suffering, the drugs I had have all finished. There is no other place I can go to for treatment after IOM clinic was blocked”, she further started. She has urged any concerned health clinics to help refer her to where she can be treated.

A woman, Sector 1

Space to Build Shelters
People with no shelters in Bentiu PoC have reported to Kondial that they are living in congested communal shelters. They said that their situation is worsening with the rainy season. “The hygiene situation is poor; the shelters we are living in are very full with people. The environment is not friendly”. They are asking any concerned agency to register and allocate them land to build shelters.

Mixed LG’s, Bentiu PoC

Shortage services
Women living in sector 1, B9 said that services such as water, desludging, drainage ditches are becoming a challenge in their sector since the neighboring residents of sector 2 and 5 share the services with them. “We find it difficult now because residents from other blocks share water with us and use our latrines. Now everything including water ditches are in a bad condition”. They have asked for help from concerned agencies.

Women, in Sector 1, B9

Firewood for cooking food
Women with disabilities in Sector 1, said that they cannot cook for their children because of a lack of firewood. They said that market prices are very high and none of the disabled persons can afford to buy charcoal. They have asked protection agencies to do more in providing firewood to at least cook something for their children.

Women, Sector 1

Kondial 97.2 FM Weekly Program Highlights

What We Heard This Week

In Bentiu, Internews’ Humanitarian Information Service (HiS) implements a communicating with communities (CwC) program to increase information sharing. The program operates Kondial 97.2 FM, a humanitarian radio station inside the Bentiu PoC, conducting listening groups to gather community feedback. If you have information to be shared with the PoC or humanitarians, please contact: Humanitarian Project Manager Akiiki Tusime (atusiime@internews.org) or Team Leader Pout Tuor (ptuor@internews.org).

Kondial FM correspondent interviews the mother of a 16-year old girl after reunification in Bentiu PoC. June 28, 2018. Photo/Internews

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Education Program
While appearing on a live radio programme on Kondial FM, a UNICEF representative urged parents and community members to send their children to school. He explained that schools are free of charge and that all children must receive and education. Speaking about the education partners’ ‘Back to Learning Campaign’, a scheme aimed at mobilizing school dropouts to go back to learning, he explained that there is a growing number of girls at school. Seeing this as a good sign UNICEF are commending partners and the community for working hard to ensure that children are in school.
Community Feedback

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Livelihoods
Residents in Bentiu PoC have raised their voices about food distribution delays which has led to hunger and increase of sorghum prices in the market. As a result of food delays many mothers in Bentiu PoC have been forced to collect firewood in the bush beyond the PoC boundary, to be sold to support their families. Meanwhile, vulnerable people who are unable to find alternative sources of income can’t afford to buy. Residents interviewed on Kondial FM, urged WFP to distribute food on time to stop the suffering in the community.

Food Distribution
A DRC representative has confirmed on Kondial FM that they have been distributing seeds and cultivation tools to 5,000 local farmers in Bentiu Town and Rubkona. He explained that the distribution of items is to encourage the local farmers to cultivate and increase food production to enable them to feed their families. He urged the community to make good use of the items so they can have food instead of depending on organisations.

WASH Detailed Feedback
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Residents request spray of mosquitoes at water channels
PoC residents have told us that the water channels in sector three are infested with mosquitoes and need to be sprayed as soon as possible. The residents are asking Mentor Initiative to hurry their work because most households don’t have mosquito nets. They have asked that their houses should also be included when the drains are being sprayed.

A youth secretary for culture and sports in a newly open library in Malakal PoC on June 26th 2018. Photo/Internews

Youths, Sector 3

A call for repair of solar panels in Sector 3
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Adults, Sector 3

Families request soap distribution
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School children, both boys and girls between ages 7-14 in the PoC, reported to us that they are in need of footballs and volleyballs so that they are occupied during their free time since their schools remain closed.

Children, Sector 1

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Adults, Sector 1, 2, 3, and 4

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During Nile FM’s education program, we spoke with Pagan Ayak, a resident of the PoC who is supporting his family with income from repairing private vehicles. When speaking about how he became a mechanic, he said that he had always been interested in mechanical work and so sought advice from some senior mechanics who guided and supported him to succeed. Ayan said now he is happy because he is self-reliant and is able to support his family. He urged unemployed youth to consider joining mechanical work because it’s a vocation that can help bring income to support a family.

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**Health program: Lung infections and its causes**
Buyomo Simon, a medical assistant and owner of a private clinic in the PoC, said that lung infections are one of the diseases which are on the rise in the PoC. He said that lung infections are caused by airborne germs containing viruses. He further advised that children are the most vulnerable and parents should take good care of them. He urged parents to keep children warm at night and to only bath them before sun set.

**CCCM Program: Watch group plan to stop gambling**
Thabo Riak, information secretary of Community Watch Group, told Nile FM that they are planning to stop youth from gambling in the PoC. He said their plan to combat the habit is to deploy some Watch Group members in the areas where the gambling is taking place. He added that gambling has negative social and economic effects on those who practice it including their families and the community.

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from Voice of Hope radio

Voice of Hope Radio, a member of the Catholic Radio Network, aims to promote responsible citizenship and with the active participation of South Sudanese. In partnership with Internews the radio broadcasts to a radius of about 125 km around Wau Town, the PoC and collective centers reaching over 85,000 listeners. It broadcasts 65 hours a week with programs on CCCM, protection, education, health, GBV, women, children, culture, sport and spiritual programs in Arabic, English and other local languages. The VoH team also manages more than 10 listening groups providing feedback on humanitarian issues affecting IDPs living in the PoC and Collective Centers.

Date: June 29th 2018

FEEDBACK FROM THE POC

- This week, Voice of Hope Feedback officers interviewed some IDPs and reported that the IDPs were concerned about the IMC Clinic not working during the night hours and the raised risk of not enough medical care in nighttime emergency cases because of this.

- Due to the bad hygiene situation in the IDP camp, people are asking for more support from the Humanitarian organizations with soaps, shelters and hygienic kits to keep everyone healthy during the rainy season.

WEEKLY RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

- IMC encourages women to have love and peace toward one another.
- Commission for truth and healing encourage women to speak out the truth.
- Young Women’s Christian association opens an office to help heal trauma among the community in Wau.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Women are our mothers, sisters, daughters and partners of life, let us respect them by not violate their right, let us give them life not rape, it is not our taboo.

- Fellow IDPs, Oxfam has made some garbage collection points. Let us collect our garbage and take to the garbage points.

THE WEEK AHEAD

- The Wau State Peace committee will hold a rally on peace and reconciliation Next week.

- IMC says that they will celebrate African child day in Costi boys’ primary school. The Day of the African Child provides an opportunity for Girls Not Brides members to encourage action to address child marriage at the regional, national and local levels.

- VoH has been told that a General Food distribution will take next week.

- IMC will hold a GBV awareness session on gender in the collective centers.

- WDG will hold a training about running small businesses.

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Women answering the questions during the truth and healing conference. (Photo by Cirillo Daniel)

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