COVID-19 Update

- WFP continues to support national-led COVID-19 prevention and preparedness efforts. South Sudan has recorded 1,670 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and 24 death as of 11 June 2020.
- In response to the pandemic, and to protect its staff and beneficiaries, WFP continues with several contingency measures, including physical distancing at distributions and revised distribution procedures.
- WFP has reached 3.6 million beneficiaries with one to three months’ worth of food assistance since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- WFP has resumed direct deliveries of emergency food to South Sudan from Kenya for the first time since 2018.
- WFP’s cash-based transfer programme is facing an estimated USD 60 million funding shortfall for June to December 2020 distributions.

People assisted

April 2020

Global Humanitarian Funding 2019

Overall: USD 1.5 billion
WFP share: USD 660 million

WFP 6-month Net Funding Requirements

(June—November ‘20) 226.7

Strategic Outcome 1
Food insecure women, men and children in crisis-affected areas have access to safe and nutritious food 200.9

Strategic Outcome 2
People at risk of malnutrition in crisis affected areas, specially young children and pregnant and lactating women, are able to meet their basic nutrition requirements all year round 1.8

Strategic Outcome 3
Food insecure smallholders and communities in non-conflict zones have enhanced livelihoods and resilience to seasonal climate shocks throughout the year 13.2

Strategic Outcome 4
The humanitarian community has access to reliable common services until satisfactory alternatives are available 10.8

Photo: USAID funded UNHAS aircraft for COVID-19 response. WFP/Photo Library
• Thanks to the support of the Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA), UNHAS has acquired a dedicated aircraft to support the COVID-19 response in South Sudan. The aircraft is currently funded for six months and is being used to transport samples and COVID-19 related cargo including personal protective equipment (PPE).

• Over the last two weeks, UNHAS has transported 71 COVID-19 suspected samples from across South Sudan to the Public Health Laboratory in Juba for testing.

• UNHAS has performed 29 non-COVID-19 related medical evacuations since the start of the pandemic.

• WFP is donating 300,000 masks to frontline health workers. Upon decision on PPE allocation by the inter-agency COVID-19 technical team, 124,000 WFP-procured masks were dispatched to International Medical Corps, MSF Belgium, MSF France, MSF Holland, MSF Spain and WHO across the country. The Logistics Cluster is providing a free-to-user air transport service, when needed.

• WFP has provided six vehicles and drivers to the COVID-19 contact tracing team in Juba.

WFP Response

Food and Nutrition Assistance

• Through Rapid Response teams, WFP dispatched General Food Assistance for 44,455 people, including 10,300 children under five, in hard to reach areas across three counties in Jonglei State in the last two weeks.

Cash-Based Transfers

• WFP’s cash-based transfer (CBT) programme is facing an estimated USD 60 million funding shortfall for June to December 2020 distributions.

• In preparation for planned double distributions, retailer contracts have been renewed for Bor and Mingkaman retailers after successful completion of evaluations.

Supply Chain

• WFP is expediting delivery of food from the Northern, Southern and Eastern corridors to major hubs in South Sudan. The border status is being closely monitored. All the borders remain open for humanitarian cargo except the Aweil and Bentiu borders with Sudan which are not operational due to insecurity on the Sudan side. The closure of these borders has caused delays in the arrival of cargo from Sudan.

• For the first time since 2018, WFP has managed to send a humanitarian convoy from Kenya directly into South Sudan via the Nadapal Border crossing. The nine-truck convoy, carrying 280 mt of food—enough to feed 20,000 people for a month—was loaded in Kenya’s port city of Mombasa and took three days to reach Kapoeta, Eastern Equatoria State. WFP had delivered millions of tons of relief cargo through the route before humanitarian deliveries were discontinued due to poor road conditions and insecurity. The re-opening of the route cuts travel times by half and will help speed up getting essential cargo into South Sudan before most roads close with the onset of the rainy season.

• WFP is expanding storage in Integrated Rapid Response Mechanism (IRRM) locations which are remote and isolated. One Mobile Storage Unit (MSU) was erected in Udier, Upper Nile State, while two MSUs each have been erected in Ganyiel and Nyal, Unity State. Since 2014, WFP and key partners have deployed Rapid Response teams to assist people in hard-to-reach areas. Traveling usually by helicopter and sleeping in tents, these teams register beneficiaries and clear drop-zones, so WFP can airdrop food, and other urgently needed items.

• As of 05 June 2020, 143,007 mt of food and nutrition items, equivalent to 75 percent of the planned 190,530 mt, were prepositioned to areas that will be inaccessible during the rainy season. The prepositioned stocks are enough to serve over two million people.

• WFP continues working towards completing the prepositioning exercise. Delays have been faced due to COVID-19 related travel measures that increase delivery times at border crossings, and within the country. Its completion is now also contingent on the safe, secure and timely passage of humanitarian cargo before half of the country is cut off by the rains.

Clusters and Common Services

Logistics Cluster

• Over the reporting period, transport of 342 mt of Education, Food Security, General Operations, General Program, Health, Logistics, Nutrition, Protection and WASH cargo to 23 locations was facilitated on behalf of 23 organizations. This included 159 mt of humanitarian cargo moved by road via the Beyond Bentiu Response (in collaboration with IOM Common Transport Services) to deep field locations in Unity State, ensuring a maximum amount of supplies are pre-positioned as long as roads remain open.

• The Logistics Cluster coordinated the departure of two road humanitarian convoys towards Yi and the Western corridor, enabling the transportation of approximately 270 mt of humanitarian cargo.

• The most recent access maps can be found here.

UN Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)

• Over the last two weeks, UNHAS transported 281 passengers and 36.8 mt of light humanitarian cargo to 37 destinations across South Sudan.
## WFP Interim Country Strategic Plan

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