



Livelihoods beneficiaries prepare a nursery bed in the communal garden in Nyinkuach, Abyei

Programme Overview

The Transition and Recovery Department (TRD) in IOM South Sudan identifies, mitigates and addresses the root causes of forced migration. With support from USAID/OFDA TRD is implementing the Abyei Rehabilitation Initiative III (ARI III) programme in the Abyei Administrative Area. ARI III aims to support returnees and residents to establish sustainable livelihoods, develop a foundation for peaceful co-existence, build confidence in local institutions and governing bodies, empower women and youth and rehabilitate/built infrastructure.

Livelihood

160 people

individuals identified for livelihood assistance

80 people

individuals trained

TRD trained 21 men and 61 women in business management and trades identified through community engagement, which matches skills trainings with community needs. During the next phase of the project trainees will be provided with business start-up kits while TRD will continue to provide mentorship through regular monitoring, technical guidance and refresher trainings.

Infrastructure

10,000 people

benefiting from infrastructure

7 infrastructures

rehabilitated/constructed

TRD completed the rehabilitation of two water yards, one in Abyei town and one in Awolnom village. The water yards will provide around 2,000 individuals in the area with improved access to safe drinking water.

TRD also completed the construction of a Farmer Training Center in Abyei town, which will be managed by the Department of Agriculture.. In close coordination with the Department of Agriculture, TRD has established 30 demonstration plots for various vegetable crops.

Peace building and Community Empowerment

80 people

of individuals received PB training

4

PB trainings conducted

8

women and youth groups formed

TRD strengthened existing local youth and women unions and school peace clubs through peacebuilding and conflict transformation trainings. TRD also supported the formation of district-level youth and women associations that link the youth and women living in the village with the union based in Agok and Abyei town. The unions and peace clubs aim to be agents of peace promoting peaceful coexistence.

Ajob Diew, member of the women's union and participant of the IOM facilitated peacebuilding training: "As one of the leaders of the women's union, I find peacebuilding training by IOM to be very important. The skills we learnt from the first and second phases of training have helped us a lot to settle disputes and mediate conflicts which otherwise would have escalated."

Information Management

TRD and the Displacement Tracking Matrix (DTM) unit completed a Cross-Border Flow Monitoring Report covering the first half of 2017. According to the report, 86 per cent of cross-border movements are destined to Sudan from Abyei and South Sudan are due to the lack of basic services, particularly health and education. Results from the report continue to inform and guide transition and recovery programming in Abyei.



Construction of Abyei Women's Center