

KEY FIGURES

Current reporting period



Total number of arrivals to Upper Nile State as a result of Sudan crisis during the reporting period

19,343



Total number of OTA flights organized by IOM since the start of the Sudan crisis

429



MHPSS provided during the reporting period.

435



Medical consultations conducted at Malakal PoC Clinic and Malakia PHCC in July 2023

2,728

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1 The Shelter and Settlement unit is building 133 Transitional Shelters in Malakal, with the support of IOM and NFI partners. Local communities are actively involved in the construction, using materials like CGI sheets, timber, and bamboo.
- 2 IOM distributed a total of 6,979,347 liters to 40,286 people in Malakal Protection of Civilians (PoC), providing an average of 17.3 LPPPD.
- 3 As part of commemoration of Suicide Prevention Day (10 September), IOM MHPSS held a number of activities, including awareness sessions in various locations, as well as a friendly volleyball match.

Core Pipeline

- During the reporting period, Core Pipeline processed a request for S/NFI supplies from one international S/NFI Cluster partner, releasing 6 metric tons of S/NFI supplies for Malakal (bamboo bundles and wooden poles for shelter construction). The supplies reached a total of 789 individuals.
- IOM also prepositioned S/NFI supplies in Renk for 250 households. The supplies included mosquito nets, NFI bags and sleeping mats.
- Additionally, IOM Core Pipeline processed a request for Core Pipeline WASH supplies from Relief International. Core Pipeline released 15 metric tons of WASH supplies for Malakal (Luak and Nasir), including water floc, filter cloth and hygiene kits.
- During the same period, IOM continued to airlift additional Core Pipeline supplies for prepositioning in Malakal with the support of the Logistics Cluster.

Sudan Crisis - Onward Transportation Assistance (OTA)

- According to the [IOM-UNHCR joint dashboard](#), 273,995 people have crossed the border since the start of the Sudan crisis. IOM has facilitated 58,363 returnees to travel to their intended destination by boat, providing them with vouchers for transportation or subsidized fuel. From Malakal, IOM has flown 30,630 returnees by chartered flights to their state capitals, mainly Wau, Aweil, Kuajok and Juba. Additionally, each returnee on the flight received USD 20 equivalent for their last mile transportation.
- As of September 15, 2023, IOM has organized 429 flights across South Sudan. However, due to funding limitations, IOM had to suspend the flight transportation on September 2, 2023. IOM has now secured funding commitments from PRM, CERF, and SSHF and is resuming the OTA. IOM expects to receive around USD 12 million in total for Onward Transportation Assistance.
- With this funding, IOM plans to transport 30,600 returnees from Renk to Malakal by boat and 27,972 returnees from Malakal to their final state capitals by chartered flights. In addition, IOM will support the transportation of 6,000 returnees with subsidized fuel for boats to locations such as Leer, Fangak, Nasir, Bor and others. On average, IOM operates 36 flights per week, transporting 2,200 returnees and facilitating the boat movement of 2,400 per week.



A recently excavated drainage in Bulukat transit site to mitigate flooding. © IOM South Sudan



CCCM casual workers erecting a communal shelter to accommodate new arrivals in Bulukat transit center. © IOM South Sudan

Shelter and Non-Food Items (S/NFI)

- The Shelter and Settlement unit is building 133 Transitional Shelters in Malakal, with the support of IOM and NFI partners. Local communities are actively involved in the construction, using materials like CGI sheets, timber, and bamboo. State authorities have allocated land to IDPs willing to participate. The shelters, which will be enhanced with grass and mud in the dry season, aim to provide secure, long-term housing. Construction is currently underway on 12 shelters, with IOM-trained carpenters and other skilled workers leading the efforts. IOM originally developed and shared the one-room shelter design with partners.

WASH | Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

IOM distributed a total of 6,979,347 liters to 40,286 people in Malakal Protection of Civilians (PoC), providing an average of 17.3 LPPPD. The team is continuously working on improving the water supply capacity to address the needs of the new arrivals as numbers are expected to increase due to the Sudan crisis.

SANITATION

IOM continues with the maintenance and operation of sanitation services (solid waste disposal, latrine desludging and sanitation facilities maintenance in the whole PoC), and construction of new facilities inside communal spaces to provide services to the new arrivals in the IDP camp.

- During July 2023, IOM continued to operate and maintain 984 functional stances of latrine and 645 bathing shelters in Malakal PoC. The team regularly ensures they are accessible and safe for users by fixing doors, roof, locks, walls and include ramps for people with special needs to have access.
- IOM team desludged repetitively 914 communal latrines collecting a total of 1,332.3 m³ of liquid waste which was safely disposed in the waste stabilization ponds. Additionally, IOM continued with regular garbage collection across the sectors, and a total of 456.1 m³ of solid waste were transported to the dumping site during this reporting period.

HYGIENE PROMOTION

- IOM continued delivering hygiene promotion awareness messages to a total of 7,454 individuals focusing on topics such as water contamination and prevention of water contamination at various stages, as well as key messages on cholera/diarrhea, food hygiene, personal hygiene, hand washing, safe excreta disposal and environmental hygiene (waste management).

CCCM | Camp Coordination and Camp Management

PoC Activities

- Pumping of stormwater from the main water channel is ongoing. A total of 5.98 liters of water was discharged.
- Regular cleaning and cutting of grass, and desilting of drainages to allow water flow downstream is ongoing in all the 4 sectors including the buffer zone (spill over) area. A total of 1,940 meters of primary drainages and 1,692 meters of secondary drainages were desilted and rehabilitated in all the 4 sectors in the PoC. 27 meters of culverts were cleaned / desilted in all four sectors.
- Supported WASH with exaction of pit latrine using excavator in Sector 2 block, and in excavation of solid pit at waste management site.
- 15 trips of soil were hauled from solid waste to PoC to support rehabilitation of road and health facilities. Rehabilitated 36 meters of roads in the PoC.

Sudan Crisis support (Bulukat TC)

- IOM CCCM response in Upper Nile state is focused on three activities: establishing or improving and managing the Bulukat transit center; coordinating and monitoring humanitarian assistance delivered by partners, and implementing appropriate, timely information-sharing mechanisms.
- As part of stormwater management, the engineering team excavated a total of 436 meters of drainage networks using heavy duty machinery and an additional 276 meters through manual labor. The soil excavated from these drainages was used to backfill and elevate low-lying areas and access roads.
- Two communal shelters (10m x 4m) were completed. Each temporary communal shelter can accommodate a maximum of eight families. Six more are in the pipeline. Site layout plan was updated and shared with partners.
- The information desk is managed by CCCM community mobilizers who facilitate the telecommunication services and connect returnees to their friends and relatives. Referral support has also been given to returnees who need to be manifested to proceed with their onward destination.



MHU | Migration Health Unit

- Primary Health Care activities in Malakal PoC Clinic and mobile activities in Malakia PHCC – 2,728 medical consultations were conducted.
- Routine EPI activities in the two GAVI supported health facilities (Malakal PoC clinic and Malakia PHCU), including outreaches for surrounding locations in Malakal town continue. A total of 154 children received various routine vaccines, 21 of which were vaccinated during outreach sessions at the transit center in Malakal town.
- Antenatal care (ANC) services have been provided to pregnant women in Malakal PoC and Malakal town – 171 mothers attended.
- 42 women of childbearing age were vaccinated against tetanus.
- 24-hour maternity services – 21 deliveries were conducted by skilled health personnel.
- Lactating mothers were provided postnatal care services – 29 mothers attended.

Protection

Malakal PoC

- IOM PGEI team reached 511 beneficiaries with awareness messages on Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) and the local referral pathway.

- Protection assistants fast tracked 191 vulnerable persons at the PoC and referred them to the various actors / service providers for services to address their needs. These vulnerable individuals included 30 pregnant women and 32 pregnant girls, 58 elderly individuals, 5 individuals with visual impairment, 15 individuals with physical and hearing impairment, 46 lactating mothers, and 5 individuals with ailments.

Sudan Response at Bulukat TC

- The IOM PGEI Unit outreach and community engagement team conducted awareness raising activities with beneficiaries at the Bulukat TC on PSEA, physiological first aid and safe reporting of allegations Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), as well as available GBV services and where to access them, including updated referral pathways. Through these sessions, IOM reached 1,236 individuals during the reporting period.
- The PGEI Unit also displayed 10 PSEA posters (English and Arabic) in various strategic locations at the TC to better inform the beneficiaries about SEA and provide them with reporting information (e.g., call numbers). Additionally, the PGEI team also shared the information orally to persons with visual impairment as part of awareness raising campaign.
- The PGEI team also helped fast track and prioritize persons with specific needs for onward transportation to their final/next destination, including 71 individuals to Juba and 190 individuals to Wau.

MHPSS | Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Services

- The MHPSS team continued providing psychosocial support (PSS), Psychological First Aid (PFA) and referrals to returnees from Sudan who are coming from Renk to the Malakal Transit Center (Bulukat), heading to their destinations in Wau, Aweil, Bor, Juba and other locations. Within the reporting period:
 - » 356 individuals were supported with Psychological First Aid (PFA).
 - » 79 individuals with sickness and different disabilities were referred from MHPSS to available health and protection services.
- As part of commemoration of Suicide Prevention Day (10 September), IOM MHPSS held a number of activities:
 - » Awareness raising at schools in the Malakal POC on suicide prevention, including on the warning signs of suicide and how to report when they notice them, reaching 104 students.
 - » In Malakal Town and the PoC, MHPSS staff supported homogeneous groups of affected populations, e.g., women's support groups, widows, men and youth support groups through organized peer support discussion on warning signs and methods of suicide, reaching 110 individuals with these discussions.
 - » Awareness sessions to a group of youth at the Youth Union Center in Malakal POC on Mental Health Guidelines and suicide prevention, which were attended by 28 individuals.
 - » A friendly volleyball match was organized at the MHPSS Center. The match was attended by 19 male participants.

- MHPSS Animators conducted non-formal learning sessions in Malakal POC, Malakal town and Malakal prison, as a way to support learners with basic Science, Math and English language. 60 male students attended these classes.
- Additionally, MHPSS Team supported a Rapid SEA Risk Assessment in Malakal Town conducted by UNFPA in collaboration with other partners, including helping to facilitate focus group discussions.

DTM | Displacement Tracking Matrix

- During the reporting period, the DTM team continued flow monitoring activities at Malakal main river port and Malakal PoC. The team tracked a total of 4,140 individuals returnee arrivals via Renk boat OTA to Malakal Transit site. Additionally, the team recorded 346 individuals (131 households) returnees destined to Malakal areas assisted by Caritas South Sudan transport assistance boats from Renk.
- The population head count for returnees at Malakal Transit Centre was conducted during the reporting period and 7,979 individuals (1,664 households) were counted during the exercise.
- DTM team manifested a total of 2,003 individual returnees OTA flights from Malakal to different locations within the Country, 377 individual returnees departed Malakal Transit Site to Ayod and Nasir with OTA boats.
- IOM DTM team verified 3,373 individuals enabling WFP to provide cash assistance to verified caseload.



DTM Registration Team at Malakal TC September 2023, © IOM South Sudan

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