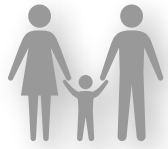




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360,599 individual



16 Water Yard



45 Hand Pump



18 Water Treatment Training



6 Community Led Total Sanitation (CLTS)



7 Pipeline extension

## IOM Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Basic Infrastructure Monthly Progress Report

Declining availability of water throughout Sudan due to the perennial drought has severely affected people's livelihood and wellbeing, triggering large-scale population movement in search for resources. From both development and humanitarian perspectives, securing safe and sustainable water remains a critical challenge in Sudan, calling for concerted and strategic efforts.

As an active member of the WASH Coordination Sector, IOM works with the Government of Sudan and WASH partners to address causes and impacts of migration crises and enhance the wellbeing of the people in Sudan by providing safe drinking water, improved sanitation, and awareness of personal and environmental hygiene.



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### Key achievements in the month:

Throughout the month of December, 2015, IOM was able to bring life-saving water supply to approximately 14,900 people, in Darfur, South Kordofan, West Kordofan, Gadaref, Kassala, Red Sea, Blue Nile and in Abyei.

- IOM provide clean water to 3,400 beneficiaries in El Qoz locality, South Kordofan State by drilled 3 Hand pumps .
- IOM constructed latrine for 11,500 people in El Sunt Market, to improve environmental hygiene and reduce risks of water-borne diseases.

## Improving Sanitation and Hygiene Practices in Al Sount Market

In support of a tribal reconciliation, IOM is improving Al Sonut Market facilities in West Kordofan State. Al Sonut Market used to be a place of inter-tribal economic and cultural exchanges until a conflict erupted between Misseriya Um Salim tribe and a Western Nuba Ajang group over territorial claim and water resources, severing the access for the Western Nuba Ajang to Al Sonut Market.

Through EU-funded Joint Conflict Reduction Programme, a joint initiative with UNDP, reconciliation effort between the two tribes was made, which eventually led to an agreement of blood money, land ownership, and different peace dividends to improve Al Sonut Market and Abu Junuk Market – a home market for the Western Nuba Ajang. To support this peace agreement, IOM improved water channels, sanitation, and slaughter house in the two markets.

As peace was restored between the two tribes, the condition at Al Sonut Market is also improving with peace dividends delivered by IOM. Hygiene of the market is a clear example. "Previously, we received around 70 diarrhea cases and 12 kidney disease cases every month," says Dr. Ismail Casim Allah of Al Sonut Health Center. "Since the two tribes reached reconciliation and IOM improved the WASH facilities at the market, the number of these reports decreased by 80%."

Two tribes are now visiting each other's Friday market and starting to see the benefit of the peace.



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## Improving the availability and accessibility of safe water - Abyei

Fatma is a 50-year old mother of five, living in Dhalop, a predominantly Missriya village close to Abyei. She still vividly remembers the hardships that she and the people in her village endured when the hand pump broke down over a year and a half ago.

"When it [the hand pump]... broke down, we started drinking from quagmires, sometimes competing with animals for water. When it dried up, each family contributed one 'malwa' of grain (about 3kgs) that were sold in Dahlop market. With this money we paid for the hand pump repair cost. A few weeks later, when the hand pump broke down again, we went to the nearest water pump in Sohaib, about 7 kilometres away. We used to walk twice a day carrying water on our heads. The water was free, but walking eight hours a day just killed us. That's when we asked the Organization for help" says Fatma. IOM Sudan, through its WASH project, has as a result repaired the existing hand pump and provided spare parts to the local community for future purposes.



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