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In August 2017 AICS Khartoum started the program "Strengthening Resilience for Refugees, IDPs and Host Communities in Eastern Sudan" funded by the European Union.

The program aims to strengthen and scale up the health system in the Eastern States of Sudan and to reinforce the resilience of the most vulnerable communities, and is based on EU Trust Fund objectives:

















The project is implemented in **5** Localities in the **3** States of Red Sea, Kassala and Gedaref, selected because of the high number of displaced population and flows of refugees, and the significant lack of adequate health services.

Al Fashega and Basoonda in Gedaref State, Kassala Urban and Girba in Kassala State and Port Sudan in the Red Sea State.



The overall number of beneficiaries is **2.997.283** people, **455.587** of which are children under 5 and **155.858** are pregnant women.



Total beneficiaries 2.997.283



Under the age of 5 455-587



Pregnant women 155.858

Strenghtening the health system

The Sudanese health sector remains underfunded, inequitable, inefficient, lacking adequate health care services coverage, basic infrastructures and qualified staff. Moreover, supply of medicines through the National Medical Supplies Fund is critical.

The Health Management Information System is weak and fragmented.

Health care accessibility and demand are still suffering gender based barriers. Although cervical cancer is a largely preventable disease, it is still one of the worst threats to women's lives.

Our objectives are:

- Improving the service delivery with structural intervention and provision of equipment and furniture
- Strengthening the referral system
- Building capacity for the Health Workforce with provision of training
- Supporting the Health Information System (HIS) with training and follow up of HIS Departments
- Improving access to essential drugs and Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI)
- Improving leadership and governance building capacity of State and Locality Management
- Supporting the National Policy for early detection of women cancer



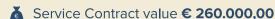
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The Oxfam component of the program is focused on the targeted locality of Port Sudan, Red Sea State. The primary beneficiaries of the program are the communities, with a specific focus on vulnerable groups and host communities as pregnant and lactating women, children under five, migrants, refugees, and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs).

Mone essential component of the program is the capacity building of human resources in Primary Health Care (PHC) facilities, Local Health Authorities (LHAs), State Ministry of Health (SMoH), Academy of Health Science (AHS), and community leaders and administrators.

GOAL



GOAL is an International NGO with specific expertise in Nutrition.

They developed the Nutrition Impact and Positive Practice (NIPP) approach, which is a specific, evidence based strategy to address nutrition aspects within the communities.

They implement the NIPP approach in 48 communities in Kassala state and 24 in Gedaref State.



Global Health Centre of Florence



The Global Health Centre is a multidisciplinary facility of the Tuscany Region.

The fundamental objective is to enhance, disseminate, and apply knowledge to the two thematic priorities on which the Centre is founded, namely international health cooperation and migrants' health.

The partnership covers most of the aspects related to the capacity building of Health Staff as Reproductive Health, Nutrition, Health Management and Health Information System in Kassala and Gedaref.



Soba University Hospital

Contract value € 22.000

Soba University Hospital is a leading Health Institute for Cervical Cancer training, screening and treatment. It provides E-trainings and capacity building of Health Personnel from the Eastern States in early detection and management of women cancers.

Soba University Hospital has been equiped with furniture and IT support to better strengthen the training capacity.

Suad Organization of Fight for Breast Cancer

Service Contract value € 10.435.08

Suad is a local NGO addressing women with a focus on awareness raising, capacity building and networking about cervical and breast cancer. They carry out activities in Kassala State in coordination with Saudi Hospital Cervical Cancer center.





Synergy and Coordination



AICS works in synergy with other International Agencies particularly on migration sector.

Coordination meetings have been held with Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), the German development agency, and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), in order to create collaboration to explore integrated interventions and durable solutions to the wide phenomena of the seasonal workers, that affects, specifically, Gedaref State.

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1 Trainings

Trainings have been provided to 676 front line Health Staff with a Service contracts value of €27.773,00*.

Training of Trainers (ToT) on neonatal resuscitation

25 health staff, Health Visitors (HVs), Nurses, Midwives and Midwifery teachers were targeted for this training that prepares trainers to teach emergency procedures focused on newborn children who do not readily begin breathing, putting them at risk of irreversible organ injury and death.

Trainings on Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI) for Medical Assistants and for Health Workers

24 Medical Assistants (MA) and 24 Community Health Workers (CHWs) were trained to teach IMCI, which is an integrated approach to child health that focuses on the well-being of the whole child. IMCI aims to reduce death, illness and disability, and to promote improved growth and development among children under five years of age. IMCI includes both preventive and curative elements that are implemented by families and communities as well as by health facilities.

Training on Chikungunya environmental health

180 environmental health staff: CHWs, Primary Health Care Officers (PHOs), support staff were trained to build the staff capacity with needed knowledge about control of chickungunya emergency



identifying the vector, the mode of transmission and to know disease epidemiology and preventive measures.

Training on Chikungunya - disease investigation (Lab)

40 lab technicians were trained to give the participants the background knowledge and skills about the use of entomologic and virology data to assist in the control of chikungunya in disease-endemic areas and become familiar with specific lab investigations.

Training on the early identification of Chikungunya

220 frontline staff namely Doctors and Medical Assistants (MA) were trained to give to the participants the background knowledge and skills about identification and treatment of chikungunva disease.

Training on quality and infection control

60 Health staff and cleaners were trained to improve standard precautions methods to prevent transmission of pathogens associated with health care in order to improve protocols

^{*} InforEuro exchange rate from SDG to Euro - Dec 2019

and promote safety environment for patients and health workers.

Training on new born management

3 Nurses at Fashega Hospital were trained on new born management utilizing the most updated protocols.

Training on Environmental Health

100 nurses, public health officers, and other cadres including Community Health Workers (CHWs), Medical Assistants (MA) and Heads of Workers were trained to improve protocols and standards for waste management in medical institutions and learn protocols and standards for water sanitation and purification in different settings.

2 Capacity building, governance and leadership

Local Health Authorities have been supported to strengthen their management capacity.

Fashega Locality has been supported in preventive activities for recurrent arbovirus infections (Dengue Fever and Chikungunya)

Orientation workshops were provided to 13 State Ministry of Health (SMoH) Department Directors and 16 Locality Managers on essential quality standards about training and meeting management, reporting and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E).

Service contracts value: € 39.500,00*

* InforEuro exchange rate from SDG to Euro - Dec 2019

3 Civil Works

Locality

Facility

El Fashega

Shuwak Hospital: construction of Paediatric and Nutrition Unit

Works contract value: € 199.402,35

Basoonda

Local Health Authority: construction of Local Health Authority offices

Works contract value: € 38.660.82

Basoonda

Basoonda Hospital: construction of staff houses in Basoonda Hospital

Works contract value: € 114.291,55

4 Supply

Supply contract value: € 17.995,00*
4 tricycles for emergency referrals

* InforEuro exchange rate from SDG to Euro - 2019





1 Trainings

Trainings were provided to **752** front line Health Staff from the target Localities with a Service contracts value: €19.096,00*.

Training of Trainers (ToT) on neonatal resuscitation

25 obstetricians and Health Volunteers (HVs) were targeted for this training that prepares trainers to teach emergency procedures focused on newborn children who do not readily begin breathing, putting them at risk of irreversible organ injury and death.

Health Information System (HIS) training for Community Midwives (CMWs)

280 Community Midwives (CMWs) in the localities were trained about best practices in data collection.

Training on water safety

447 Health Volunteers (HVs) were trained to raise awareness about water safety as a key factor for prevention of a large range of diseases and learn protocols and standards for water sanitation and purification in different settings.

Capacity building, governance and leadership

Service contracts value: € 28.419,06

Local Health Authorities have been supported to build their capacity in management aspects.



Localities were supported in preventive activities for Health Promotion activities to strengthen their capacity in facing emergencies for frequently recurrent arbovirus infections (Dengue Fever and Chikungunya) in the bordering area with Kassala State.

Orientation workshops have been organised for **8** State Ministry of Health (SMoH) Department Directors and **15** Locality Managers on essential quality standards about training and meeting management, reporting and M&E (Monitoring and Evaluation).

(3) Civil Works

Locality	Facility
Girba	Ghirba Hospital: construction of Paediatric and Nutrition Unit
Works contract value: € 216.267,85	

^{*} InforEuro exchange rate from SDG to Euro - Dec 2019



1 Supply

Supply contract value: € 46.349,16*

Histopathology equipment for the Histopathology Lab.



2 Capacity building, governance and leadership

Service contracts value: € 16.171,66

Local Health Authorities have been supported to build their capacity in health system management aspects.

(3) Civil Works

Service contract value: € 7.000,00*

In Port Sudan Locality, **6** Health Units have been selected for rehabilitation: Demmayo, Al Yamook, Hoshiry, Um Algura, Al Merganya and Gadalsia.

All the Health Centres are placed in the outskirts of Port Sudan town with high IDPs population.

A technical assessment of the selected Health Units is currently ongoing.





Communication and visibility

In 2019, a wide blood donation promotion campaign has been launched in Khartoum, Kassala and Gedaref in coordination with the Federal Ministry of Health (FMoH) in order to ensure blood availability particularly in all facilities providing Emergency Obstetric Care services.



Cervical cancer awareness campaign in collaboration with Soba University Hospital





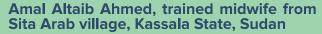
Fathia Alamin, teacher at the Gedaref midwifery school, Gedaref city, Sudan.

66 Availability of medical equipments, strengthened expertise and the renovations; increased the number of midwives interested in our school.



Ahmed Mohammed Azam, 63 years old, community leader in Rera village, Kassala State

After the construction of the health center, finding treatment has become easier and accessible with the availability of drugs and well-trained staff.



The tricycle ambulance provided us with a sustainable service to transfer pregnant women to the city health center.

