



# THE DCPSF MONTHLY UPDATE

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## ABOUT DCPSF

The Darfur Community Peace and Stability Fund (DCPSF) is a multi-donor fund established in 2007. Its core mission is to provide peacebuilding, conflict mediation and resolution support to communities in the Darfur region of Sudan.

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## Introduction

Welcome to the May edition of the DCPSF monthly update. This edition will highlight the key Fund activities carried out during this month, resources updates; and Upcoming/planned activities for June 2022.

## Updates on key programme activities

In May 2022, DCPSF Technical Secretariat (TS) undertook the following programme activities:

- Follow up on the progress of all 17 Implementing Partners (IPs) projects in Darfur.
- Review of IPs quarter one reports
- Resource utilisation update

## Implementation of DCPSF Phase II (2021-2023) Projects

Implementation of DCPSF's 17 projects is ongoing in all

five (5) states of Darfur. The projects focus remains on promoting community level peacebuilding and governance, livelihoods, and social cohesion as well as women inclusion and empowerment. Despite the political changes in Sudan and the conflict flare-ups in parts of Darfur, all 17 Implementing Partners (IPs) are making progress in reaching communities through Community Based Reconciliation Mechanisms (CBRMs) and other groupings. During this month;

1. Field monitoring visits were carried out by the DCPSF M&E officers. These were in;

- **North Darfur** - Kutum locality ( Welthungerhilfe -WHH and Al Rayan Social Development organization -RSD): For both Partners, implementation is going on very well. Their CBRM and VSLA groups are all actively working in the community to support both conflict resolution and economic livelihoods.

An early success for DCPSF Partner, WHH has been linking its trained para vets to the Department of animal resources, Ministry of Agriculture which has been working with them to support community members. This promotes sustainability of project efforts.

- **South Darfur** - Kubum and Edfursan localities (World Vision): These localities have three active CBRMs which have received more than 50 cases since last year and resolved at least 6 murder cases without going to formal courts. Demarcation of migratory routes is being completed to ensure that there's peaceful movement as the rainy season begins. DCPSF Partner WVI is also completing various hard components including rehabilitation of 3 school units, 2 market shared and 3 rooms at Markundi health centre.

- **West Darfur**- Geneina locality (Concern Worldwide) While the IP's work has been affected by the recent incidents in Geneina and Kreneik, particularly Krinding and Ardamata CBRMs. They are still carrying on work with the communities. However, their implementation will need to be accelerated to complete their output 2 and 3 activities whose implementation was slowed down by the conflict. The organisation was successful in forming women's organisations and will be carrying out sensitization training for them.

2. Peacebuilding Working Group (PBWG) meeting was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 in South Darfur. Some of the key issues discussed include;

- A representative of Nyala University's Peace and Development centre shared with PBWG members their mapping of current security situation and the recent armed tribal conflicts in South Darfur and ongoing efforts to reconcile conflicting groups.

- UNITAMS also provided update about their community policing intervention in the state.

3. The DCPSF TS completed review of the IP reports from

the last quarter (January – March 2022). A final progress report will be shared with the Steering Committee and Partners.

4. The DCPSF TS gender officer completed the review of the GaPI final reports with the IP - CIS and is preparing to have a project closure meeting.

#### **Inter – Communal Conflict in Darfur**

The situation has been relatively calm in the region since the start of May 2022. In West Darfur, conflict in some DCPSF Project areas - Sirba and Kereneik had slowed down project implementation and travel restrictions which were placed on IPs in the state were lifted and activities are currently ongoing.

#### **DCPSF resource utilisation update**

In the last 12 months of implementation, a total of USD 4,390,979.10 has been disbursed to 17 INGOs/NNGOs so far. Expenditure as of May 30th, 2022, is USD 3,974,424.08.

#### **Indicative activities for June 2022**

The DCPSF Technical Secretariat will be working on the following activities in March:

- Carry out monitoring visits and spot checks for IPs in Darfur.
- Host PBWG meeting in North Darfur