

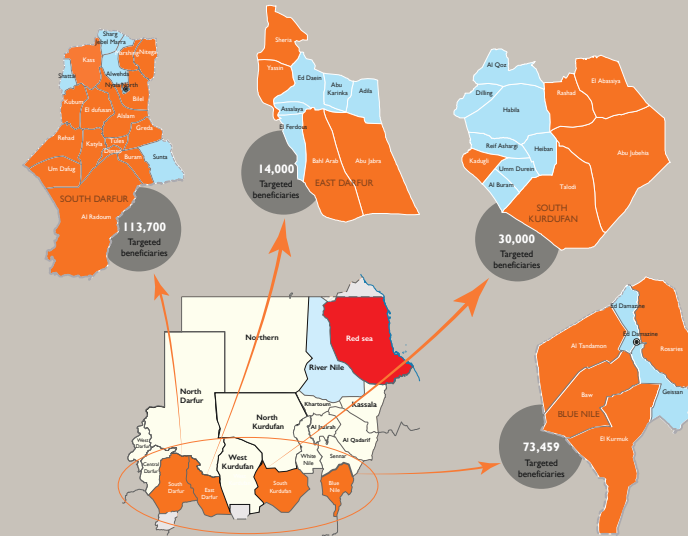
Situation overview

- As of 27 June, the Federal Ministry of Health has confirmed 9,257 cases and 572 associated fatalities.
- Restrictions on all public gatherings and movement remain in place, with curfews imposed in some states as part of containment measures to limit the spread of the coronavirus.
- Closure of airports for both international and domestic flights has been extended until 12 July 2020. This directive excludes repatriation flights, scheduled cargo flights, humanitarian aid and technical support flights, airlines operating in the oil fields, as well as evacuation flights for foreign nationals.
- Schools remain closed, affecting at least 8 million learners (*figures from UNESCO*).

Impact on programming and operations

- Containment measures taken to prevent the spread of coronavirus such as restrictions on movement have slowed down the effective delivery of existing humanitarian response, as well as disrupting normal working.
- World Vision has enforced all the preventive guidelines recommended by government to ensure safety of frontline staff and workers, while they continue to support the implementation of COVID-19 prevention and response efforts.
- World Vision has also intensified the promotion of preventive and protection measures to curb the spread of coronavirus in the communities it has operations.
- Provision of essential services for the most vulnerable continue, with heightened preventive measures being implemented.
- As part of precautionary measures to minimise the risk of exposure to the most vulnerable through gatherings and the number of times they have to visit distribution sites, World Vision is providing double-ration distributions to cover beneficiaries for two months, in partnership with the World Food Programme.

Map of COVID-19 response target population



9,257
COVID-19 cases confirmed
As of 27 June 2020

Key concerns

- World Vision is greatly concerned about the exponential rise in the number of confirmed coronavirus cases, and the impact this would have on the healthcare system and its capacity to cope.
- COVID-19 is compounding an already dire economic and humanitarian situation. World Vision is concerned about the risk the spread of the virus poses on ongoing humanitarian assistance for the most vulnerable populations.
- A continued rise, could push more children and their families into extreme vulnerabilities, particularly as their ability to meet their basic needs is eroded from loss of their sources of livelihoods or means of earning income.

Priority response sectors at a glance



Support frontline staff with personal protective equipment, support health facilities and Ministry of Health to be better prepared and adequately respond to COVID-19



Provide safe hygiene and sanitation practices including provision of handwashing stations, water, soap and sanitisers.



Reduce the impact of COVID-19 on the wellbeing of children



Children and their communities have access to potable water and practise proper handwashing



Provide food and livelihoods assistance to vulnerable children and their families for proper nourishment through food and cash assistance and safety net programmes

COVID-19 preparedness and response pillars

Humanitarian agencies are closely coordinating to support the Government of Sudan in its efforts to curb the spread of coronavirus and reduce its impact on the most vulnerable. Furthermore, a country preparedness and response plan (CPRP) to facilitate a coordinated response to COVID-19 was launched in April, by the Government with support from the World Health Organization (WHO) and other humanitarian agencies.

WorldVision is continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic in Sudan, through the following four pillars:

- Risk Communication and Community Engagement (RCCE).
- Infection Prevention and Control (IPC).
- Surveillance, rapid response teams and case investigation.
- Operational and logistical support to COVID-19 response.

Response highlights for the month of June 2020

- Awareness and engagement efforts to limit the spread of the coronavirus continue at community level, at the health facilities, through household visits, as well as broadcasted through local media. Approximately 90,000 people were reached with COVID-19 preventive messages and protection measures.
- To further support the promotion and practice of preventive measures, vulnerable groups were supported with protective materials. Hand washing facilities were also installed and maintained at community-level, and equipped with soap.
- World Vision continues to support at least 53 health facilities in South Darfur, East Darfur, Blue Nile and South Kordofan states, to ensure the free delivery of routine essential health services for the most vulnerable.
- World Vision continued to support the strengthening of health systems at the state-level, this included training and orientation of health personnel to ensure COVID-19 prevention and response capacity.

- World Vision continues to partner with the faith leaders in its COVID-19 prevention campaigns, particularly through the dissemination and reinforcing of preventive and protection measures.
- As part of measures to ensure the most vulnerable households are food secure, World Vision provided food assistance consisting of cereals, pulses, vegetable oil and salt, to over 81,000 most vulnerable people in South Darfur state.
- More than 60,000 internally displaced persons in South Darfur received support in the form of cash assistance to help them meet their basic household needs.



539,587

cumulative number of people reached with COVID-19 preventive measures and other lifesaving interventions since March 2020.

Our contribution at a glance



89,493

People reached through promotion of preventive behaviours and awareness campaigns



60,000

People reached with COVID-19 messages through broadcast media channels



138

Faith leaders that supported the dissemination of preventive measures



99

People who received COVID-19 supplies such as masks and IEC materials



45

Teachers and parents representatives oriented on COVID-19 protocols and preventive and protection measures



81,426

Internally displaced persons reached with food assistance



61,677

people in internally displaced camps reached with cash



US\$844,593

Amount of cash assistance provided

Gaps and challenges

- As coronavirus cases continue to rise, the strengthening of health systems including preparedness to handle potential caseloads, equip frontline workers, while ensuring uninterrupted essential health services in health facilities is critical.
- Protective equipment to ensure the safety of frontline workers amid a continued rise in recorded coronavirus cases, are in short supply.
- There is an urgent need to strengthen risk communications and infection, prevention and control interventions.
- Measures to reduce the further spread of coronavirus such as restrictions on movement and lockdown continue to affect the fast delivery of response supplies to operational sites, including limiting access to target populations.
- The dire economic situation in the country has continued to negatively affect the costs of delivering lifesaving interventions.



92,463
people targeted in
the COVID-19
response



138,696
children targeted in
the COVID-19
response



US\$1 MILLION
required to assist the targeted
population until August 2020

US\$945,000

funds raised so far

US\$70,000

funds repurposed for COVID-19

Donors and partners

World Vision continues to coordinate closely with the Government through the Ministry of Health and partners to appropriately respond to COVID-19. World Vision is also engaging with established community networks such as the local NGO partners, faith leaders, and media in awareness creation and promotion of preventive measures.



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