

## SOUTH SUDAN

## OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

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## IMPROVED LIFE FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

After decades of war, thousands of people are living with disabilities in South Sudan. One of them is Makur Madof Diet (46). His left leg was amputated after being injured by a gunshot in 1998.

“Before I got my prosthesis, my condition was very bad. I had two children, a wife and also myself to take care of, but I was just sitting inside. I thought that my children would also be victims of my accident”, Makur explains.

Today, his situation has changed. He is both a patient and staff member at the Rumbek Physical Rehabilitation Centre, one of three PRP centre supported by the ICRC in South Sudan. Makur often uses his own story to encourage new patients. “If I hear about potential patients in the villages, I take my bike and I go there to find them. I tell them my whole story and I show them where I am now”, Makur says.

Rumbek Physical Rehabilitation Centre was opened in 2004 by Medical Care Development International,

which ended its project in 2010, handing it over to the Government. The ICRC has supported the centre since 2013.

Approximately 75 percent of the injuries at the PRP center in Rumbek are weapon related. The ICRC supports the center with incentives for staff, training of local staff, provision of material for devices, support to build a new dormitory for the patients, and daily meals.

The centre had 561 patients in 2016, and from January to August 2017 it already had 460, an increase of 28 percent compared to the same time the previous year. One of the reasons for this is increased awareness among the local population.

The ICRC’s Physical Rehabilitation Program in South Sudan provides services for persons with physical disabilities to restore their mobility and help them rebuild their lives. In 2017, the ICRC supports centres in Juba, Rumbek and Wau.

# FACTS & FIGURES JANUARY TO SEPTEMBER 2017



## TO RESPOND TO PEOPLE'S MOST URGENT NEEDS AND TO HELP THEM BUILD RESILIENCE, THE ICRC TOGETHER WITH THE SOUTH SUDAN RED CROSS (SSRC) HAVE:

Distributed over **58,300** monthly household food rations, equivalent to more than **7,300** metric tons of food, to **453,500** people in need;



Provided essential household kits (blankets, buckets, jerry cans, mats, mosquito nets, soap and tarpaulins) and fishing kits to over **192,000** people;



Provided over **277,000** people with staple crops, vegetable seeds and tools for farming;

Vaccinated more than **495,000** heads of livestock and treated **165,000** animals, benefitting over **165,000** people. Improved access to safe drinking water for some **145,000** people through the rehabilitation or construction of **12** water yards, **26** hand pumps, and supported maintenance and expansion of the urban water supply system of Juba town.

Maintained **2** emergency surface water treatment units benefitting more than **60,000** people in Juba and Aburoc.



## TO HELP IMPROVE ACCESS TO HEALTH AND PROVISION OF SURGICAL CARE THE ICRC HAS:

Performed **2,868** surgical interventions;

Evacuated **590** weapon wounded people and treated **1,046** in total;

Set up a field hospital in Ganyiel (**60** beds);



Provided more than **47,790** outpatient consultations;

Provided antenatal consultations for **4,867** women, safe deliveries for **972** women and vaccinated **11,774** women and children;

Carried out renovation and extension works in **four** health facilities, including one Physical Rehabilitation Centre.

Assisted **2,370** people with disabilities with mobility devices and physiotherapy.



## TO HELP IMPROVE CONDITIONS FOR DETAINEES THE ICRC HAS:

Visited some **4,600** detainees throughout the country;

Improved living conditions, including access to health care, and implemented preventive and curative measures against malnutrition for **4,000** detainees in **10** Central Prisons;

Facilitated the voluntary repatriation of **125** released persons.



## TO HELP RECONNECT FAMILY MEMBERS SEPARATED BY THE CONFLICT THE ICRC AND SSRC HAVE:

Facilitated more than **47,961** phone calls between family members separated by the conflict;

Helped exchange **3,900** Red Cross messages with family news;

Reunited **58** vulnerable people, including children, with their families.



Transferred **37** vulnerable adults and their children back to their place of origin.



## TO PROMOTE KNOWLEDGE AND RESPECT FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (IHL) AND INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (IHRL) THE ICRC HAS:

Trained over **1,600** military personnel on IHL and nearly **900** police on IHRL;

Raised awareness among almost **800** weapon bearers and health staff on safe access to health care;

Over **16,000** beneficiaries and **15,000** community members had access to life-saving and actionable information about the ICRC and its humanitarian services.



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