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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 April 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 May 2022.

Updates on key programme activities

In April 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

¹ https://reports.unocha.org/en/country/sudan/flash-update/40xbL4HMThJ6SON1YLEqtr/

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. The DCPSF TS received IP reports from the last quarter (January March 2022). The reports are currently being reviewed and a progress report will be shared with all partners.
- 2. The DCPSF mini-rapid review of the Darfur post October 2021 was also completed.
- 3. The DCPSF TS field team in North Darfur organised the 34th Peace Building Working Group (PBWG) on 18th April 2022 in El Fasher. The meeting was attended by 13 participants including the DCSPF IPs, USAID project representatives and other peacebuilding actors.

During the meeting, USAID representatives briefed participants on their activities in the region. IPs (Practical Action, WHH and SOS Sahel) also shared success stories from their work with CBRMs.

4. The DCPSF TS gender officer is also completing the review of the GaPI final reports with the IP – CIS and preparing to have a project closure meeting by the end of May 2022.

Inter – Communal Conflict in West Darfur

Fighting broke out in West Darfur on 22 April and lasted about 5 days and affecting Kerenik locality. Initial reports indicate that between 150 and 213 people were killed and 100 injured.¹

Due to the recent outbreak of conflict in West Darfur some of the DCPSF IPs in the state (Concern Worldwide operating in Geneina and Sirba and World Relief implementing in Kerenik and Habila localities) had to slow down their work due to limited road movement in various areas particularly Kerenik. Although work picked after the Eid holidays, most organisations are still watching the situation.

DCPSF resource utilisation update

In the last 12 months of implementation, a total of USD 3,868,034.97 has been disbursed to 17 INGOs/NNGOs so far. Expenditure as of April 30th, 2022, is USD 2,890,908.

Indicative activities for May 2022

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

- Review of IPs quarter one reports.
- Carry out monitoring visits and spot checks for IPs in Darfur.