UNDP Results

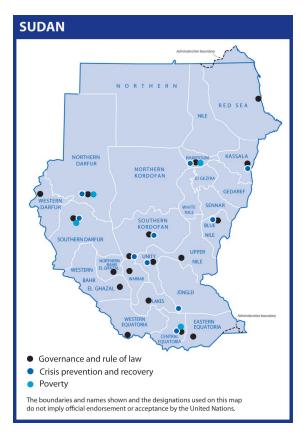
Sudan



Approach

The United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) is helping the people of Sudan to overcome the consequences of decades of conflict to ensure a peaceful transition from recovery to development, peace and stability. Despite oil-driven economic growth, Sudan has the lowest Human Development Index ranking in the Arab region, with significant regional social and economic disparities and estimated unemployment as high as at 20 percent.

The UNDP Sudan programme focuses on consolidating the peace, preventing further conflicts and helping build institutions and a governance foundation that sets the stage for future development. UNDP also has become the lead agency in administering pooled funding arrangements across Sudan, including the Common Humanitarian Fund, the Sudan Recovery Fund for Southern Sudan and the Darfur Community Peace and Stability Fund.



RESULTS

Southern Sudan Referendum

For the recently concluded Southern Sudan Referendum, UNDP, through the UN Integrated Referendum and Electoral Division, managed donor funds of more than US\$56 million that constituted the bulk of international assistance for the referendum process, and provided support to the procurement of ballots and registration kits, voter registration campaigns, and logistics.

Governance and rule of law

- To foster citizen participation and democratic processes, UNDP provided logistical and technical assistance to the National Elections Commission and Political Parties Affairs Council to conduct the first multi-party elections in two decades. Support was provided to strengthen the capacities of 27 political parties, selected civil society organizations and media organizations.
- To expand women's political participation, UNDP established a Women's Legislator's Forum, a Forum of Women Office Bearers of Political Parties and various women's civil society networks. More than 1,200 women have taken part in a series of leadership training sessions in the North and the South.
- To support the process of decentralization, UNDP is strengthening government capacities at state and local level to deliver basic services to their communities. With UNDP's assistance, six states in North Sudan and 10 states in South Sudan are producing strategic annual plans and budgets, improving linkages between county, state and central government planning and budgeting processes.
- To expand public service delivery at local level, UNDP launched a Locality Development Fund in Red Sea State which introduces block grants there. This Fund, jointly financed by UNDP and the State, is currently supporting 59 locality projects.

UNDP Activities in Sudan: 2010		
Theme	Funders	Total Amount US\$ Millions*
Democratic Governance/ Rule of Law	Denmark, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, European Commission, Canadian International Development Agency, Department for International Development/UK (DFID), Swedish International Development corporation, International Bank for Reconstruction Development, World Bank, UNDP, United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF)	126.1
Poverty Reduction/ MDGs	Italy, Spain, European Commission, DFID, Global Fund to Fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria, UNDP, UNAIDS, UNDP as Administrative Agent for Joint Programme (UNDP/JPAA)	57.2
Crisis Prevention and Recovery	The Netherlands, Norway, Switzerland, United States, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade/Canada, DFID, Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nehayan Foundation/United Arab Emirates, Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Conflict and Peace Building, UN, UNDP, UNDP/JPAA, Global Environment Fund	71.7
Environment and Sustainable Development	Global Environment Facility	0.6
Others	International Fund for Agricultural Development, US Agency for International Development, UNDP/JPAA	53.5
Total		309.1

^{*} Source: UNDP Sudan

- With assistance from donors and neighboring countries, UNDP helped place more than 100 accountants, economists, engineers, and other professionals in the Government of Southern Sudan, and in all ten state governments. These civil servants, recruited through the UN Volunteers programme, are working alongside local government workers to build their skills so they can be self-sustaining in future.
- To increase access to justice for vulnerable and marginalized groups, UNDP has set up 16 legal aid centers (13 in North Sudan, three in South Sudan) and legal aid lawyers' networks, which have helped resolve over 2,600 cases and mediate over 4,000 in North Sudan.
- To increase the availability and accessibility of justice sector institutions UNDP has built eight court houses, four police stations and community aid posts in seven states in North Sudan.

Crisis prevention and recovery

- To support the East Sudan Peace Agreement of 2006, UNDP helped the Government of Sudan to mobilize over \$3 billion in loans, grants, aid and investment pledges for reconstruction and development of Eastern Sudan. The pledges by the international donor and investment community resulted from a consultative process in three states in East Sudan and involved national partners that identified development and investment priorities in the region.
- To improve access to basic services and livelihood options for conflict-affected communities, UNDP strengthened the capacity of Community Based Organizations to provide basic services, reaching 800,000 people in 10 states. With UNDP support, 550 water pumps and 164 classrooms were rehabilitated.
- To foster sustainable peace and stability in Sudan, UNDP finalized reintegration contracts for 18,750 ex-combatants and provided reintegration packages for 6,589 of them.
- UNDP has facilitated peace processes between key state-level stakeholders in South Kordofan resulting in successful resolution of local conflicts.

Livelihoods and environmental sustainability

- To help address the highest HIV prevalence rate in the Arab region, UNDP-supported programmes counselled and tested more 94,000 people for HIV. More than 3,700 with advanced HIV infection are receiving anti-retroviral (ARV) combination therapy. The programme engages Imams and women religious leaders as advocates against stigma and discrimination.
- To assist the national partners in addressing climate change risks, UNDP has initiated adaptation programmes including water-harvesting techniques and afforestation activities in five states in North Sudan.
- To promote better governance for improved service delivery, UNDP trained more than 2,600 local government authorities and community leaders in public administration and helped establish 159 village development committees.

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