

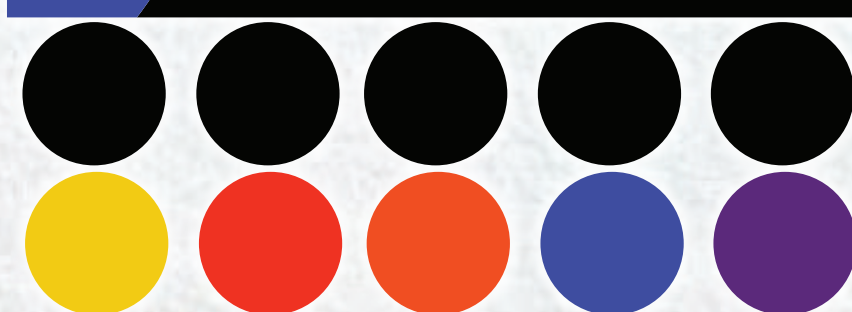
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Dearest Readers

This issue of Echoes of Solidarity Newsletter, March 2025, is being published under extremely complex circumstances due to the unprecedented challenges posed by the April 15 war in Sudan, including the complete collapse of health and service facilities, the near-total destruction of infrastructure, a sharp rise in prices due to the scarcity of basic commodities, and months-long cuts in electricity, water, and telecommunications networks. In addition, active military operations, victories, defeats, and hit-and-runs between the two parties to the war have affected citizens in central Sudan, North Darfur, and other parts of the country to a great extent, resulting in the loss of lives and property, which has been made worse by the recent decisions of the US administration and the challenges it has created, which in turn have been reflected in the overall situation in the region in general and in Sudan in particular. In light of these harsh conditions, including the spread of diseases and insecurity in large parts of the country, the month of Ramadan came, and the volunteers of the emergency rooms sensed the responsibility, rolled up their sleeves, and started working to organize initiatives with their own efforts, communicating with benefactors from the sons and daughters of Sudan in different regions, and some national and international organizations, where material and in-kind donations were collected, and the services of common kitchens were activated. and some national and international organizations, where material and in-kind donations were collected, shared kitchen services were activated, Ramadan mass Iftars were held, and fasting bags were distributed in many areas of Sudan's states in the Darfur region, Kassala, Khartoum, and West Kordofan.

The work of these initiatives continued throughout the month of Ramadan, which was welcomed by the beneficiaries, including poor and needy families, host communities and displaced people in camps and shelters.

Each passing day proves that the emergency rooms have planted their roots deeply in the soil of Sudanese society, which is imbued with the spirit of solidarity, solidarity, cooperation and brotherhood, giving their energies, time and lives for the sake of their communities and a nation that enjoys security, peace and stability.

Editorial Secretariat
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Food Basket Project for South Darfur's Sakli Camp Nyala

On February 27, 2025, a fire in Sakli camp in Nyala, the capital of South Darfur, destroyed more than 50 houses, leaving 211 families in the open without shelter, food or clothing, 50% of whom are children, 30% are women, 10% are elderly and the other 10% are men. The emergency room and health centers in Nyala moved in response to the emergency situation to respond to the call, and on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, they were able to distribute 220 food baskets containing: (corn, onions, sugar and soap) to families affected by the fire that broke out in the camp. The food basket was an emergency response by the emergency room; however, the affected families are still in dire need of water, food, and shelter, as the fire left them with only the ruins of their homes, which were barely able to protect them from weather disasters such as rain and cyclones.



Repairing fractures and cracks in water lines in neighborhoods in Nyala



After the maintenance work of the Nyala City Water Authority and the gradual return of water service to the citizens of the city, the Water Authority management faced some difficulties in delivering water to some neighborhoods due to the cracks and fractures that the ground water lines (cartridges) suffered due to the expiration of their lifespan, and this matter led to poor water access to citizens, so the emergency room and health centers in Nyala turned towards the maintenance of these fractures in cooperation with the engineers of the Water Authority, where maintenance work began on March 9, 2025 to ensure continuity of service, so 70% of the affected lines were maintained according to the table (Alsad Alaly, Al-Thawra, Rayeq, Khartoum belial, Al-Wadi, Al-Wahda, Al-Jumhuriya).



Supporting women’s associations on International Women’s Day in South Darfur

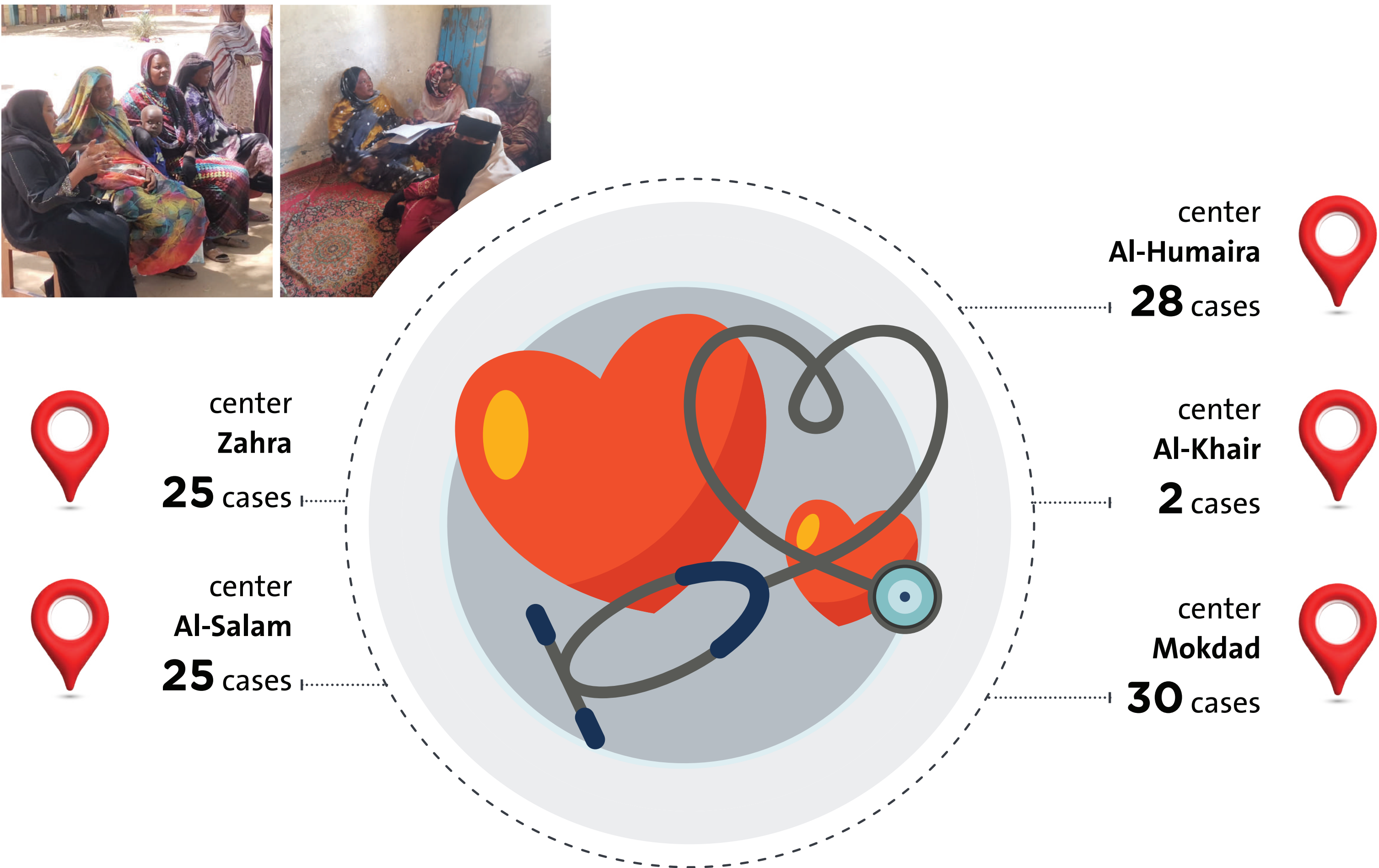
Within the framework of joint work and the celebration of International Women’s Day, the Emergency Room and Health Centers-Nyala organized, between March 8-17, 2025, three workshops to support women’s associations: Waybir Association, Sakha and Atta’a Association, and You Are Not Alone Association, for 9 days, with a three-day workshop for each association. The first workshop took place from March 8-10, under the title: Basic training

for young peers on reproductive health and life skills. The second workshop took place from March 11-13, under the title: Gender-Based Violence (Female Genital Mutilation) and Health Education by “Ant lust wahdak” You Are Not Alone association. The third workshop from March 15-17, «Sakha and Atta» association, under the title: Psychological Support and Gender-Based Violence (Female Genital Mutilation).

A health convoy to assess and treat psychological conditions in shelters in Nyala

As a result of the waves of displacement and the resulting psychological disorders, there is a need to restore the psychological balance of those living in shelters. The Emergency Room and Health Centers - Nyala organized a health convoy project to assess the psychological

situation and contribute to the treatment of residents in the shelters of: (Al-Humaira, Al-Khair, Al-Miqdad, Al-Zahraa, Al-Salam) starting from March 7, 2025, and the start of the health convoy was to meet the psychiatrist according to the table below:



The convoy lasted for 5 days and was highly praised by the residents of the shelters, stressing the need to repeat it from time to time.

A workshop for women and children to promote health awareness in Zalingei

Zalingei, March 5, 2025

The women's group of Zalingei emergency rooms organized an awareness workshop for women and children in the city's shelters on promoting health awareness under the slogan "Together for a healthier society" as part of the group's plan to contribute to maintaining a healthy and safe environment for children and women. The workshop addressed the importance

of personal hygiene and preserving pure water, where participants were trained on how to deal with drinking water safely, from storing it properly to using simple purification methods at home. It is noteworthy that the 28 participants in the workshop learned how to maintain personal hygiene and the cleanliness of their surroundings through proper sanitation methods.



Medical supplies for the Royal Hospital of Qarsala

Qarsala, March 17, 2025

Within the project of supporting health centers to sustain and upgrade health services and promote medical care, the emergency rooms in Qarsala, Central Darfur state, provided logistical support to Qarsala Royal Hospital with the support of Localization Hub. The health

services committee of the emergency rooms in Qarsala explained that the project comes within the framework of facilitating medical services for the local community and war refugees, especially in light of the challenges left by the conflict, which caused many health facilities to be out of service.

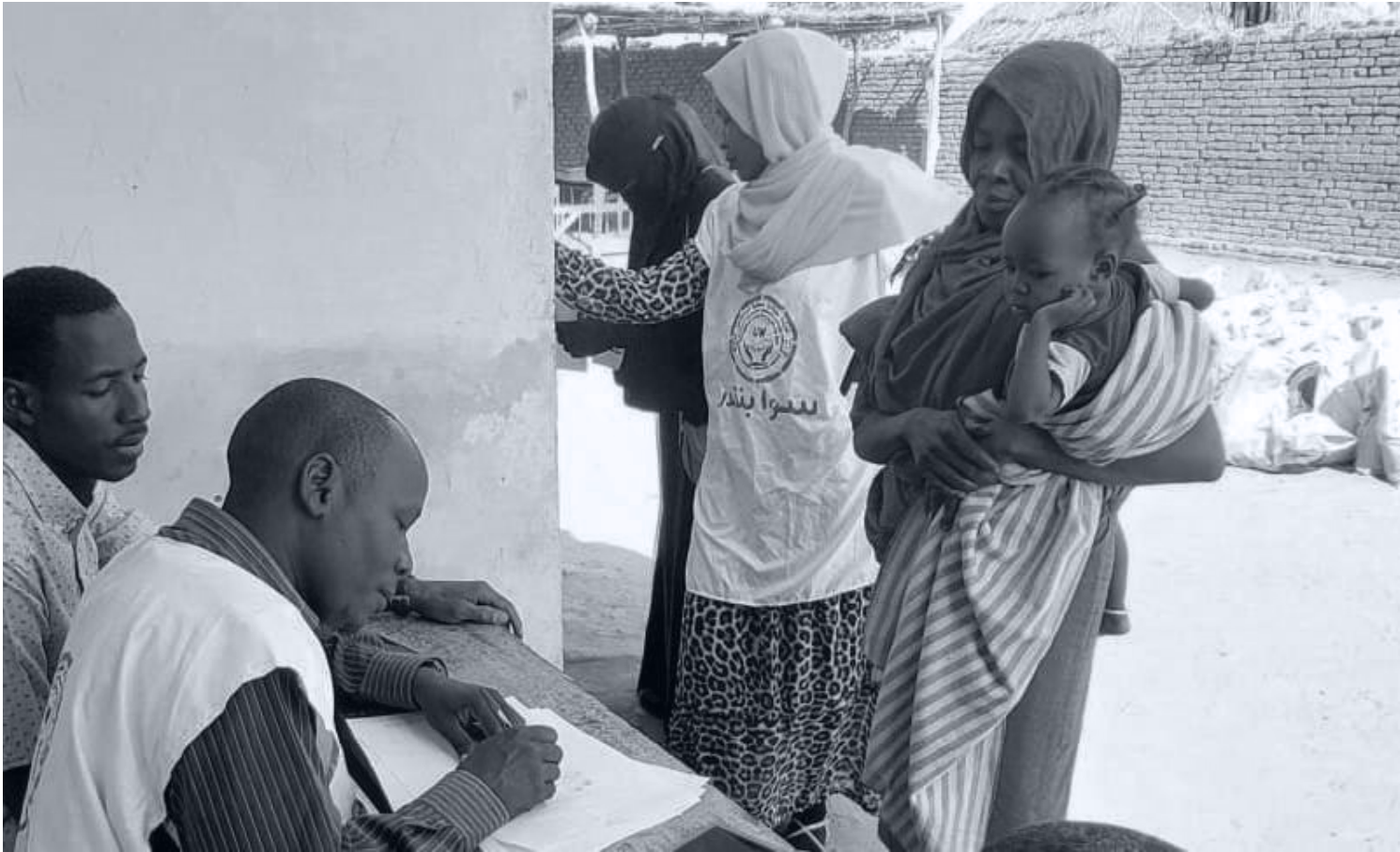


Rongatas Emergency Room Coordination Council conducts a series of community kitchens for school children

Rongatas March 2025

The Rongatas Emergency Rooms Coordination Council in Azum locality, Central Darfur state, announced the start of the implementation of the collective kitchen project for children in schools with the support of the Central Darfur Emergency Rooms Coordination Council through the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), which aims to provide food meals for children in emergency schools in the locality to help them increase academic achievement, in addition to alleviating their families' difficult economic conditions. The official

of the Chamber's Media Committee explained that the kitchen started in early March and will continue until the foodstuffs run out. He also pointed out the arrangements made by the Chamber with the supporters, which resulted in increased support to ensure the continuation of the joint kitchen work after the Eid Al-Fitr holiday. He praised the role of the Rongatas Emergency Chambers Council, the Central Darfur Emergency Chambers and the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) for their continuous support to the vulnerable segments.



Umm Dukhun Emergency Center distributes 120 Ramadan bags to the poor and displaced

Umm Dukhun, March 16, 2025

With the support of philanthropists and volunteers, the Um Dukhun local emergency room distributed the Ramadan bag to poor, needy and displaced families in the neighborhoods of Um Dukhun city, who were counted by the base rooms, numbering 120 families, where each bag contained a quantity of: (The project embodied the spirit of solidarity, solidarity and altruism among the members of the community, pointing out

that the total donations for the Ramadan bag amounted to 1,881,500 Sudanese pounds, all of which were spent on purchasing the contents of the aforementioned bag. The Um Dukhan Local Emergency Room praised the contributions of the people of goodwill and philanthropy from the merchants and citizens of Um Dukhan, as well as the volunteers of the base emergency rooms in Um Dukhan neighborhoods, in addition to organizations.

Therapeutic Day at the New Kassala School Shelter

As part of its ongoing efforts to support affected communities, on March 25, the Kassala Youth Emergency Room organized a treatment day at the New Kassala School shelter. Medical care was provided to 104 cases, including examinations and treatment for 72 patients, in addition to providing prescriptions for patients with chronic diseases. In addition, 62

laboratory tests were conducted for patients, despite the challenges faced by the medical team, such as transportation delays, electricity outages, and lack of laboratory staff.

The Kassala Youth Emergency Room continues its efforts to provide health care to those in need, seeking to improve medical services in the shelter areas.



Kassala State emergency rooms launch centralized kitchens to support families during Ramadan

On March 1, Kassala State Emergency Rooms began launching central kitchens to provide iftar meals in shelters during the month of Ramadan, as part of its ongoing efforts to support affected families and promote community solidarity.

Through this initiative, the Kassala Youth Emergency Room targets 14 shelters, benefiting about 427 families and 233 individuals on a daily basis, in addition to similar efforts implemented by the New Halfa Emergency Room and the Khashm al-Qirba Emergency Room to

support families in their areas.

This step comes as a continuation of previous community activities that included awareness-raising, psychological support, recreational activities for children and women, in addition to the distribution of health and food aid.

The chambers stress the importance of continuing such initiatives in the coming periods, calling on individuals and organizations to participate in supporting them to ensure the provision of basic needs for families in need.



In the spirit of giving and solidarity Humanitarian initiatives extend to alleviate the suffering of affected families

Kassala, March 20, 2025

In partnership with the Kassala Youth Emergency Room, the Khashm al-Qirba Emergency Room and the Hemshkoreb Youth Emergency Room continue their journey in supporting families affected by the difficult humanitarian situation, where a food basket distribution project was implemented for 375 displaced families in a number of shelters in Hemshkoreb and Khashm al-Qirba localities, in a quick response to urgent needs. In Hammashkoreib, the initiative targeted 255 families at the Hashayeb Shelter Center, where food baskets were distributed to alleviate the suffering of families facing the harsh challenges of life, emphasizing the

values of cooperation and solidarity. In Khashm al-Qurba, support was directed to 120 families across three shelters. The move was based on an accurate assessment of the actual needs of the displaced families, where food baskets were distributed instead of Iftar, to ensure that the beneficiaries benefit from basic food items that help them overcome this critical stage. These humanitarian efforts are not just relief initiatives, but an extension of the message of solidarity and compassion that is taking root day by day, confirming that collective action is able to make a real impact on the lives of those in need.



Our mosque, we filled with light, Our street, we made so bright. Oh dear, your crescent's near, The joy we've waited all year!

New Halfa, Ramadan 1, 2025

As the crescent moon appears, blessings return, carried by the spirit of solidarity. Once again, the central kitchen of the New Halfa Youth Emergency Room lights up Ramadan tables, ensuring that no one in the city goes hungry and no stranger feels alone. In Halfa, Ramadan is never complete without its generous feast. The central kitchen and communal tables open their doors, ready to serve thousands of fasting souls each day—within shelters and across neighborhoods—

where people gather over a warm meal, rich with kindness and compassion. Tables that never empty, and hearts that know only generosity. We continue the path we started, crafting a Ramadan that brings warmth to those in need and reunites those whom time has scattered, in love and goodness. A dawn beyond displacement and loss, bringing us together once more among our people, in kindness and care.

Meals for 450 families in Zamzam South camp

March 16, 2025

Within the framework of projects to alleviate suffering, the Zamzam South Emergency Room provided meals to displaced people in Zamzam camp. This project included providing meals for (450) families, which contributed to covering the needs of 2250 individuals.

This work comes as part of the ongoing efforts to help displaced families and alleviate the daily pressures they

face. The meals were distributed over a period of 12 days, reflecting the Chamber's commitment to providing continuous support for humanitarian emergencies in the region. These initiatives come as an important step towards stabilizing and improving the living conditions of the displaced, and the Chamber called on all relevant parties to support these humanitarian projects.

El Fasher Emergency Room and Camps



Communal Kitchens and Drinking Water Distribution in Zamzam Camp During Ramadan

14 Ramadan, 14 March 2025

The El Fasher and Camps Emergency Room has launched a project to support communal kitchens alongside a drinking water distribution program in shelters within the Zamzam camp for displaced persons during the holy month of Ramadan. The initiative supports seven shared communal kitchens, providing one daily meal to 2,500 families in shelters and displacement gathering sites. The support is planned to continue for ten days as part of efforts to assist affected communities and provide them with essential services.

In parallel with the kitchen support project, the Emergency Room has also initiated a drinking water project for displaced persons, supplying 3,000 barrels

of water at a rate of 300 barrels per day, distributed among gathering sites and shelters.

The El Fasher and Camps Emergency Room has emphasized the urgent need for additional services amid the rising number of displaced persons and reverse displacement toward El Fasher city. This is due to repeated attacks and shelling on areas and villages around El Fasher and nearby camps, coupled with severe shortages of life-saving basic services, including food, medicine, and water. The Emergency Room is working with donors to secure as much financial support as possible to cover the needs of displaced persons sheltering in El Fasher in the coming days.

El Fasher and Camps Emergency Room

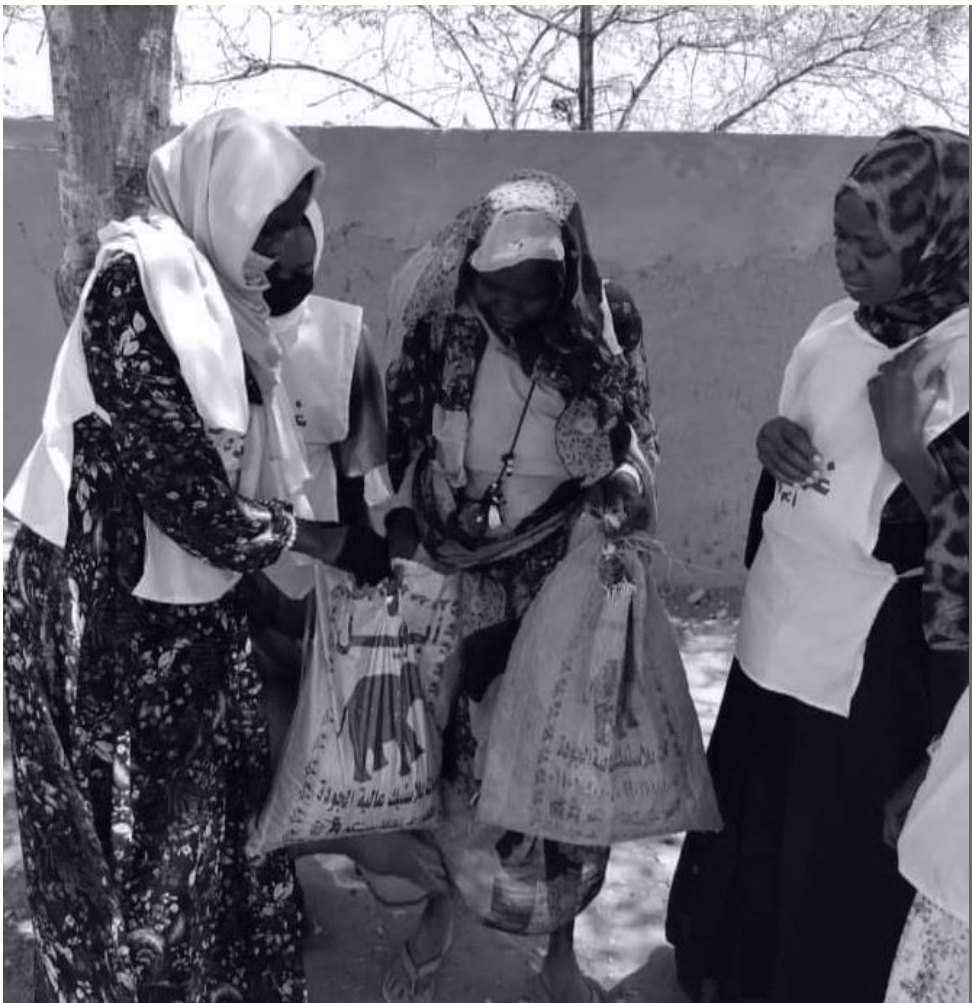


Distribution of 100 Hygiene Kits for Adolescent Girls

26 March 2025

The Women's Hope Emergency Room distributed menstrual hygiene kits for adolescent girls in Karnoi locality, North Darfur State. The activity aimed to promote women's personal hygiene and provide them with essential supplies, with 100 kits distributed containing sanitary pads and other basic women's necessities. The initiative also included awareness sessions about health education and the importance

of personal hygiene for preventing infectious diseases and maintaining reproductive health. The Emergency Room emphasized the importance of supporting vulnerable groups, particularly women and girls of reproductive age, to ensure they receive necessary healthcare. This activity is part of Women's Hope Emergency Room's efforts to enhance public health and healthcare for women and girls in the community.



Ramadan Food Package Distribution in Um Kadada and Broush for 150 Families

22 March 2025

The Um Kadada Locality Emergency Room distributed Ramadan food packages in a joint project between Um Kadada administrative locality and Broush administrative unit. The total number of beneficiary families reached 150, with

90 families in Um Kadada covering the neighborhoods of: Al-Safa, Muzdalifah, Al-Salam, and Al-Taqla. An additional 60 families benefited in Broush unit. The project brought joy to recipients' hearts, particularly families of martyrs and impoverished households. Um Kadada Locality Emergency Room



East Darfur State

Communal Ramadan Iftar for Displaced Persons in Sabreen Camp, Al Daein

In an atmosphere of brotherhood, social solidarity, and humanitarian spirit, the Nim Emergency Room (Sector C), in collaboration with the Women’s Nim Emergency Room, organized the first communal Ramadan iftar for displaced persons in Sabreen Camp, Al Daein, on Thursday, 13 Ramadan. This iftar came amid severe food and health gaps following the suspension of the camp’s kitchens, which had previously provided meals for no more than 1,700 children. The event was made possible through the support of youth, women, and philanthropists, reaffirming the spirit of solidarity and cooperation amid the harsh conditions faced by displaced persons due to the April 15th war.

The iftar initiative aimed to alleviate the suffering of displaced persons and strengthen social bonds to foster a more cohesive and resilient community. In a speech,

the Emergency Rooms Coordinator highlighted that the camp’s population density stands at approximately 4,800 displaced families from across Sudan, intensifying the need for sustained support to ensure access to food, healthcare, and essential services.

A representative of the displaced community emphasized the importance of cooperation and mutual respect within the camps, stressing unity to ensure stability under current circumstances. He noted that the camp’s kitchens and aid centers urgently require support to continue providing food and relief assistance to those in need. He appealed to philanthropists, organizations, and compassionate individuals to stand with the displaced, as hope springs from generosity and solidarity.

Nim Emergency Room (Sector C) in collaboration with the Women’s Nim Emergency Room



Shelter Materials for Fire Victims in Nim Camp

The Nim Emergency Room in East Darfur’s Al Daein (Sector A) announced the receipt of a grant from CARE International, comprising food baskets and shelter materials to support fire victims in Nim Camp for displaced persons in Al Daein.

In recent days, the camp witnessed widespread fires

that consumed hundreds of homes and food supplies, attributed to overcrowding and negligence in cooking practices. The Emergency Room called on international and national organizations to scale up support for displaced persons to compensate for losses caused by the fires.



Medical Treatment for 1,000 Patients at Al Daein Teaching Hospital

The Al Daein Humanitarian Emergency Room reported providing essential medicines for the most vulnerable groups, supported by the Norwegian People's Aid (NPA). The supplies included IV fluids, malaria treatments, and critical antibiotics, sufficient to assist 1,000 patients from impoverished families at Al Daein Teaching

Hospital. Medications are dispensed free of charge following case evaluations. Additionally, 50 food baskets—containing millet, oil, onions, lentils, sugar, juice, dates, and salt—were distributed to the most needy families, all funded by NPA.



Medical Support and Health Awareness in Sharaf Administrative Unit

The Adila Medical and Health Emergency Room has continued its emergency response project in the Sharaf Administrative Unit. The Sharf clinic received 350 patients, including children, women, and the elderly. The Emergency Room provided intravenous (IV) fluids,

medications for chronic diseases, and antibiotics, in addition to psychological support sessions and health awareness programs. Adila Locality Emergency Room (Medical and Health Sector)

Food Baskets for 120 Displaced Families in Wad Banda

11 March 2025

As part of its efforts to mitigate the effects of war, the Wad Banda Emergency Room distributed food baskets to displaced persons and war-affected host communities, supported by Proximity International through the state's Localization Coordination Council . Approximately 120 families received aid packages containing: 5kg sugar, 3 bags of bread, Millet, Dates, Juice

Beneficiaries expressed gratitude to the Locality Emergency Room for its active role in addressing their needs and extended special thanks to donors—particularly Proximity International. The distribution was marked by emotional scenes reflecting the acute humanitarian needs arising from the war.

Wad Banda Emergency Room





Ramadan Food Baskets for 70 Displaced Families in Gbeish Shelters

9 March 2025

At a cost of 5,892,000 Sudanese pounds, the Gbeish Emergency and Reconstruction Room implemented a Ramadan food basket project for 70 displaced families across three shelters in the town. Each basket included: 10kg sugar, 1 bag of dates, 3kg flour, 1 juice carton

Distribution was completed with the participation of room members and volunteers, aiming to alleviate burdens on displaced families and ensure food security during Ramadan. The room pledged continued material support for all displaced persons in Gbeish Locality until the nation emerges from the war's tragedy.

Media Office – Gbeish Emergency and Reconstruction Room



Communal Iftar for 198 Families in Um Jak

7 March 2025

Under the slogan «Persisting So Our Children Never Taste Defeat,» the Babnusa Locality Emergency Room operated a communal kitchen (Takl) in Um Jak Administrative Unit, providing iftar meals to displaced

families for nine consecutive days. A large-scale iftar event served 198 families (966 individuals), offering relief amid hardship.

Emergency and Reconstruction Rooms – Babnusa Locality - West Kordofan State



Ramadan Kitchen Program & Mobile Clinic in Al-Mujlad

8 March 2025

The Al-Mujlad Locality Emergency and Reconstruction Room launched its Ramadan communal kitchen (Tokul), serving daily iftar meals to displaced persons, alongside

a mobile clinic that treated 40 beneficiaries of all ages. The initiative began at Al-Shahid School (16 families) and expanded to 10 displacement shelters across the locality.



«Honoring Wayfarers» Initiative in Fula

1 March 2025

The Emergency and Reconstruction Room in Greater Salam Locality (Fula) initiated «Honoring Wayfarers», providing complete iftar meals including main dishes and juices to displaced persons, travelers, and vulnerable individuals without means to feed themselves. The 30-

day initiative will continue through Ramadan’s end. The room thanked local philanthropists and volunteers whose contributions sustained the project, while beneficiaries expressed deep appreciation.

**Emergency and Reconstruction Rooms
West Kordofan State**



East Nile Emergency Room **Women's Office**

Saturday, 8 March 2025

On International Women's Day, we honor the resilience of Sudanese women, who have faced war and suffering with unbreakable strength and determination.

To every steadfast woman, to every bearer of pain and sower of hope, to every healer who tends to others'

wounds despite her own—we salute you.

A special tribute to the female volunteers across Sudan, standing on the frontlines to serve their communities with tireless hands and hearts full of generosity.

This day is yours and the future is shaped by your persevering hands.



Aid Delivery for 1,000 Families in Bahri

14 March 2025

Fulfilling our duty to Bahri and its people, the Bahri Emergency Room in partnership with UNHCR and the United Peace Organization successfully delivered non-food item (NFI) aid targeting 1,000 displaced families in Al-Ahamda Al-Samrab, North Bahri.

A total of 740 aid packages were distributed under a coordinated plan:

140 families reached on Day 1

600 families reached today

Distribution continues until completion on schedule. This milestone reflects successful coordination with international organizations, enhancing rapid humanitarian response and paving the way for future partnerships. Together, we stand with our people in all circumstances.

Media Office – Bahri Emergency Room



Emergency Rooms Podcast



26 March 2025

The Khartoum State Emergency Room announced the release of Episode 4 (Part 2) on Volunteer Protection, stating:

«Today’s episode features voices from El Fasher Emergency Rooms. We explore their motivations for volunteering, the challenges they face while serving communities, and the threats that endanger their work.»

Watch on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/og41eVJFvog?si=eWSzxi0gdtxvZuPi>



Conclusion

Volunteer Capacity-Building Project

Emergency Response Rooms Forum

Overview

The Emergency Rooms Forum is a core component of Sudan's Emergency Response Capacity-Strengthening Program. It provides an open platform for dialogue on the program's goals, values, and national-level mutual aid, fostering shared vision between emergency rooms and local communities.

Objective

The forum scientifically discusses community priorities, creatively manages resources, and develops service-delivery mechanisms through solidarity. It facilitates knowledge-sharing among volunteers, Localization Coordination Council LCC, and humanitarian partners.

Key aims

Identify and prioritize needs systematically
Enhance volunteers' project planning, writing, and implementation skills
Strengthen conceptual awareness and technical capacities

Action Plan

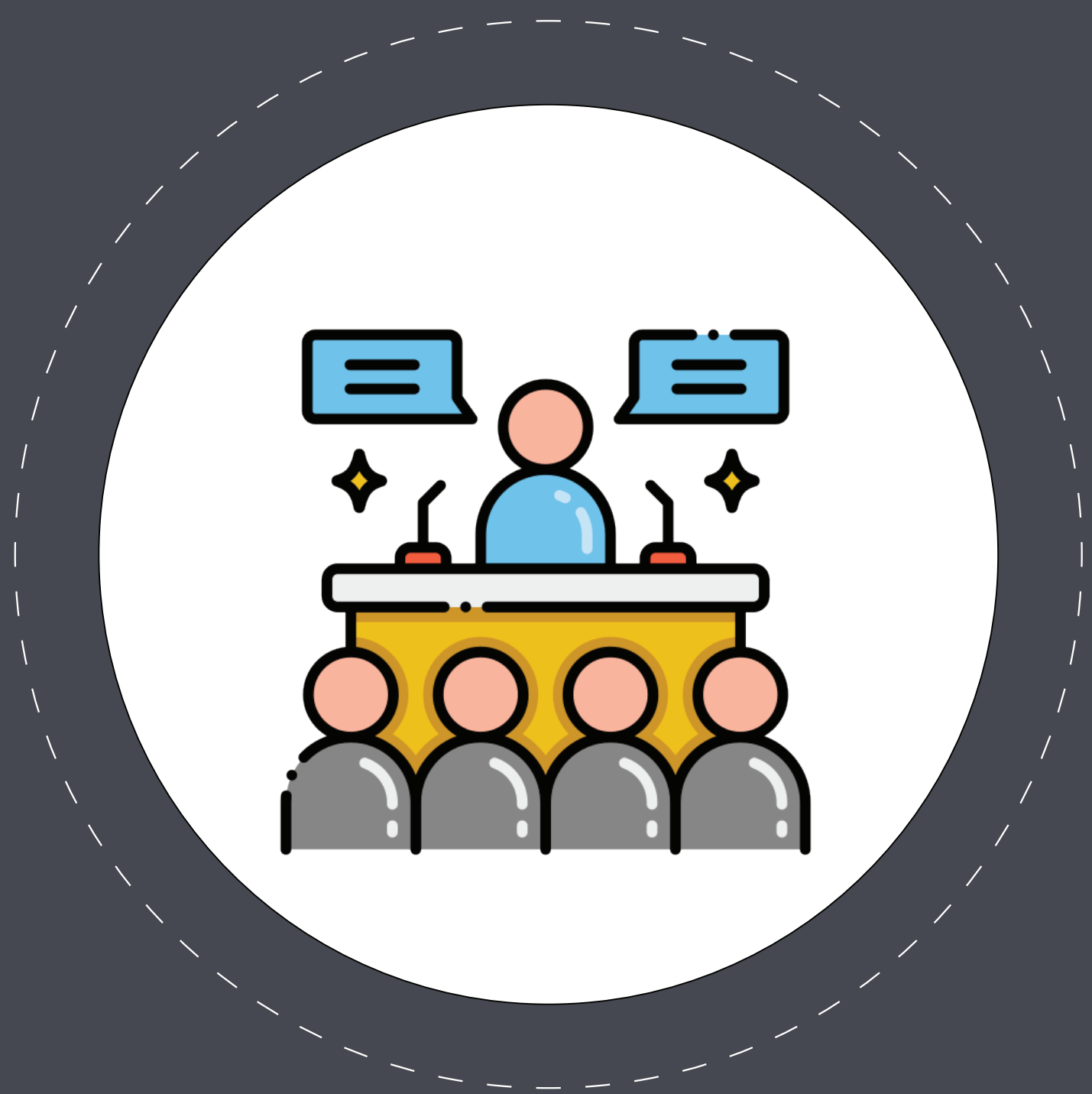
4 local forums/month in Darfur
1 monthly national forum for all Sudan's emergency rooms
Local forums address:
Security, social, technical, and communication challenges
Context-specific issues in each locality
National forums focus on:
Cross-cutting service improvements
Strategic discussions with experts (e.g., UNICEF education specialists, protection officers)
All forums are held virtually via Google Meet, with advance coordination and link sharing.
Progress Summary (Dec 2024 – May 2025)
12 local forums held (11 in Darfur, 1 in Kordofan)
4 national forums covering:

Project introduction
Education crisis (with UNICEF)
Strategic planning for emergency response
Volunteer & community protection (with UN protection experts)
Key Challenges Identified
Security: Volunteer safety risks
Social: Limited local familiarity with emergency rooms
Communication: Network outages and lack of devices
Technical: Shortage of computers/equipment
Funding: Inadequate resources for host/IDP communities
Capacity gaps: Need for training in project management, reporting, and advocacy

Closing Note

The forum coordination team acknowledges the profound solidarity forged among volunteers nationwide, the acceptance of diverse perspectives, and the shared sense of social responsibility.
Special thanks to the Localization Coordination Council LCC, participating emergency rooms, and experts supporting this vital initiative.

Emergency Response Rooms Forum
Khartoum State, Sudan





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