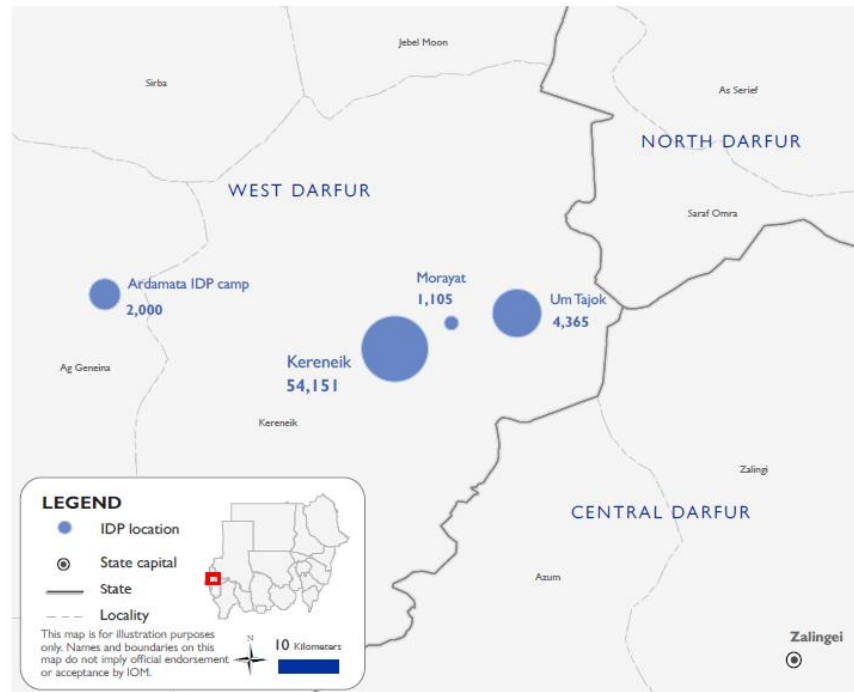




SITUATION OVERVIEW

- On 22 April, armed clashes in and around Kereneik Town resumed as the inter-communal conflict between Arab Nomads and the Masalit tribe broke out.
- On 23 and 24 April, armed gunmen attacked two hospitals in the towns of Kereneik and El Geneina, resulting in the death of two health care workers and looting of these facilities. WHO and other humanitarian partners demand all parties to the conflict in Sudan respect the safety and neutrality of health workers, patients, and health facilities and ensure a safe path for supplies to arrive in hospitals which are reporting severe shortages of trauma supplies, medicines, and anesthesia drugs.
- Violent trauma resulted in over 221 deaths (210 in Kereneik and 11 in El Geneina) and 162 wounded (FMoH data¹), and large influxes of newly displaced civilians fled towards the town's military compound. The fighting has affected the whole population of Kereneik, noted at 12 000 households.
- 65 injured patients were evacuated from Kereneik to El Geneina. Of these, 15 patients were referred to Khartoum and the rest remained in Kereneik hospital and are currently receiving medical care, including general surgical and orthopedic interventions.
- Over the past 24 hours, heavy fighting stopped, but the situation remains tense and unpredictable.



HEALTH RESPONSE

- Supplies:** WHO has delivered trauma kits and other essential health supplies to Kereneik and El Geneina to cover 500 -700 surgical interventions.
- Technical support :**WHO is setting up a referral pathway between hospitals receiving injured patients and will deploy a team of surgeons and other medical staff as soon as the security situation improves.
- Coordination:** as Health Cluster lead agency, WHO is coordinating the support provided by partners for medical care in hospitals and ensuring that displaced persons have access to health care.

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