

**Egypt** 

## WHO EGYPT RESPONSE TO THE SUDAN EMERGENCY

**EXTERNAL SITUATION REPORT 5** 

### **Situation overview**

Seven months after the war broke out in Sudan, some 310,000 Sudanese people have been displaced to Egypt, although the actual numbers are thought to be bigger. To date, Egypt is the second largest country that has received people from Sudan. After the initial influx of displaced people, only a few hundred now cross the border daily. However, the displaced people—who are predominately residing in Awan-have healthcare as one of their most essential and basic needs. WHO has established the means to cater to the growing needs of these vulnerable communities, decrease public health risks and support the strained health facilities.



Yacoub was shot in his leg in Sudan, and received treatment in Egypt, fully covered by WHO. © WHO Egypt

## **Key updates**

More than 600 patients have now had their medical expenses fully paid for by WHO, under its secondary healthcare programme, a programme that covers financially for the Sudanese patients' medical needs at 9 major public hospitals in Aswan. So far, under this programme, WHO has covered:









Days of hospital stays



**92** Laboratory and Radiological requests





Jointly with UNICEF, WHO trained 20 professionals from the environmental health departments at Aswan on testing the water quality to maintain its safety. Contaminated water carries the risk of transmitting infectious diseases, such as acute watery diarrhea, typhoid, and hepatitis A.



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The joint mission delivered 66,000 USD worth of infection prevention and control (IPC) essentials to hospitals and primary healthcare centers in Aswan. WHO also trained 30 healthcare workers on strengthening the IPC and waste management practices in addition to water, sanitation, and hygiene practices at healthcare facilities in Aswan.



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Water testing practical training at Aswan

**1 million EGP worth of equipment** was delivered to the quarantine in Abu Simbel city, located about only 20 kms away from the borders. The new equipment will build the building's capacity to receive cases of potential public health concern and provide a safe shelter for healthcare providers working at the borders.



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## WHO response includes several other priority areas. So far, WHO response encompassed:



#### 200+

trainers, professionals, and non-professionals trained on delivering psychosocial first aid in humanitarian emergencies



#### 33

medical services providers at Aswan were trained on the health system response to violence against women in partnership with the Ministry of Health and the National Council for Women, and UNFPA.



#### 80

healthcare workers and volunteers were oriented on the health system response to gender-based violence (GBV), at Aswan.



## **30**+

metric tons of medical supplies delivered to the borders.

4



chronic diseases medicines kits distributed to all primary healthcare units (PHCs) at Aswan (covered an estimated 40,000 patient for 3 months)



healthcare workers at PHCs in Aswan trained on the

management of NCDs



16
healthcare workers
provided with shelter
through a caravan unit
installed at Quostol border.



Environmental samples tested for polio virus

in the Egyptian VACSERA Laboratory through a collaboration between the country offices of WHO in both Egypt and Sudan.



Primary entomologists from the Ministry of Health and Population trained on vector surveillance to maintain health security



25

daily average of patients
receiving free of charge
examination and treatment
services at the noncommunicable
diseases and mental health clinic
installed and supported by WHO
in Aswan.

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