## Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations



## **Project Highlights** SUDAN

## "Restoring and improving household food security and livelihoods in Darfur"

**Project code:** OSRO/SUD/109/CHF

**Donor:** Common Humanitarian Fund

Contribution: USD 1 000 000

**Implementation:** 1/7/11 - 30/4/12

Target areas: West Darfur State

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**Objective:** 

To restore and improve the food security and livelihoods of 4 041 returnee and other vulnerable households (24 245 people) in West Darfur State and assess the needs of

returnees in South and North Darfur States.

Key partners:

State Ministry of Animal Resources and Fisheries, State Ministry of Agriculture, Fellowship for African Relief, Future for Community Development, Sudanese Peace Humanitarian Organization, Save the Children/Sweden, Mubadiroon Organization.

Beneficiaries reached:

4 041 returnee and other vulnerable households (24 245 people) in West Darfur State.

**Activities** implemented:

- Provided 795 returnee and vulnerable host community families with goats and donkeys.
- Constructed five livelihood centres and provided 14 self-help groups (280 households) with equipment and training in oil processing and cheese making in addition to bookkeeping and centre management.
- Provided preventive and curative veterinary services to livestock in high risk areas through a community-based delivery system.
- Provided agricultural inputs (seeds, tools and irrigation equipment) to 3 128 households, as well as training in appropriate cultivation practices, pest and disease control, and operation and maintenance of treadle and motorized water pumps.
- Provided training of trainers to 826 mostly female-headed households in environmental protection and the manufacturing of fuel efficient stoves.

**Results:** 

- The project helped to improve food and livelihoods security through the protection of assets, increased income opportunities and improved diets.
- Focus group discussions with farmers indicated that the high quality seeds and tools distributed assisted them to cultivate additional land and increase vegetable crop yields.