



International Medical Corps staff members screen a child for malnutrition in Souk Al Kadar Camp.

Sudan's conflict, which began on April 15, 2023, has created one of the world's worst humanitarian crises. According to the United Nations, more than 11.7 million people have been displaced, including 4.2 million who have fled to neighboring countries.

As of November 17, the reported number of people displaced from El Fasher has risen to 650,000. People displaced from El Fasher town and surrounding villages have been recorded across 23 localities in nine states. Though many are only able to seek refuge along the outskirts of El Fasher due to lack of resources and remaining family ties, others have made it to Tawila, roughly 30 miles to the west of El Fasher. Local authorities report that Tawila is now hosting 1.4 million displaced people, including those that were internally displaced before the escalation of conflict. The town is currently struggling to cater to the needs of the newly displaced, as many non-government organizations try to provide services for both host and displaced populations.

Though needs for health, nutrition and WASH interventions are evident, there are also urgent needs for psychosocial support and other interventions addressing the needs of survivors of conflict. Furthermore, there are reports of unaccompanied children either separated from their families or whose parents have died from the conflict.

International Medical Corps Response

International Medical Corps continues to support displaced people from El Fasher in Souk Al Kadar Camp by providing safe water through water trucking. We have also deployed one mobile health and nutrition team to the camp to complement the services offered at Golo Hospital, which we support.

The hospital offers primary healthcare services, including outpatient consultations, maternal and newborn care, childcare services (such as routine immunization), nutrition screening and management of moderate and severe acute malnutrition. In the past two weeks, we have seen an increase of admissions of acutely malnourished children into the nutrition

FAST FACTS

- As a result of ongoing conflict, more than 650,000 people have been displaced within and around El Fasher.
- Burdened by war, Sudan is facing catastrophic public health issues, including famine and a cholera outbreak that authorities formally declared in July 2024.
- Tawila is now struggling to cater to the needs of at least 1.4 million displaced people, in addition to its host population.

OUR FOOTPRINT

- Since 2004, International Medical Corps has been providing health, nutrition, protection, mental health, and psychosocial support, and water, sanitation, and hygiene services in Sudan.

OUR RESPONSE

- International Medical Corps is providing primary and secondary healthcare services in Golo hospital.
- We have deployed mobile health and nutrition teams to Souk Al Kadar Camp in Golo and, through a local partner, to Debanayra Camp, in Tawila.
- We are working with a local partner in Golo town to provide support to women and girl survivors of violence.

program at the hospital, where 69% of admissions are among newly displaced people from El Fasher. We have also assisted in 59 child births, 39 of which were among women recently arrived from El Fasher. Nine of these women had to undergo cesarean section due to difficult labor. Our local partner, TDO, has admitted 10 women and girl survivors of violence for assistance—60% of them survived sexual assault and are now being followed up for psychosocial support and other needs.

On November 18, our mobile health and nutrition team deployed to Souk Al Kadar camp and conducted 156 outpatient consultations on various conditions, such as malaria, diarrhea and pneumonia. One child aged 6 to 59 months was found to have severe acute malnutrition without complications and was registered for outpatient therapeutic intervention, while 14 children and three pregnant/breastfeeding women were found with moderate acute malnutrition and were registered for targeted supplemental feeding. Additionally, eight children were found to be at risk of malnutrition and referred to Golo Hospital for supplemental nutrition assistance.

Our team has travelled to Tawila town and donated medical and nutrition supplies to local partner, Sahari, as part of our support for the deployment of a mobile health and nutrition team. These medical commodities and nutrition supplies are expected to last one month.