

SUDAN

Context

On April 15th, 2023, fighting erupted between the Sudan Armed Forces and the Rapid Support Forces, aggravating an already dire and protracted humanitarian crisis, causing the **displacement of an estimated 8.6 million people** in Sudan, forcing **3.2 million people to seek refuge** in neighboring countries, and leaving **25.6 million people - over half of the population - facing crisis levels of food insecurity**.¹

CERF Food Security Allocations to Sudan in 2024

In line with 2023, Sudan is so far the largest recipient of CERF funding in 2024. Throughout the year, CERF has strategically allocated \$66 million to ensure critical support to the most vulnerable people affected by the conflict with much-needed humanitarian assistance and protection services.

In February 2024, the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) report detailed that Sudan was facing unprecedented levels of acute food insecurity, expected to worsen significantly during the lean season in June-September.² In response, CERF allocated **\$15 million from its Rapid Response (RR) window to kickstart a response to the food security crisis**. In April, CERF allocated another **\$26.2 million through its Underfunded Emergencies (UFE) window** to support the critical needs of 2 million people in the hardest-hit regions of Kordofan, Darfur, and Khartoum, where over 3.6 million people face emergency-level hunger. This allocation complemented the previous CERF grant with **additional food response activities, such as water, hygiene, and seed distributions**.

By summer 2024, during the peak of the lean season, the IPC reported the worst levels of food insecurity ever recorded in Sudan's history, with over half the population in crisis situation, and observed famine conditions in some areas.³ In response, CERF swiftly allocated **\$25 million through its RR window to support 19 critically affected locations at imminent risk of famine**, as well as deliver other key protection activities such as mine action and protection from sexual exploitation and abuse.

For more information on the OCHA Pooled Funds' response to the Sudan crisis, please see this [infographic](#).

Overview of all CERF allocations to Sudan 2020 – 2024 (as of 02 December 2024)

Year	RR (US\$)	Emergency Type	UFE (US\$)	Emergency Type	Total (US\$)
2020	\$99.8M \$5M	Economic Disruption Displacement	N/A	N/A	\$104.8M
2021	\$5M	Displacement	N/A	N/A	\$5M
2022	\$20M \$6M	Drought Flood	\$20M	Post-conflict Needs	\$46M
2023	\$22M \$20M	Violence/Clashes Displacement	\$18M	Displacement	\$60M
2024	\$15M \$25M	Violence/Clashes Displacement	\$26M	Displacement	\$66M
Total 2020-2024	\$217.8M		\$64M		\$281.8M

¹ IOM. Sudan Mobility Update (11), November 2024.

² IPC Sudan Acute Food Insecurity Projection (October 2023-February 2024) <https://www.ipcinfo.org/ipc-country-analysis/details-map/en/c/1156730/>

³ IPC Sudan Acute Food Insecurity Snapshot (April 2024-February 2025) https://www.ipcinfo.org/fileadmin/user_upload/ipcinfo/docs/IPC_Sudan_Acute_Food_Insecurity_Snapshot_Jun2024_Feb2025.pdf

[Biography of Ms. Clementine Nkweta-Salami, United Nations Resident Coordinator in Sudan](#)

Ms. Nkweta-Salami is a qualified Barrister and member of the English and Cameroon Bar. She started her career in the UN system at UNHCR where she held various field positions in Tanzania, Sierra Leone, and Guinea. She was UNHCR Representative to Ethiopia, Regional Representative to Southern Africa, Representative to Burundi, and Head of Inspection in the Inspector General's Office at UNHCR Headquarters in Geneva. From 2020 to 2023, she served as the UNHCR Director of the Regional Bureau for the East, Horn and Great Lakes Regions of Africa. The Secretary-General António Guterres appointed Ms. Nkweta-Salami as his Deputy Special Representative for Sudan with the United Nations Integrated Transition Assistance Mission in Sudan (UNITAMS), and United Nations Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator in Sudan on 1 May 2023. On 1 March 2024, with the closure of UNITAMS, her responsibilities of Deputy Special Representative were deactivated, but Ms. Nkweta-Salami retained her RC/HC responsibilities.

