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**Mayom Biometric Registration**

Biometric registration and complementary survey to profile the registered population, conducted 21 January 2018 to 18 March 2018

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**Host Population**

| 111,482 individuals | IDPs 13,968 | Returnees 12,088 |

= 137,538 individuals

**Mayom Area**
Population Demographics

Nearly two thirds (64%) of the registered population were found to be under 18 years of age. Fifty-eight per cent of registered beneficiaries are female (F.1).

The most common vulnerabilities recorded included breastfeeding and pregnant women (9,556 and 1,501 cases respectively). Cases of mentally or physically disabled individuals, separated and unaccompanied children, people with serious medical concerns, malnourished people and individuals with special protection needs were also identified.

Complementary Survey

As part of the registration exercise, by deploying a complementary survey, IOM DTM captured information on key attributes of the population, including data to determine who among the registered population are IDPs, returnees, and host community. The survey aimed for 100% coverage but due to technical difficulties data was captured for only ninety-eight per cent of households (46,720 HHs). Applying the percentage of IDPs and returnees emerging from the sample covered to the overall registered population, IOM found there to be 13,968 IDPs (10.2%) and 12,088 returnees (8.8%) present among the 137,538 beneficiaries. This indicates that the vast majority (81%) of beneficiaries are part of the host community (F.2).

Eighteen per cent of the currently displaced individuals registered had been displaced in 2017 (16%) and 2018 (2%). The majority of IDPs had been displaced previously, notably in 2015 (46%) and 2016 (22%). * Please take into account the data collection period (January – March 2018) when comparing displacement in 2018 to the other years.

F.3 Current IDPs by year of displacement*
IDP areas of origin

Internal displacements are largely limited to displacements within the same county, with 97% of IDPs indicating Unity as their place of origin. Within Unity, Mayom was by far the most common location (87%) of origin (F.4). Within Mayom, Wangkei and Pub were reported as the payams from where the vast majority of displacement originated (F.5).

Previous Displacement

Of those who are not currently displaced, 9% confirmed they had been displaced before bringing the total percentage of the registered population with a current or past experience of displacement to 19%. Return dates of the registered population indicate an increase in returns over the last years. Thirteen per cent of returnees arrived between in the first two months of 2018 and nearly half in 2017 (F.6). So far in 2018 (18 March), 533 individuals among the registered population have returned. Thirteen people returned before 2013.

Locations of previous displacement

Forty per cent of returnees reported having come back from abroad, namely Sudan (21%), Uganda (12%), Ethiopia (4%), Kenya (2.8%) and DRC (1.1%). Three quarters of all South Sudan returnees arrived from within Unity State (notably Rubkona, 74% and Mayom, 23%) (F.7).

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