



# **SOUTH SUDAN EVD TASKFORCE MEETING**

## **11<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**Update on South Sudan's preparedness and response readiness capacities**

# NTF Meeting Agenda; 11/10/2018

Item	Description	Time	Responsible person
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self Introduction</li> <li>Communication from the Hon. Minister</li> </ul>	2:00-2:05 pm	Dr Riek Gai Kok
2	Review of action points from previous meeting	2:05-2:20 pm	Dr Lul Lojok – Ag IM
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Latest Update on EVD outbreak situation in DRC</li> <li>Epidemiology, Surveillance and Laboratory status in South Sudan                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2:20-2:30 pm	Dr Ifeanyi /Dr Wamala
4	Updates on EVD TWGs per thematic areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current Status/progress made</li> <li>Challenges/Gaps</li> <li>Recommendation and way forward</li> </ul>	2:30-3:20 pm	TWGs leads & Co. leads
5	A.O.B	3:40-3:50 pm	All



# Key action points from meeting held on 09/10/18

Action	Description	Responsible
1	Make a presentation on a strategy for the rolling out of SDB training. This should include job aid materials and SOPs on SDB	SDB TWG
2	Support coordination mechanism between NTF and STF and strengthened communication between the two	WHO/MoH
3	Establish temporary holding centers in all high risk areas to reduce the risk of EVD spread in case of an outbreak	Case Mgt TWG
4	Follow up with the SMOH for the allocation of land for isolation centers. The land should be close to a health facility	MOH
5	Provide a permit document that will allow the construction of Isolation Centers and or Treatment Units	MoH
6	Fast track MOFA clearance for in-coming WHO consultants. WHO should share the names of the in-coming consultants and copies of request letters sent to MOFA	MoH/WHO
7	Assign timelines and dates to the Ebola vaccine deployment activities	WHO



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8	Graphically represent the trend in the number of EVD cases in DRC	WHO
9	Share the UN joint proposal with NTF members before the donor conference meeting	WHO
10	Communicate the Safety & Security TWG activities to states' Task Force	UNOCHA/UNDSS
11	Liaise with the IO group in Yei for more information regarding the EVD alert case that was reported last week	UNOCHA/ICRC

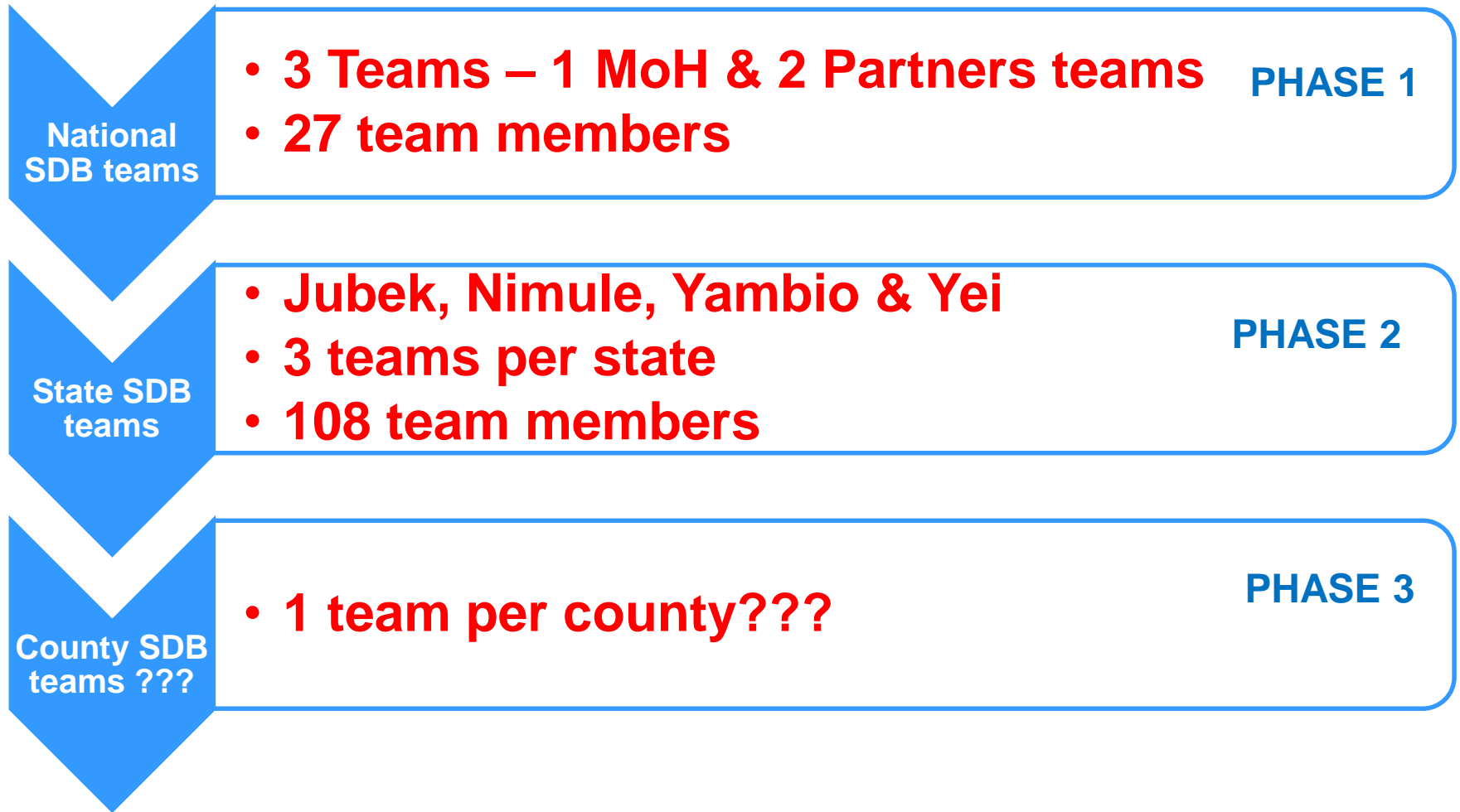


# EVD in DRC

- **Update on Ebola in DRC for 9<sup>th</sup> October**
  - Total of **194 cases** (**159** confirmed & **35** probable), including **122** deaths.
- Over 5700 contacts have been registered, of which **1900** remain under surveillance as of 2<sup>nd</sup> October
- From 19 to 25 September, a high proportion of contacts ranging between 95-98% were followed up daily;
- Contacts follow-up improved from 78% to 93%
- 15525 vaccinated



# SDB Structure



# SDB Team Composition & Task

Action	Designation	#	Cadre	Tasks
1	Ambulance driver	2	Drivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drives the ambulance</li> </ul>
2	WATSAN/Logistics Officer	1	Public health officer/Technical Logistician	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requisites for needed supplies</li> <li>• Ensures supplies are adequate</li> <li>• Provides PMS/AGO for the ambulances</li> </ul>
3	Body carriers	4	Cleaners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepares the body for burial</li> <li>• Carries the body to the ambulance and the cemetery</li> </ul>
4	Sprayer	1	Hygienist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Disinfects the body</li> <li>• Disinfects the place of death and immediate surroundings</li> </ul>
5	Team Lead/Risk Communicator	1	Public health officer preferably with WASH background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervises the SDB team</li> <li>• Connects the team with RC TWG</li> <li>• Facilitates community entry by RC TWG</li> <li>• Ensures decontamination of ambulance</li> </ul>



# PPE/Materials per SDB team

PPEs	Qty
Protective coverall	3
Household gloves	3
Nose Mask	3
Aprons	3
Head hood	3
Head cover	3
Goggles	3
Examination gloves	1 box
Heavy duty gloves	1 box
Boots or shoe cover	2 pairs

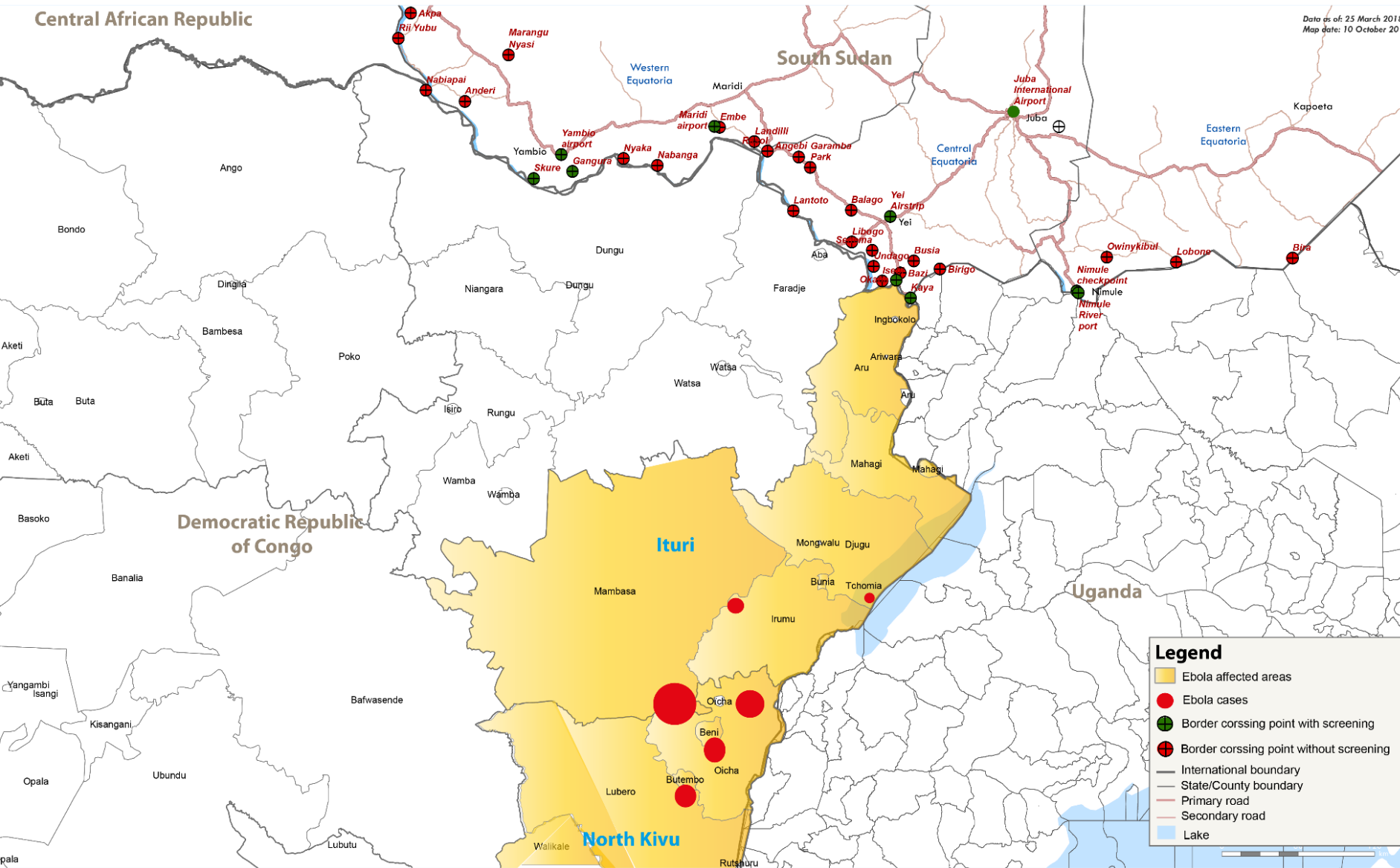
Materials	Qty
Ambulance	1
Additional vehicle	1
Back pack sprayer	2
Water container jerry can 20 L with 0,5% chlorine solution	1
Bio-hazard bags	10
Torch	1
Soaking pads	3
Match box	1
Scissors	2
Body bag	1
Stretcher	1
4 meters Cord	1

**Any materials destroyed MUST be replaced by partners**





# Ebola Virus Disease Affected and Possible Areas



**Legend**

- Yellow box: Ebola affected areas
- Red circle: Ebola cases
- Green circle: Border crossing point with screening
- Red circle with cross: Border crossing point without screening
- Thick grey line: International boundary
- Thin grey line: State/County boundary
- Red line: Primary road
- Black line: Secondary road
- Blue area: Lake

The map reflects the currently available data and is subject to change according to further updates to the data.  
Data source: South Sudan Ministry of Health, World Health Organization (WHO), OpenStreetMap  
Map production: WHO Health Emergencies Programme

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# Surveillance, Epidemiology and Laboratory

- WHO supporting IDSR training for the Jubek State [8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Oct]
- IDSR& RRT trainings for the remaining states supported by WHO will follow:
  - Yei: 16-26<sup>th</sup> Oct
  - Yambio: 15-25<sup>th</sup> Oct
- Training for national RRT including MOH team, partners and UN agencies, planned for 22-26<sup>th</sup> Oct. Supported by WHO & UNICEF



# BH&PoE Status update

State	# of Points of Entry Identified	# of Screening Active	# of Screening prioritized	# of people screened	# of Alerts	# of Isolation centers Identified	# of ETUs Identified	Remark
Gbudue	4	3	1	1,890	1	0	0	Sakure, Gangura, Yambio Airstrip
Jubek	1	1	0	30,777	1	0	0	JIA
Maridi	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	Maridi airstrip
Tambura	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	
Torit	8	2	1	230,956	8	0	0	Nimule & Nimule Port River CP
Wau	1	1	0	278	0	0	0	Wau Airport
Yei River	15	4	4	4,080	1	0	0	Kaya, Yei RRC, Yei sirstrip
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>267,981</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	



# Border health and points of entry

## Border crossing point



**39** identified  
**14** prioritized  
**13** functional

## Screening of Int. travelers



**267,981** screened  
**11** alerts

## Ebola isolation center

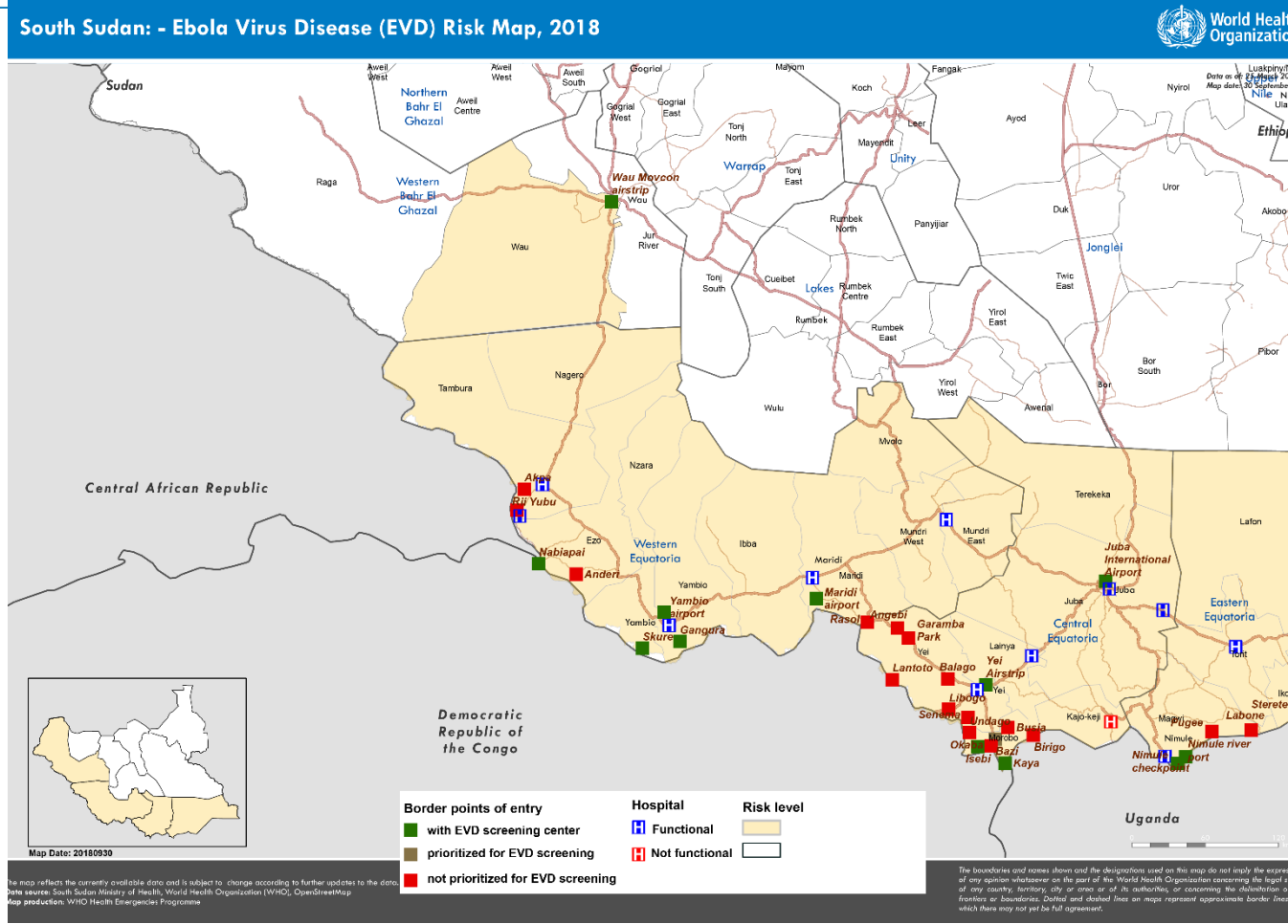


**10** identified  
**0** functional

## Designated Ambulance



**10** needed  
**0** available



# Case management/Isolation Centers

State	Isolation center	Status	# of beds available
Jubek	Gabat HCC	Not established	0/8
Torit	Nimule Hospital	Required upgrading	3/6
Yei River	Yei Civil Hospital	Not established	0/6
	Xxxxxx	Xxxx	xxx
	Morobo county Hospital	Not established	0/6
Yambio	Yambio Hospital	Not established	0/6
	Sakure PHCC	Not established	0/6
	Gangura PHCC		
	Ezo PHCC	Not established	0/6
	Makpandu PHCC	Not established	0/6
Maridi	Maridi Hospital	Not established	0/6
Wau	Wau Hospital	Not established	0/6

# Update on Coordination

- A conference held today by the UN family and donors on the UN joint proposal
- WHO established a coordination office Yei
- WHO deployed a consultant (EVD IPC Specialist) to Yei to support IPC/CM and capacity building of partners



# WHO Mission to Yei

- To review the preparedness and response capacities of Yei River State
- Identify gaps
- To enhance the existing capacities for effective EVD risk mitigation, detection, and response







# Activities undertaken

- High level engagement with the Governor of Yei River state, Ministry of Health and State EVD task force
- Briefing on the current status of EVD outbreak in DRC.
- Finalizing and sharing state operational plan.
- Fact finding visit to health facilities





South Sudan Public Health Emergency Operations center (PHEOC)

Meeting with the Acting Minister of Health Yei River State



# Highlights of Yei River State

- Yei River State borders Ituri Province in DRC, currently with active EVD transmission.
- Risk of Ebola importation is high due to porous border, trade, IDPs and Refugees coupled with insecurity.





South Sudan Public Health Emergency Operations Centre (PHEOC)

Sub national EVD taskforce meeting Yei River State



# Preparedness capacities of Yei River State

- The Ebola taskforce in Yei has three working groups – surveillance; IPC and case management; Risk Communication and Social mobilization.
- More than 6 partners are on the ground.
- Four priority screening sites established (Yei Airstrip, Kaya, Morobo, Okaba).



# Gaps identified

- Specialized Training/capacity building of partners/health care workers
- Access challenges due to insecurity
- Lack of ambulance
- Not all points of entries have been identified
- No dedicated vehicle for surveillance
- Communication challenges (internet)
- No isolation center (town) and ETU (hospital)





# Enhance the existing capacities

Immediate actions to be taken to strengthen the preparedness :

- Organize specialized training on Surveillance, Case management, IPC, risk communication and safe and dignified burial
- Negotiate for access
- Map all points of entry
- Decentralize resources from the national to the states and the counties
- Support coordination at State level
- Hire vehicles for surveillance activities
- Explore options to fast-track the procurement process of ambulances
- Construction of ETU and isolation facilities





# WHO's action

- Establish field office for coordination in Yei to support EVD preparedness and response activities.
- Deploy technical staff (Surveillance, Case management, IPC, risk communication specialists) to build the capacity of partners.
- Construction of treatment units in priority areas (Juba, Yei and Yambio).
- Deploy additional PPE kits for the EVD preparedness activities.





# WHO/ Health Cluster Team

- Dr Olushayo Olu – WHO Representative
- Mr Evans Liyosi - WHO Technical Officer
- Dr Guracha Guyo – Emergency Coordinator
- Mr Michael Tukur – WHO Operations Officer
- Ms Magda Armah – Health Cluster Coordinator
- Mr Rhoderick Maniego – Security Officer
- Dr Walla Odra – Mobile Medical Officer
- Mr Julu Louis - State Coordinator for CES
- Ms Jemila M. Ebrahim – Communication Officer



# TWG meetings Schedule

<b>TWG</b>	<b>Day of meeting</b>	<b>Time</b>
<b>Border Health and Points of Entry</b>	<b>Every Monday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Laboratory</b>	<b>Every Monday</b>	<b>12:00pm</b>
<b>Surveillance</b>	<b>Every Monday</b>	<b>2:00pm</b>
<b>Safe and Dignified Burial</b>	<b>Every Monday</b>	<b>2:30pm</b>
<b>Safety and Security</b>	<b>Every Monday</b>	<b>3:00pm</b>
<b>Risk Communication and Social Mob</b>	<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Vaccination and Therapeutics</b>	<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>10:00am</b>
<b>Case management and IPC</b>	<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>11:00am</b>





**Thank you**