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What We Heard This Week – Feedback from the Community

Disease

During submissions in listening groups, residents living in Sector 1 requested MSF for a Malaria Point in their area. They said mothers carry their children to sector 2 to seek treatment even when it is raining. Meanwhile, the community in Rubkona town requested humanitarian agencies to spray their village with insecticide to rid it of insects.

Adults, PoC Sector 1 & Rubkona

NFIs

With the rainfall intensifying, groups are requesting for elp them against the elements. Residents in Sector 1 in a mixed listening group called on Concern Worldwide to provide them with mats, blankets and household utensils. Community Leaders in a mixed group for Sector 2 Block 5 requested the NFI cluster and Concern Worldwide to provide their block office with plastic sheeting for protection against the rain. The PTA in Nyueljuol Primary School said the guards fear for their life because the school lacks a fence and are requesting for humanitarian agencies to provide material for an enclosure.

Various age groups, Various locations

Protection

During a listening group session, youths in Bentiu town expressed appreciation to UNDP and IOM for the construction of the youth center. It will have a kitchen, cafeteria, internet, a 150 seater hall and other amenities for youth to engage in productive activities. The youth are requesting for similar halls in other counties.

Youth, Bentiu Town

Bush patrols for wood

Women in Bentiu Town told a listening group that they are afraid of unknown [gun] men during the collection of firewood in the bush.

Women, Bentiu Town

Vulnerable people need help in Rubkona

A listening group in Rubkona head about a request to construct latrines for vulnerable people who do not have latrines in their areas. Also another group of disabled people in Rubkona are asking for help in collecting charcoal in the bush as they cannot accomplish physical this effort by themselves They also worry that there is only one clinic in Rubkona which cannot save the life of all people inside Rubkona town. They ask if anyone can create another clinic in Rubkona town.

Adults, Rubkona

Peace and Reconciliation

In a listening group discussion, the community in Bentiu and Rubkona town welcomed the signing of the peace agreement and urged the South Sudan Leaders to allow peace to hold. They do not want it to fail like the one in 2015.

Adults, Rubkona Town

Plastic happiness

Through their listening group, pupils in Nyueljuol Primary School in Rubkona expressed happiness to Mercy Corps for providing them with plastic sheetings. At Mal Primary School in Bentiu PoC Sector 2, pupils are requesting for buckets to storing drinking water.

Children, Rubkona and Sector 2 PoC

A lead mother demonstrating how to feed a children six months and above on Kondial FM. Photo/Internews

46 Feedback Collected From

- Adults (over 35 years old) 59%
- Youth (11-35 years old) 41%
- Children (under 11 years old) 9%

Feedback Gathered Through 636 Interactions

- Listening Group 74%
- Information Officer 22%
- Phone 4%

Kondial 97.2 FM Weekly Program Highlights

Morning Show: Breastfeeding

"The hen sits on its eggs to warm and hatch them. Even us mothers should cover your babies to protect them from diseases like pneumonia," said Nyalada Wichtuor during a recording for the World Breastfeeding Radio programme. Lead Mothers encouraged breastfeeding of babies 12 times a day and on the radio show, Martha Chuol Kuol in Sector 5 Block 7 advised mothers to take porridge and eat to increase breast milk and breastfeed beyond 6 months. Care Head of Lead Mothers, Mary Nyathak Wich said that they taught mothers to follow all the correct breastfeeding procedures. Other partners in the training were World Relief and Concern Worldwide. Luka Lam Machar from Bentiu town called the radio programme and advised fellow men to care for their wives when they give birth.

Afternoon Show: Peace

The eruption of celebrations in the PoC upon the signing of the peace deal was recorded and broadcast on Kondial FM. Callers responded by asking the leaders to embark on peace building. A resident in Sector 2 Block 17 said peace begins from home and neighbourhoods. Listeners in Sector 4 called in saying that there's need for forgiveness and reconciliation. Over in

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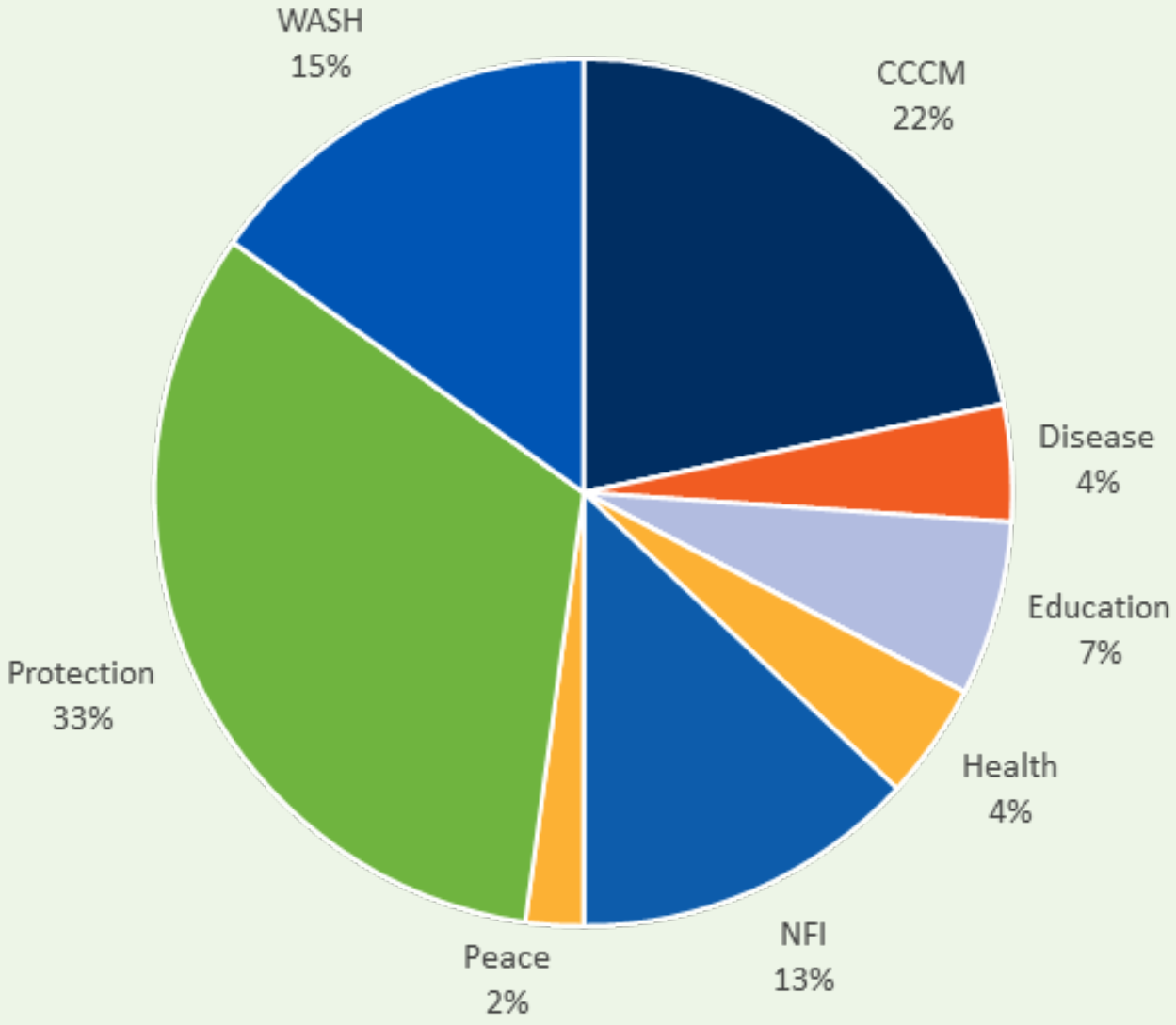


Weekly Program Highlights Continued

Sector 5 callers advised friends involved in crime to abandon the practice and engage in productive activities. The contributors also asked the youth to respect the signed peace by sharing peaceful messages. Peace partners were requested to keep sending out peace messages to encourage peaceful coexistence.

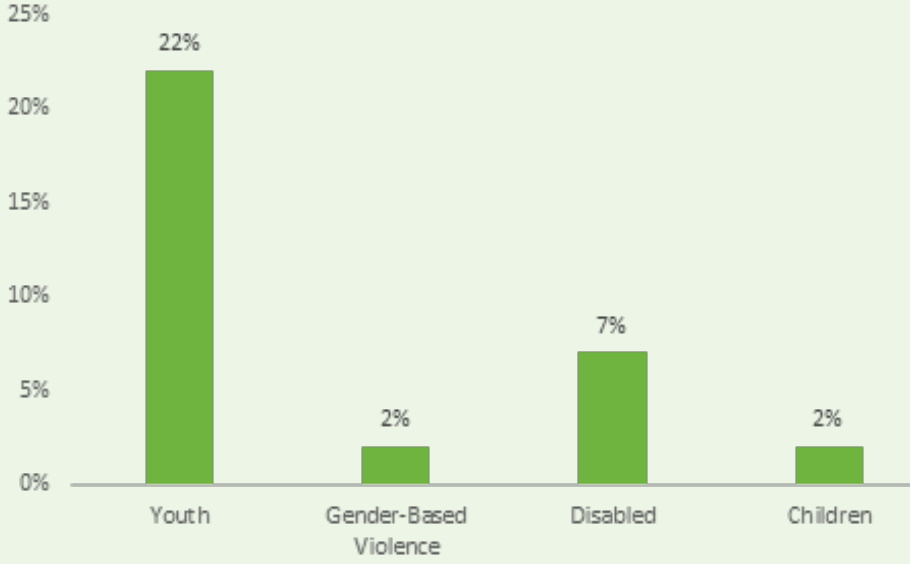
Veronica, a mother living in the Bentiu PoC implored all stakeholders to unite and bring an end to their suffering. This was during a call-in show on Kondial FM discussing the peace deal in Khartoum. On the show, Peter Kuot Matiak a PoC resident said that, the youth should give room to peace. He said that peace should be given a chance once and for all. They were responding to the Justice and Commission Officer James Matut Koang who explained how they were conducting peace messaging on youth fostering peace and avoiding tribalism.

Morning Show: Peace

The following morning callers on Kondial FM's Morning Show expressed happiness about the peace deal but said the leaders should unite and give peace a chance. They are optimistic that their long suffering could come to an end. One of the Bentiu PoC elders Gatyang Mahoth Tutdel Koang appeared live on the show and requested the community to emulate the national spirit of reconciliation, allow room for peace and stop criminality. Another elder Thoare Weal in Bentiu PoC called on the community to promote of peace.

Protection Detailed Feedback

This graph details the feedback by sub-category, for the most mentioned overall category from the chart to the left.



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What We Heard This Week – Feedback from the Community

Rains demolished latrines for elderly

Elderly folk in block 53 of Ajuong Thok said that their latrines were demolished by rains and have asked Samaritan Purse to do an assessment of their needs for new latrines to avoid open defecation.

Elderly, Ajuong Thok, Block 53

To mitigate risks, women need training to produce stoves

Women in block 12 said they would like the training offered by DRC on fuel efficiency stove production to be resumed. They said that they want to be being trained in fuel efficient stove production to reduce firewood consumption and thereby mitigate the risks from collecting firewood in the bushes.

Women, Ajuong Thok, Block 12

It is inappropriate for adult couples to share shelters with their young ones

Big sizes families in block 52 told Jamjang FM that they were not happy about adults sharing shelters with their adolescents. They said the adolescents become mature and it wasn't appropriate to live in the same room with adults and have asked UNHCR and DRC to provide them with extra transitional shelters.

Adults and youth, Ajuong Thok, Block 52

Adolescents say they cannot share mosquito nets with mothers

Refugees in Pamir complained about mosquito nets that cannot last for three years as requested by humanitarian agencies. They said that young children who used to share mosquito nets with mothers have grown up over the three years and stopped sleeping under the same mosquito nets with mothers that has exposed them to malaria. They asked UNHCR and implementing partners to reconsider their position and give more nets to refugees.

Adult, youth, Pamir

We are going to destroy roads to make way for water

Pamir refugees at block 5 and 9 complain about the stagnant water near them which they blame on the road near them and its poor drainage system. They have asked before for help to fix the problem from previous rainy seasons. They would like a wider culvert installed now, or they will themselves cut a trench in the marram roads to make way for rainwater to cross if no action is quickly taken.

Adults, Pamir, block 5 and 9

Women want to learn close to their homes

Pregnant and lactating women in block 53 of Ajuong Thok have asked to be taught about child care and healthy pregnancy at their block by AHA. They say if the awareness sessions were conducted near to their shelters that have encouraged turnout in big numbers.

Women, Ajuong Thok, Block 53

Alarm raised over ongoing FGM practices

Residences of block 12 told listening groups about the female FGM in the community and Protection partners could conduct an awareness campaign to end and/or discourage these practices.

Youth, Ajuong Thok, Block 12

Internews Jamjang FM correspondent Awadia Mahmoud covers the graduation event of 341 people trained in business skills by IRC. Photo/Internews

42 Feedback Collected From

- Adults (over 35 years old) 42%
- Youth (11-35 years old) 58%

Feedback Gathered Through 554 Interactions

- Listening Group 79%
- Information Officer 21%

Jamjang 89.4 FM Weekly Program Highlights

Peace in Community: Wishes for peace and stability in South Sudan

Internews Jamjang FM produced show about the signing of the peace agreement in Khartoum. The show featured people in Ajuong Thok and Jamjang welcoming the coming of peace in South Sudan with contributors urging both parties to work for peace, stability and development. They wished the people of South Sudan to live in prosperity and welfare. Jamjang FM listeners who on the show added that the peace would enable the people of South Sudan to live together and to embark on activities for a better life.

WASH Program: Soaps for washing jerry canes

Bith Bol Ayuel, UNHCR WASH Program Field Associate explained on a Jamjang FM talk show that distribution of soaps at water points was a practice to educate the community on how to put in place hygienic protocols and maintain clean jerry cans. Simon Arop, IRC Hygiene Promotion Officer pointed out that they were carrying out a campaign engage the community in hygienic practices. Jamjang FM also spoke to refugees in Ajuong Thok and Pamir on the importance of cleaning jerry cans and how to keep them clean.

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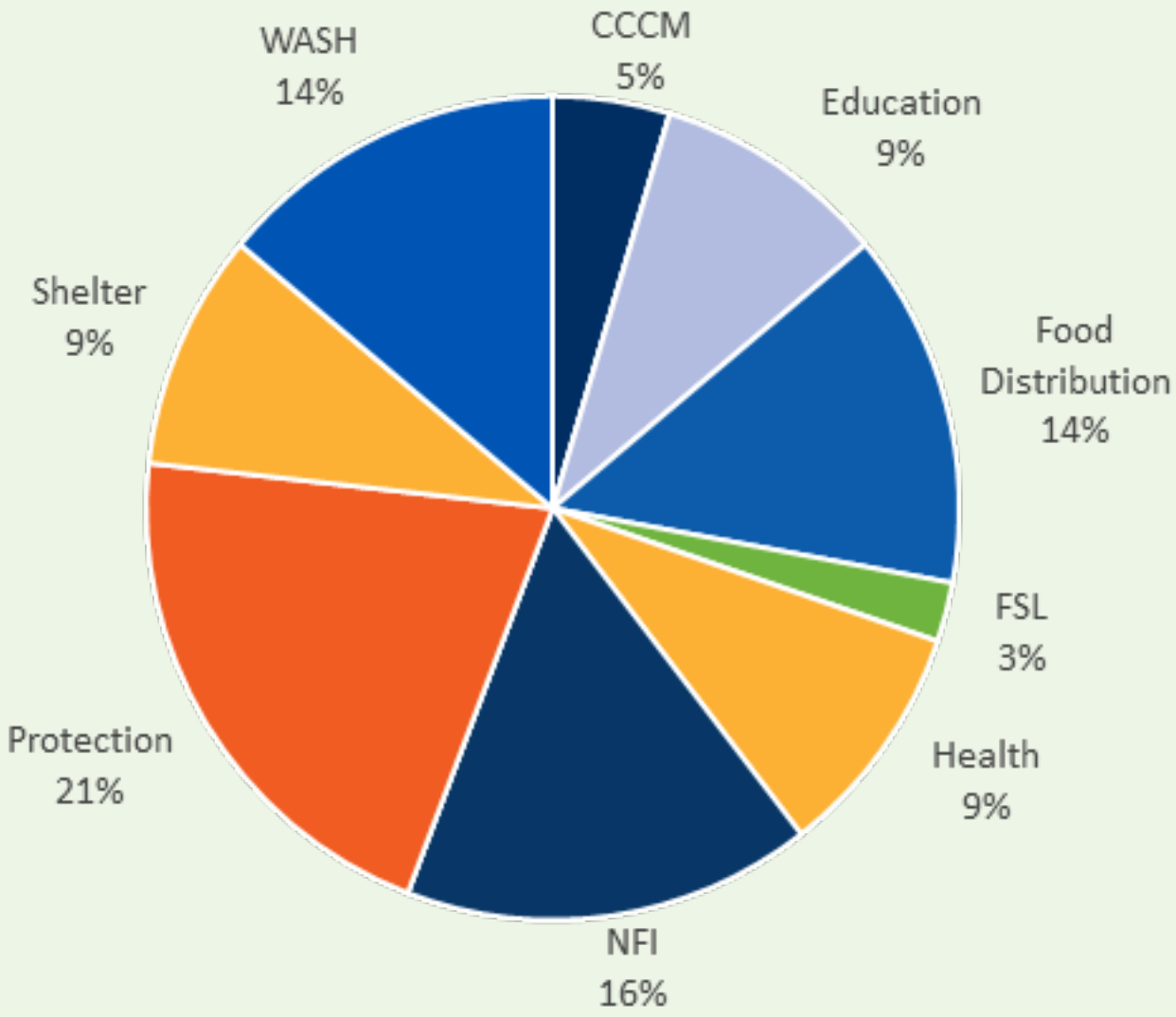

Weekly Program Highlights Continued

Security Program: Authorities ban illegal guns in the camps

Jamjang FM had Thiem Machar Kual, Governor of Ruweng State come to the studio to talk about their plan to recruit 500 new police personnel. This will be a new measure to tackle the criminal activities in the area and to deal with people moving with guns in refugee camps. Manyiil Kiir Anyiik, CRA Assistant Commissioner explained that they were working closely with the state government to stop the illegal movement of people with guns. People in Ajuong Thok and Pamir also appeared on the Jamjang FM Security Show to appeal to the authorities to take measures to stop such activities in the camps.

Education Program: Handover of 25 classrooms in Ajuong Thok and Pamir

Abraham Achiek, Jamjang UNHCR Education Associate appeared on the Education show to discuss how the handing over of new classrooms will reduce congestion in schools. Also on the show, Dendi Kiye the LWF Education Coordinator said that the brand new classrooms was in line with their plan to create a good learning environment for students and to meet South Sudan and the international education standards. People from the Ajuong Thok and Pamir community expressed their happiness on the show over of the new class rooms.

Programs Produced and Broadcast

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What We Heard This Week – Feedback from the Community

"We need workshops on peace building"
Residents have told us that since peace agreement has been signed by all the conflicting parties in South Sudan, they would like to ask concerned organizations in peace building to conduct workshops on peace and reconciliation. They said they need to gain skills that can help them play their role in peace and peaceful co-existence among communities. They like all the residents to embrace peace with each other.
Youth & Adults, sector 1 & 2

Train Community Watch Group members
Women have told us that Community Watch Group members need to be trained on how to find thieves who steal properties of others. They asked Camp management to tell UNPOL to train the CWG members so that they can have skills to stop thieves from stealing and finding properties when they are stolen.
Adults, Sector 1, 2, 3 & 4

Please distribute plastic sheets
Residents in sector 3 have told listening groups that they have missed out on the plastic sheets to protect their tent roofs. They told us that they are asking DRC to distribute plastic sheets to them so they can also protect their properties. Generally there are many demands for more plastic sheets to repair roofs to protect their homes from rain.
Adults, Sector 3 (also similar feedback across the PoC)

Security at night needs strengthening
Residents have told our listening groups that theft cases have increased beyond control. They ask camp management if they could work with UNPOL to ensure there are patrols at night to improve the security situation in the PoC.
Adults, sector 1 block G1

Exercise in privacy
Residents have told listening groups they are worried about the effect on children seeing gym exercises from the British peacekeeper force and they would like camp management to ask the troops to exercise where kids can't see them.
Adults, sector 4

Thanks for repairing bathrooms
In sector 1 Block C the residents listening group told us that they wanted to thank IOM WASH department for repairing their bathrooms with new plastic sheets. They ask them to keep improving all the services. They appeal to IOM to continue with opening drainages to allow flow of water from bath rooms to the drainages. Over in block A, and also in sector 2 they were concerned their latrines are already full and are asking WASH partners be proactive in finding and emptying full latrines in all the sectors of the PoC so they do not have to join long queues or walk to find other latrines.
Adults & Youth, Sector 1 block A and block C, and Sector

Nile FM Community Correspondent interviews a fisherman in sector 2 after receiving fishnet from Oxfam/UNYDA in PoC. Photo/Internews

30 Feedback Collected From

• Adults (over 35 years old)	53%
• Youth (11-35 years old)	47%

Feedback Gathered Through 764 Interactions

• Listening Group	33%
• Information Officer	20%
• Telephone Calls	20%
• SMS	10%
• Mobile Feedback	17%

Nile 98.0 FM Weekly Program Highlights

Children's Program: Adults cautioned on interfering in children conflict
Iflaton Nykang, a protection officer at War Child Holland said parents, particularly mothers, should not defend their children blindly when there is a fight among or when an adult correct them. He said such defense and interference could lead to disturbances in community relationships and would break down communication. He said such habits are not traditionally correct because this could easily teach children to misbehave as they wish because they are being defended. However, a mother, Farida John urged mothers on the program to avoid doing so because it could also lead to hatred and isolations among families.

Question of the Day Program: Peace on the airwaves
On the live studio call-in program, some listeners expressed their joy on the signing of the South Sudan peace agreement. Some said the signing of the peace has come like a light shining into their lives. They said a new era has come and that all south Sudanese should denounced tribalism and hate speech and embrace reconciliation among all the communities. Other callers said people should forget the bitter past and focus on building good future. Also, the suggested to Nile FM to brining to the studio religious leaders (Christian & Muslim) to talk about peace and reconciliation so that they can call to find answers to their questions.

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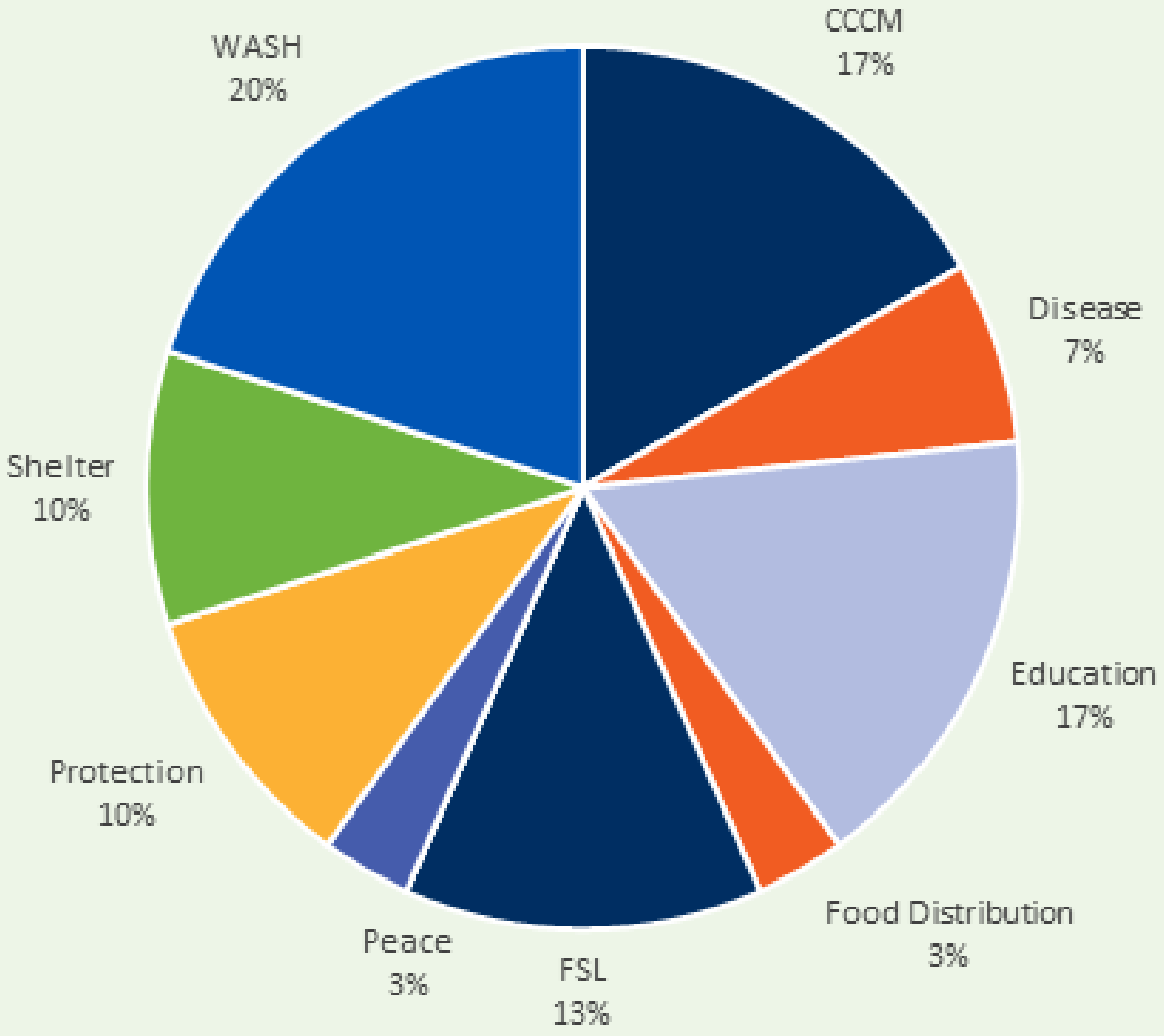

Weekly Program Highlights Continued

WASH Program: Clean homes during the rainy season

IOM Hygiene Supervisor, Yohaness Dak said that during the rainy season people should clean their homes every day and open the sub-drainages near to them. This will allow water running out side to the main channel to stop mosquitoes from breeding in the drainages. Also the program spoke to people about how they deal with garbage during the rainy season. A mother, Farida James, gave an example that during the rainy season she cleans her home every day and put the garbage into the barrels at the designated areas to avoid bad smells.

Fishing nets in the PoC for the first time

On the Nile FM broadcast Oxfam UK and UNYDA distributed fishing nets to about 500 people for the first time since IDPs entered PoC in 2014. The fisher folk expressed their delight that these fishnets will help them get more than enough fish for their families as well as for market for earning some income. They said the nets may help bring down the price of fish in the market too.

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