

## Improved basic services in DOR schools

### Project locations:

Northern Bahr el Ghazal State - Gordhim and Marial Baai

Warrap State - Marial Lou

Lakes State - Rumbek and Mapuordit

### ACTIVITIES

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#### 1. Rehabilitation of 2 blocks of classrooms in Rumbek

The tender for the reconstruction of 2 blocks of classrooms in the school was awarded by means of a negotiated procedure that didn't involve publication. DOR consulted three construction firms to quote for the works using the bill of quantities that was prepared by the organisation's technical advisor. The education coordinator and the technical advisor negotiated the terms of the contract with O.B. Technical Services, which was found to give the fairest quote, in addition to having adequate technical capacity to handle the works.

The reconstruction of 2 blocks of classrooms in the Comboni primary school in Rumbek began in the month of March. So far the following works have been completed in the first block which is made up of 4 classrooms and one staff office:

- Wall plastering is complete; painting will be carried out soon
- The floors for 2 classrooms are fixed and those for the other two classrooms and the office are ongoing
- Black boards are fixed in all the classrooms
- Metallic door frame and shutters are being fixed in place

In the second block of 3 classrooms and a principal's office, the following has been carried out:

- The roof has been removed
- The ring beam is set and the wall plate is being put up



Block of 4 classrooms and one staff office  
before renovation



block of 4 classrooms and one staff office  
during renovation



block of 4 classrooms and one staff office during renovation



The new interior of a classroom in the block of 4 classrooms and one staff office



The old interior in a classroom in the block of 4 classrooms and one staff office

## 2. School feeding program for over 500 pupils

It is envisaged that this activity will involve the pupils receiving a mug of porridge (made from porridge) during the first morning break. An initial estimate has been done for the feeding program and for the first three months of the school term. The school will require 200kgs of sorghum and 4 bags of sugar. In addition, a cook will be paid.

Already, the Sister in charge has purchased the sorghum and sugar from Aweil town in readiness for the school opening on April 6th.

### **3. Guidance, counselling and mentoring of 100 girls**

The school identified a candidate for the position of girls mentor based on the ToR prepared by the education coordinator. She is a local trained teacher, well respected and widely known in the community. Her name is Mary Archangel Bak. The first step for her will be to come up with the first three months work plan assisted by the Sister in charge and DOR.

The activities to be undertaken will not only focus on social issues but will also be guided by spiritual teachings and will be participatory in nature and also strive to involve mothers as much as possible. Participatory approaches will involve expression of ideas through art work, essays on personal stories, lessons learnt, groups discussions with the mentor, mothers and role models in the community among other approaches. The sourcing of reference materials which can be put in the library for the girls will commence in April

The DOR coordination team met with MOEST officials in Aweil at the end of March to request for collaboration on this project and they were very positive and promised to help in the implementation where they were able to.

### **4. Payment of monthly salaries for 13 educators of accelerated learning programs**

This activity will begin in April when the schools open

### **5. School based and out of service training of 13 educators of accelerated learning programs**

This school based activity is planned from July to September in Mapuordit and September to December in Marial Lou

Out-of-service training – our field staff is carrying out an assessment of the possible training colleges where the ALP teachers can undergo training

### **6. Training of 30 PTA members in three basic schools**

This activity will be implemented in May and June