

# SITUATION REPORT SUDAN



SWITCHBOARD

## HIGHLIGHTS

### POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT

A protester died after being targeted by a gas canister to the head, bringing the death toll of Sudanese martyrs to 117 since the military coup on October 25, 2021 ([Reuters, 2022](#)). Protests have continued on a weekly basis despite the violent response, as tear gas and live rounds have been used against protesters ([Reuters, 2022](#)). Sudanese journalists have formed the country's first independent professional union in decades, defying the military's rule and laying the groundwork for freedoms and democratic rights despite the current climate ([The Guardian, 2022](#)). After decades of frozen diplomatic relations, US ambassador John Godfrey arrived to post in Sudan after 25 years ([Aljazeera, 2022](#)).

### CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT

Flooding in Sudan is causing displacement into Chad ([Dabanga Sudan, 2022](#)). The influx of large quantities of water from the Gash River in the state of Kassala in eastern Sudan led to the destruction of 35 agricultural projects around the Sa'ida Bridge in Telkok locality, as fractures on the bridge led to flooding that resulted in over £1.6 billion GBP in losses for farmers ([Madameek Newspaper, 2022](#)). According to the UN, over 150,000 people have been affected by flooding so far this year. The authorities report 89 people have died and about 50,000 homes have been damaged including some villages and towns south of Khartoum ([Reuters, 2022](#)). Flooding in Darfur has demolished thousands of houses and resulted in significant damage. There have also been several casualties, farms have been destroyed and drinking water supplies blocked, making the situation very alarming as there were already concerns due to Sudan's struggling economy and food insecurity ([ReliefWeb, 2022](#)).

### ECONOMY

The National Chamber of Exporters announced a "complete cessation and paralysis" in the movement of agricultural exports around the country due to workers' strike in the Ministry of Agriculture (plant protection) at both the federal and state levels. The chamber called for urgent intervention by the country's authorities and decision-makers to solve the problem ([Medameek Newspaper, 2022](#)).

### SECURITY

Over 31,000 people have been displaced following inter-communal violence in the town of Ganis—Ar Rusayris locality in the Blue Nile State—with most taking refuge in public buildings and schools ([UNOCHA, 2022](#)).

### HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

The UAE's Khalifa Bin Zayed Foundation ([ReliefWeb, 2022](#)) and the Bahrain Red Crescent Society (BRCS) sent emergency relief to Sudan ([ReliefWeb, 2022](#)), including essential food and medical supplies, to support those affected by floods that hit six states—River Nile, Gezira, White Nile, West Kordofan, South Darfur, and Kassala. Islamic relief are also on the ground responding to needs ([Islamic Relief, 2022](#)).

## CASE STUDY

### SUDANESE AMERICAN PHYSICIANS ASSOCIATION

Established in 2019, the Sudanese American Physicians Association (SAPA) is a not-for-profit, scientific, professional, non-partisan, and humanitarian membership-based organization for physicians of Sudanese descent living and working in the United States. The association provides support, networking, and education for physicians as well as collaborations with physicians and healthcare organizations in Sudan and abroad. SAPA was one of the first organizations to respond to the crisis, providing medicine for around 10,000 people and mosquito nets for families in remote villages in Sudan.

SOURCES: Sudanese American Physicians Association, Madameek Newspaper, Islamic Relief Sudan  
[Reuters](#)

