

South Kordofan and Blue Nile Coordination Unit Protection Report¹ #8 - 2015

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Four cluster bombs were launched by two Jet fighters on 10 July into the village of Tabanya (Thobo county), in South Kordofan, without provoking any casualty. Some of the bombs did not explode, leaving unexploded bomblets on the ground that are threatening the lives of the civilians. Cluster bombs are prohibited by an International Convention that the Government of Sudan has not joined. Cluster bombs were also used in South Kordofan in May 2015. There is no evidence to date of their use in Blue Nile state.

A 17 year old boy was killed on 30 June by shelling in Nugra village (Tangel payam, Umdorein county) in South Kordofan when 12 shells were fired from the state capital Kadugli by government forces. The shells also killed 3 cows. High levels of insecurity continue to affect the ability of the population to cultivate, which will reduce food production in the coming months.

¹ The South Kordofan and Blue Nile Coordination Unit (SKBN CU) works with local civil society organizations and international humanitarian actors to share credible information on humanitarian needs in the two conflict-affected states and the refugees from the Two Areas who have fled to Upper Nile and Unity states in South Sudan. In this focused protection update, the main sources of information are civilians involved in local humanitarian monitoring and protection activities.