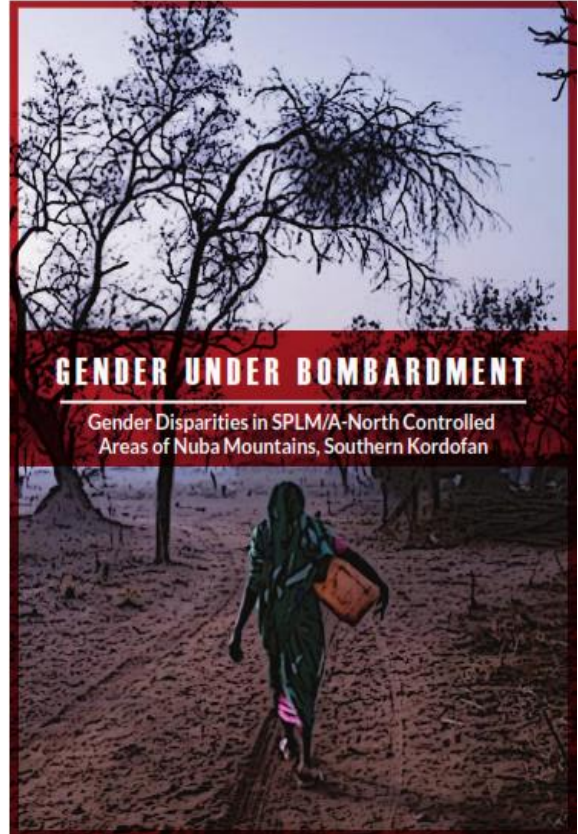


**Kampala (27<sup>th</sup> May 2016).** The Sudan Consortium proudly announces the launch of its latest publication “Gender Under Bombardment- Gender Disparities in SPLM/A-North Controlled Areas of Nuba Mountains, Southern Kordofan”.

The research is a result of fieldwork undertaken in May 2015 in Southern Kordofan, aiming at shedding light onto existing gender disparities and the impact the ongoing conflict has on them. Cultural patterns and continuous conflict have exacerbated gender disparities, which warrant serious consideration by humanitarian actors and stakeholders, regional power brokers, and civil society groups working in and/or outside of Nuba Mountains.



Since 2011, the people of the Nuba Mountains have borne the brunt of the fighting. The high tense relationship between the Sudanese ruling regime and the SPLM/A-N in South Kordofan and Blue Nile has turned into a brutal armed conflict with a mass campaign of bombardment. Not only have civilians died as a direct result of the bombings, but livelihoods have been severely disrupted. The toll taken by the conflict on both men and women is informed by the cultural and social constructions of gender that existed before the war, even as these necessarily shift in this period of crisis.

Although reporting on the conflict in on-going, there has been little attention to producing a gendered analysis of both the conflict and its consequences on individuals, families and communities. The paper seeks to provide critical knowledge about gender inequalities and the related roles and responsibilities of women and girls. Furthermore it serves to provide guidance in the various aid and civil society sectors and their gender equality interaction of food security, protection and peace-building, and to explore questions of access to key services and resources for women and girls with the aim of identifying elements either restricting or permitting access.

Read the full report [here](#).