



# **SOUTH SUDAN EVD TASKFORCE MEETING**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018**

**Update on South Sudan's preparedness and response readiness capacities**

# NTF Meeting Agenda; 02/10/2018

Item	Description	Time	Responsible person
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Self Introduction</li> <li>Communication from the Hon. Minister</li> </ul>	2:00-2:05 pm	Dr Riek Gai Kok
2	Review of action points from previous meeting	2:05-2:20 pm	NTF Secretariat
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Latest Update on EVD outbreak situation in DRC</li> <li>Epidemiology, Surveillance and Laboratory status in South Sudan                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2:20-2:40 pm	Dr Otim
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Updates on EVD TWGs per thematic areas:</li> <li>Current Status/progress made</li> <li>Challenges/Gaps</li> <li>Recommendation and way forward</li> </ul>	2:40-3:20 pm	TWGs leads & Co. leads
5	A.O.B	3:20-3:30 pm	All



# Key action points from meeting held on 20/9/2018

Action	Description	Responsible
1	Health Cluster to convene a meeting with identified lead partners to identify their capacities and gaps in the different priority locations	Health Cluster
2	WHO to share with Health Cluster partners the minimum standards to setup isolation facilities	WHO
3	WHO and WFP engineers to meet 29/Sept and work on the structural specifications and BoQ of the slab for isolation facilities	WHO and WFP
4	The high leadership of the MoH should be notified and involved in all EVD alerts as it is a serious Public Health emergency	MoH
5	RDT and controls for GeneXpert should be availed so that initial tests are conducted at NPHL before samples are referred to UVRI	WHO/NPHL
6	Include ICRC to be part of SDB TWG to support management of death bodies for safe and dignified burial	Secretariat

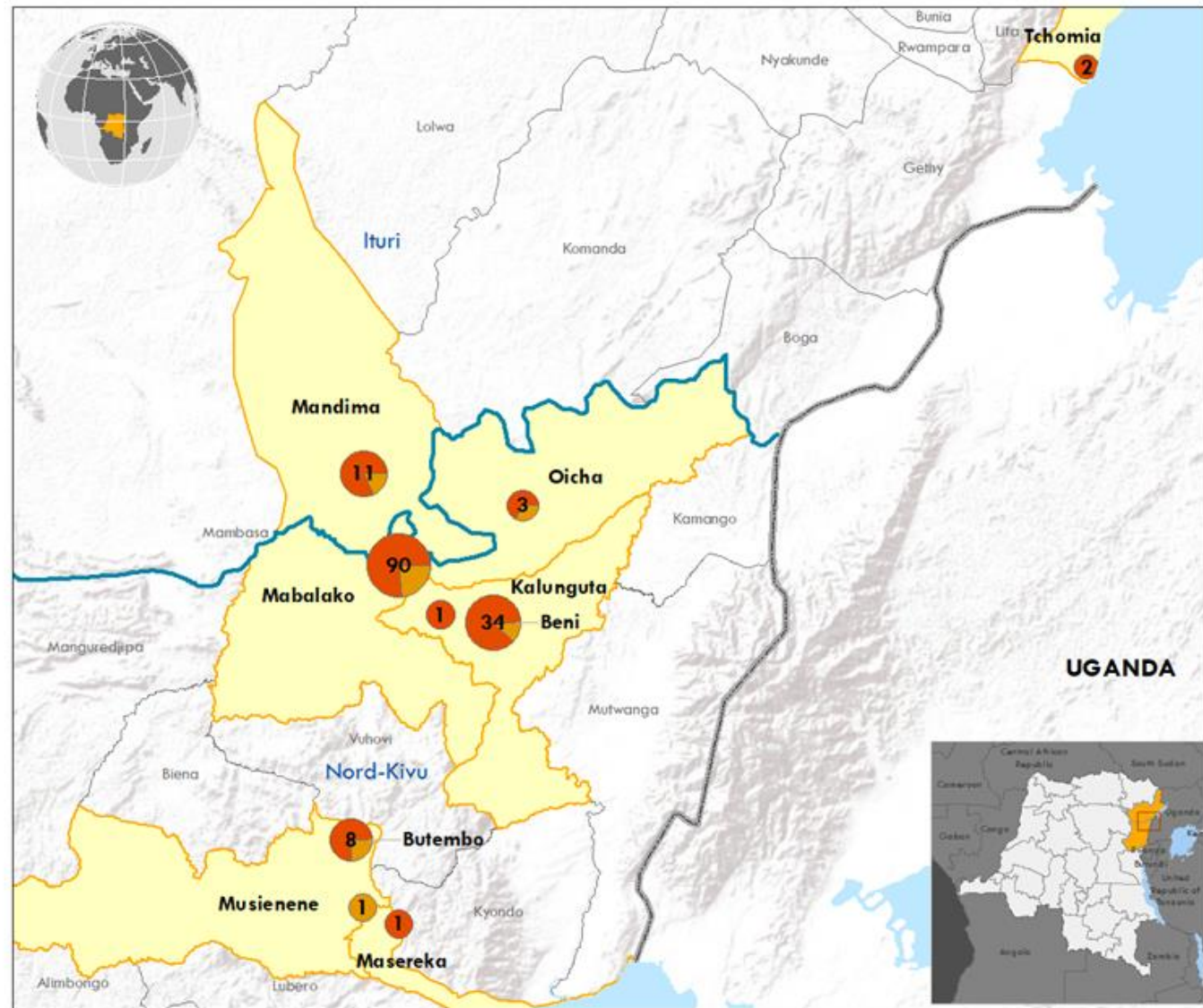


# EVD in DRC

- **Update on Ebola in DRC for 1 October, with data up to 30 September:**
  - Total of **161 cases** (**129** confirmed & **32** probable), including **105** deaths.
  - **Two** cases in Tchomia which is just across the border from Uganda and
  - **three contacts** of these cases (Congolese Refugees) are being followed up in Uganda(Hoima)
- **Over 5700 contacts have been registered, of which 1660 remain under surveillance as of 25 September.**
  - From 19 to 25 September, a high proportion of contacts ranging between 95-98% were followed up daily;
  - however, coverage fell to between **60-76%** from 23 to 25 September due to the suspension of field activities in Beni and a new front of operations in Tchomia.



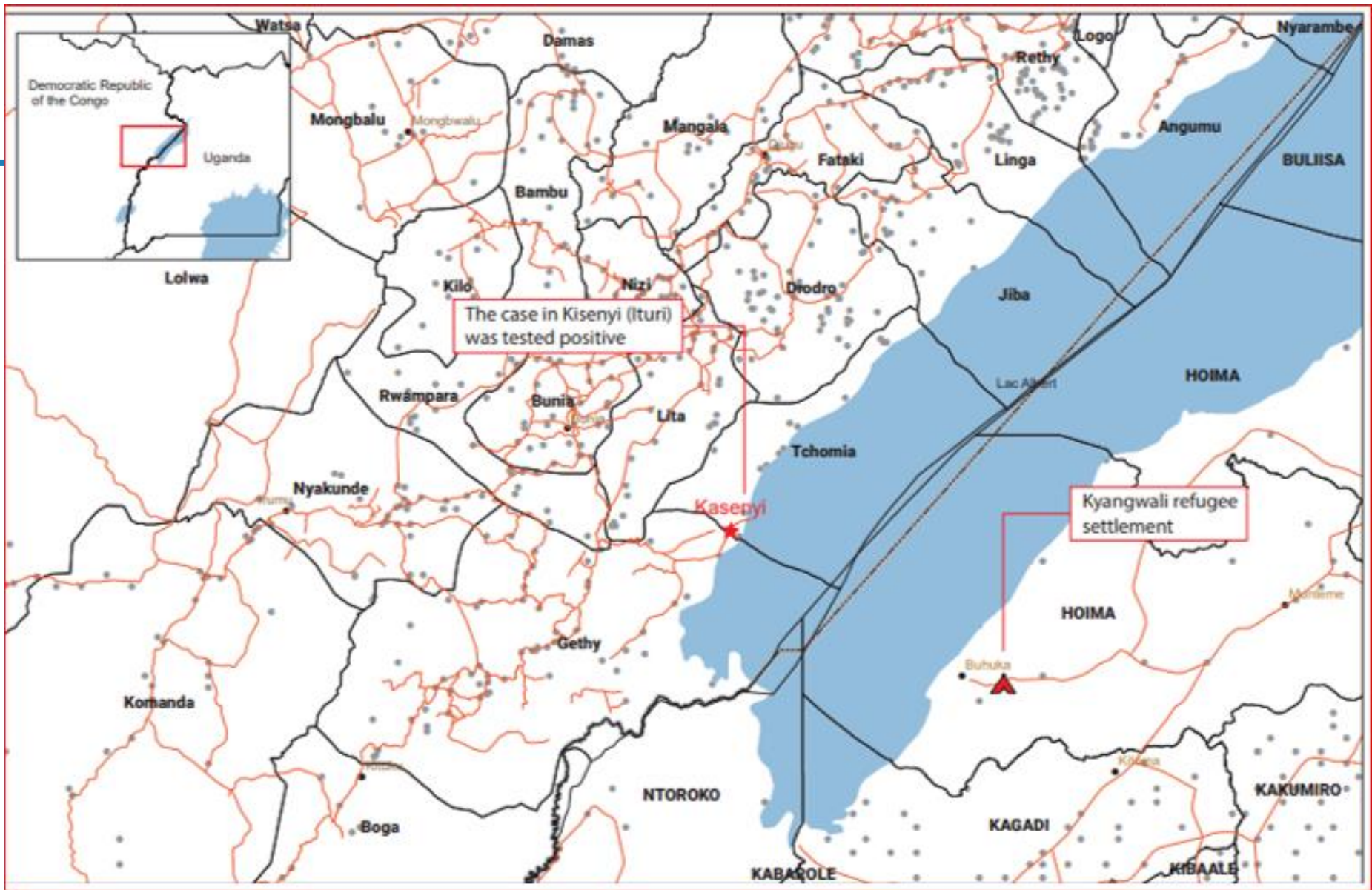
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# EVD Risk assessment in the Region

- This has been raised from **High** to **Very High**
- A very high Risk assessment level requires the Countries(South Sudan, Rwanda, Burundi and Uganda) To:
  - Have operational readiness( all aspects of response)
  - Conduct simulation exercises to test readiness
  - Have funds readily available for prompt response
  - Active Surveillance in High risks areas
  - Enhanced risk communication and social mobilization



# BH&PoE Status update

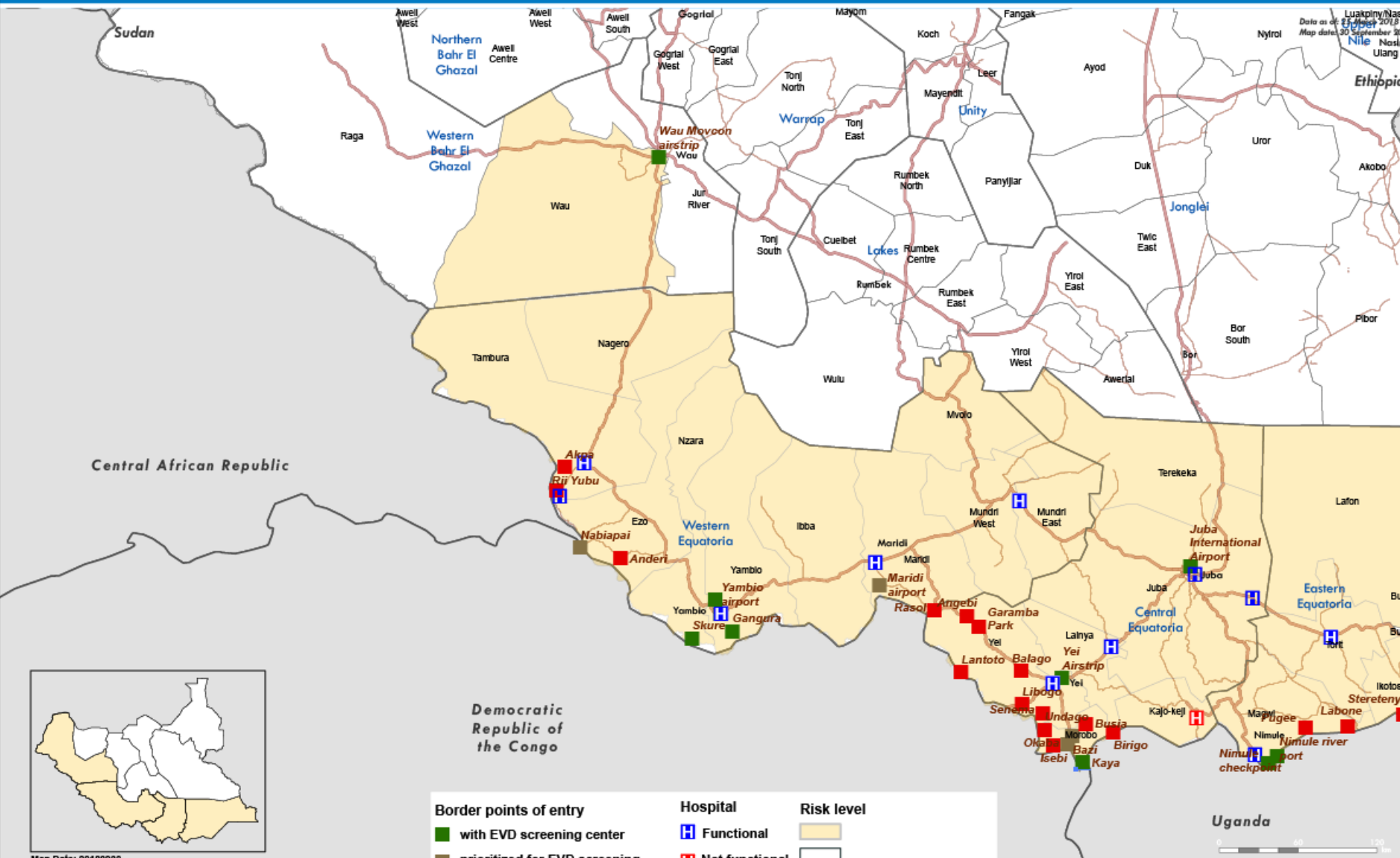
County	# of Points of Entry Identified	# of Screening Active	# of Screening prioritized	# of people screened	# of Alerts	# of Isolation centers Identified	# of ETUs Identified	Remark
Gbudue	4	3	1	1,647	1	0	0	Sakure, Gangura, Yambio Airstrip
Jubek	1	1	0	27,026	0	0	0	JIA
Maridi	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	Maridi airstrip
Tambura	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Torit	8	2	1	192,974	8	0	0	Nimule & Nimule Port River CP
Wau	1	1	0	245,	0	0	0	Wau Airport
Yei River	15	3	4	707	0	0	0	Kaya, Yei RRC, Yei sirstrip
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>222,599</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	





# South Sudan: - Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) Risk Map, 2018

Data as of 30 September 2018  
Map date: 30 September 2018



Map Date: 20180930

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## Update on suspected EVD case from new site

- On 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 the RRT composed of MOH, WHO and JTH investigated suspected VHF death in New Site
- 4 samples(2 blood samples and 2 swabs samples were collected).
- GenXpert screening test was carried out at the PHL in Juba and it was negative
- On 27<sup>th</sup> September 2018 the samples were shipped to UVRI for testing and the results came out on Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018, which was negative for Ebola



# Way Forward

- EOC Alert algorithm to be updated to guide response to new alerts
- JTH should attend the NTF meetings and should be supported to form Hospital Ebola preparedness Taskforce; & to train all staff on Ebola.
- Stand by vehicle should be available at the EOC to facilitate rapid response to new Alerts.
- Involve the Risk communication and psychosocial teams to engage communities during case investigation; retrieval of suspect Ebola cases from the community and to conduct safe and dignified burials.

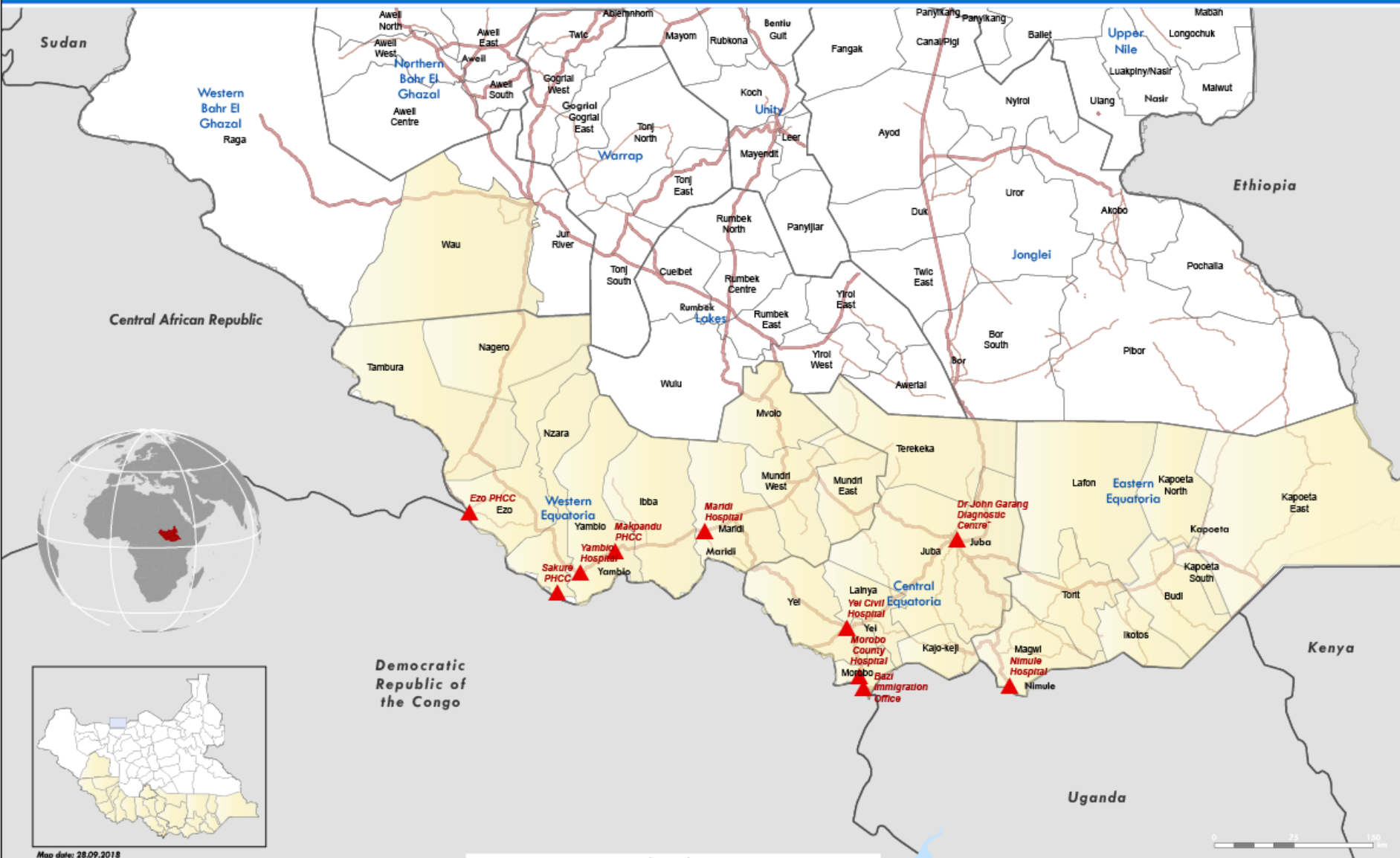


# Case management/Isolation Centers

State	Isolation center	Status	# of beds available
Jubek	Juba - Dr John Garang Diagnostic Centre	Not established	0/8
Torit	Nimule Hospital	Required upgrading	3/6
Yei River	Yei Civil Hospital	Not established	0/6
	Bazi Immigration office	Not established	0/6
	Morobo county Hospital	Not established	0/6
Yambio	Yambio Hospital	Not established	0/6
	Sakure PHCC	Not established	0/6
	Ezo PHCC	Not established	0/6
	Makpandu PHCC	Not established	0/6
Maridi	Maridi Hospital	Not established	0/6
Wau	*UNMISS clinic/Wau Hospital	Not established	0/6



# South Sudan: - Location of Isolation Centers for Ebola Preparedness and Response, 2018



**Legend**

- ▲ EVD Isolation Center
- High risk states
- State boundary
- County boundary
- Primary road
- Secondary road

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# Case Management & IPC

- Case management and IPC TWG has review and approved the Isolation facility minimum standards
- Isolation plan has been revised by WHO, WFP and UNICEF engineers



## RISK COMMUNICATION UPDATES activities 1/3

- Technical working group meeting every Tuesday of the week
- UNICEF have deployed team in Yei whom will based there for 10 days
- 16 more journalist oriented on Ebola messages and their roles as media
- 20 community mobilizer train on Ebola and currently conducting House to house and community engagement awareness
- Mega phone announcement also going on in Yei and neighbor villages 3 hr in the morning and 3 hrs in the evening
- 5 street announcement have been conducted



## RISK COMMUNICATION UPDATES activities 2/3

- Radio jingles is ongoing in 13 radio station in different dialect , Madi, Acholi, Bari, Madi, Zande, Arabic and English other propose dialect is on going
- Poster have been finalized and translated into Arabic
- Bulks messages have been review finalize awaiting NTF finale inputs
- 30 Community leaders, religious, women youth reach and conducting community engagement In Yei,
- More than 200 refugees reached on Ebola messages during verification exercise conducted by UNHCR at GIZ compound on 21<sup>st</sup> 09/2018
- On going partner mapping for all high risk areas.





## RISK COMMUNICATION UPDATES activities 3/3

- Church announcements currently ongoing in Yei
- 12 health facilities conducting awareness on Ebola in Yei
- Awareness conducted for 3 IDPS ECS, Jigoni, and Lizara
- Involve county commissioners in lobbying for support for talk show and Soc Mob
- 900 poster displayed in Yei
- **8000 Megaphone batteries**
- Negotiation on going for radio talk show at least once a week from the local radio station Sprit and Esther FM.
- 900 megaphone available
- Toll free number are actively running with total number of 220 calls received
- **724 missed calls**



# Upcoming activities

- Orientation workshop for Journalist/Editors and Managers
- Training of more volunteers religious leaders and community leaders
- Conduct massive awareness and public announcement
- Radio talk show and radio Jingles
- Community meetings
- Health facilities awareness on Ebola
- Schools, universities , market places awareness campaign
- Monitoring of social mob and mega phone activities



# Challenges

- Coordination support airtime
- Vehicle is grounded and can support Soc mob activities
- Fuel for logistic
- Coordination airtime for toll free number to call back the raising number of missed calls



# TWG meetings

<b>TWG</b>	<b>Day of meeting</b>	<b>Time</b>
Border Health and Points of Entry	Every Monday	10:00am
Surveillance and Laboratory	Every Monday	2:00pm
Safe and Dignified Burials	Every Monday	2:30pm
Risk Communication and Social Mob	Every Tuesday	10:00am
Vaccination and Therapeutics	Every Tuesday	10:00am
Case management and IPC	Every Tuesday	11:00am





**Thank you**