**Over 50,000 IDPs in Thobo County need food, shelter**

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**More than 55,330 Internally Displaced Persons or IDPs are in urgent need of food, shelter, clean drinking water and education services in Thobo County of Nuba Mountains region.**

Speaking to Radio Voice of Peace on Thursday, Thobo County Executive Director, Margan Abdalla Daldum, says the influx of IDPs into Thobo County came as result of fierce fighting between the two army generals of Sudan Abdul Fatta Alburan and Mohammed Hamdan Dagolo known as Hametti in April last year.

He adds that IDPs are desperately in need of food and non-food items calling for international humanitarian organizations to intervene in order to save the lives of the hungry people from starvation.

Mr. Abdalla says lack of food has forced thousands of people to eat leaves of trees and grass in order to survive.

He mentions that the host community is equally hungry as well as IDPs because last year there was poor rainfall and the locust ate all their crops leaving them without food to eat.

**3 IDPs die in Thobo County**

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**Three Internally Displaced Persons or IDPs have starved to death in Thobo County this week.**

Camp Leader Izzadien Musa reported to Voice of Peace Radio that the death of 3 IDPs recently was due to lack of food to eat and lack of shelter from the rain and coldness.

He called on NGOs to bring food as soon as possible and to make shelters for the sick and hungry IDPs.

The leader says they continue to receive IDPs from Kadugli on daily bases as the situation continues to deteriorate.

A displaced woman named Anowa Osman, says some children died on the way while trying to move to Thobo due to hunger.

She adds that women have been victims of rape and their husbands are killed if they attempted to protect their families from rapists.

Fierce fighting between Sudan Armed Forces and paramilitary Rapid Support Forces broke out in April 15 2023 leading to killing of hundreds of Sudanese civilians and displacements of thousands more.