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Over the past three months, Sudan has faced severe flooding and heavy rains, particularly in the Toker area of Eastern Sudan, which was one of the most affected regions. This natural disaster led to the displacement of over 37,000 households across Sudan in areas affected by the flood, leaving residents grappling with a humanitarian crisis. Toker experienced the destruction of 2,000 houses, 80% of the market shops were ruined, and tragically, 14 lives were lost.

In response to this dire situation, SIHA, in collaboration with Pad Needed Dignity Seeded (PNDS), took swift action to provide support. As part of our **Pads for Peace** initiative, we distributed sanitary pads to **400 women and girls** in the Toker region, helping address the critical menstrual hygiene needs of this vulnerable population. This response was vital, considering the lack of access to essential hygiene items due to market disruptions caused by the flooding.

These kits provided essential menstrual hygiene supplies, alleviating the challenges faced by displaced women who could not access these items in local markets due to the crisis. The feedback from women and girls in Toker emphasized the critical role that this campaign is playing in addressing a fundamental need during a time of extreme hardship. Many recipients expressed relief, noting that sanitary products had become unaffordable or unavailable in the market.



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As the flooding crisis continues to displace families and disrupt livelihoods, the need for menstrual hygiene management and supplies remains urgent. Our immediate goal is to extend our support to an additional 500 women and girls in other affected areas, including Kassala and Sennar, over the next quarter.



To achieve this, we need your continuous support to ensure we can meet the growing demand.

The **Pads for Peace** project remain a vital component of our ongoing efforts to support women and girls in Sudan during times of crisis. The collaboration with PNDS has enabled us to address the immediate needs in Toker, but the journey to restoring dignity and ensuring access to menstrual hygiene for all displaced women and girls continues.

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