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Report on the PPR situation in **Republic of Sudan**

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Background

The livestock sector in Sudan is the pioneer sector both in terms of its contribution to GDP and its absorption of large and important fields in the labor forces

Sheep and goats account for 37.79% and 29.40% respectively of the total livestock population and contribute significantly to the national economy

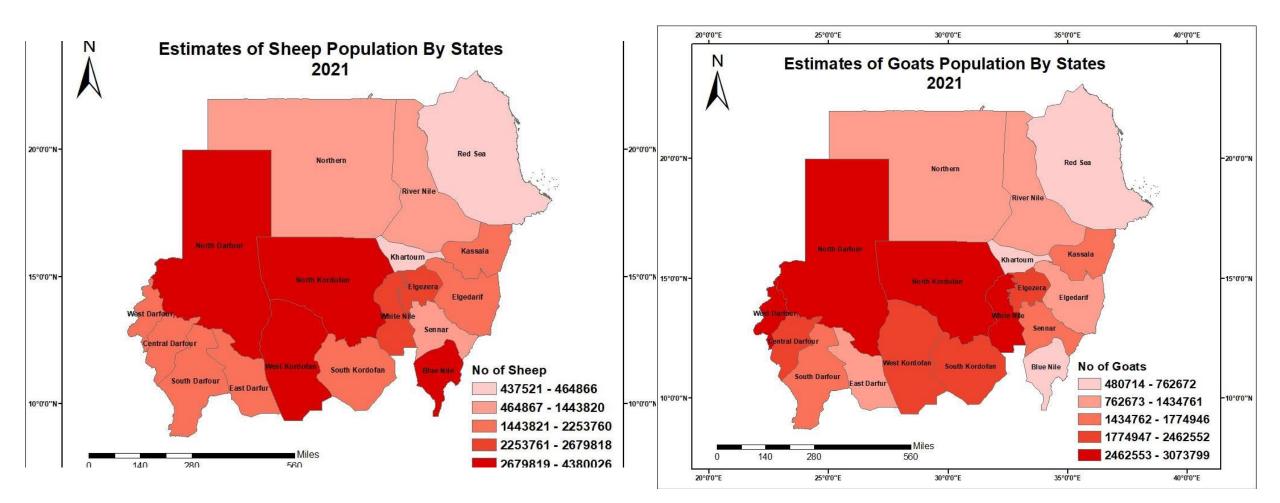
In 2020, <u>Sudan</u> exported \$143M in <u>Sheep and Goats</u>, making it the 3rd largest exporter of <u>Sheep and Goats</u> in the world. At the same year, <u>Sheep and Goats</u> was the 5th most exported product in <u>Sudan</u>

The sector is seriously constrained by the continued presence of trans-boundary animal diseases (TADs) such as peste des petits ruminants (PPR) and (SGP) that limited productivity and access to domestic and export markets and are therefore key obstacles to improving food security and the national economy



Background

Estimates of sheep & goats by state 2021









History of PPR outbreaks

•The disease was first reported in Sudan in 1971 at Gedarif area (Eastern Sudan).

• Consequently, reports from entire different parts of Sudan, followed that report.

• For the period 2000-2007, the disease picture in Sudan seemed to be alarming covering many parts of the country, with the highest number of outbreaks (43.6%) reported in Kassala and Gedarif in the east, followed by Khartoum (19.5%), River Nile State (17.4%) and the rest of the States accounting for 19.5%.

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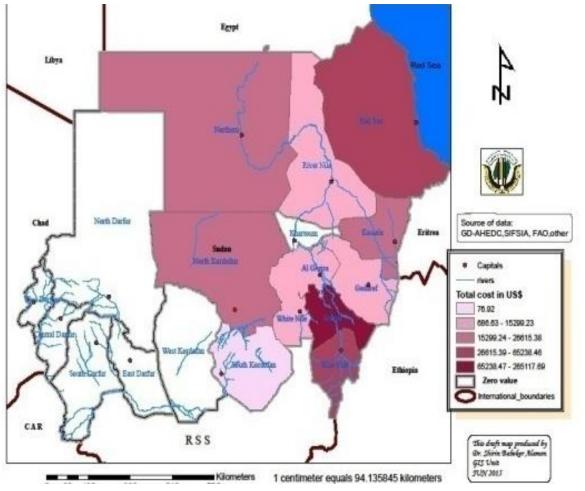
PPR has been ranked as the TOP priority of SR diseases in 2009 in an assessment study focused on the relative importance of priority SR diseases in Sudan.

Currently, the disease is ENDEMIC & wide spread.









PPR impact

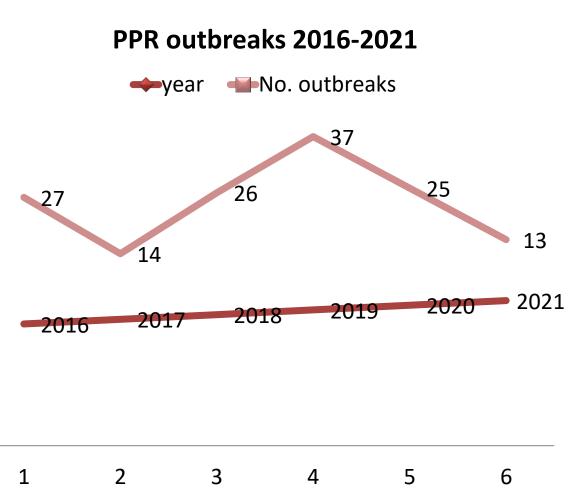
Wide impact on small ruminant production, household economy and the country macro economy.

Causes direct and indirect cost for pastoralist and agro-pastoralist households trade, export and the development of livestock production.

The overall losses due to PPR estimated to be 9,282,782 \$ country wide, with 90% general expenditure to combat the disease (socio-economic study 2012).

PPR outbreaks 2016 & 2021

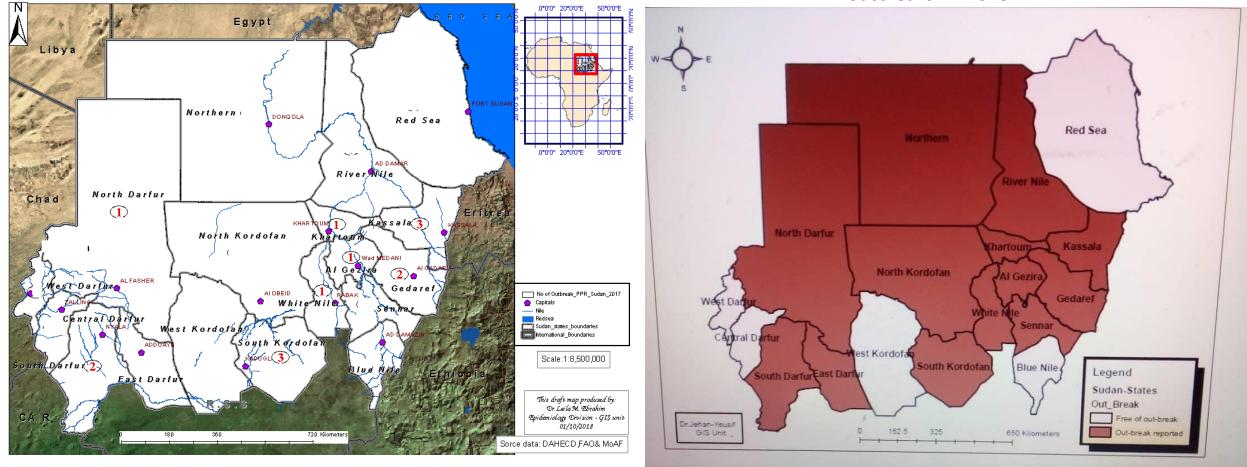
year	No. outbreaks
2016	27
2017	14
2018	26
2019	37
2020	25
2021	13
Total	142



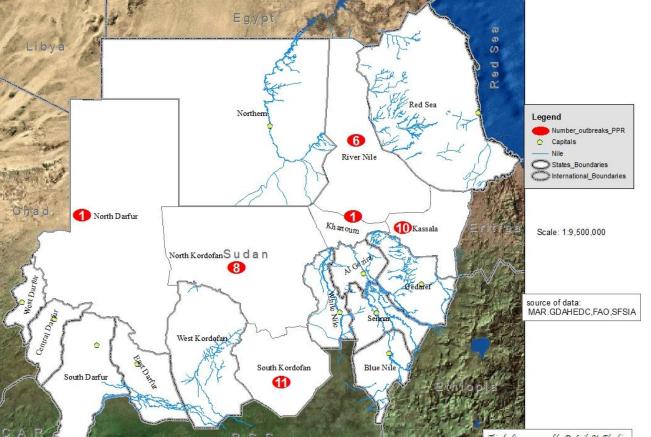
PPR Situation in Sudan PPR outbreaks 2017& 2018

Number of Outbreak for PPR in Sudan_2017

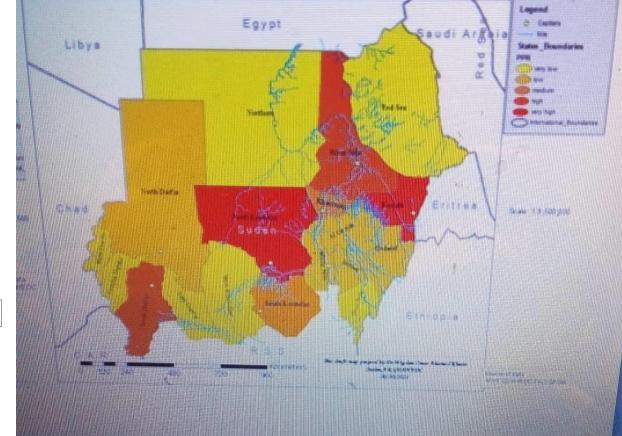
PPR outbreaks in- 2018



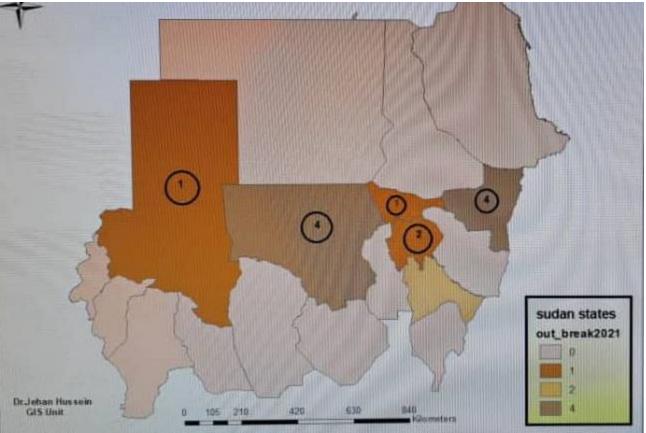
PPR outbreaks in- 2019



PPR outbreaks in- 2020



PPR outbreak in Sudan _2021



In response to outbreaks the following measures are conducted

- **Disease notification**,
- **General Surveillance**,
- Movement control,
- Official vaccination,
- Precautions at the borders, and
 - Zoning

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A NATIONAL CONTROL STRATEGIES for PPR and SGP were developed in 2010 as an integral components of Sudan National Veterinary Emergency Plan (SUDNAVETPLAN).

A HARMONIZED ACTION PLAN FOR CONTROL OF PPR & SGP formulated in Nov 2011 then Sudan started its actual implementation of the PPR control strategy earlier in 2012, and continued progressively along the control stages.

In 2017 the National PPR control strategy and the work plan is endorsed as national document, **ALIGNED TO** the **REGIONAL, CONTINENTAL** and the **GLOBAL** strategies & validated.



The Situation along the regionally agreed PPR Roadmap



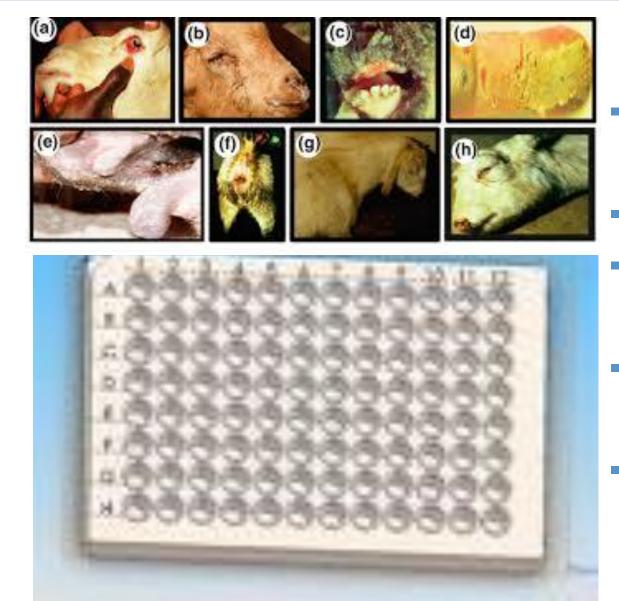
Countries	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	
Burundi	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	free		
Djibouti	1	1		3	3	3	4	free						
Eritrea	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	free			
Ethiopia	2	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	free				
Kenya	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	free			
South Sudan	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	free	
Sudan	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	free	1
Somalia	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	free				
Tanzania	1	2	3	3	3	4	4	free						
Uganda	1	2	3	3	4	4	4	free						1

(Progress along the country specific pathway) PPR stage in Sudan

in the 2nd PCP-FMD Roadmap & PPR consultation meeting for East Africa countries, Kigali, Rwanda, 20th – 23rd of October 2014, Sudan is qualified in stage 2 of the PCP-PPR roadmap.

 Based on the result of the self-assessment using PMAT, Sudan is still in stage 2 and started to complete issues remaining to move to the next level.

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available in the designated laboratory (or laboratories) to assist in testing samples for PPR virus.	Is at least one of the designated laboratories for national PPR evaluation activities, either in-country or outsourced, able to perform basic molecular-based diagnostic tests, for example conventional reverse transcription (RT)-PCR?	No						

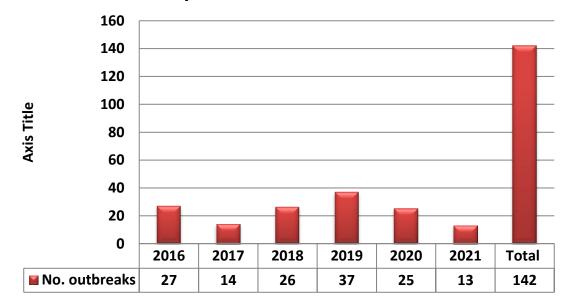




- Diagnostic tests operational in Sudan are c-ELISA, ic-ELISA and PCR. Establishment of the documentation system in Elisa lab according to ISO/17025 Record system and database for samples established in ELISA lab
- The CVRL has already started the accreditation procedures for PPR diagnosis and is for about to have the (ISO 17025).
- **CVRL** participated in **PPR PT** organized by the animal production and health laboratory (APHL) of the joint **FAO/IAEA** (Veiana- Austria) in 2016 and 2017.
- **ELISA** lab participated in several **PT** including **PPR** organized by (CIRAD-France) & CVRL participated in recent June 2021.

Reported outbreaks 2016-2021

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
No.	27	14	26	37	25	13	142
outbreaks							



Reported outbreaks 2016-2021



SURVEILLANCE Passive surveillance

- Passive surveillance is routinely conducted every month by receiving reports from all Sudan states.
- Sudan VS maintains a network for the collection of information from all parts of the country and compiled by the Information Unit (IU) in HQ
- 250 mobile phone were distributed for all Sudan states for the purpose of the immediate notification.

surveys from 2012-2015

Year	Survey	No. missions
2012	PDS	5
	Wildlife sero survey	1
	Sero monitoring	15
	sero survey	3
2013	Sero survey	3
2014	PDS	9
2015	Cross- sectionl survey	18

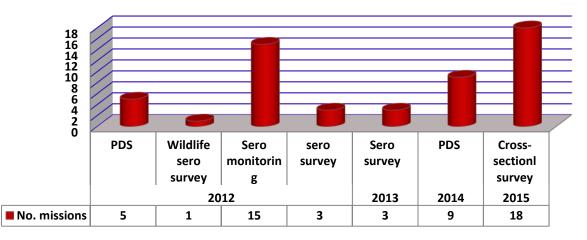
Samples collected from 2012-2015

Year	No. samples
2012	3544
2013	1959
2014	20
2015	16240
Total	21763

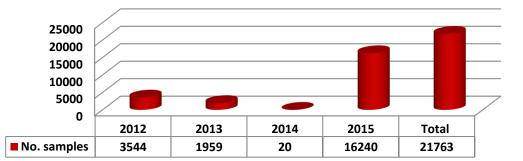


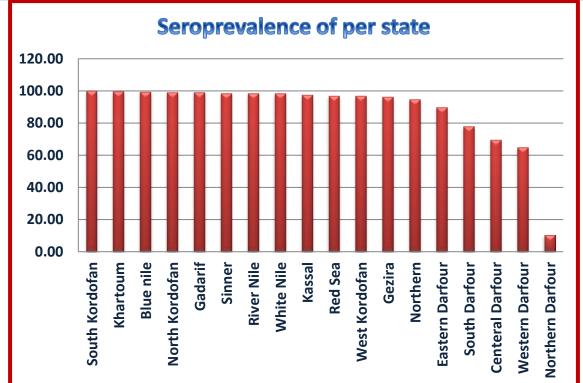
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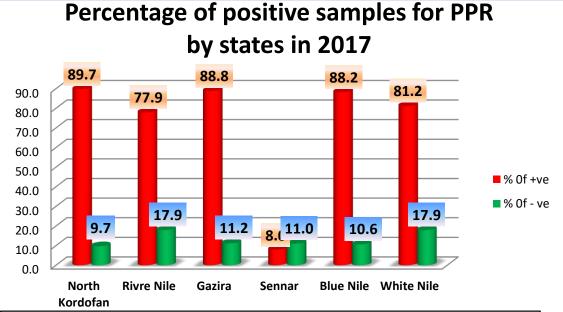


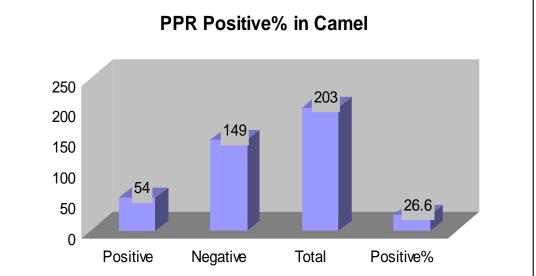
PPR Overall Ser-Prevalence in the country **94%**

SURVEILLANCE Active surveillance

- PPR clinical & sero-surveillance conducted through the STSD project in 2016.
- A total of **7508** samples were collected from small ruminants.
- •7062 samples were positive

- PDS & PSS surveys conducted in 2017 in 6 states targeting the high risk and remote areas to update PPR situation.
- 4038 blood samples for sera from sheep, and goats were collected in 2017 and been tested for the disease by the CVRL 3422 samples were positive.
- A Sero- survey targeted camels in kassala state (Eastern region) was conducted in April 2017, (203) samples were collected and tested 54 samples were positive





The official vaccination 2016-2021

year	Vaccination			
	number/h			
2016	10148300			
2017	31813500			
2018	75348700			
2019	163483100			
2020	334632276			
2021	672993538			



- PPR vaccine is produced locally in Sudan by the Central Veterinary Research Laboratory (CVRL).
- SOPs for the response mechanism is formulated to be implemented in case of a suspected/ confirmed outbreaks.
- Import restriction is successfully regulated by a National committee under direct supervision of the CVO.
- New check points were established within & between Sudan states and neighbouring countries.



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Gaps in Legislation in the Veterinary Domain -







STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVEMENT

- Training for the public and private professionals and para professional on différent aspects (Dieease investigation surveillance reporting....etc) through the VET- Gov pilot activities in 2016.
- A National Stakeholders Workshop to Validate the National PPR Control Strategy was conducted in 2017
- Sectoral awareness meetings were organized for different stakeholders (including livestock keepers, NGOs, wildlife specialistetc) in all Sudan states in 2018 and awareness materials were distributed.
- Stakeholders coordination meetings used to be held twice a year till 2019.



Strengthening of VS/ Enabling environment Technical capacities, at national level, is strengthened by trained personnel on:

- Risk analysis in March 2016 & April 2017
- Epidemiology of PPR Aug 2016
- PDS training Conducted for the eastern states through in May 2016 and for
- Participatory Disease search (PDS) for 18 states concerning PPR in Oct 2016.
- 3 workshops on ARIS2 in March- April 2016 and other 2 trainings in 2021
- 3 GIS workshops in Feb 2016 and 2 workshops in 2021
- Communication and Awareness in June 2016
- How to right reports in Dec 2016
- Statistics in March 2017.
- 2 vet participated in regional training on data entry in Epi- info in Nov 2017.
- 6 vets from the lab trained on PPR diagnosis of the disease in the Arab Republic of Egypt.



Strengthening of VS/ Enabling environment

• 27 vet inspectors from slaughterhouses in Khartoum state and from import & export slaughterhouses were trained in 25-27 September 2018 to increase their awareness of PPR clinical & differential diagnosis to facilitate clarity on progress to the next stages of PPR eradication.



Strengthening of VS/ Enabling environment

- Training workshop on PPR active surveillance has been conducted in 17th -20th December 2018 targeting veterinarians from the 18 states and HQ. 27 vets were participated in this workshop.
- 2 members of the PPR national committee participated in training workshop on investigation & surveillance of PPR, Egypt August 2019.
- Surveillance & Survey design training workshop for White Nile & great Kordofan states held in 2021 (LESP-SLSP).
- Outbreak investigation training conducted for the central states in 2021 (LESP-SLSP).work
- FAO training workshop on PPR at the wildlife livestock interference at Dindir park using PDS tools last June 2022

The check point



Communication & awareness

 Sectoral awareness on the importance of PPR disease and the control and eradication strategies (National & global strategy) targeting different stakeholders including the private sector were held in all Sudan states in July 2019

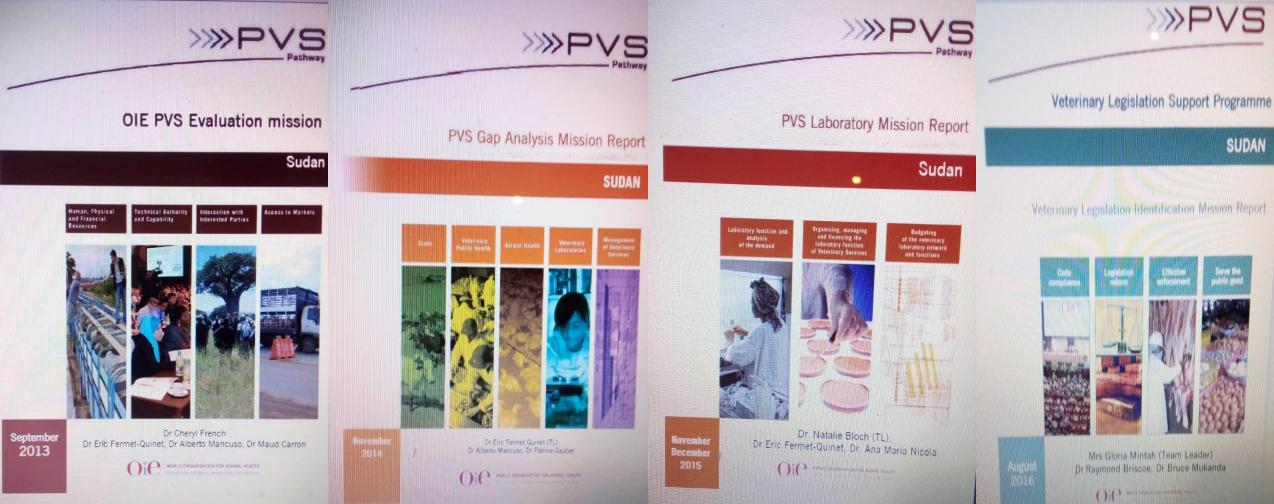
Cross border coordination

Two MoU were signed for the control & eradication of TADs including PPR namely: Republic of South Sudan and Ethiopia

- 16 New check points established within states and between ES, Ethiopia & Eretria
- Proposed MoUs with Chad, Central Africa , Egypt & Libya

The progress made in the surveillance and control Strengthening of VS/ Enabling environment

PVS Evaluation Missions



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Resource Mobilization					
2014-2016	• FAO TCP/ SUD/ 4035 for strengthen Surveillance, Diagnoses and Control of PPR				
2014-2017	Surveillance of Trade Sensitive Diseases (STSD) project				
2015-2017	• Eu funded Livestock epidemio surveillance project for Eastern states - LESP-ES				
2018-2022	 AN ONGOING Eu-funded, Livestock Epidemio- Surveillance Project to Support Livelihoods of vulnerable rural Smallholders and Pastoralists(LESP SLSP) 				

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Challenges

Limited Resources especially the financial resource.

- In adequate vaccine amount.
- Uncontrollable livestock movement.
- Weak livestock identification and traceability system.
- Insufficient training and capacity building .(especially in biosecurity, safety & Quality assurance) .
- Wide country area& long borders.
- PPR socio- economic impact need to be updated.
- Lack of supplies for CVRL comparing with it is huge infrastructure, (equipment and staff) and the continuos need of maintainance

Fund raising at national and regional level.

Establishment and activation of check points internally and externally to control animal movement

provision of adequate & timely vaccine amount

More improvement of lab diagnostic capacity and quality assurance.

The way forward

Capacity building (institutional& personnel). Development of Specific communication & awareness strategy for control of PPR

Development of well & efficient LITS Operationalisation of MoU Update the legal framework Update PPR soci- economic impact Strengthen of PPP



























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