

# NEWS BULLETIN

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## **GLOBAL**

**HIV/AIDS** - The Global Fund to Fight HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria has cancelled its next round of funding and cut off countries like Russia, China and Brazil after donors failed to deliver US\$2.2 billion in previously committed funding. Emergency funding measures will now be put in place for some countries.

## **AFRICA**

**SUDAN** - Thousands of civilians who fled conflict in the Sudanese state of South Kordofan across the border into the new country of South Sudan continue to face insecurity and a reduced humanitarian presence following a bombing raid, according to the refugees and aid workers.

**SOMALIA** - Famine conditions have eased in some parts of southern Somalia, but an Islamist insurgency continues to disrupt aid to a quarter of a million people still in danger of starvation, the United Nations has said.

**ZIMBABWE** - More than a million people in Zimbabwe will require food aid between now and March 2012, a U.N. agency has said, despite recent improvements in the country's grain production.

**WEST AFRICA** - Donors and humanitarian groups must act now to avoid a hunger crisis hitting West Africa on the scale of that affecting the Horn of Africa.

## **ASIA & PACIFIC**

**FLOODS** - Aid agencies say some of the 300 child deaths caused by floods in Thailand, Cambodia and Vietnam - most from drowning - could have been prevented by raising safety awareness and teaching children to swim.

**CAMBODIA** - Schools damaged in Cambodia's worst monsoons in more than a decade may take up to a year to recover after flooding delayed the start of school for thousands of students nationwide, say aid workers and officials.

## **MIDDLE EAST**

**EGYPT** - UN human rights chief Navi Pillay has called for an independent investigation into violence in Egypt and said she deplored the killing of protesters by military and security forces, which is inflaming the situation.

**JORDAN** must take further steps to eradicate violence against women and ensure gender equality, an independent United Nations human rights expert said today.

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