



المهية النقاية للأطباء السودانين

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The Sudan we want

The past twenty five years of religious fundamentalist rule in Sudan has been catastrophic to the population and the country as a whole. More than three quarters of the country is at war, development and services are curbed, all the meager resources of the country are used to fuel war & to pay expenses of the government militia as well as cover needs of the ruling stratocracy and their affiliates.

Specifically in a country where endemic disease are rampant, the per capita expenditure on health is less than \$2 per annum. The budget of the Ministry of Health is 689 million SDG in comparison to that of security forces and sovereign expenses which amount to 4,4 billion SDGs.

The adopted PHC approach in 1978, was deliberately eliminated and replaced by a harsh privatization scheme covering all government facilities. The revenue of the endorsed fee-for-service approach has become the main source of funding for health. Hence, public health services no longer exist and the country is witnessing outbreaks of cholera, yellow fever, hemorrhagic fevers, leprosy and even scabies. All of these outbreaks which take place are disregarded as no preventive or epidemiological measures are in place. (presently there are cases of Dengue fever in Red Sea state as stated by WHO on 17th June 2014)

At the Sudan Forum on Food Security Policy held at the Council of Ministers in March 2013, the Federal Minister of Health presented the drastic situation of the country's health status declaring that; child mortality due to malnutrition is 83/1000; one out of every 3 Sudanese suffer from food scarcity; 99% of women are anemic; one third of the children below 5 suffer from malnutrition and 46.5% of the population are below the poverty line with 5 million people are acutely food insecure.



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Another calamity is the wars against our own selves which resulted in more than 2 million displaced and a quarter of a million displaced during 2014 and an additional 2million severely affected living in the war zones of Nuba Mountains, Blue Nile and Darfur.

In this difficult time we need to stand together, assemble and accumulate our optimism and aspirations to a force that uproots despair and unites all civil society organizations towards building the Sudan we want.

It is the time for all of us to join hands calling for release of all prisoners of conscience, end war, end racial , gender and religious discrimination, stop violence, atrocities, corruption, land grabbing, trafficking, and the many many more abuses and cruelty that has afflicted our country for the past years.

It is indeed time for standing together, joining hands and thoughts around one goal...BUILDING THE SUDAN WE WANT

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