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### **Acute watery diarrhoea in Southern Sudan – 27 February 2006**

As of 25 February 2006, the Acute Watery Diarrhoea (AWD) Task Force in Juba led by the Federal Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Health of the Government of Southern Sudan, in collaboration with WHO and other partners, reported a total number of 4,906 cases and 89 deaths (case fatality rate 1.81%) from acute watery diarrhoea in Southern Sudan. These cases were reported between 28 January and 25 February 2006. All reported cases are concentrated in Yei and Juba towns of Southern Sudan. *Vibrio cholerae inaba* has been laboratory confirmed in the stool samples collected from a selected number of suspected cases of acute watery diarrhoea reported from both Yei and from Juba.

In order to break the chain of transmission, the Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH), the Ministry of Health of the Government of South Sudan (MoH/GoSS), WHO, UN Agencies, various NGOs and other partners are continuing to strength surveillance systems, provide medication and materials for case management, implement environmental control measures such as the chlorination of public water supplies, conduct health education and active hygiene promotion for prevention and closely monitor and evaluate the response.

**For further information:**

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