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UNMISS KOREAN ENGINEERS UPGRADE LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN JONGLEI

The Korean Engineering Company based in Bor as part of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) is undertaking various projects to upgrade the infrastructure around the capital of the state of Jonglei. The projects include maintenance of roads, construction of the main waste disposal site for the city, and building parking for aircraft along the airstrip.

Construction of the new parking which will be used for transiting aircrafts, started on 17 June. Bor airport is one of the busiest in South Sudan with humanitarian, peacekeeping, commercial and government flights frequently landing and taking off. "The construction of the new parking area will solve the problem of congestion of the air traffic in Bor," says Captain Kyuhak, the Korean site manager, and "will enhance the capacity of the airport." Thirty-five Korean engineers, as well as excavators, bulldozers, motor-graders and road-rollers are currently deployed to carry out the construction of the parking area scheduled to be completed in February 2014.

Other infrastructure work undertaken in Jonglei by the Korean Engineering Company are taking place following a request of the state government for assistance in road repair. They include the construction of a connecting route between the airstrip parking area and Bor, where the main road will also be upgraded following major damage caused by heavy rain in the last years.

In an effort to improve local hygiene and keep the environment clean, the Korean engineers have also started work on a waste disposal site in Apir, eight kilometers northeast of the center of Bor. The efforts of UNMISS Korean engineers are part of making improvements in the vital areas of hygiene and sanitation, and will help to transform the lives of the people in Bor.

Roads and transport are key to stabilization and peace-building in South Sudan. Upgrading infrastructure will help establish the conditions for development benefiting all the people of Jonglei state.



Anti-epidemic disinfection on Apir waste disposal
Photo: UNMISS/Korean Engineering Contingent

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