

## 2.6.5. Conflict-related infrastructure damage and other war impacts

The October 2024 UN Human Rights Council report on the Independent International Fact-Finding Mission for the Sudan noted that the RSF, in February 2024, forced Zain Sudan, the third largest provider of telecommunications services in the country, to stop its services in Port Sudan. Since many Sudanese rely on online payment solutions to access food and other essential goods, and as civilians' access was hindered due to the network disruptions, this had a great impact on the daily life of civilians.

In another October 2024 report, the UN Secretary General noted that the recent wave of clashes and the takeover of large parts of Sennar state by the RSF in early July 2024 'further damaged food production capacities' in eastern Sudan, which would likely 'accelerate the deterioration of the food security situation in other parts of the country'.

No information on explosive remnants of war in the eastern states could be found within the time constraints of this report.