

Popular Consultations, Jirdan

Fact Sheet

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Chaired by four member of the State Legislative Assembly, popular consultations were held in Jerdan village, Kurmuk County, on 18 January. Delegation spokesperson Abdala Nahim Alibeh briefed villagers about the process and its impact for the people of Blue Nile.

Of the approximately 200 people attending the consultation, most were unaware what the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) and popular consultations were. The main concern raised was still lack of basic services.

Following are excerpts of some of the opinions expressed:

Abdarahman Alshareef Abdalla (man)

Now we have peace, but we are still missing the basic services.

Abdaldaim Omer (man)

I think the CPA has fulfilled some of our expectations, but we still they need basic services - roads, schools, hospitals and electricity.

Mohamed Osman Awad (man)

I would like to request roads, schools, drinking water and a hospital.

Um Alkhair Ibrahim (woman)

I do not understand what the popular consultations are really for.

Mohamed Fatur Saeed (man)

I call for either a good representation in

both state and central governments or autonomy of Blue Nile State. In addition, I think that we should have our part of the state forestry resources.

Rajab Moani Sabit (man)

The civil war has ended, but apart from that nothing significant has happened.

Ibrahim Alnour (man)

We have struggled for a long time and now we are asking for recognition of our rights.

Abdalbasit Hatim (man)

I think that the CPA is just on paper. Nothing else!

Amna Aljack (woman)

I call for a road and drinking water.

Naway Idris Suleiman (man)

I think that the CPA is a failure.

Alsadik Mohamed Ibrahim (man)

There is a lack of some basic services in the area of Jirdan -- roads, schools, hospitals and electricity.

Babikir Abdalla (man)

I am happy for the peace and for the fact that people govern themselves and think that the situation is changing for better.

Amna Alhadi (woman)

We are faced with injustice and inequity in our daily life.

Mubarak Abdalla (man)

I have no idea about the CPA, but the only thing I wants is the provision of basic services in our locality.

Mohamed Alshareef Abdalla (man)

I call for a better participation of the citizen in the decisions taken on their behalf.

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