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Conflict-Related Sexual Violence in Sudan

This report discusses the patterns visible in the available information on occurrences of CRSV since the start of the current conflict. During this conflict, incidents of CRSV have been attributed to the RSF, SAF and the Sudan Liberation Army led by Minni Minawi (SLA-MM). The vast majority of incidents were allegedly perpetrated by RSF soldiers. RSF commanders have dismissed these accusations by calling them isolated incidents and claiming that they were unable to intervene.

This brief analyses the reported details of where and how these incidents took place according to available information, and discusses patterns of situational context and perpetrator behaviour. The examination of patterns of reported sexual violence provides important insights into how some of this violence is carried out and the factors and elements that led to such acts. [Read more](#)

Past incident reports: [18-31 October](#); [04-17 October](#); [20 September-03 October](#); [06-19 September](#); [All](#).

2022 Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition (SHCC) factsheets: [Arabic](#) and [English](#)

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Documented incidents

04 November 2023: In Khartoum - Al Mamoura, Khartoum state, a doctor was reportedly shot and killed inside his home by the RSF. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

08 November 2023: In Umm Kadada district, North Darfur state, the Umm Kadada Teaching Hospital was looted by the Rapid Support Forces (RSF). Solar energy panels, pharmacy supplies and an ambulance and other hospital vehicles were seized and the laboratory was vandalised. The Hospital, which provides medical services to more than a million people, was shut down. **Sources:** [Personal Communication](#) and [Sudan Violations](#)

09 November 2023: In El Geneina, West Darfur state, wounded people at the SAF-run Ardamata Hospital were reportedly attacked by the RSF. **Sources:** [Personal Communication I](#) and [Personal Communication II](#)

09 November 2023: In Omdurman city, Khartoum state, a missile of unidentified origin landed in front of the El-Nau Hospital, killing a woman and injuring an unspecified number of others. **Source:** [Dabanga Sudan](#)

As reported on 10 November 2023: In Ardamata village, near El Geneina city, West Darfur state, nearly 100 shelters inside an IDP camp were razed to the ground by unidentified perpetrators. Extensive looting, including of UNHCR relief items, also took place. **Source:** [UNHCR](#)

11 November 2023: In the Karari area, Omdurman city, Khartoum state, a male pharmacist was shot and killed by the RSF. **Source:** [Sudan Pharmacists Central Committee](#)

As reported on 12 November 2023: In Omdurman, Khartoum State, El-Nau Hospital was reportedly hit by shelling, killing at least ten people and injuring an unspecified number of others. **Source:** [Personal Communication](#)

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