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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Ada: custom, tradition or habit

Amir (emir): tribal leader, ruling several *Omdas*. In some cases, the

Amir is the same level as the Nazir

Ashwaey: informal settlement or slum

Clinkab: physical entity to demarcate the boundaries between two

farms

Damra: small pastoralist village

Dar: territory of a specific tribe or clan

Diwan: guest house with a room for male guests separated from

the main house

Fareeq: pastoral group travelling together. Also used to refer to

the temporary houses of a specific group of pastorals

when they stop to rest during their travels

Feddan: measurement of land corresponding to approximately

4,200 m²

Fur: people who had a sultanate before the British

colonization

Hakuma: government or state, from *hakm*, to rule or govern estate of land in Darfur, historically administered on

behalf of the head of the tribe

Housh: house of an extended family that includes more than one

small family. Also used to refer to the yard area in a single

house

Idaraahliya: Native Administration. System of government through

local authorities, established under British

administration

Jobraka (or najjadh): small garden attached to the house

Judiyya: customary system of mediation in Sudan based on third-

party mediators

Khotta iskanya: site and service settlement plan

Mahaliya: locality, an administrative unit between wilaya (state)

and the administrative unit

Mahar: dower

Mahkam Ahlyya: level of judiciary system where the judge is the *sultan/*

nazir or omda

Majlis: council, legislative assembly

Manzila: larger area within the stock route corridor where the

cattle stay for a long time period

Masarat (sing. Masar): traditional stock route

Mewat: land left undeveloped where no one claims ownership

(dead land)

Mirath: inheritance

Mutamad: commissioner of a locality

Nazarah: territorial unit in native administration
Nazir: highest rank in the native administration

Omda: local leader, normally of a town, large village, or group of

villages

Rakoba: traditional conflict resolution mechanism between tribes

in Darfur

Sharia: Islamic law, or the sources of Islamic law (literally 'the

way,' 'the path')

Shartay: hereditary chief responsible for a *Dar* (Daguor Kanuri

language)

Sheikh: local tribal chief at the village or pastoral group level **Sinyya:** area within the stock route corridor where pastoralists

stop to give their animals a short rest

Sultan: highest rank in the Native Administration of some tribes

Wadi: seasonal water body

Wali: state governor Wilaya: federal state

Zakat: one of the Five Pillars of Islam, a religious obligatory form

of giving for all Muslims, determined by the taxation of

wealth and income

ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS

CCA: Common country assessment

CEDAW: Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against

Women

CERF: Central Emergency Response Fund

CoFLAS: Costing and Financing Land Administration Services

DLC: Darfur Land Commission

FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

GIS: Geographic Information System
GLTN: Global Land Tool Network
GPS: Global Positioning System
HAC: Humanitarian Aid Commission
HLP: Housing, land and property
IASC: Inter-Agency Standing Committee
IDP: Internally displaced person

IFAD: International Fund for Agricultural Development

IOM: International Organization for Migration

ISF: Integrated Strategic Framework

MoTPD: Ministry of Transport and Physical Development (the Ministry has been

changed to Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure in September 2019)

MoPI: State Ministry of Planning and Infrastructure

NCPD: National Council for Physical Development under MoTPD NELGA: Network of Excellence on Land Governance in Africa

NFI: Non-food item

NGO: Non-governmental organization

NUP: National Urban Policy

OCHA: United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs OHCHR: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Pinheiro Principles: United Nations Principles on Housing and Property Restitution for

Refugees and Displaced Persons

RSPSD: Regional Spatial Planning Strategy of Darfur

STDM: Social Tenure Domain Model

UN: United Nations

UNAMID: United Nations - African Union Mission in Darfur

UNCT: United Nations Country Team

UNDAF: United Nations Development Assistance Framework

UNDP: United Nations Development ProgrammeUN-Habitat: United Nations Human Settlements Programme

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