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Since the outbreak of civil war on April 15, 2023, between the Sudanese Army and the Rapid Support Forces (RSF), Tuti Island has been devastated by violence and occupation.

About Tuti Island

- **Tuti Island**, located at the **confluence of the Blue and White Nile rivers** in **Khartoum**, Sudan, is one of the city's **oldest settlements**, known for its lush greenery and agriculture.
- The island spans **8 square kilometres** and was traditionally dependent on **farming and fishing**, earning the nickname **"Khartoum's garden."**
- It holds deep cultural significance for the **Mahas community**, who settled there in the **15th century**, making the island a symbol of **indigenous identity and sustainability** in the region.
- As per **UN estimates**, the war has **displaced 13 million people**, killed **tens of thousands**, and pushed **100,000 into famine conditions** in Khartoum alone.

- **Climate change** has worsened Tuti Island's vulnerability by **disrupting the Nile's natural flooding cycle** , causing **flooding, droughts, and desertification**.
- Due to the dual threats of **conflict and climate change**, the **HEART Project (Heritage Empowered Action for Risk in Tuti)** was initiated to **preserve the Taya system** and **document community knowledge**.

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