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Content	Introduction: December the 13th Sudan has witnessed the beginning of a history changing revolution. After 8 months of protests and a sit-in strike that lasted over 50 days, Sudan managed to take down a government but that came with a cost. Most Sudanese people were under stress for a very long time. People were arrested, beaten and killed. The final straw was on June the 3rd when the taken down government resolved the sit-in, where they killed and raped people mercilessly. This was a heavy time for Sudan. a country like Sudan where mental health is neglected ,our mission was to help people deal with the traumatic events. Methodology: □ Collect a team of psychologist and psychiatrists □ Mental health education: a- Tour Sudan and prepare psychologists to help the affected people b- Health education to Families □ Make the psychological clinics affordable □ Train people for psychological first aid □ Research was conducted and information collected through: a-Questionnaires b-interviews c-observation Results: We educated over 4000 people. We noticed a great improvement in mental health knowledge. Finally we treated, educated and given therapy sessions to over 1500 affected patients. Conclusion and recommendation: □ Mental health is one of the most neglected topics. □ There are many issues regarding job description for mental health workers □ mental health should be covered by health insurance because of high fees ,in a low income country like Sudan it's hard to seek help