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Emergency appeal

Kenya: Floods

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Appeal n° MDRKE043

150,000 people to be assisted

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4,746,755 Swiss francs current Appeal
budget

Appeal ends October 2018

480,000 Swiss francs DREF allocated

This Emergency Appeal seeks a total of some **4,746,755 Swiss francs** to enable the IFRC to support the **Kenya Red Cross Society (KRCS)** to deliver assistance to **150,000 people of 15 counties** in **shelter and settlement, health and nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene, protection, gender and inclusion as well as food security and livelihoods** for six months. The planned response reflects the current situation and information available at this time of the evolving operation and will be adjusted based on further developments and more detailed assessments.

Click [here](#) for the detailed Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA).

The disaster and the Red Cross Red Crescent response to date

February 2018: The Meteorological Department forecasts normal to above normal rainfall beginning April

April 2018: Western, Nyanza, North Rift, South Rift, North Eastern, Upper Eastern, Central and Coast regions experience heavy downfall

April 2018: The Kenya Red Cross Society conducted rapid assessments and started to deliver non-food items to affected households

May 2018: IFRC issues Emergency Appeal for **4,746,755** Swiss francs for 150,000 people for 6 months (including a DREF loan of 480,000 **Swiss francs**)



Photo: Affected villagers being evacuated by KRCS volunteers (courtesy of KRCS)

The operational strategy

Situation and needs assessment

While parts of the country were still experiencing the impacts of drought, the torrential rains that commenced in March 2018 have further resulted in erosion of livelihoods. The rainfall pattern has changed this year affecting at least 29 counties and it has been described as a `mini El Nino phenomenon` by the local meteorological department. According the preliminary reports, the rains have caused flooding that has left 211,155 people displaced, 72 dead and 33 injured. These numbers are likely to increase as the heavy rains are expected to continue until July.

The flood impacts include destruction of crops with farms reported as submerged, destruction of irrigation systems, disruption of transport for market access, interruption of road infrastructure, and destruction of key installations including health care and water sanitation infrastructure. Affected households are staying in various displacement sites in the affected areas and are mostly in need of food, shelter and household items, access to clean and safe water for use, access to sanitation facilities, access to health services and protection. The access to public health services has been disrupted which increases the likelihood of diseases outbreak. Increased precipitation with the warm conditions creates a conducive environment for the breeding of vectors such as mosquitoes thus increasing the spread of vector borne disease such Malaria, Dengue and Chikungunya.

The impact of floods on livelihood is expected to result in loss of income for the affected communities resulting into low purchasing power. This is already seen with the deteriorating food security status of the affected counties; thus, requiring humanitarian assistance to meet affected households' food and other basic needs. As per the agricultural calendar, planting had commenced with the onset of the long rains, therefore resulting in large loss of standing crops. Most affected counties reporting agriculture and livestock losses include Garissa, Tana River, Kilifi, Kisumu, Homa Bay, Elgeyo Marakwet, Turkana and Marsabit. The crop loss will further worsen the already fragile food insecurity situation in most of the affected counties.

At the onset of the floods, the National Society through the Red Cross Action Teams (RCATs) conducted rapid assessments to determine the immediate needs of the affected population. Since the onset of floods, the KRCS has provided NFIs to 10,088 households and is involved in Search and Rescue, First Aid and public awareness campaign using national media and messaging. KRCS also works in partnership with UNICEF during such emergencies. So far UNICEF has provided 3,750 family kits to assist the communities in Kisumu and Garissa.

The KRCS teams are currently conducting detailed assessments to determine the comprehensive needs of the affected population and the extent of damages (housing, health facilities, schools and other essential infrastructure).

Beneficiary selection

Currently, a total of 211,155 individuals have been displaced by the floods and require various multi sectoral interventions in shelter, health, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, livelihood, protection, gender and inclusion. The most affected counties are the following: Tana River, Turkana, Kakamega, Samburu, Garissa, Isiolo, Wajir, Mandera, Narok, Nakuru, Nyeri Kisumu Isiolo Marsabit Homabay. The exact activities to be implemented in each of these counties and the final selection of beneficiaries is currently being determined based on ongoing and continuous detailed needs assessments and in collaboration with other humanitarian stakeholders.

While selecting the beneficiaries, KRCS will engage the community through gate keepers and opinion leaders to ensure that the target population will include displaced households, households with severely or moderately acute malnourished children, households with elderly or chronically ill persons and children, single headed households and persons with disabilities without income.

The KRCS will enhance collaboration under this floods emergency operation through county and sub-county coordination forums to have clear targeting criteria before roll out. These criteria will be disseminated to the communities to have a better understanding and take active role in selecting the communities to be supported. Baseline and targeting assessment will be conducted in the affected counties to select the most affected persons. This will be done through community meetings in collaboration with relief committees, local authority and KRCS.

Coordination and partnerships

KRCS is the largest humanitarian organization in Kenya, with a large presence across the country (64 branches and sub branches supporting a network of 98,000 volunteers). KRCS has a wide acceptance with a capacity to operate in areas considered hard to reach based on geographical isolation and limitations in humanitarian access.

The KRCS is continuously engaging with the government, in-country Movement partners and non-Movement partners including UN Agencies towards coordinated humanitarian response. The IFRC has a Country Cluster Support Team Office (for Eastern Africa) and a Regional Office for Africa, in Nairobi. KRCS is constantly in contact with the IFRC and has been giving updates as the humanitarian situation unfolds. ICRC has a regional delegation in Nairobi, from which it supports operations in a number of countries in Eastern and Central Africa. ICRC has been working with KRCS on preparedness and on response to localized civil unrests in the country, and on broader programmes including cash transfer to drought affected counties and Safer Access. Similarly, ICRC has been supporting (both technically and financially) the KRCS's Restoring Family Links Programme which has helped to alleviate the psychological distress of affected families by reuniting and clarifying the fate of the missing family members.

There are also a number of Partner National Societies (PNSs) supporting regional operations from Kenya, including the British Red Cross, Danish Red Cross, Finnish Red Cross, German Red Cross, Italian Red Cross, Japanese Red Cross and Norwegian Red Cross. British Red Cross and Finnish Red Cross through the disaster management strengthening programme have been supporting the KRCS in various disaster management projects. The PNSs have similarly been briefed on the situation with engagements expected to be informed by the prioritized needs on the action plan.

KRCS will do a domestic fundraising campaign targeting corporate sector and in-country development partners including OFDA, DFID, ECHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, CBM. All resources mobilized shall be reported under this appeal.

The current Emergency Appeal will be revised in the coming weeks to reflect the changing context and address recovery needs of the affected people. Therefore, the scope of the operation may eventually include new geographical locations and additional activities.

Proposed Areas for intervention

The operation aims to provide immediate assistance to cover the needs of 30,000 households (HHs) (150,000 people) most at risk and affected by floods by providing life-saving assistance for a period of six months.

Areas of Focus



Shelter

People targeted: 150,000 people

Male: N/A

Female: N/A

Requirements (CHF): 1,567,565

Proposed intervention

Needs analysis: The flooding has led to destruction of houses resulting in displacement of communities. So far, a total of 33,081 HHs (211,155 people) have been displaced in different parts of the country. An unconfirmed number of households are being hosted by relatives. However most of the displaced populations are staying in evacuation centers and need urgent support. In addition, the most affected HHs will need recovery support.

Population to be assisted: 10,000 HHs will be assisted in 10 counties. Shelter NFIs including kitchen sets, tarpaulins, mosquito nets, jerry cans, soap, sleeping mats, timber and nails will be procured for distribution to the targeted HHs for use in erecting temporary shelters and use in the household items for basic life support activities.

Out of these 10,000 HHs, 1,000 most affected HHs will be provided with reconstruction materials to repair their homes.

Shelter Outcome 1: immediate shelter and settlement needs of the target population in affected areas are met over a period of three months

Shelter Output 1.1: Target population is provided with Non-Food Items (NFIs) and emergency shelter items
Activities Planned

- Detailed shelter assessment in the affected areas
- Review emergency shelter strategy in line with the floods emergency
- Identification, registration and verification of beneficiaries in different target groups
- Procurement/transportation and distribution of Shelter NFIs to 10,000 HHs
- Develop an evaluation tool for volunteers and community for feedback system to shelter programming
- Conduct post-distribution monitoring

Shelter Output 1.2: Technical support, guidance and awareness raising in safe shelter design and settlement planning and improved building techniques are provided to affected households
Activities Planned

- Identification and mobilization of volunteers for safe shelter interventions
- Development of training material for awareness raising/training of volunteers
- Assessment and analysis of appropriate and safe local building techniques/practices
- Procurement and distribution of reconstruction materials for 1,000 most affected HHs
- Development of appropriate technical guidance, training and messaging to beneficiaries
- Provision of technical support to the assisted population
- Monitoring of adoption of technical guidance by assisted households
- Evaluation of the shelter support provided.



Livelihoods and basic needs

People targeted: 150,000 people

Male: N/A

Female: N/A

Requirements (CHF): 540,000

Proposed intervention

Needs analysis: The displaced population is experiencing food shortages due to loss of livelihood, low purchasing power and disruption of markets. This coupled with the drought situation in several counties has put most households in IPC phase 2 (stressed) while poorer households are at IPC phase 3 (crisis). While there will be some temporary improvements with the long rains, food and income sources are expected to remain below average in many pastoral and marginal agricultural areas.

Population to be assisted: With the support of the WFP, the KRCS will distribute food to 30,000 HHs. Out of these 30,000 HHs, 10,000 most affected HHs will receive livelihoods support such as distribution of inputs and rehabilitation of farms/irrigation systems.

Food Security and Livelihoods Outcome 1: Immediate food needs of the disaster affected population are met

Food Security and Livelihoods Output 1.1: Appropriate food rations are distributed to vulnerable households (*where markets cannot meet need*)

Activities Planned

- Conduct rapid emergency needs and capacity assessments
- Develop beneficiary targeting strategy and registration system to deliver intended assistance

- Distribution of emergency food assistance (provided by WFP)
- Monitor the relief activities and provide reporting on distributions

Food Security and Livelihood Output 1.2: Sufficient nutritious food accessed by children under 5 in vulnerable households/communities

Activities Planned

- Provision of safe spaces for breastfeeding

Food Security and Livelihoods Output 1.3: Productive assets/inputs for primary production provided in accordance with the seasonal calendar, via in-kind distribution, cash grants or vouchers

Activities Planned

- Conduct market assessment
- Provision of agricultural tools and equipment to farmers
- Rehabilitation of farm land through land preparation
- Distribution of high quality seeds, fertilizer and fodder
- Rehabilitation of damaged infrastructure
- Provision of technical support to the beneficiary population through capacity building



Health

People targeted: 150,000 people

Male: N/A

Female: N/A

Requirements (CHF): 935,752

Proposed intervention

Needs analysis: The ongoing floods across the country has led to damages on sanitation facilities and contamination of water sources that may deteriorate the prevailing cholera situation in the country. Counties still having active cholera outbreaks (Turkana, Tana River, Isiolo and Garissa) may experience increased incidence of the outbreak, therefore cholera prevention and control strategies will be employed to minimize the spread of the disease.

The access to public health services has been disrupted which increase likelihood of diseases outbreak. Increased precipitation with the warm conditions create a conducive environment for the breeding of vectors such as mosquitoes thus increasing the spread of vector borne disease such Malaria, Dengue and Chikungunya. A total of 10 health facilities have been submerged in Nyando (4), Muhoroni (2) and Tana River (4) and thus rendered inaccessible for health services. In Isiolo county and Marsabit counties a total of 12 and 20 health facilities respectively are inaccessible. Should the situation deteriorate with a larger number of people being affected and needing healthcare, a temporary/emergency health facility in the form of a field hospital could be deployed. Moreover, intervention to address the psychosocial needs of the affected population will also be required especially for the bereaved families and other groups as may be determined during the process of health service provision.

Population to be assisted:

Priority interventions targeting vulnerable groups to include pregnant and lactating women, children less than five years and people with disabilities will be implemented in most affected counties.

Health Outcome 1: The immediate risks to the health of affected populations are reduced

Health Output 1.1: The health situation and immediate risks are assessed using agreed guidelines

Activities Planned

- Train 60 volunteers on communicable disease surveillance in coordination with the Ministry of Health (MoH) and county as well as sub county health teams

Health Output 1.2: Target population is provided with rapid medical management of injuries and diseases

Activities Planned

- First Aid services are provided during search and rescue of the affected population
- Integrated medical outreaches conducted in affected areas
- Procurement of essential medicines for medical outreach (including IEHK kits) and Cholera kits

Health Output 1.3: Epidemic prevention and control measures carried out

Activities Planned

- Sensitization of displaced population on disease prevention and control strategies
- Conduct vector control activities for at risk population

Health Output 1.4: Psychosocial support provided to the target population

Activities Planned

- Establishment of safe spaces for children and other groups for counselling (play items)
- Train social workers on child protection in emergencies

Health Output 1.5: Minimum initial maternal and neonatal health services provided to target population

Activities Planned

- Facilitate referrals for Emergency Obstetric care
- Procurement of Reproductive Health/Dignity kits
- Community awareness on GBV prevention, response and reporting mechanisms
- Mapping, establishment and support of GBV referral pathway

Health Output 1.6: The health situation and immediate risks are properly assessed

Activities Planned

- Assessment of the floods damage on health infrastructure
- Depending on the assessment, the repairs/equipping of damaged health facilities will be considered in a potential revision.



Water, sanitation and hygiene

People targeted: 150,000 people

Male: N/A

Female: N/A

Requirements (CHF): 626,275

Proposed intervention

Needs analysis:

In different areas, the water supply infrastructure has been damaged and will require rehabilitation. To ensure safe access to water, provision purification tablets will be provided. Disinfection of shallow wells will also be done. In addition, sanitation facilities have been damaged and are lacking in the evacuation centers, therefore there is a need to provide temporary sanitation to reduce fecal oral transmission. Finally, hygiene promotion is critical to maintain healthy standards and reduce risks for possible water borne disease outbreaks.

Population to be assisted:

The entire displaced population will be assisted in access to safe water, sanitation services and hygiene promotion.

WASH Outcome1: Immediate reduction in risk of waterborne and water related diseases in targeted communities

WASH Output 1.1: Continuous assessment of water, sanitation, and hygiene situation is carried out in targeted communities

Activities Planned

- Conduct training for RC volunteers on carrying out water, sanitation and hygiene assessments
- Conduct initial assessment of the water, sanitation and hygiene situation in targeted communities
- Continuously monitor the water, sanitation and hygiene situation in targeted communities

WASH Output 1.2: Daily access to safe water which meets Sphere and WHO standards in terms of quantity and quality is provided to target population

Activities Planned

- Rehabilitate water supply systems in 7 counties (2 per county)
- Disinfecting of contaminated wells and other water sources
- Routine water quality testing at source and at household level
- Procure Distribute assorted household water treatment products to 30 000 HHs
- Train targeted population on safe water storage and on safe use of water treatment products

WASH Output 1.3: Adequate sanitation and hygiene promotion which meets Sphere standards in terms of quantity and quality is provided to target population

Activities Planned

- Procure, distribute and install 500 Sanitation Platforms in targeted areas
- Ensure toilets are clean and maintained through community mobilization or management of cleaners
- Equip toilets with hand washing facilities, anal cleansing material or water and menstrual hygiene disposals and ensure they remain functional.
- Procure assorted vector control chemicals as well as protective gear, and carry out spraying
- Develop a hygiene communication plan and train volunteers based on the plan
- Conduct hygiene and health campaigns
- Design/Print IEC materials and SMS on hygiene promotion
- Procure and distribute sanitary towels to girls and young women
- Assess progress and evaluate results through real time evaluation.
- Procure and distribute water storage containers



Protection, Gender and Inclusion

People targeted: 150,000 people

Male: N/A

Female: N/A

Requirements (CHF): 6,000

Proposed intervention

Needs analysis: The displacements have resulted in people losing their clothes and other personal effects, dignity kits will be provided to displaced populations who have lost their personal effects. Children, people living with disabilities and older persons are also at risk of being left behind as people move to higher grounds. Targeted people will be provided with support in evacuations with due attention to challenges of most vulnerable

groups including women, children, persons with disabilities and elderly. Cases of sexual and gender-based violence may increase in the different counties due to the breakdown of the social structures, steps will be taken to ensure prevention for those at risk and also ensure that those who are violated are able to access services.

Population to be assisted: Female and child headed HHs will be given first priority in access to protection services. Other community members at risk of stigma and discrimination will also be provided with safe spaces so as to ensure their safety during the floods response. All sectors will be guided to ensure that dignity of the community is maintained throughout the response, all the affected communities are able to access services that they require, participation of affected community in determination of services that they get and that the security of the affected communities is always maintained.

Inclusion and Protection Outcome 1: Communities identify the needs of the most vulnerable and particularly disadvantaged and marginalized groups, as a result of inequality, discrimination and other non-respect of their human rights and address their distinct needs

Inclusion and Protection Output 1.1: KRCS programmes improve equitable access to basic services, considering different needs based on gender and other diversity factors

Activities Planned

- Support response teams to includes measures to address vulnerabilities specific to gender and diversity factors (including people with disabilities) in their planning
- Support sectoral teams to ensure collection and analysis of sex-age and disability-disaggregated data

Inclusion and Protection Output 1.2: Emergency response operations prevent and respond to sexual- and gender-based violence and all forms of violence against children

Activities Planned

- Include messages on preventing and responding to SGBV in all community outreach activities
- Integrate a ½ day session on addressing SGBV in response teams trainings
- Map and make accessible information on local referral systems for any child protection concerns
- Provide psychosocial support to children
- Provide essential services (including reception facilities, RFL, and access to education, health, shelter, and legal services) to unaccompanied and separated children and other children on their own
- Establish child-friendly spaces and community-based child protection activities including educational

Strategies for Implementation

Based on the demand for the technical and coordination support required to deliver in this operation, the following programme support functions will be put in place to ensure an effective and efficient technical coordination: **human resources, logistics and supply chain; information technology support (IT); communications; security;**

planning, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting (PMER); partnerships and resource development; and finance and administration.

S1.1: National Society capacity building and organizational development objectives are facilitated to ensure that National Societies have the necessary legal, ethical and financial foundations, systems and structures, competences and capacities to plan and perform

Activities planned

- Ensure that volunteers are insured
- Provide complete briefings on volunteers' roles and the risks they face
- Provide psychosocial support to volunteers
- Ensure volunteers are aware of their rights and responsibilities
- Ensure volunteers' safety and wellbeing
- Ensure volunteers are properly trained
- Ensure volunteers' engagement in decision-making processes of respective projects they implement

Budget

See annex 1

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Annex 1: Budget by account codes

Budget Group		Multilateral Response	Inter-Agency Shelter Coord.	Bilateral Response	Appeal Budget CHF
500	Shelter - Relief	905,200.00			905,200.00
501	Shelter - Transitional	0.00			0.00
502	Construction - Housing	0.00			0.00
503	Construction - Facilities	0.00			0.00
505	Construction - Materials	309,000.00			309,000.00
510	Clothing & Textiles	0.00			0.00
520	Food	10,000.00			10,000.00
523	Seeds & Plants	480,000.00			480,000.00
530	Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	563,275.00			563,275.00
540	Medical & First Aid	577,500.00			577,500.00
550	Teaching Materials	0.00			0.00
560	Utensils & Tools	0.00			0.00
570	Other Supplies & Services	0.00			0.00
571	Emergency Response Units	0.00			0.00
578	Cash Disbursements	0.00			0.00
Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES		2,844,975.00	0	0	2,844,975.00
580	Land & Buildings	0.00			0.00
581	Vehicles	0.00			0.00
582	Computer & Telecom Equipment	0.00			0.00
584	Office/Household Furniture & Equipment	0.00			0.00
587	Medical Equipment	0.00			0.00
589	Other Machinery & Equipment	3,600.00			3,600.00
Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT		3,600.00	0	0	3,600.00
590	Storage, Warehousing	57,304.76			57,304.76
592	Distribution & Monitoring	2,000.00			2,000.00
593	Transport & Vehicle Costs	107,400.00			107,400.00
594	Logistics Services	5,000.00			5,000.00
Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE		171,704.76	0	0	171,704.76
600	International Staff	0.00			0.00
661	National Staff	0.00			0.00
662	National Society Staff	597,212.00			597,212.00
667	Volunteers	272,150.00			272,150.00
669	Other Staff Benefits	0.00			0.00
Total PERSONNEL		869,362.00	0	0	869,362.00
670	Consultants	12,600.00			12,600.00
750	Professional Fees	0.00			0.00
Total CONSULTANTS & PROFESSIONAL FEES		12,600.00	0	0	12,600.00
680	Workshops & Training	94,432.00			94,432.00

	Total WORKSHOP & TRAINING	94,432.00	0	0	94,432.00
700	Travel	0.00			0.00
710	Information & Public Relations	10,500.00			10,500.00
730	Office Costs	4,800.00			4,800.00
740	Communications	29,292.75			29,292.75
760	Financial Charges	7,000.00			7,000.00
790	Other General Expenses	405,186.05			405,186.05
799	Shared Office and Services Costs	3,594.00			3,594.00
	Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES	460,372.80	0	0	460,372.80
		0.00			0.00
830	Partner National Societies	0.00			0.00
831	Other Partners (NGOs, UN, other)	0.00			0.00
	Total TRANSFER TO PARTNERS		0	0	0.00
		0	0.00		0.00
599	Programme and Services Support Recovery	289,708.03	0	0	289,708.03
	Total INDIRECT COSTS	289,708.03	0	0	289,708.03
	TOTAL BUDGET	4,746,754.59	0	0	4,746,754.59
	Available Resources				
	Multilateral Contributions				0.00
	Bilateral Contributions				0.00
	TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES	0.00	0	0	0.00
	NET EMERGENCY APPEAL NEEDS	4,746,754.59	0	0	4,746,754.59

Reference documents



Click here for:

- Previous Appeals and updates
- Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA)

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