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## Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA) Tanzania: Hail Storm (Shinyanga)

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<b>DREF Operation</b>	<b>Operation n° MDRTZ016;</b>
<b>Date of issue:</b> 10 March, 2015	<b>Date of disaster:</b> 3 March, 2015
<b>Operation manager (responsible for this EPoA):</b> Vinay Sadavarte, IFRC East Africa and Indian Ocean Islands	<b>Point of contact:</b> Joseph Kimaryo, Director, Disaster Management, Tanzania Red Cross
<b>Operation start date:</b> 9 March, 2015	<b>Operation end date:</b> 9 May, 2015
<b>Overall operation budget:</b> CHF 115,885	<b>Expected timeframe:</b> 2 months
<b>Number of people affected:</b> 5,000	<b>Number of people to be assisted:</b> 3,000 people (500 households)
<b>Host National Society presence (n° of volunteers, staff, branches):</b> 20 volunteers, 5 staff and Shinyanga branch.	
<b>Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners actively involved in the operation:</b> American Red Cross and Spanish Red Cross	
<b>Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation:</b> Government of Tanzania and UNICEF.	

### A. Situation analysis

#### Description of the disaster

On 3 March 2015 at 2300hrs, hail storms accompanied by strong winds and heavy rainfall hit the villages of Mwakata, Magung'unhwa and Nhumbi in Msalala district, Shinyanga region. The villages are located 20 kilometers from Kahama town, 75 kilometers from Shinyanga town and 1,000 kilometers North-West of Dar es Salaam.

According to Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS), up to 5,000 people have been affected. A total of which 3,500 persons have been displaced after the storms damaged or destroyed 634 houses as of 5 March 2015. It is reported that 47 persons lost their lives and 112 persons escaped with injuries majority of whom are children after the strong winds ripped off the roofs from the houses.



Tanzania Red Cross Society providing first aid and ambulance services in Mwakata village. Photo/TRCS

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#### Summary of the current response

##### Overview of Host National Society

The Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) local branch in Shinyanga is participating in the initial assessment and is in regular contact with the TRCS disaster management department at headquarters to provide situation updates. Local

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branch volunteers are assisting the affected families through provision of first aid, helping to salvage household belongings as well as participating and assisting in burial activities. A branch vehicle has been deployed to the affected area to provide ambulance services to those injured, and transport them to Kahama district hospital and Bugando referral hospital in Mwanza.

The TRCS headquarters has mobilized non-food items (NFIs) from the zonal storage facility in Mwanza and Dar es Salaam. The NFIs include 100 blankets, 200 buckets and 200 jerry cans to be distributed to the affected people. The NS is constantly sharing disaster data/information as it becomes available from the local branch in Shinyanga with partners including American and Spanish Red Cross Societies, Plan International, Save the Children, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) as well as private/corporate partners (Tigo, Vodacom).

### **Overview of Red Cross Red Crescent Movement in country**

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) is not present in-country but is providing assistance through the East Africa and Indian Ocean Islands (EAIOI) Regional representation office as well as through the Africa zone office based in Nairobi, Kenya. Since the onset of the disaster, there has been regular contact with the IFRC EAIOI regional representation's disaster management department; and regular updates on the situation and activities planned have been shared. On 5 March 2015, an alert was issued using the IFRC disaster management information system (DMIS), and an Operational Strategy Call carried out with colleagues at Secretariat, zone and regional level. Additionally an [information bulletin](#) was issued on 6 March 2015. It was agreed that an allocation should be made from the Disaster Relief and Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the TRCS respond to the immediate needs of the affected population. The American Red Cross (ARC) and Spanish Red Cross, which are based in-country have been informed of the situation, are collaborating in the response, and have informed their respective headquarters who are also monitoring the situation.

### **Overview of non-RCRC actors in country**

Following the disaster, the government of Tanzania immediately assumed its pivotal role of coordination. The regional authorities have carried out initial assessments of the disaster and mobilized resources in order to assist the affected people with both life-saving food and NFIs (500 blankets). The regional authorities have also ordered temporary closure of two primary schools in order to provide temporary accommodation to over 500 people that have been made homeless, with others hosted by relatives and friends. On 5 March 2015, the Prime Minister visited the affected area and assured the affected population of the support from the government of Tanzania, to meet their immediate shelter needs through the mobilization of tents by its disaster management department and provided 100 blankets.

## **Needs analysis, beneficiary selection, risk assessment and scenario planning**

According to situation assessments carried out by the TRCS Shinyanga branch, the immediate needs of the affected population are in the areas of; emergency food, NFIs (blankets, buckets, kitchen sets, mattresses, mosquito nets, school items and soap), shelter, water, sanitation and hygiene. Through this DREF operation, it is intended that activities planned will include the distribution of emergency relief (NFIs) only; since the government of Tanzania and other stakeholders have indicated they will be responding in the areas of emergency food, shelter, water, sanitation and hygiene.

### **Risk Assessment**

Based on the current weather situation in the affected area and in neighbouring areas is not expected to worsen while the security situation is also stable.

### **Beneficiary selection:**

Through this DREF operation, 500 of the most affected households (3,000 beneficiaries) will be targeted based on the following criteria: displaced households (whose homes were destroyed) and/or damaged, the chronically ill, elderly, female-headed households, lactating mothers and under-five children, pregnant women, and single parents. Average household size is approximately 6 per household, and as such, the quantities of blankets and mosquito nets have been increased to three per household.

## B. Operational strategy and plan

### Overall objective

The disaster affected populations' survival and immediate needs are met through the provision of essential emergency relief items in Mwakata, Magung'unhwa and Nhumbi villages, Msalala district, Shinyanga region.

### Proposed strategy

The proposed strategy aims to support the TRCS in providing 500 households (3,000 beneficiaries) with emergency relief assistance. This DREF operation will include the following activities:

- Conduct a 7 day detailed assessment to understand the immediate needs of the affected population and response gaps, which will inform a revision of the activities planned if required. This will include provision for per diem for 4 NS headquarter staff and 1 driver as well as for transportation. The DREF allocation will also reimburse costs that were incurred by the local branch when carrying out the 5 day initial assessment.
- Procurement and distribution of NFIs including; 3 blankets per household, 2 buckets per household, 1 kitchen set per household a mattress and 5 laundry bar soaps per family. 3 mosquito nets per household will also be distributed to the affected population, which is at high risk of malaria. Sensitization on the use of the NFIs will be done for the benefit of the households at the point of distribution. The DREF allocation will also replenish NFIs that were distributed from pre-positioned stocks. However jerry cans will be replenished through a Memorandum of Understanding that is in place between TRCS and UNICEF, and therefore not included in this DREF operation.
- Procurement of Mega V/ODK equipment and training of staff and volunteers on its use for surveying/distributions in collaboration with the IFRC EAIOI and zone offices.

The DREF operation will address cross-cutting themes including gender and diversity mainstreaming to ensure the inclusion of most vulnerable groups like women, children, disabled, the elderly, the chronically ill and those affected by HIV/AIDS.

### Operational support services

#### Human resources

**Table 1: Summary of personnel required for the DREF operation.**

Personnel	Number	Sector	Roles and responsibilities
Volunteers	20	Relief	Beneficiary registration and distribution of non-food NFIs.
National Society headquarter and branch staff	3	Health and Relief	Monitoring and supervision

Each volunteer will be provided with a per diem per day to support them with the implementation of activities planned. These include, registration of beneficiaries, distribution of NFIs, post distribution beneficiary satisfaction surveying. The volunteers will be deployed to the affected area of 20 days. The NHQ and branch will mobilize members of staff to support the implementation of the DREF operation. Headquarter and branch staff members will be issued with a per diem per day to cover allowances for accommodation while in the field. Two headquarter staff will be deployed to the affected area for 15 days, and 1 branch staff will be deployed for 30 days.

The IFRC EAIOI regional representations disaster management unit; and logistics unit will provide technical support to ensure that the DREF operation is implemented in accordance with the Emergency Plan of Action as well as agreed conditions for the DREF.



## Health and Care

### Needs analysis:

An initial assessment of the disaster indicates that the total number of people displaced by the floods is 3,500 (approximately 584 families), which are at high risk of malaria infection, and other communicable and water and sanitation related diseases such as diarrhea. The provision of mosquito nets is therefore an important and urgent intervention.

### Population to be assisted:

As noted, 500 of the most affected households (3,000 beneficiaries) will be targeted based on the following criteria: displaced households (whose homes were destroyed), the chronically ill, elderly, female-headed households, lactating mothers and under-five children, pregnant women, and single parents. Each household will receive 3 mosquito nets.

**Outcome: The immediate risks to the health of the disaster-affected population in Mwakata, Magung'unhwa and Nhumbi villages are reduced over a period of 2 months.**

**Output 1.1: 500 households (3,000 beneficiaries) provided with mosquito nets and sensitized on the proper use.**

Activities planned	Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
• Procure and transport mosquito nets for malaria prevention		■	■						
• Distribute 1,500 mosquito nets to target population (3 per household)				■	■				
• Demonstration for the beneficiaries on how to use the mosquito net.				■	■				

## Shelter and household items

### Needs analysis:

An initial assessment of the disaster indicates that the hail storm caused population displacement and damage/loss to personal belongings. The displaced population is in dire need of shelter and household non-food items. The government will take care of emergency shelter for the displaced population.

### Population to be assisted:

As noted, 500 of the most affected households (3,000 beneficiaries) will be targeted based on the following criteria: displaced households (whose homes were destroyed), the chronically ill, elderly, female-headed households, lactating mothers and under-five children, pregnant women, and single parents. Each household will receive 3 blankets, 2 buckets, 1 kitchen set, 1 mattress and 5 bars of laundry soap.

**Outcome: Immediate shelter and settlement needs of the disaster-affected population in Mwakata, Magung'unhwa and Nhumbi villages are met over a period of 2 months.**

**Output 1.1: 500 households (3,000 beneficiaries) are provided with essential household items and NFIs.**

Activities planned	Week	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
• Procure and transport 1,500 blankets		■	■						
• Procure and transport 1,000 buckets		■	■						
• Procure and transport 500 kitchen sets (locally assembled) (six bowls, six cups, two knives, three pans, six plates and six spoons)		■	■						
• Procure and transport 2,500 bars of laundry soap		■	■						
• Procure and transport 500 mattresses		■	■						
• Distribute the EHI/NFIs to 500 households				■	■	■			

## Budget

- See detailed budget attached below.

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3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

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## TANZANIA: HAIL STORM (SHINYANGA)

<b>Budget Group</b>	<b>DREF Grant Budget CHF</b>
Clothing & Textiles	44,100
Food	0
Seeds & Plants	0
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	1,500
Medical & First Aid	0
Teaching Materials	0
Utensils & Tools	23,300
Other Supplies & Services	0
Cash Disbursements	0
<b>Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES</b>	<b>68,900</b>
Computer & Telecom Equipment (ODK equipment)	5,000
Other Machinery & Equipment	0
<b>Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>5,000</b>
Storage, Warehousing	0
Distribution & Monitoring	0
Transport & Vehicle Costs	7,109
Logistics Services	0
<b>Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE</b>	<b>7,109</b>
International Staff	0
National Staff	0
National Society Staff	6,345
Volunteers	9,188
<b>Total PERSONNEL</b>	<b>15,533</b>
Consultants	0
Professional Fees	0
<b>Total CONSULTANTS &amp; PROFESSIONAL FEES</b>	<b>0</b>
Workshops & Training	3,000
<b>Total WORKSHOP &amp; TRAINING</b>	<b>3,000</b>
Travel	4,500
Information & Public Relations	1,500
Office Costs	1,000
Communications	1,270
Financial Charges	1,000
Other General Expenses	0
Shared Office and Services Costs	0
<b>Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>9,270</b>
Partner National Societies	0
Other Partners (NGOs, UN, other)	0
<b>Total TRANSFER TO PARTNERS</b>	<b>0</b>
Programme and Services Support Recovery	7,073
<b>Total INDIRECT COSTS</b>	<b>7,073</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>115,885</b>