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DREF operation update Pakistan: Earthquake 2015

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DREF Operation n° MDRPK012	GLIDE n° EQ-2015-000147-PAK
Operations update n° 2	Timeframe covered by this update: 21 November to 15 January 2016
Date of issue: 29 January 2016	Date of disaster: 26 October 2015
Operation start date: 26 October 2015	Operation end date (revised): 25 May 2016
Operation budget: CHF 309,029	DREF allocated: CHF 309,029
Total number of people affected: 96,397 people (13,771 families)	Number of people to be assisted: 28,630 people (4,090 families)
Number of people assisted:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,940 families with CGI sheets, shelter toolkits, tarpaulins and essential non-food items • 17,722 people with emergency health services through three mobile health units 	
Host National Society presence: Pakistan Red Crescent (PRC) is responding through volunteers and staff at the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit Baltistan Provincial Branches, District Branches and National Headquarters in Islamabad	
Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners actively involved in the operation: The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the Danish Red Cross and Turkish Red Crescent are the Movement partners actively involved in supporting the Pakistan Red Crescent (PRC) response. In addition, PRC is maintaining close coordination with other Movement partners – Canadian Red Cross Society, German Red Cross, Red Cross Society of China, Norwegian Red Cross and UAE Red Crescent – who are likely to support the National Society's response.	
Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: Government of Pakistan	

This DREF operation update aims to inform of an exceptional extension of the operating timeframe by one month. This will allow the completion of the remaining procurement cases that suffered delays. The operation is expected to be completed by 25 May 2016 and the final report will be available 90 days after the operation end date.

Summary:



Within two weeks of the earthquake, 1,940 families in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit Baltistan received relief items from the PRC. *Photo: IFRC*

On the afternoon of 26 October 2015, an earthquake of magnitude 7.5 struck North West Pakistan. With the epicentre in a remote part of the Hindukush mountain range, the tremor was felt in Afghanistan, Pakistan and parts of northern India.

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province (KP) and Bajaur Agency in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) were listed as the worst affected areas in Pakistan, and remained the focus of relief efforts in the subsequent weeks.

As an early winter had set in, the most critical needs would be met by winterization kits, shelter, NFIs and health interventions.

The most recent reflection of losses and damages as reported by the National Disaster Management Authority in Pakistan is presented below.

Province	Deaths				Injuries	Schools Damaged	Houses Damaged		
	Male	Female	Children	Total			Partially	Completely	Total
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	72	66	94	232	1,487	495	70,938	25,080	92,995
Federally Administered Tribal Areas	5	9	17	31	164		4,420	847	5,892
Gilgit Baltistan	7	3	-	10	92		4,481	671	5,152
Azad Jammu and Kashmir	2	-	-	2	23	2	48	28	76
Punjab	3	2	-	5	4		6	2	8
Total	89	80	111	280	1,770	497	79,893	29,230	109,123

* Some figures may differ from the statistics provided in the DREF EPoA document; these figures have been updated by NDMA as of 28 December 2015.

At the national level, the Government of Pakistan took the lead in coordinating the response, initiating assessments, undertaking relief activities, together with providing financial compensation to affected families.

The Pakistan Red Crescent (PRC) launched a response operation focusing on providing a relief package to earthquake affected families with fully damaged houses and provision of mobile health services in specially targeted areas. DREF operation will support replenishment of some of the dispatched stock to ensure PRC organizational preparedness for future emergency response. The box below summarizes the PRC achievements within this reporting period.

Areas common to all sectors	Deployment of assessment teams, mobilisation of staff and volunteers to undertake beneficiary registration and distribution of relief packages , deployment of teams to monitor relief distributions for quality assurance and learning
Health and Care	17,722 people reached through deployment of 3 mobile health units to cater to the health needs of earthquake affected families in Upper & Lower Dir , Shangla and Tor Ghar Districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province
Shelter & settlements	1,940 families (approximately 13,580 people) provided with a relief package consisting of CGI sheets, shelter tool kits, tarpaulin sheets and essential household items dispatched from PRC Haripur Warehouse

The IFRC, on behalf of the PRC, would like to thank all partners for the generous contribution to the replenishment of this DREF. These include Canadian Red Cross Society/ Canadian Government (DFATD), and Netherlands Red Cross/ Netherlands Government (SEF).

Coordination and partnerships

On the evening of 26 October, the IFRC Pakistan Delegation had its first coordination meeting with the PRC, providing technical guidance, supporting with updating of the Disaster Management Information System (DMIS),

¹ National Disaster Management Authority Preliminary Losses/Damages Earthquake 2015: <http://www.ndma.gov.pk/new/disasters/losses.php>

and advising on options available to the National Society. This led to development and launching of a Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) Plan of Action.

The PRC National Headquarters in Islamabad activated its Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) and has been coordinating the assessment and response efforts, maintaining communication with involved provincial branches which also activated their EOCs. The PRC has also convened coordination meetings with in-country Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement Partners to update on the evolving situation, the immediate response operation and planned activities. In addition, regular situation reports are shared with Movement Partners and other organizations.

In Islamabad, the PRC coordinated with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), while at provincial and district levels, Provincial and District branches of the PRC coordinated with the respective provincial and district disaster management authorities.

Operational implementation

Overview



Detailed assessments were carried out by PRC to reach the most vulnerable people affected by the disaster. **Photo:** _____

The PRC immediately mobilised its trained staff and volunteers at each tier to respond to the critical situation. As part of this DREF Operation, the PRC assessment teams visited the worst affected areas in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit Baltistan to assess the damages and the emergency needs.

To avoid duplication of service delivery and to maximise resources, the PRC coordinated with local authorities in identifying the operational areas.

The DREF operation for Pakistan Earthquake 2015 focused on interventions in the areas of health & care and shelter and settlements, and household items, with attention given to assessments, beneficiary selection and verification, and monitoring of the activities undertaken. An extension of one month is requested to accommodate all activities related to the procurement of CGI sheets and Shelter Tool-kits, to ensure that PRC has sufficient preparedness stock for future response. A detailed explanation can be found later in this report in the section related to 'Shelter and settlements (and household items)'.

The [DREF Operation Update no.1](#) has been issued on 27 November 2015.

Quality Programming

Outcome 1: Continuous and detailed assessment and analysis is used to inform the design and implementation of the operation		
Outputs	Activities planned	Implementation (%)
Output 1.1 Continuous needs assessment are undertaken following consultation with beneficiaries, and plan of action is updated as necessary to reflect changing needs	Select and verify target families, involving the community	100%
	Replenishment/procurement of CGI sheets (12,544) and shelter tool kits (896)	In process
Outcome 2: The management of the operation is informed by a comprehensive monitoring system		
Outputs	Activities planned	Implementation (%)
Output 2.1 Monitoring information informs revisions of	Monitor the response operation	100%
	Analyse information and revise the EPoA accordingly	No revision foreseen

plan of action		
Output 2.2 The findings of evaluations lead to adjustment in on-going plans and future planning as appropriate	Learning from operation reviews, lessons learned and evaluations are incorporated into planning	0%

Progress:

Needs assessments have been carried out for PRC teams immediately following the earthquake, of which the observations were utilized to inform the development of a plan of action supported by the IFRC DREF.

During the distribution of shelter and NFIs PRC and IFRC teams conducted joint monitoring visits to the distribution sites. The feedback was shared with the field teams and observations were documented in field mission reports. A Lessons Learnt Workshop is planned for the first week of February 2016.

Table 2: Pakistan Earthquake 2015: PRC target areas for intervention

Province	Districts
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Swat
	Shangla
	Tor Ghar
	Buner
	Upper & Lower Dir
	Chitral
Gilgit Baltistan	Malakand
	Ghizer
	Diamer

Shelter and settlements (and household items)

Population to be assisted: 1,940 earthquake affected families in KP (1,850 families) and GB (90 families) who have fully damaged houses

Outcome 1: The immediate shelter and settlement needs of the target population are met		
Outputs	Activities planned	Implementation (%)
Output 1.1 Emergency shelter and essential household items provided to 1,940 earthquake-affected families	Select and verify target families, involving the community	100%
	Mobilize existing stocks from PRC warehouses to distribution sites	100%
	Orientation for volunteers on effective use of shelter material (2x KP & 1xGB) and on basic safety and security	50% (completed only in KP)
	Distribute emergency shelter kits, CGI sheets and essential household items to target families	100%
	Replenishment/procurement of CGI sheets (12,544) and shelter tool kits (896)	In process

Progress:

As updated in the last report, the relief package distribution to 1,940 families was completed by November 2015. The relief items also provide the necessary winter preparedness measure for the earthquake affected families. These relief packages consisted of emergency shelter kit and essential non-food items².

These 1,940 families in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit Baltistan had fully damaged houses as a result of the earthquake and were from the worst affected districts. Access to these communities was a challenge due to their remoteness, roadways blocked in places by landslides and rock fall, and mountainous terrain. An unexpected drop in temperatures made an already challenging situation more complex.

The contents of the relief package were carefully selected based on the needs as well as the PRC experience in response to the floods of 2010 in the same areas. The CGI sheets, shelter tool kits and tarpaulin sheets provided in the package were good foundation elements for constructing a temporary shelter to protect families from the winter cold and snowfall. In addition, families which would have lost all their belongings when their

² Each relief package consisted of 14 CGI sheets, 2 tarpaulin sheets, 1 stove, 7 blankets, 1 kitchen set, 2 jerry cans

houses collapsed would benefit from the kitchen sets, jerry cans and stoves, while 7 blankets would provide appropriate protection from the cold for families in the affected districts, where the average family size is seven.

At several of the distribution sites, orientation sessions were organised by a shelter specialist in the local language (Pashto) on the effective use of the shelter materials, enhancing the knowledge and skills of staff, volunteers and beneficiaries. These sessions were appreciated by the beneficiaries. The two way communication approach encouraged beneficiaries to ask questions for better clarification, especially on the use of CGI sheets, as in some places, it is not a commonly used shelter material.



At the same time, an orientation for volunteers on self-protection during relief distributions was delivered by the IFRC Security Field Officer. Since distributions in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Gilgit Baltistan took place simultaneously ensuring an efficient response, no sessions on effective use of shelter materials and self-protection were done in Gilgit Baltistan there were limited shelter and security specialists on hand to conduct such orientations.

A major achievement of the operation was the dispatch of goods from PRC warehouse to the affected remote areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for distributions to the affected population within 5 days of the disaster, despite the trucks being heavily laden and the route, for the most part, winding and uphill.

Procurement of CGI sheets and shelter toolkits for replenishment will be done through the IFRC Asia-Pacific Regional Office in Kuala Lumpur. The procurement process is well underway, but some delays are expected, due to an extensive holiday period in the home country of the supplier. The shipment of CGI sheets is expected to arrive at the sea-port in Karachi, Pakistan in mid-April 2016, leaving insufficient time for customs clearance, inspection of the goods and transport to the PRC warehouse at Haripur by the original DREF Operation end-date of 25 April 2016. In this context, an extension of one month is requested, to accommodate all activities related to the replenishment of the CGI sheets. The new end-date for the operation will be 25 May 2015.

Table 3: Families receiving relief packages

Province	District	Families receiving relief packages
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Swat	350
	Shangla	350
	Tor Ghar	300
	Buner	100
	Upper Dir	100
	Lower Dir	300
	Malakand	200
	Chitral	150
Gilgit Baltistan	Ghizer	45
	Diamer	45
Total		1,940

Health and care

Population to be assisted: 4,000 families in the earthquake affected districts of Chitral, Dir, Shangla, Bunir, Tor Ghar in KP province.

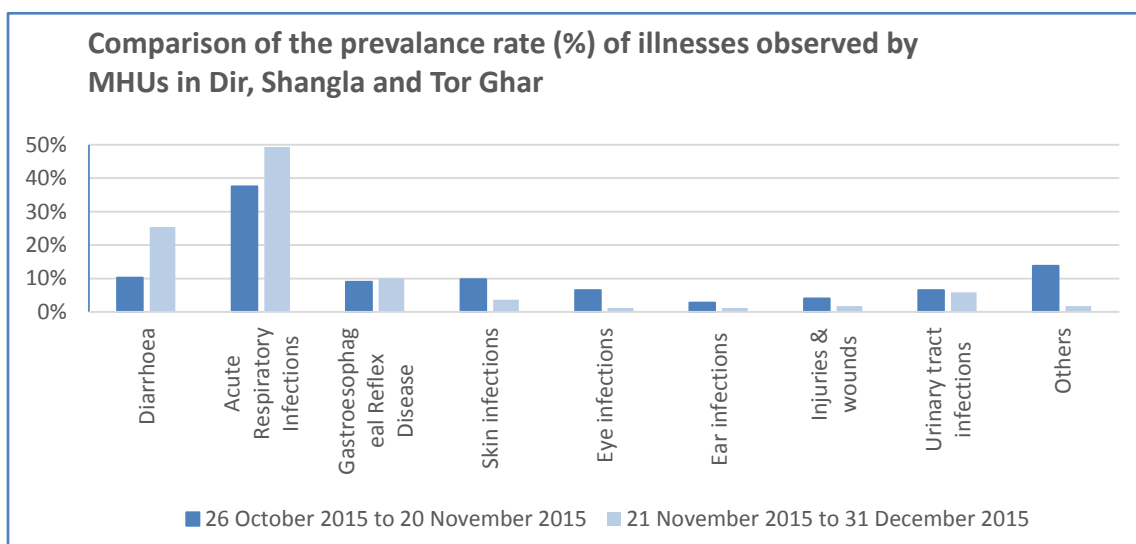
Outcome 1: The immediate risks to the health of earthquake-affected population are reduced		
Outputs	Activities planned	Implementation (%)
Output 1.1 Target population is provided with rapid medical management of	Coordinate and consult with District Health offices to identify affected villages	100%
	Deployment of 3 mobile health units	100%
	Transport and store medicines/equipment for the deployed	100%

injuries	MHUs	
	Replenishment/procurement of medicines	In process

Progress:

In response to the earthquake, three mobile health units (MHUs) were deployed to the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa districts of Dir, Tor Ghar and Shangla to provide preventive and curative health services to the affected population. The affected villages in these districts were identified in close consultation with the District Health Department.

The most frequently reported ailments were diarrhea, acute respiratory infections, fever, abdominal conditions, skin infections, weakness and body ache, while other complaints included urinary tract infections, eye and ear infections as well as injuries and trauma. An analysis of the MHU reports between the first reporting period (26 October to 20 November 2015) and the second (21 November and 31 December 2015) showed that the percentage of occurrence of majority diseases had decreased. However, the ratio of patients with diarrhea, gastroesophageal reflux disease and acute respiratory infections has increased. The below graph provides an observation that diseases prevalence rate is often associated with the impact of the deteriorating living conditions caused by damaged houses, poor access to sanitation facilities and potable water sources, and a sharp drop in temperature.



As per the standard procedure, medicines were sent from the PRC national headquarters medical warehouse in Islamabad to the MHUs. A second batch of medicines was also dispatched when requested by the Provincial Branch. Replenishment of these medicines is supported by this DREF and the process is expected to be completed by February 2016.

The MHU interventions ended by 31 December 2015, with a total number of 17,722 people reached, of which 80 per cent of them were reached during this reporting period. Forty-eight per cent of the patients seen were children. The gender and geographically segregated data of people reached in all three districts can be found in Table 4.

	Male	Female	Children	Total
MHU Tor Ghar	1,585	1,709	2,029	5,323
MHU Upper & Lower Dir	1,644	1,423	4,047	7,114
MHU Shangla	1,438	1,398	2,449	5,285
Total	4,667	4,530	8,525	17,722

At the MHUs, PRC health promoters conducted health and hygiene sessions to increase awareness on good health and hygiene. **Photos: PRC**



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Interim Report

Selected Parameters

Reporting Timeframe	2015/11-2015/12	Programme	MDRPK012
Budget Timeframe	2015/11-2016/5	Budget	Approved
Split by funding source	Y	Project	*
Subsector:	*		

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Funding

	Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability	TOTAL	Deferred Income
A. Budget		309,029				309,029	
B. Opening Balance							
Income							
Other Income							
<i>DREF Allocations</i>		309,029				309,029	
C4. Other Income		309,029				309,029	
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4)		309,029				309,029	
D. Total Funding = B +C		309,029				309,029	

* Funding source data based on information provided by the donor

II. Movement of Funds

	Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability	TOTAL	Deferred Income
B. Opening Balance							
C. Income		309,029				309,029	
E. Expenditure		-26,103				-26,103	
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)		282,926				282,926	

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III. Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Raise humanitarian standards	Grow RC/RC services for vulnerable people	Strengthen RC/RC contribution to development	Heighten influence and support for RC/RC work	Joint working and accountability		
	A					B	A - B	
BUDGET (C)			309,029			309,029		
Relief items, Construction, Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	186,673						186,673	
Medical & First Aid	5,682		100			100	5,582	
Total Relief items, Construction, Sup	192,355		100			100	192,255	
Logistics, Transport & Storage								
Distribution & Monitoring	6,364		1,338			1,338	5,026	
Transport & Vehicles Costs	39,000		6,269			6,269	32,731	
Total Logistics, Transport & Storage	45,364		7,607			7,607	37,757	
Personnel								
National Society Staff	17,240						17,240	
Volunteers	3,958		5,265			5,265	-1,307	
Total Personnel	21,199		5,265			5,265	15,933	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	7,576		353			353	7,223	
Total Workshops & Training	7,576		353			353	7,223	
General Expenditure								
Travel	19,887		8,003			8,003	11,884	
Information & Public Relations	3,409		2,772			2,772	637	
Office Costs			169			169	-169	
Communications	379		241			241	138	
Total General Expenditure	23,675		11,185			11,185	12,490	
Indirect Costs								
Programme & Services Support Recove	18,861		1,593			1,593	17,268	
Total Indirect Costs	18,861		1,593			1,593	17,268	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	309,029		26,103			26,103	282,926	
VARIANCE (C - D)			282,926			282,926		