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Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA) Kosovo*: Floods

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DREF operation n° MDRXX001	Glide n° FL-2016-000122-SRB
Date of issue: 24 November 2016	Expected timeframe: 4 months Expected end date: 23 March 2017
DREF allocated: CHF 108,027	
Total number of people affected: 1,421	Number of people to be assisted: 313 families (includes approximately 1,421 family members)
N° of volunteers, staff, branches: 10 staff and 100 volunteers.	

A. Situation analysis

Description of the disaster

On 7 November 2016, heavy rainfall affected several areas of Kosovo* for three days with major floods. The situation is critical in the municipalities in Vushtri, Gjakova, Rahovec, Podujeva and Malisheva.

The rainfall intensity was approximately between 20 -25 mm/3h, or from 60-75 mm/24 hours. On 11 November 2016, the highest rainfall intensity recorded was 65-90 mm within 24 hours, which in total is 125-165 mm (l/m²).

According to the preliminary information provided by the RCK structure operating in the flooded areas, the affected families have lost their winter food reserves and their livestock, including their home furniture and home appliances.

Many families have been evacuated and some are in the process of being evacuated to schools. Power stations and water supply stations were flooded and many of the affected areas have no power and drinking water.



Flooded house in Kosovo*.
Photo: RCSK

Summary of the current response

The RCK structure responds to disaster situations. Volunteers from the onset of the disaster make risk assessment/needs and provide First Aid, Shelter, Search/Rescue and Restoring Family Contact.

The Disaster Management team visited the most affected villages to assess the damages and the emergency needs. The first deployment took place on 10 November 2016.

The DM Volunteer Teams have been mobilised to follow up closely on the situation in the field and to assist the affected people in every disaster-hit area. Volunteers are recording the names of the families affected by the floods and are assessing their immediate needs. Additionally, families have been assisted with food parcels, clothes and hygiene packages which were part of the stocks collected during the solidarity month in October. **RCK structure is the only humanitarian organisation that is providing assistance to the flood affected.**

Overview of non-RCRC actors

The municipality provided shelter for the evacuated families. RCK structure is cooperating with the local authorities in delivering assistance.

Needs analysis, beneficiary selection, risk assessment and scenario planning

According to the preliminary assessments conducted by the RCK structure volunteers in the five most affected municipalities, the number of the affected is 313 families (1,421 family members).

The priorities for the affected population are the following:

- Blankets and mattresses
- Drinking water
- Food and hygiene parcels
- Clothes and boots.

Selection of beneficiaries

According to the preliminary needs assessments the flooded areas are the following:

Municipality	Village / Street	No. of families	No. of family members
Gjakove			
	Pashko Vasa	11	76
	Ahmet Korenica	16	104
	FshBregoc	8	61
	Subtotal	35	241
Rahovec			
	Fsh Bella cerke	60	350
	FshKeqe	8	44
	FshDenje	12	124
	FshKrushe e Madhe	1	10
	FshSopniq	10	53
	Fsh Celina	7	36
	FshRados	6	31
	Subtotal	104	648
Vushtrri			
	FshPestove	9	54
	FshNadakovc	30	150
	FshPrilluzhe	95	150
	Lidhja e Lezhes	2	10
	Subtotal	136	364
Podujeve			
	Rrepe	6	15
	Pollate	6	18
	Bajqine	3	18
	Konushefc	2	7
	Sibovc	4	17
	Bellopoje	4	19
	Lupc I poshtem	2	8
	Subtotal	27	102
Kacanik			
	Kacanik	1	5
	Subtotal	1	5
Malisheve			
	Marali	1	5

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	Malisheve	2	11
	Astrazub	2	12
	Bellanice	3	19
	Subtotal	8	47
Peje			
	Peje	2	14
	Subtotal	2	14
		No. of families	No. of family members
	GRAND TOTAL	313	1,421

The list with new information will be updated. The number of the affected families will most likely increase.

Regarding the beneficiary selection criteria, priority will be given to:

- Families evacuated and accommodated with their relatives;
- Families most affected by the floods and landslides but not evacuated;
- Families with social-economic problems, elderly people, widowed women with young children;

Risk assessment

More rainfall is forecasted for the coming days; new flooding is expected especially in the areas near the rivers.

B. Operational strategy and plan

Overall objective

To meet the immediate needs of the 313 flood-affected families (1,421 people) in five areas in Podujeva, Vushtrri, Gjakova, Rahovec, Malisheva through the provision of basic food and non-food items, and hygiene promotion.

The proposed sectors of intervention are:

- Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion;
- Shelter and settlements (and household items);
- Food security, nutrition and livelihoods.

Proposed strategy

To accomplish the overall objective, the operation is focusing on the provision of emergency food and non-food distribution and hygiene promotion activities.

The key activities planned as part of this operation are as follows:

- Detailed needs assessment and completion of the beneficiaries` lists according to the criteria agreed with the local authorities;
- Procurement and distribution of 313 food parcels and 313 hygiene parcels (one parcel per family for one month);
- Procurement and distribution of 1,421 blankets and 1,421 single mattresses;
- Procurement and distribution of 616 boots;
- Procurement and distribution of 18,780 litre water (60 litres per family x 313 families);
- Hygiene promotion activity implemented by 12 health promotion volunteer trainers

Relief items will be distributed based on the above-mentioned beneficiary selection criteria and in close coordination with the state emergency response units.

As the situation is still critical and many areas are still under water, continued assessments will have to be carried out in order to have accurate figures on the real damages and needs.

Each family selected will receive one monthly relief package consisting of 60 litres of water, 1 food parcel, 1 hygiene parcel, 1 blanket for each family member 1 mattress for each family member and 2 pair of boots per family.

A monthly food package is composed of the following items:

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Food items	Quantity
White flour	50 kg
Rice	4 kg
Sugar	5 kg
Vegetable Oil	4 litres
White Beans	4 kg
Pasta	4 kg
Salt	1 kg
Milk for baby	12 litres

Non-food package is composed of the following items:

Non- food items	Quantity
Blankets	1 piece for a member
Mattress	1 piece for a member
Boots	2 pieces for family

The contents of the hygiene parcels are as follows.

Hygiene parcel	Quantity
Washing powder	3 kg
Shampoo	1 litre
Soap	12 pieces
Toilet Paper	12 rolls
Tooth paste 75 ml	5 tube
Tooth brushes	5 units
Disposable razor	5 units
Hygiene cotton	4 packs
Nappies for babies	2 packs

Human resources

The number of the RCK structure staff engaged in the response operation is 12; volunteers have been mobilized to assist in the implementation of the relief operation.

Logistics and supply chain

DREF items will be procured locally. The procurement procedures will be done in accordance with IFRC standards.

Communications

Regular awareness and visibility activities will be carried out in close coordination with the IFRC.

Planning, monitoring, evaluation, & reporting (PMER)

The RCK structure will continuously monitor the implementation of activities and control the quality of the relief items. Updated information on the implementation of the operation will be provided for the IFRC Regional Office for Europe (ROE) on a regular basis. With the support of the ROE, a workshop on lessons learned and a survey on beneficiary satisfaction will be conducted at the end of the operation. A final report on this DREF operation will be made available three months after the end of the operation.

Administration and Finance

The local financial management planned the budget for need assessments, transport of the volunteers, aid distribution and the monitoring will be ensured by the RCK structure. The IFRC ROE will ensure that financial resources management follow the IFRC standards and DREF guidelines.

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C. DETAILED OPERATIONAL PLAN

Quality programming / Areas common to all sectors

Outcome 1: Accurate assessment is conducted to design a relief operation																	
Output 1.1 Continuous needs assessment and preparedness for relief distribution are conducted following the updated information received from the field																	
Activities planned	Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Conduct an accurate assessment																	
Develop a detailed operational plan of action																	
Mobilize staff and volunteers for the implementation of operation																	
Packing and branding of food parcel ration																	
Transport of relief items according to plan of distribution																	
Monitoring field visits by RCK Structure																	
Output 1.2 Lessons learned from the operation are incorporated in the preparedness plans																	
Activities planned	Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Lesson learned workshop																	

Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion

Outcome 1: Water is provided to target population																	
Output 1. Potable water is provided for 313 families affected																	
Activities planned	Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rapid assessments of the beneficiaries` needs and lists according to the criteria agreed with the local authorities – emergency HQ																	
Development of the distribution plans																	
Distribution of 18,780 litres of potable water to flood affected families																	
Outcome 2: The risk of sanitation related diseases has been reduced through provision of hygiene parcels and health and hygiene promotion																	
Output 1: 313 Family hygiene parcels are distributed to flood affected population																	
Activities planned	Weeks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Rapid assessments of the beneficiaries` needs and lists according to the criteria agreed with the local authorities – emergency HQ																	
Development of the distribution plans																	

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Distribution of 313 basic hygiene parcels																		
Output 2: Families are aware are able to counter hygiene related risks																		
Activities planned	Weeks																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Conduct hygiene promotion and awareness raising activities.																		

Shelter and settlements (and household items)

Outcome 1: Essential non-food items are provided to the affected population.																		
Output 1.1 313 families will be provided with 1,421 blankets, 1,421 mattresses and 616 boots.																		
Activities planned	Weeks																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Rapid assessments of the beneficiaries` needs and lists according to the criteria agreed with the local authorities – emergency HQ																		
Development of the distribution plans																		
The transportation and distributions of blankets, mattresses and boots to the affected people from the RCK Structure stock																		

Food security, nutrition and livelihoods

Outcome 1: Immediate food needs of the flood-affected population are met																		
Output 1. 313 families in the five most affected areas in Vushtrri, Podujeva, Rahovec, Gjakova and Malisheva are provided with food parcels																		
Activities planned	Weeks																	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Preparation of final lists of beneficiaries together with the local management commission and local authorities.																		
Local procurement, transportation and distributions of food parcels (one parcel per family)																		
Monitoring and evaluation of the relief activities and reporting on the relief distributions																		

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DREF OPERATION

17/11/2016

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Budget Group	DREF Grant Budget CHF
Shelter - Relief	
Shelter - Transitional	
Construction - Housing	
Construction - Facilities	
Construction - Materials	
Clothing & Textiles	39,116
Food	19,139
Seeds & Plants	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	21,209
Medical & First Aid	
Teaching Materials	
Utensils & Tools	1,346
Other Supplies & Services	
Cash Disbursements	
Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES	80,810
Land & Buildings	
Vehicles	
Computer & Telecom Equipment	
Office/Household Furniture & Equipment	
Medical Equipment	
Other Machinery & Equipment	
Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	0
Storage, Warehousing	
Distribution & Monitoring	537
Transport & Vehicle Costs	800
Logistics Services	
Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE	1,337
International Staff	
National Staff	
National Society Staff	3,229
Volunteers	4,550
Total PERSONNEL	7,779
Consultants	
Professional Fees	
Total CONSULTANTS & PROFESSIONAL FEES	0
Workshops & Training	3,215
Total WORKSHOP & TRAINING	3,215
Travel	4,000
Information & Public Relations	1,073
Office Costs	2,147
Communications	1,073
Financial Charges	
Other General Expenses	
Shared Office and Services Costs	
Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES	8,293
Partner National Societies	
Other Partners (NGOs, UN, other)	
Total TRANSFER TO PARTNERS	0
Programme and Supplementary Services Recovery	6,593
Total INDIRECT COSTS	6,593
TOTAL BUDGET	108,027