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Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA) Tajikistan: Floods

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Operation start date: 27 June 2017	Expected timeframe: 27 June – 27 September 2017
Overall operation budget: 51,555 CHF	
Number of people affected: 140 families (700 people)	Number of people to be assisted: 83 most-affected families (415 people) – with non-food items and construction tools. 140 affected families (700 people) – with hygiene kits and hygiene promotion (including the 83 most-affected families).
Host National Society presence (n° of volunteers, staff, branches): The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan (RCST) has a well-trained and experienced branch in the affected area including one National Disaster Response Team consisting of 8 members, as well as 14 Local Disaster Committee members. In addition, two staff of the local Panjakent branch supported by the RCST HQ and IFRC Country Representation will be involved in the operation.	
Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners actively involved in the operation: International Federation of Red Cross, German Red Cross (GRC) and International Committee of Red Cross (ICRC)	
Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: Local and National Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, World Food Programme (WFP), UNICEF	

A. Situation analysis

Description of the disaster

Heavy rains and strong winds on 26 June 2017 lasting for an hour (between approx. 16:30-17:30) have resulted in a **mudflow** in **Amondara village**, Panjakent district (Sughd Province) of Tajikistan. According to the results of the rapid assessment, conducted on 27 June by the Governmental Emergency Response Commission (which includes the Comity of Emergency Situation (CoES) and Civil Defence of Tajikistan), the RCST and REACT partners (national and international organizations), about **140 households (700 people)** have been affected. Six houses have been totally **destroyed**, and ten houses **heavily damaged**. A total of 124 houses have been **filled by mud**. The affected population has lost their **livelihoods**, livestock and home properties and critical **social infrastructure**. Inhabitants of the destroyed houses have been **evacuated** and are currently being hosted by relatives and neighbours.

The mudflow has damaged 3.5 km of irrigation water supply channels and 1.5 km of drinking water system. Therefore, **access to clean drinking water and**



Village residents trying to access the houses inundated by the mudflow. Source: Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan

irrigation water in the village is currently limited. The mud has also destroyed crops on 40 ha of **agricultural lands** and **kitchen gardens** and partially damaged the **secondary school** of the village. The full results of the rapid assessment can be seen in the below table:

Description	Quantity	Directly affected people
Fully destroyed houses	6	30
Partially damaged houses	10	50
Total households affected	140	700
Households with lost NFI and food stock	83	415
Infrastructure	Quantity	Broader affected population in Amondara village
Local roads	1.5km	3,842
Irrigation channel	3.5km	
Drinking water system	1.5km	
Cultivated land	40ha	
Electricity transformer	1 piece	
Electricity lines	750m	
Secondary school	1 (building)	

Summary of the current response

Overview of National Society

The Panjakent district branch staff and volunteers of the RCST deployed to the location of the disaster within the first hours after the event, including **eight National Disaster Response Team members, 14 Local Disaster Committee members, and two staff of the local Panjakent branch**. The RCST has actively participated in the **coordinated joint rapid assessment** with the Governmental Emergency Response Commission and Rapid Emergency Assessment and Coordination Team (REACT) partners. It has also rendered first aid and psychological support (PSS) (on a needs-basis) and assisted the **evacuation of 486 affected people** in cooperation with the government line ministries on site. In total, **112 injured people** have received **first aid** and **74 people PSS** from the RCST team members. The operational and first aid points of the TRCS that have been set up will be operational until the end of the response and recovery activities.

The RCST has also been **requested by the Local Government of Panjakent** to provide humanitarian assistance. In response, the RCST has mobilized **83 non-food item kits** from its Emergency Response Centres (ERCs) in Panjakent (27 sets), Ayni (25 sets) and Dushanbe (31 sets) to distribute to the affected population of Amondara village.

Overview of Red Cross Red Crescent Movement in country

In addition to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), in-country Movement partners include International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and German Red Cross (GRC) each with a representation in-country. All these partners remain supportive and ready to support the National Society in case of need. The National Society will keep updating the IFRC Country office on the progress of the operation.

Movement Coordination

The RCST is continuously coordinating with and informing the **IFRC's Country Office in Tajikistan** as well as the ICRC and Partner National Societies (PNSs) about the actual situation and the response. The IFRC is providing technical support to the RCST in planning, in coordination within the movement and with external stakeholders, and in inducting staff and volunteers who are involved in the operation.

The **German Red Cross** is providing **family food parcels for 140 families** through the RCST complementing the assistance provided by the district authorities and WFP.

The **ICRC** expressed its readiness to support the RCST in case of need.

Overview of non-RCRC actors in country

The local authorities, through civil services are conducting **debris removal** on main roads and from houses using manual labour and heavy machinery.

The **Government of Sughd province** has provided one-time **cash assistance to 70 affected households** for reconstruction purposes equalling to TJS 2,000 (CHF 215) per household.

The **Panjakent district authorities** have distributed **food to 55 families**. Each ration of food included: 50kg of wheat flour, 5kg of sugar, 5kg of rice, and 5 litres of vegetable oil. The **WFP** has also distributed **food assistance to 83 families**. Each ration of food (sufficient for a family of up to 6 members) included: 50kg of wheat flour, 2 litres of vegetable oil, 5kg of pulses and 1kg of salt. The district authorities and WFP's food assistance is covering the needs of the affected people identified in the needs assessment, the RCST's food support is therefore of complementary nature.

UNICEF has distributed **243 hygiene kits, 166 water cans, 60,000 water purification tablets and 300 pieces of communication for development (C4D) materials** on how to use the Aquatab water purifying tablets. As the hygiene kits are of small size sufficient for 15 days only, there is a **remaining need to provide further hygiene kits and promotion**.

The **Panjakent district authorities** are currently addressing **recovery needs**, including construction of new houses and rehabilitation of damaged infrastructure.

As referred above, due to its limited resources and capacity, the **Government has approached the National Society** to provide support. There are only a few humanitarian organizations in country beside the RCST, which is fully positioned to provide relief assistance.

Continued rapid damage and needs assessment was also conducted on 28 June 2017 by the 2107 Sughd province REACT partners, including representatives of UN WFP, RCST and UNICEF regional and district authorities. On 29 June 2017, the Chairman of Sughd Province along with the Deputy Chairman of CoES and other state services have also visited the disaster site.

Needs analysis, beneficiary selection, risk assessment and scenario planning

The **current humanitarian priorities** include **food, drinking water, non-food items**, support in **debris cleaning and sanitation/hygiene**.

Food stocks and food storage facilities in most houses were damaged (covered with mud) or lost. Although local shops and markets continue to operate, the population is not able to buy food due to the financial losses that they have suffered due to the floods. The population has also lost much of their cattle and livestock, gardens and agricultural fields, which are the main source of income for most of the affected families.

There is a **high risk of waterborne diseases** and epidemics due to poor hygiene/sanitation conditions. Most households' toilets are covered by mud or are destroyed. The affected population does not have adequate hygiene supplies (e.g. soap, tooth paste/brushes, etc.). Therefore, there is an urgent need to raise people's awareness of the first signs of water-borne diseases to immediately seek medical help in case of need.

There is **partial access to drinking water** in Amondara village. Drinking water is delivered from the upper side of the village that was not affected. Support is required in water provision/delivery, as the affected families would focus on cleaning their houses/belongings and rehabilitation of houses.

Support is also required in **debris/mud removal**; in particular, for the most vulnerable families (e.g. female-headed households, multi-children families, elderly people and elderly living alone).

It has been identified there is a need for **non-food items** including beddings, kitchen sets and mud cleaning tools, as many household utensils including kitchen sets, cleaning tools (shovels, hoes) and bedding are dirty and not suitable for use.

Construction tools also need to be provided to the affected population, as they need to reconstruct and/or renovate their damaged houses.

According to the coordination and distribution of roles and based upon request from the local authorities and in agreement with the CoES headquarter, the **RCST will focus on providing non-food items, hygiene kits and hygiene promotion** in close cooperation with governmental bodies and REACT partners.

Beneficiary selection:

Beneficiaries will be targeted by the RCST, based on the **following criteria**.

- **overall focus** on households and families who were affected and had their homes damaged/destroyed and lost their properties due to the disaster;
- **specific focus on 83 most-affected families**, whose houses have been totally destroyed/damaged and who have lost their basic goods (beddings, kitchen utensils, mud cleaning tools such as shovels hoes, basic construction tools etc.) – to be targeted for NFI support;
- **additional focus on those families among the 83 most-affected families** who have had to be evacuated after their houses have been destroyed/damaged – to be targeted for NFI support;
- **specific focus on the 140 affected families**, whose hygiene needs remain unmet following the short-term hygiene assistance by UNICEF (see reference above) – to be targeted with hygiene kit support;

- **Hygiene promotion** will target a **total 3,842 of people** (including the above 83 households already targeted and 3,427 additional people living in Amondara village) – to ensure prevention of waterborne diseases in the village area.

Risk Assessment:

No significant risks and security concerns have been identified that would potentially affect the operations. However, the State Agency for Hydrometeorology of Tajikistan forecasts continued high temperatures, intense storms and increase of water level in the rivers of the country, as well as stream bank erosion. The risk of floods can also be expected in the mountainous regions and at the higher elevations of the country. In case of another emergency, the RCST will activate its contingency plan and deploy its existing disaster response capacities from all over the country.

B. Operational strategy and plan

Overall objective

*The immediate non-food needs of 83 flood-affected families (415 people) are met through the provision of **non-food items and construction tools** for a period of three months. The medium-term hygiene needs of 140 families (700 people) are met through the provision of hygiene kits for a period of three months. In addition, the hygiene information needs of the broader community of Amondara village comprising 3,842 people in 768 families is met by the RCST's hygiene promotion activities.*

Proposed strategy

The operation will include one-time distribution to target beneficiaries of non-food items including construction tools as well as hygiene kits and hygiene promotion information materials to cope with the consequences of the disastrous floods. With the support of the IFRC, the RCST will assist, for the period of three months:

- **83 families (415 people) – with NFI items** including family bedding sets (matrasses, blankets, pillows and bed linen) and cooking sets. These NFI items will be distributed from the RCST's existing stock and will be replenished with the support of this DREF.
- **83 families (415 people) – with construction tools** for the reconstruction/renovation of their destroyed/damaged houses (same 83 families as above)
- **140 families (700 people) – with hygiene kits**. These NFI items will also be distributed from the RCST's existing stock and will be replenished with the support of this DREF.
- **3,842 people** (whole village population in Amondara) – **with hygiene promotion** through the distribution of information materials and banners in the entire village.

The content of the NFI kits and kitchen sets will be as follows:

No.	Description	Unit	Quantity
1.	Matrass	pc	5
2.	Pillow	pc	5
3.	Blanket	pc	5
4.	Bedlinen	set	5
5.	Water can 10 l	pc	1
6.	Shovel with handle	pc	1
7.	Hoe with handle	pc	1

No.	Description	Unit	Quantity
1.	Pot (8 litre)	pc	1
2.	Ladle	pc	1
3.	Scoop	pc	1
4.	Kitchen knife	pc	2
5.	Large plate	pc	5
6.	Small plate	pc	5
7.	Spoon	pc	5
8.	Fork	pc	5
9.	Cup	pc	5
10.	Carton box with logos	pc	1

The construction tools will include the following:

#	Description of items	Specification	Unit	Quantity
1	Axe	with a wooden handle	pc	1
2	Hammer-claw	weight 0.5 kg, with a wooden claw	pc	1
3	Two-man saw (1x1)	length 750mm for wood, hardened steel	pc	1
4	Saw (1)		pc	1
5	Nail	100mm	kg	5
6	Nail	roofing nail, with cap	kg	3
7	Glasscutter		pc	1
8	Handplane		pc	1
9	Construction level		set	1
10	Tape measure	steel, 5 metre	pc	1
11	Trowel	large	pc	1
12	Scrap		pc	1
13	Screw drivers	different types (5)	set	1
14	Rope	12mm rope (length 10m)	pc	1
15	Pliers		pc	1
16	Scissors	for cutting gesture (metallic)	pc	1
17	Ladle		pc	1
18	Bag	waterproof, for storing construction tools, with logos	pc	1

The hygiene kits will contain the following items:

#	Description	Unit	Quantity
1.	Towel	pc	5
2.	Soap	pc	5
3.	Liquid soap	pc	2
4.	Laundry soap	pc	5
5.	Washing powder	pc	2
6.	Shampoo	pc	2
7.	Tooth paste	pc	5
8.	Tooth brush	pc	5
9.	Dishwashing liquid	pc	2
10.	Disinfection powder	pc	4
11.	Napkins	pc	5
12.	Toilet Paper	pc	10
13.	Plastic bag	pc	1
14.	Carton box with logos	pc	1

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

- Completion of detailed emergency needs assessments;
- Finalization of the lists of beneficiaries together with local authorities and in accordance with the Red Crescent's assessment procedures and format;
- Procurement, transportation and distribution of non- food items, hygiene kits and construction tools – including replenishment of distributed stocks in three RCST ERCs as applicable (see ERC locations above);
- Printing and distribution of hygiene promotion information materials and installation of banners in strategic locations of the village;
- Monitoring and evaluation of relief activities and reporting on the relief distributions;
- As part of the monitoring and evaluation activities, conduct of a beneficiary satisfaction survey among people reached to assess the relevance and impact of RCST services received.

Operational support services

Human resources

A total of 22 trained and experienced volunteers and two staff of the RCST will be deployed to carry out the proposed activities. The IFRC Tajikistan Disaster Management staff will also be involved and provide overall technical support to the RCST in implementing the operation, as well as in reporting and communications.

Logistics and supply chain

Non-food items including construction tools and hygiene kits will be procured, transported and pre-positioned locally in accordance and full compliance with the RCST's and IFRC's procurement guidelines as well DREF guidelines. As described, the procured non-food item and hygiene kit stock will be replaced in the RCST's three Emergency Response Centres in Panjakent, Ayni and Dushanbe to replenish the already distributed stock.

Information technology (IT)

Communications equipment, mobile and fixed phones and laptops have been made available by RCST in order to maintain contact between the branches and operational volunteers and their base, as well as maintain and update records, and plan and coordinate the emergency. The National Society's HQ will maintain regular communication with its Sughd Province and Panjakent city branches through mobile phone network and for reports and pictures, through the internet.

Communications

A press release will be prepared in Tajik, English, and Russian to be disseminated through the local media, as well as posted on the official website of the RCST. Photos will be taken on the operation sites and disseminated both via media outlets and the RCST's internal and external websites. RCST field staff and volunteers will be available for media interviews after preliminary coordination with the RCST's Communications Officer.

Planning, monitoring, evaluation, & reporting (PMER)

The RCST and the IFRC in Tajikistan will monitor the whole project implementation. The IFRC will provide technical support in terms of operation management including monitoring and reporting where necessary. Regular updates will be provided by the RCST to the IFRC on the general progress of the operation. A final report will be jointly published after the completion of the operation. A beneficiary satisfaction survey will be conducted as part of the monitoring and evaluation using random check mechanism and individual interviews with beneficiaries. A 'lessons learned' workshop will also be conducted to share the breadth of experience gathered and challenges encountered during the operation among the RCST, IFRC, ICRC and GRC staff and governmental actors and REACT partners involved in the response.

This operation is expected to be implemented over three months, and will therefore be completed by 27 September 2017. The final report will be published three months after the end of the operation, by 27 December 2017.

Administration and Finance

The RCST will ensure the proper use of financial resources in accordance with the conditions laid down in the project agreement signed between the National Society and the IFRC. The IFRC will ensure that financial resources management will take place in compliance with IFRC standards and DREF guidelines.

Budget

The detailed operational budget for this DREF operation can be found below.

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Budget Group	DREF Grant Budget CHF
Shelter - Relief	
Shelter - Transitional	
Construction - Housing	
Construction - Facilities	
Construction - Materials	18,260
Clothing & Textiles	
Food	
Seeds & Plants	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	5,600
Medical & First Aid	
Teaching Materials	
Utensils & Tools	3,880
Other Supplies & Services	6,640
Cash Disbursements	
Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES	34,380
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	1,800
Transport & Vehicle Costs	3,600
Logistics Services	
Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE	5,400
International Staff	
National Staff	
National Society Staff	1,200
Volunteers	2,050
Total PERSONNEL	3,250
Consultants	
Professional Fees	
Total CONSULTANTS & PROFESSIONAL FEES	0
Workshops & Training	2,500
Total WORKSHOP & TRAINING	2,500
Travel	1,450
Information & Public Relations	1,128
Office Costs	
Communications	300
Financial Charges	
Other General Expenses	
Shared Office and Services Costs	
Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES	2,878
Partner National Societies	
Other Partners (NGOs, UN, other)	
Total TRANSFER TO PARTNERS	0
Programme and Supplementary Services Recovery	3,147
Total INDIRECT COSTS	3,147
TOTAL BUDGET	51,555

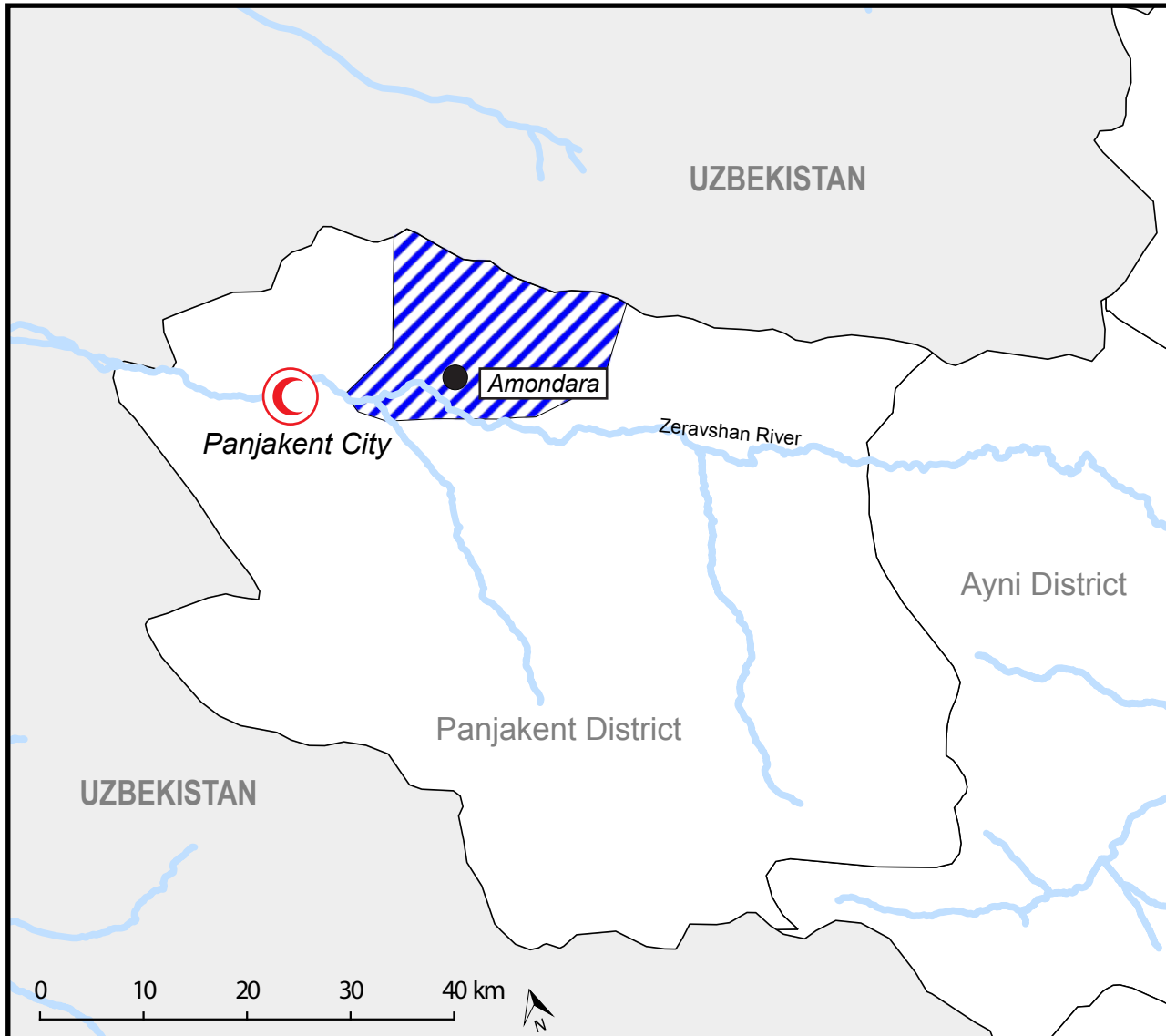
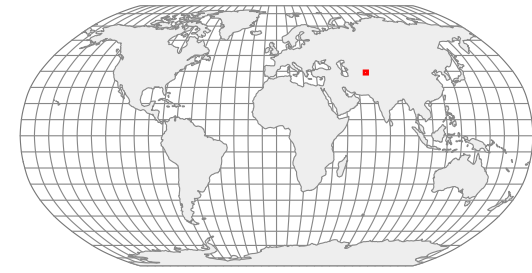




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