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Operation Update Report

Algeria: Mila Earthquake

 International Federation
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

DREF n° MDRDZ005	GLIDE n° EQ-2020-000188-DZA
Operation update n°: 1	Timeframe covered by this update: 4 months
Operation start date: 25/08/2020	Operation timeframe: 4 months extending for an additional 2 months ending on 28 February 2021
DREF amount initially allocated: CHF 563,225	
N° of people being assisted: 10,000 (1,675 HHs)	
Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners currently actively involved in the operation: International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	
Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: Government of Algeria including the Civil Protection Directorate and the People's National Army of Algeria	

Summary of major revisions made to emergency plan of action:

This DREF operation is being extended an additional two months bringing the end date to 28 February 2021, providing enough time to deliver and clear shipments of internationally procured items to Algeria Oran port partially replenishing their distributed stocks:

- 1st shipment ETA 31st of December 2020 (7,000 blankets and 1,675 kitchen sets)
- 2nd shipment ETA 22nd of January 2021 (375 tents and 375 camp beds)

Other local activities including procurement and distribution of food parcels for 2 months (6,700) has been finalized.

A. SITUATION ANALYSIS

Description of the disaster

A magnitude 4.9 earthquake hit eastern Algeria on Friday August 07, 07:15am. The quake, which was followed by a 4.5 aftershock, hit Mila province some 350 km (215 miles) east of the capital Algiers.

The earthquake has left severe damages on the structures and infra-structures in different areas of Mila, pushing the residents to flee in panic into the streets.

Around 122 houses have been damaged including three houses and a four-storey villa that were destroyed, while 31 apartments were partially destroyed. Other houses were severely damaged including open cracks in walls, floors, and streets. Luckily, there were no casualties reported, only injuries.

The government declared on 16 August 2020 the area of Khirbat in Mila a disaster area, populated by more than 2,500 families. Following to the evacuation of families living in fragile structures and damaged houses at risk of collapsing, a football stadium was allocated on the event day to house the affected families in emergency shelter.

Initial number of 217 families were sheltered on the first day, and by the second day a total of 1,675 families were staying in 4 emergency camps. These families are the most vulnerable as they have no source of income to cover their needs, nor other sheltering solutions such as rental or being hosted as other affected families chose to. It is not clear when those hosted families could return to their new homes, as with the announcement of Mila as a disaster area it is expected that the government will compensate with lands in other areas.

Summary of current response

As per December 2020, all the activities planned in the initial EPoA under the DREF Operation: Mila Earthquake, had been carried out and the targeted **1,675 households** received shelter and livelihood assistance.

During their initial response to the disaster, the Algerian Red Crescent conducted needs and damage assessment in coordination with local authorities and deployed a response team to provide first aid, PSS, evacuation, and transport to emergency shelters. It provided also hot meals and food baskets, emergency shelter and shelter items including:

Family Tents	975
Camp Beds	3,000
Blankets	7,500
Mattresses	8,375
Kitchen Sets	1,675

ARC managed the camps including 24-hour surveillance through ARC trained volunteers and distributed 700 hygiene kits (20 days ration) to the displaced families in the camps. The kits were mobilized from ongoing program with the ICRC under the COVID-19 response.

Overview of Red Cross Red Crescent Movement in country

The IFRC Country Cluster North Africa Office in Tunis, the Disaster and Crisis, Preparedness, Response & Recovery (DCPRR) and Planning, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting (PMER) units at IFRC MENA Regional Office, in Lebanon, supported ARC and will continue to monitor the situation.

The Country Cluster Office provided support to the National Society, including project and financial management, facilitating implementation of the planned relief operation.

IFRC works in coordination with the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), which has been present in Algeria since the 1954 war of independence. At that time, its focus was on visiting prisoners and helping refugees in Morocco and Tunisia. Today, the ICRC's main activity is visiting detainees. The ICRC cooperates with the ARC on several files like First Aid, dissemination of International Humanitarian Law (IHL/HP) and Restoring Family Links (RFL).

B. OPERATIONAL STRATEGY

Proposed strategy

The overall objective was to ensure that the immediate and life savings needs of up to 1,675 affected families (10,000 people) are met through providing first aid, food, and non-food relief items.

ARC has also finalized distributions of food parcels: (15 days ration) food parcels for two months bringing a total of 6,700 parcels. The two-month extension will enable ARC to finalise partial replenishment of their stocks.

C. DETAILED OPERATIONAL PLAN



Shelter

People reached: 1,675 HHs

Male: 4,600

Female: 5,400

Outcome 1: Communities in disaster and crisis affected areas restore and strengthen their safety, well-being and longer-term recovery through shelter and settlement solutions

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of people reached with safe and adequate shelter settlement	1,675	1,675

Output 1.1: Short, medium and long-term shelter and settlement assistance is provided to affected households

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of households provided with emergency shelter and settlement assistance	1,675	1,675

Progress towards outcomes

1,675 families of the most vulnerable affected people have been reached by ARC through emergency sheltering in providing tents (975), camp-beds (3,000), blankets (7,500), mattresses (8,375), and kitchen sets (1,675).

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Livelihoods and basic needs

People reached: 1,675 households

Male: 4,600

Female: 5,400

Outcome 1: Communities, especially in disaster and crisis affected areas, restore, and strengthen their livelihoods

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of households receiving food assistance	1,675	1,675

Output 1.1: Basic needs assistance for livelihoods security including food is provided to the most affected communities

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of targeted households that have enough food to meet their survival threshold	1,675	1,675

Progress towards outcomes

1,675 households hosted in the four emergency camps were provided with food parcels for two months (15 days ration) to assist them in organizing their lives out of their homes.

Strengthen National Society

Outcome 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

Output 1.1: National Society has effective and motivated volunteers who are protected (Insured and provided with PPEs)

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of motivated volunteers who are protected and insured.	100	-

Outcome 2: Effective and coordinated international disaster response is ensured

Output 2.1: Effective and respected surge capacity mechanism is maintained

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of surge deployments	ND	NA

Outcome 3: The programmatic reach of the National Societies and the IFRC is expanded.

Output 3.1: Resource generation and related accountability models are developed and improved

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of narrative reports submitted	2	1 OU

Outcome 4 : Financial resources are safeguarded; quality financial and administrative support is provided contributing to efficient operations and ensuring effective use of assets; timely quality financial reporting to stakeholders

Indicators:	Target	Actual
# financial reports are submitted in due time.	2	1

Progress towards outcomes

- All pending activities will be finalised in due time by the end of the extended timeframe

D. Financial Report

Please find the financial report below:

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INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT

MDRDZ005 - Algeria - Mila Earthquake

Operating Timeframe: 25 Aug 2020 to 31 Dec 2020

Selected Parameters			
Reporting Timeframe	2020/08-2020/11	Operation	MDRDZ005
Budget Timeframe	2020/08-2020/12	Budget	APPROVED

Prepared on 31/Dec/2020

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Summary

Opening Balance	0
Funds & Other Income	563,225
DREF Allocations	563,225
Expenditure	-253,909
Closing Balance	309,316

II. Expenditure by area of focus / strategies for implementation

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
AOF1 - Disaster risk reduction			0
AOF2 - Shelter	248,891		248,891
AOF3 - Livelihoods and basic needs	254,535		254,535
AOF4 - Health		253,909	-253,909
AOF5 - Water, sanitation and hygiene			0
AOF6 - Protection, Gender & Inclusion			0
AOF7 - Migration			0
Area of focus Total	503,426	253,909	249,517
SFI1 - Strengthen National Societies	32,110		32,110
SFI2 - Effective international disaster management			0
SFI3 - Influence others as leading strategic partners	23,430		23,430
SFI4 - Ensure a strong IFRC	4,260		4,260
Strategy for implementation Total	59,800		59,800
Grand Total	563,225	253,909	309,316

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III. Expenditure by budget category & group

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
Relief items, Construction, Supplies	460,700		460,700
Shelter - Relief	102,000		102,000
Clothing & Textiles	112,750		112,750
Food	234,500		234,500
Utensils & Tools	11,450		11,450
Logistics, Transport & Storage	9,000		9,000
Distribution & Monitoring	9,000		9,000
Personnel	43,150		43,150
National Society Staff	10,000		10,000
Volunteers	33,150		33,150
Workshops & Training	4,000		4,000
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General Expenditure	12,000	-11,588	23,588
Travel	12,000		12,000
Financial Charges		-11,588	11,588
Contributions & Transfers		250,000	-250,000
Cash Transfers National Societies		250,000	-250,000
Indirect Costs	34,375	15,497	18,878
Programme & Services Support Recover	34,375	15,497	18,878
Grand Total	563,225	253,909	309,316

Reference documents



Click here for:

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

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How we work

All IFRC assistance seeks to adhere to the **Code of Conduct** for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's) in Disaster Relief and the **Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Humanitarian Response (Sphere)** in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable. The IFRC's vision is to inspire, **encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities** by National Societies, with a view to **preventing and alleviating human suffering**, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

The IFRC's work is guided by Strategy 2020 which puts forward three strategic aims:



Save lives,
protect livelihoods,
and strengthen recovery
from disaster and crises.



Enable **healthy**
and **safe** living.



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