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to 31 December 2013.**

*The RCST volunteer providing the first aid
to an "injured resident of an affected
village" during a simulation exercise.
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Overview

The annual report for the support of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in 2013 in Tajikistan highlights the top-line achievements and constraints during the reporting period.

The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)'s Country Representation in Tajikistan provides support to the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan (RCST) in implementing its activities to save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disasters and crises; enable healthy and safe living; promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace and implement the enabling actions to deliver those aims.

The disaster risk reduction, and building the capacities of both the RCST and vulnerable communities on disaster mitigation and early effective response were in the focus on activities in 2013.

At the same time, in 2013 the RCST's focus area was strengthening its fundraising capacity and tools with special focus on internal sources of funds. The dynamic in humanitarian diplomacy was also continued offering RCST unique opportunities to develop new partnerships with Tajik governmental authorities and non-traditional international stakeholders.

The second half of the year turned out to be very rich and successful in terms of the promotion of international legislation on the response to disasters.

Labour migration remains a key survival strategy and a guarantee of social stability for many households in Tajikistan. Nearly half of the labour force works abroad, primarily in Russia, supporting their families in Tajikistan through remittances. Seven information and education centres run by RCST for migrants continued the provision of consultancy services on legal issues including human trafficking risks, psychosocial support and training in basic computer literacy skills and the Russian language, prevention of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STI), TB and the rendering of basic First Aid.

Working in partnership

Operational Partners	Agreement
Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Project contracts/Memorandum of Understanding for DREFs. ➤ Norwegian Red Cross supported disaster management; migration; water and sanitation, health, and organizational development projects. ➤ Finnish Red Cross supported disaster management programme. ➤ Japanese Red Cross supported cross-border project.
Norwegian Red Cross	
Finnish Red Cross	
Japanese Red Cross	

Progress towards outcomes

Business line 1: To raise humanitarian standards

Outcome 1.1: Develop and keep updated a Europe Zone regional trend report on key humanitarian and development issues, review of the interpretation of humanitarian principles

Outcome 1.2: Promote the fundamental principles and humanitarian values and mainstream those in other programmes

Outcome 1.3: Strengthen the professional qualifications through policy, research studies, IDRL

Comments on progress towards outcomes

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan (RCST) as an integral part of its events, conducted educational and informational sessions on fundamental principles and humanitarian values to raise the awareness of the targeted population.

Campaigns, competitions, and contests dedicated to the Red Crescent Month were organized aiming to promote humanitarian values especially targeting the youth, students, and schoolchildren.

The Tajik State Agency for Social Insurance and Pensions hosted a workshop on IFRC Disaster Law programme on 12-13 September 2013. More than 30 representatives of this key governmental body participated at the event, where a special section was devoted to the labour migrants, their vulnerability and to the current IFRC and RCST activities to assist the labour migrants and their family members.

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan jointly with the Red Crescent Society of Iran and the Tajik authorities organized a humanitarian event for about 150 disabled persons in Varzob district. The event contained different sports and entertainment programmes and ended with handing out humanitarian aid to the disabled persons in the form of food parcels.

Business Line 2: To grow Red Cross/Red Crescent services for vulnerable people

Outcome 2.1: Complete trends analysis (in Disaster Management (DM), H&C, migration, etc.)

Outcome 2.2: Deliver timely quality disaster relief assistance to National Societies and to people affected

Outcome 2.3: Create fully operational regional disaster response teams

Outcome 2.4: Develop and continuously update comprehensive disaster management database

Outcome 2.5: Enable Plan of Action for strategic engagement with civil defence/civil protection actors

Outcome 2.6: Follow the Code of Conduct – security management

Outcome 2.7: Advocate for climate change, scale up awareness and adaptation

Outcome 2.8: Target advocacy and support to promote IDRL

Comments on progress towards outcomes

CHF 164,103 was allocated from the IFRC's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan in delivering immediate assistance to some 2,640 beneficiaries, partly 2,560 residents in 512 households, and partly 80 elderly and people with special needs affected from harsh winter consequences. A one-day workshop on lessons learned from this humanitarian assistance operation was conducted on 29 March 2013.

A new cross-border project targeted at the Red Crescent branches along the border with Afghanistan was launched to enhance the capacity of the respective Red Crescent Societies of Tajikistan and Afghanistan in the bordering area. The Japanese RC pioneered the implementation of this project devoting CHF 29,000 to Tajikistan. Under this project the capacity of Emergency Response Centers (ERC) in Khorugh, Ishkashim and Vanj of Tajikistan and nine Local Disaster Committees in border communities were evaluated. The renovation of the Vanj district Emergency Response Centre (ERC) warehouse completed and disaster preparedness stocks were moved from hospital warehouse to the renovated RCST warehouse. A joint meeting of disaster management coordinators from the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan and Afghanistan was conducted aiming to build the connections between the two humanitarian sides of the border and establish cooperation mechanisms.

Training workshops for some 80 members of four Local Disaster Committee (LDC) in Ishkashim, Rushan, Shughnan and Vanj districts of Tajikistan were conducted. The trainings aimed to increase participants' knowledge on disaster preparedness; disaster risk reduction measures; importance of sustainable resilience; well prepared community; first aid provision during disasters, and etc. The workshops also contributed to increase of the disaster risk reduction capacity of the LDCs using new approaches such as introduction to climate change and risk reduction activities in community level. The participants were tasked to transfer obtained knowledge to their respective community members. The LDC members received uniforms with RC logos, first aid kits and informational materials.

24 RCST NDRT members benefited from training workshops in two RCST ERCs. During the trainings, participants updated their knowledge on existing Federation tools linked to disaster response, SOP, Contingency Plans (National and provincial levels), Sphere standards, cooperation mechanisms with stakeholders, relief reporting, first aid principles and importance of conducting simulation exercises.

Some 2,000 pieces of informational materials aiming 10,000 beneficiaries were elaborated, printed, and distributed among the general population in the targeted districts. The informational materials aimed to increase the population knowledge on natural hazards, prevention measures, and first respond to the disaster providing assistance to the family members, and village residents.

Two provincial level simulation exercises involving communities' members, governmental bodies and REACT¹ partners, to enhance the coordinated response capacity of the Khatlon province disaster response stakeholders were conducted on March and November. In total, more than 3,400 people were involved in the event. The main aim of the exercises was to develop the skills and knowledge of staff and volunteers who will be deployed on emergency response missions and to enhance the collaboration in time of disasters between the RCST and the governmental agencies and REACT partners. NDRT members from Khatlon region of Tajikistan alongside with RCST volunteers in "affected villages", local police, rescuers, soldiers and medics, gathered in Kulob and Farkhor to learn how to be prepared for a disaster and how to respond to it and how to coordinate all actions internally and externally.

RCST Kulob and Qurghonteppa branches, as well as local community capacities in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in targeted disaster prone communities in Khatlon province were assessed. The assessment revealed that the local communities, and new staff and volunteers in the branch are in need of refresh courses. Community DRR and Local Disaster Committee (LDC) level DRR plans in Khatlon province are in the process of development. Response equipment was replenished for 12 LDCs and two NDRTs of Khatlon province. Some 14 Local Disaster Committees benefited from Community-based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR) refresher course trainings and simulation exercises.

A 5.2 Richter scale earthquake hit Tajikistan 10 November 2013, with a Richter scale 5 aftershock on 11 November 2013, injuring 12 people, and destroying either totally or partially about 400 homes in Vahdat and Yovon districts. The RCST was actively involved into the provision of psychosocial support to the affected population, as well as in the work of the State Commission in assessment of damages and needs.

¹ REACT (Rapid Emergency Assessment and Coordination Team) is a disaster response coordinating tool organized by the United Nations in Tajikistan.

A new primary organization on the basis of a hospital in Dushanbe, which is supervised by the Medical University, was opened for RCST. The RCST plans to establish a Local Disaster Committee on DM on the basis of this new primary organization, to attract volunteers and to train them on DM, TB prevention etc.

During the reporting period, several meetings with REACT Secretariats in Dushanbe city, Sughd and Khatlon regions were conducted. During the meetings, the cooperation between REACT partners was discussed.

A new database for the migration programme was also completed.

Business Line 3: To strengthen the specific Red Cross Red Crescent contribution to development

Outcome 3.1: Promote the roll-out of S2020, where needed support will be provided for strategic planning along Strategy 2020 at country level

Outcome 3.2: Promote social cohesion or address discrimination and exclusion – At least two concrete pilot projects

Outcome 3.3: Support for Red Cross Red Crescent programs to promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence

Outcome 3.4: Scale-up significantly in HIV and AIDS, TB and harm reduction using the global alliance approach and implementing innovative and new partnerships in resource mobilisation

Outcome 3.5: Develop and improve strong support mechanisms for other health and care priorities – including first aid, emergency health, psychosocial support and road safety, prevention of infectious diseases, particularly of hazardous and non-communicable diseases and ensuring safe access to drinking water using "low-cost technologies"

Outcome 3.6: Strengthen NS capacities and internal development by alignment of assistance to their self-determined needs

Outcome 3.7: Enhance social mobilisation (inter-generational programs, Club 25, youth and volunteering)

Comments on progress towards outcomes

A workshop on provision of psychosocial assistance was conducted for RCST staff on 29-31 January 2013 in Dushanbe. The workshop was organized and facilitated by "Doctors without Borders" with UNICEF financial support. RCST employees and volunteers, especially those, who participated in humanitarian operation on the provision of psychosocial support to the victims of military clashes in Badakhshan region last summer, were trained on modern and effective methods of the PSP provision to victims of natural disasters and other emergencies.

A three-day training on Child Protection in Emergencies and Provision of Psycho-Social Support was carried out between 17-19 September 2013 in Dushanbe, organized jointly by UNICEF and the RCST. It was attended by representatives from the Committee on Emergency Situation and the Commission on the Child Rights, as well as representatives of Dushanbe city authority and civil society organizations working on emergency issues. The purpose of this training was to build the capacity of relevant government and civil society partners to protect children in case of emergencies, including psychosocial service provision for children.

The IFRC Tajikistan pioneered a partnership with the Two Little Girls (TLG) campaign to fight against sex trafficking, through translation into Tajiki and promotion of the TLG animated video aimed to raise awareness of the dangers of sex trafficking in Tajikistan.

Four 3-day trainings and four 1-day trainings on community based health first aid were organized in Tavildara, Rasht, Tojikobod and Jirgatal districts of Rasht valley in July and September. These trainings covered some 160 volunteers among the teachers, nurses, community leaders and youth.

On 1 March 2013, the "*Empowering Central Asian migrants and returnees to improve their living and protect their dignity*" project was started at five RCST education-information centres. The project is funded by the European Commission and it is going on in three regions of Tajikistan. In the framework of the current project, two new centres (one in Dushanbe and the other one in Khorugh city) were opened and equipped with computers and office furniture. During the reporting period, some 105 volunteers were trained on peer-to-peer activities and some 6,489 migrants were served by 7 information-education centres. Some 25,000 information and education brochures on legal, health and social issues for migrants were elaborated, translated, printed, and distributed.

On 1 September 2013, the RCST, with the support of IFRC Country Representation and donation of Russian agency "SPID infosvyaz", started a new small migration project (USD 20.000). The goal of this project is to improve migrants' knowledge on prevention of TB, HIV and STD. Under this project, a small methodical paper intended for the psychologists under the title "Psychological support during voluntary HIV testing" was translated from Russian into Tajiki by the donor's request to be disseminated among the psychologists at HIV testing centres and other interested medical agencies and specialists. During the reporting period, two new small informational leaflets on TB prevention, and documents needed for work and live in Russia were developed in both Russian and Tajiki and disseminated among targeted population groups. The total amount of printed materials during the reporting period is 9,650 TB info leaflets and 350 brochures for migrants.

Several meetings and information campaigns were conducted by RCST in the schools, universities, and migration stakeholders (IOM, governmental Migration Service) to continue the advertising of the RCST's informational – educational centres. These advertisement efforts resulted in opening new classes at all seven RCST informational-educational centres. Taking into account the increased number of beneficiaries to study Russian language, computer literacy, and gain from the free legal consultancy, a new classroom is set up and furnished at RCST HQ in Dushanbe.

During the reporting period, one national and three regional Road Safety campaigns involving the Traffic Police Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, school and university students and drivers were conducted. About 2,000 pedestrians and drivers, as well as more than 2,500 schoolchildren were reached through these events. During the events, representatives of the traffic police and RCST informed schoolchildren, pedestrians, and drivers on road traffic rules and code of conduct on the roads. Also during the event information materials were distributed to schoolchildren.

An ERNA 4-day conference on HIV/TB, planned to be conducted in Dushanbe at the end September, was moved to Minsk, Belarus due to ERNA's financial challenges. In June, a delegation from ERNA visited Dushanbe to meet with the authorities and to discuss the ERNA conference. As a result, ERNA Secretariat decided that it would be financially easier to conduct the conference directly in Minsk, where the ERNA Secretariat is located.

Business Line 4: To heighten Red Cross Red Crescent influence and support for our work

Outcome 4.1: Promote and advocate for IDRL, National Society Act, and risk reduction

Outcome 4.2: Respond to socio-economic crisis

Outcome 4.3: Support NSs to the adoption or amendment of NS legislation to develop their auxiliary role to public authorities

Outcome 4.4: Revitalise the EZ OD function

Outcome 4.5 Scale up Resource Mobilisation capacities

Outcome 4.6: Diversify income sources – expanding partnerships (assist NS to increase public and governmental support and resources for addressing vulnerabilities)

Outcome 4.7: Develop a systematic approach for representation and advocacy with key partners agreed

Outcome 4.8: Develop a systematic approach for representation and advocacy with key partners agreed

Comments on progress towards outcomes

A new Memorandum of Understanding between the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan and the Committee of Emergency Situations was signed in September 2013. New spheres of collaboration, such as climate change, psychosocial support and etc. were included into the Memorandum. The updated MoU expects the increased collaboration between two sides for the period of September 2013 - September 2018. The RCST's national level contingency plan revision process started involving RCST key staff and Disaster Management officers from all over the country, REACT partners and CoES representatives. The first meeting was conducted between 3 and 5 October 2013.

A round table session to discuss the changes in the Law on the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan was conducted on 16 July 2013 in Dushanbe. The Red Crescent Society brought together the representatives of Dushanbe district authorities and RCST branches to raise awareness of the related points of the law on RCST, as well as to introduce to them the Red Cross mission and activities.

IFRC Capacity Building in Resource Mobilization and Strategic Partnerships Development Delegate from EZO facilitated training on fundraising for the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan's staff and volunteers

organized on 24-25 October 2013 in Dushanbe.

During the reporting period, different project proposals were developed including projects on disaster management, cross-border cooperation, water and sanitation, migration, TB and HIV prevention, organizational development and disaster law promotion.

The IFRC Tajikistan Office was part of the Regional Ministerial Conference hosted by Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, on 16-18 October 2013. The conference brought together more than 120 professionals, practitioners and delegates from Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan and Afghanistan as well as from various institutions working at regional and sub-regional levels. Based on the discussions, the Central Asian governments were recommended to consolidate the efforts of governmental agencies mandated in the field of protection of population and territories, international organizations and other stakeholders in strengthening regional cooperation in the area of disaster risk reduction in Central Asia and Afghanistan.

IFRC Tajikistan was part of the regional seminar on the Role of Customs in Disaster Response, which was held in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 29-30 October 2013. Organized jointly by the World Customs Organization, UN OCHA, and IFRC, the seminar brought together representatives of the customs and emergency representatives, as well as Red Cross/Red Crescent societies from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, and Belarus. It aimed to define strategies the customs authorities can implement to facilitate the process of humanitarian goods getting customs clearance during emergency situations and provide an effective and timely response in emergencies. The logical outcome of the seminar was drafting a Plan of Action prepared by the country delegations on the steps to be taken to improve preparedness to facilitate and regulate future relief consignments at the national and regional levels.

The law on regulation and strengthening the mechanism for disaster response was in the focus of an international seminar that was held in Dushanbe on 4 September 2013 and was organized by the CIS Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (IPA)'s Permanent Commission for Social Policy and Human Rights in cooperation with the IFRC. Members of the CIS IPA's Permanent Commission for Social Policy and Human Rights were acquainted with common problems of regulation in the field of international disaster response and experience of use of the IFRC developed tools on disaster respond legal assistance in Tajikistan and Kazakhstan. The Model Act was included into the Annual Plan of IPA CIS in 2014-2015 for further consideration and adoption by the IPA CIS.

Raising funds for the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan through its first aid provision service has been well continued. The Embassy of the United Kingdom and the German Agro Action staff were taught by the RCST specialists to save lives providing first aid on July and August 2013.

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan's work on its new strategy for 2013-2020 was suspended due to the lack of financial and human resources challenges. For now, the draft is shared with the branches. The Strategy is planned to be divided into three time periods, leaving some space for updates and adaptations to new national and international strategies.

Business Line 5: To deepen our tradition of togetherness through joint working and accountability

Outcome 5.1: Strengthen partnerships, sharing capacities and resources

Outcome 5.2: Enhance cooperation (leadership meetings, dialogue platform meetings, networks, etc.)

Outcome 5.3: Promote sharing information, mapping existing capacity gaps (databank and other global initiatives)

Outcome 5.4: Strengthen accountability through the Federation Wide Reporting System. (FWRS)

Outcome 5.5: Develop and improve up to date effective management structures that are in line with S2020 and with the country needs

Outcome 5.6: Modernise key business processes that impact on cost effectiveness, efficiency and accountability (planning and budgeting; human resources development)

Comments on progress towards outcomes

During the reporting period, Japanese Red Cross, Finnish Red Cross, and Norwegian Red Cross continued their support to support the growing of the capacities of the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan and vulnerable communities to reduce the impact of potential disasters through the Federation.

Under the agreement with the Chinese Red Cross, the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan was provided with

office equipments (computers, laptops, printers, faxes, furniture); non-food items (tents, sleeping bags, blankets, etc.); and one ambulance. The technical assistance was provided under the cooperation agreement signed last year between two National Societies with IFRC support. The official handover ceremony of the donations was conducted at the Chinese Embassy in Dushanbe on 28 April 2013.

RCST Secretary General and Deputy Secretary General attended a high-level workshop on NSs humanitarian capacity building held in Urumqi, China on 18-19 June 2014. The workshop was organized by the Chinese RC jointly with the government of Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of China for the leadership of the National Societies from the neighbouring Xinjiang Republic. The workshop covered three main issues, such as humanitarian needs and response to them in Central Asia, strengthening the potential of the NSs, as well as the collaboration between the Chinese RC and the Central Asian RCs.

The IFRC, with financial support of the Red Crescent Society of Saudi Arabia improved the RCST's information and communications infrastructure through provision of new technologies, staff training, provision of Internet service, creation of corporate electronic mails and a new web-site. Under this "Digital Divide" project eight laptops were purchased, a network was created in the RC HQ and branches, 50 corporate email accounts were ordered, eight staff from the HQ and branches were trained on the use of IT software.

The by the IFRC CR supported official web-site of the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan was regularly updated with the latest news and information. In the end of December, the web-site was moved into new one designed and developed also with IFRC support and launched under new URL address. The old web-site served the RCST since January 2011, for three years, and was fully designed and administered by IFRC Communications Officer in Tajikistan. The [new web-site](#) was designed by an external company and is being administered by RCST.

The IFRC and RCST representatives joined the United Nations agencies and international NGOs for a two-day simulation exercise conducted in Dushanbe on 27-28 March 2013 to review and strengthen their coordinated approach in response to potential large-scale disasters. The simulation exercise was jointly organized by the UN Children's Fund (UNICEF), UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) and the World Food Program (WFP).

RCST delegation consisting of the Secretary General, Deputy Secretary General, and Youth Coordinator attended the General Assembly and Council of Delegates in Sydney. The RCST delegation actively participated at different plenary sessions and conducted high-level bilateral meetings, particularly with the Italian RC, Swedish RC, Canadian RC, Finnish RC, British RC, Chinese RC, Iranian RC, Turkish RC, etc. Representatives of former Soviet republics also had a joint meeting in Sydney to discuss cooperation issues, common challenges and to share their experiences. Strengthening the cooperation between the Russian-speaking National Societies, as well as building a unite platform of the Russian-speaking National Societies were in the focus of this meeting.

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan and the Embassy of Japan to Tajikistan signed a grant agreement on improving the access to safe and drinkable water in seven remote villages of Tajikistan on 9 December 2013. Under this agreement, the Embassy of Japan will devote USD 89,444 to the RCST for building water supply system in seven remote villages of Tursunzoda, Shahrinav, Rudaki, Khuroson, and Hisor districts of Tajikistan. Reaching this agreement partially became possible thanks to the fruitful meeting conducted between Zlatko Kovac, IFRC Country Representative in Tajikistan, and Kazuya Sueta, Resident Representative of the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) in Tajikistan on 30 October 2013.

During the reporting period, Head of IFRC Country Representation in Tajikistan conducted several meetings with representatives of international stakeholders located in Tajikistan, including the Turkish International Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TICA), the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the World Bank, the Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC). During these meetings IFRC Country Representative in Tajikistan informed his counterparts about IFRC/RCST goals and objectives for the nearest future and presented RCST strategic direction and key activities focusing on the areas of the interest of the particular organization. Head of IFRC Delegation in Tajikistan also conducted some meetings with local authorities, particularly with the Deputy Head of Tajik Parliament, and Deputy Head of the National Tuberculosis Programme (NTP) of Tajikistan.

In the third week of May 2013, some nine RCST staff members directly involved into the migration programme and Federation Tajikistan migration programme coordinator participated in a one-day regional technical meeting and a one-day new programme launching meeting in Astana, Kazakhstan.

The IFRC Country Representation initiated regular partner meetings to discuss the current situation, achievements, challenges, planned actions, coordination of actions, etc.

Stakeholder participation and feedback

Through the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan's programs, the needs of vulnerable population were considered, and after the full assessment of the situation, the projects were implemented in most affected areas. Community engagement is a key to sustain projects results. The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan, while developing and implementing projects, takes into account feedback received from beneficiaries of previous projects, as well as consults the further beneficiaries and involves them into the process.

Emergency response centres of the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan branches were involved in all affected regions across the country, also trained volunteers how to provide first aid and psychological support to people during an emergency situation. Volunteers who work hard during disasters are an invaluable support to the professional disaster response teams of the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan. In addition, civilians of the local communities have put their valuable effort into an effective support for people in need within their communities. Together with their support, success and confidence during disaster situations were achieved. The RCST always considers the needs, proposals and comments of stakeholders and regularly addresses stakeholders' proposals to donor organizations and their demands.

Key Risks or Positive Factors

Key Risks or Positive Factors	Priority	Recommended Action
	High Medium Low	
Natural disasters are considered as highest key risks which mostly affect projects' implementation in Tajikistan.	High	Close cooperation with the Committee of Emergency Situation and the Hydro-meteorological Service, regular coordination meetings, evaluation and preparedness for natural disaster are implemented.
Political stability	Medium	Ensure close monitoring
Economic stability	High	Ensure close monitoring
Staff turnover	High	Promote and develop skills, benefits and financial support of NS staff
Volunteer turnover (leaving for the Russian Federation for labour migration purposes, unemployment or family issues).	High	Improve volunteers' knowledge, give valuable recommendations, and develop skills and benefits.

Lessons learned and looking ahead

The assessments of the projects and operations conducted by RCST HQ and IFRC local staff showed that it is necessary and extremely important to keep conducting regular sessions, educational campaigns and trainings in all the 69 branches of the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan on all subjects of RC/RC Movement activities within the country, in order to further improve volunteer management; branch development; fundraising and financial, logistic and staff management; visibility and promotion of fundamental principles and humanitarian values. For the image of the Movement, new fundraising tools, methods, charity campaigns, educational programs should be conducted.

Financial situation

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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 Disaster 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.

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

1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of nonviolence and peace.

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