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Emergency appeal

Paraguay: Floods

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Emergency Appeal n° MDRPY016	**Glide n° FL-2014-000007**	**Issued: 11 July 2014**
22,500 people to be assisted	**Appeal timeframe: 12 months**	**End date: 10 July 2015**
DREF allocated: CHF 519,935	**Appeal budget: CHF 1.8m**	

This appeal seeks a total of **1.8 million Swiss francs** to support the Paraguayan Red Cross to deliver assistance to some **22,500 people** for **12 months.**

The initial Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF), allocated on 20 June 2014 assisted 10,000 people affected by floods (5,000 with water and sanitation and 5,000 with shelter needs). This appeal increases the targeted population to 22,500, assisting with water and sanitation and shelter needs, livelihoods restoration and disaster preparedness.

*For the detailed **Emergency Plan of Action (EPoA)** **<click here>** For a map of the affected areas **<click here>***

The disaster

- Heavy rains in March 2014 caused severe flooding affecting five departments in Paraguay.
- Approximately 231,360 people have been affected.
- A state of emergency has been declared by the Municipality of Asuncion.
- The National Emergency Secretariat requested water and sanitation and shelter support from the Paraguayan Red Cross.
- Several communities in the Chaco region are isolated, and access by road is extremely difficult.
- The situation is expected to worsen and it is anticipated that the displaced persons will remain in temporary shelters at least until the end of the year.

Sanitation situation on the streets of Asuncion. Source: PRC

The operational strategy

Priority needs:

- Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion
- Psycho-social support
- Livelihoods restoration
- Shelter
- Disaster preparedness and risk reduction

Areas of intervention: Asuncion and Ñeembucú

Proposed sectors of intervention

Water, sanitation, hygiene promotion
Outcome 1 Water-related diseases risk reduction for 10,000 people affected by floods. • Output 1.1 Hygiene promotion activities which meet Sphere standards are provided to the target population.

- Output 1.2 Hygiene-related goods (non-food items) according to Sphere standards are provided to the target population.
- Output 1.3 Adequate sanitation according to Sphere standards in terms of quantity and quality is provided to target population.

Activities
- One PHAST workshop in Ñeembucú branch with involvement of Misiones and Itapúa branches.
- Conduct an assessment of water and communities health conditions to define the intervention strategy.
- Deploy two water and sanitation Kit 2,000 from Panama.
- Water and sanitation RRU deployment.
- Hygiene promotion activities.
- Water quality tests at water points and households where Red Cross are implementing water and sanitation activities.
- Define selection criteria of communities and families to be assisted.
- Targeting and registration of families.
- Develop distribution plan of 2,000 Kit 2 items, hygiene kits and water filters.
- Distribution of Kit 2 items and hygiene non-food items to the families using ODK and Mega V.
- Beneficiary satisfaction survey for the families assisted.
- Water and sanitation ERU deployment (personnel).

Food security, nutrition, and livelihoods

Outcome 2: Livelihoods of farmers affected by the floods are reactivated.
Output 2.1 Productive assets/inputs for primary production are provided in accordance with the seasonal calendar, via in-kind distribution, cash grants or vouchers.

Outcome 3: Immediate food needs of the disaster affected population are met.
Output 3.1 Appropriate food rations are distributed to vulnerable households.

Activities
- Identification and prioritization of communities.
- Tender, purchase and distribution of food and seeds.
- Agronomist technical assistance to targeted households.
- Planning, implementation, and monitoring of livelihood activities.
- Conduct the beneficiary satisfaction survey using the ODK tool.

Emergency health

Outcome 4: The immediate risks to the health of affected populations are reduced.
Output 4.1 Psychosocial support provided to the target population.

Activities
- Detail assessment in the camps.
- Refresher training in PSP to volunteers.
- PSP activities in shelter to target population.
- Emergency health PSP deployment for 6 months.

Emergency shelter

Outcome 5: The immediate shelter and settlement needs of the target population are met.
Output 5.1 Essential shelter kits (non-food items) are provided to the target population.

Activities
- Assessment in the prioritized shelters.
- Targeting and registration of beneficiaries using ODK and Mega V.
- Procurement and transport of shelter kits.
- Provide volunteers with training in temporary shelter setup.
- Develop distribution plan of shelter kits.
- Distribution of shelter kits.
- Beneficiary satisfaction survey for the families assisted.

Outcome 6: The shelter coordination objectives are met.
Output 6.1 Essential shelter technical support is provided

Activities

- Deployment of an information manager
- Deployment of a technical advisor
- Coordination activities

Outcome 7: Most vulnerable flooded households have adequate safe and durable shelter and settlement solutions.

Output 7.1 Lasting and sustainable settlements which meet the agreed standards are accessible to the target population.

Activities

- Reproduction of educational materials for repairing houses and on the Participatory Approach to Safe Shelter Awareness (PASSA).
- Training sessions on home repairs for volunteers.
- Implementation of a PASSA promotion campaign for affected families in two neighbourhoods.
- Final evaluation of the project.

Disaster risk management, preparedness, capacity building

Outcome 8: Contributing to the enhancement of the Paraguayan Red Cross' logistics capacities and the Paraguayan legal framework for disaster response management.

- Output 8.1 A logistic storage capacity is implemented in Paraguay on a disaster preparedness basis.
- Output 8.2 The auxiliary role of the Paraguayan Red Cross will be reinforced through providing technical legal advice to its government on International Disaster Response Law (IDRL) to increase the capacity to receive and manage international disaster assistance.

Activities

- Rent a warehouse.
- Import and transport and pre-position 1,000 household kits.
- Logistics monitoring is put in place to ensure sustainability.
- Create a task force comprised of governmental entities and civil society representatives;
- Conduct interviews with relevant stakeholders in the country with a role in the international disaster response.
- Conduct consultative national workshops with stakeholders (governmental entities and civil society representatives).
- Develop a plan of action to implement recommendations based on the IDRL Guidelines.
- Develop a detailed IDRL study identifying the main gaps in the domestic legislation in receiving and managing international disaster assistance.

Disaster preparedness and risk reduction

Outcome 9: The affected communities have reduced their vulnerability towards existing climatic conditions and other risks.

- Output 9.1: To increase risk reduction knowledge in communities through community work in the National Society.
- Output 9.2: To strengthen the National Society's capacity in disaster response.

Activities:

- Community training on floods and EWS.
- Conducting a sensitizing campaign on what to do in the case of floods and the participation in the community in EWS monitoring.
- Volunteer training and branch strengthening in CBHFA.
- Development and implementation of CBHFA activities in the communities.
- General NIT training.
- Response and contingency planning training.
- Elaboration of the response and contingency plan by the National Society.
- Emergency Operations Centre training.
- Support to the Emergency Operations Centre.

Programme support services

Human resources: The operation management will be in charge of the Department of Disaster Response of the Paraguayan Red Cross. The following personnel will support the operation: National Society staff, National Society volunteers, a general/logistics Regional Intervention Team, a water and sanitation officer, an emergency health officer as well as the shelter in emergency officer. The IFRC regional office will provide technical support to the National Society, and the regional disaster management delegate based in Peru will be responsible for coordinating with the Paraguayan Red Cross for the mobilization of human, logistical and financial resources for project implementation.

Logistics and supply chain: The Zone Logistics Unit will dispatch 1,000 household kits for stock prepositioning to strengthen National Society's logistics response system. International purchase of two water and sanitation Kit 2 will be conducted through the Zone Logistics Unit (ZLU) in Panama; and other purchases will be conducted locally at national level according to IFRC procedures and in compliance with standard policies. ZLU will also provide technical validation of procurement process according to the established rules and regulations. The mobilization table can be found here.

Coordination and Partnerships

The Paraguayan Red Cross (PRC) is coordinating with partners in the country including the IFRC, ICRC, Finnish Red Cross and Swiss Red Cross. The PRC maintains close coordination with the Secretary of National Emergency (Secretaria de Emergencia Nacional, SEN) and other organizations in the country. The PRC informs the municipal and departmental authorities regarding the actions the National Society implements in the selected areas of intervention.

Budget

See the ***attached*** IFRC Secretariat budget for details.

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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 (NGOs) 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:

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Budget Group	Multilateral Response	Inter-Agency Shelter Coord.	Bilateral Response	APPEAL Budget CHF
Shelter - Relief	50,662			50,662
Shelter - Transitional	-			-
Construction - Housing	-			-
Construction - Facilities	-			-
Construction - Materials	-			-
Clothing & Textiles	-			-
Food	163,427			163,427
Seeds & Plants	102,142			102,142
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	595,874			595,874
Medical & First Aid	-			-
Teaching Materials	35,409			35,409
Ustensils & Tools	4,358			4,358
Other Supplies & Services	84,428			84,428
Emergency Response Units	49,936			49,936
Cash Disbursments	-			-
Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES	**1,086,238**	**-**	**-**	**1,086,238**
Land & Buildings	-			-
Vehicles Purchase	36,317			36,317
Computer & Telecom Equipment	-	1,500		1,500
Office/Household Furniture & Equipment	-			-
Medical Equipment	-			-
Other Machiney & Equipment	-			-
Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	**36,317**	**1,500**	**-**	**37,817**
Storage, Warehousing	13,074			13,074
Dsitribution & Monitoring	63,010			63,010
Transport & Vehicle Costs	40,948	1,101		42,049
Logistics Services	34,067			34,067
Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE	**151,100**	**1,101**	**-**	**152,201**
International Staff	114,399			114,399
National Staff	13,619			13,619
National Society Staff	61,739			61,739
Volunteers	21,709			21,709
Other Benefits Staff	2,860			2,860
Total PERSONNEL	**214,326**	**-**	**-**	**214,326**
Consultants	35,655	29,000		64,655
Professional Fees	4,540			4,540
Total CONSULTANTS & PROFESSIONAL FEES	**40,194**	**29,000**	**-**	**69,194**
Workshops & Training	80,352			80,352
Total WORKSHOP & TRAINING	**80,352**	**-**	**-**	**80,352**
Travel	67,668	18,500		86,168
Information & Public Relations	5,448			5,448
Office Costs	8,081	500		8,581
Communications	9,170	550		9,720
Financial Charges	2,179			2,179
Other General Expenses	-			-
Shared Support Services	5,237			5,237
Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES	**97,782**	**19,550**	**-**	**117,332**
Programme and Supplementary Services Recovery	110,910	3,325		114,235
Total INDIRECT COSTS	**110,910**	**3,325**	**-**	**114,235**
Available Resources				
Multilateral Contributions				-
Bilateral Contributions				-
TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
TOTAL BUDGET	**1,817,219**	**54,476**	**-**	**1,871,695**

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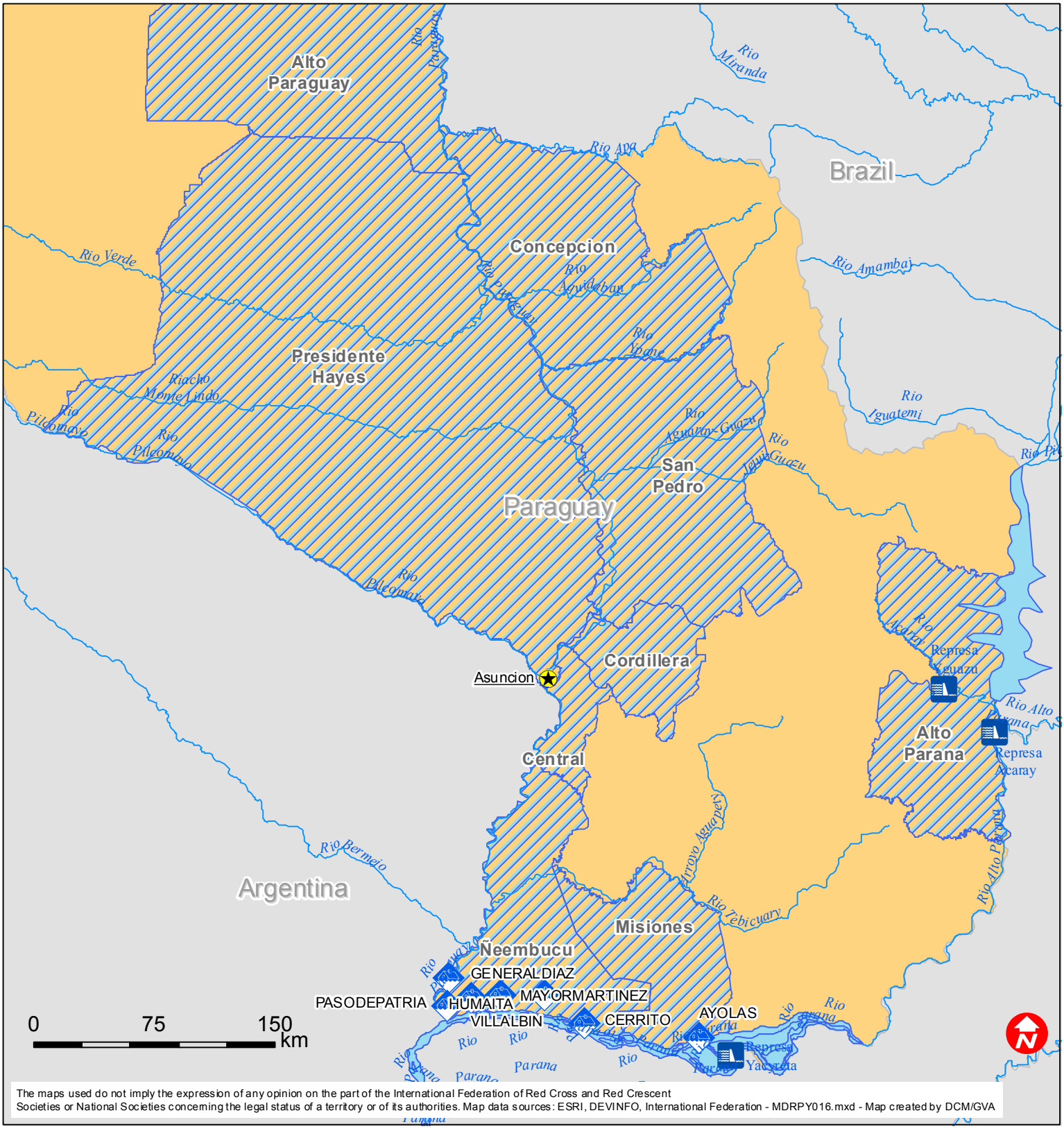

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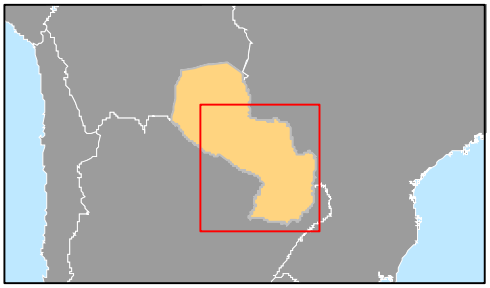

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