Programme Update

International Federation
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Sri Lanka

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This report covers the period 01 June to 31 December 2008

Cash for work notice boards in Gurubevila as part of the tsunami-funded programme. Photo: Sri Lanka Red Cross.

In brief

Programme purpose: The International Federation country office launched the 2008-2009 programme plans at the beginning of this year, with the aim of helping the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society (SLRCS) move from tsunami-based activities to longer-term programmes (which include disaster management, health and care, organizational development and humanitarian values). However, during the reporting period, almost the entire capacity of the SLRCS was devoted to on-going tsunami programmes and activities. Additionally, only one contribution from Swedish Red Cross was received towards the 2008-2009 programme plans (approximately 1 per cent of the entire appeal); this has been absorbed into the tsunami operation. Therefore, the 2008-2009 programme plans have been closed and any related activities will continue under tsunami funding. This decision has been shared and agreed with all donors and relevant stakeholders.

All reporting requirements have been fulfilled through the first programme update and the on-going tsunami reporting. Further information regarding the tsunami activities can be found at http://www.ifrc.org/cgi/pdf_appeals.pl?04/2804SA4LK.pdf.

Financial situation: The single contribution from Swedish Red Cross has been reallocated to the tsunami revised plan of action. The 2008-2009 programme plan has been closed.

How we work

The International Federation's activities are aligned with its Global Agenda, which sets out four broad goals to meet the Federation's mission to "improve the lives of vulnerable people by mobilizing the power of humanity".

Global Agenda Goals:

- Reduce the numbers of deaths, injuries and impact from disasters.
- Reduce the number of deaths, illnesses and impact from diseases and public health emergencies.
- Increase local community, civil society and Red Cross Red Crescent capacity to address the most urgent situations of vulnerability.
- Reduce intolerance, discrimination and social exclusion and promote respect for diversity and human dignity.

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