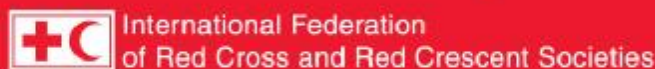


DREF operation final report



MALI: FLOODS

**DREF Operation no. MDRML004
FL-2007-000127-MRT
30 April, 2008**

The International Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) is a source of un-earmarked money created by the Federation in 1985 to ensure that immediate financial support is available for Red Cross Red Crescent response to emergencies. The DREF is a vital part of the International Federation's disaster response system and increases the ability of national societies to respond to disasters.

Summary: CHF 28,156 (USD 22,891 or EUR 16,992) was allocated from the Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) on 13 July 2007 to support the national society in delivering assistance to some 500 households affected in Bandiagara locality.

The Mali Red Cross ensures provision of one-month food assistance to 500 flood affected families that are mainly farmers in the Bandiagara locality including women and children with kits of survival material (blankets and mats). The assistance was an opportunity for the Red Cross to foster its partnership with other humanitarian partners in responsibility sharing and in complementary synergy. The Bandiagara Red Cross Branch has reinforced its capacity with 25 trained volunteers in PHAST.

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Distribution of NFI by the Red Cross volunteers

The situation

In the night of 4 July 2007, a heavy downpour brought about floods in the Malian town of Bandiagara, situated 75 km from Mopti, the regional headquarters, and 640 km far north of Bamako (the capital). The strong precipitations caused extensive damage in the town of 12,000 inhabitants; up to 93 compounds collapsed, 150 households were severely affected and some 1,200 people were left without shelter, with all their belongings either carried away by floodwaters or buried under mud. Electricity, water and telecommunication infrastructures were not spared while two access bridges were also undermined. Although latest meteorological reports showed that parts of Mali were going to experience late rains, the affected zone has never experienced flooding of that magnitude. In fact, the populations did not expect that rainfall in the area would lead to flooding.

The national society has deployed a team to rapidly assess the extent of damages from Mopti region. The team was composed of one national disaster response team member and 50 volunteers. They have met with local authorities and affected populations. The state of the art allowed identifying 1,200 homeless people of

which 600 children, 90 pregnant women, and 170 elderly persons exposed to all kinds of precariousness (illnesses).

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

On the aftermath of the disaster, the Mali Red Cross mobilized a team to conduct a rapid assessment with its NDRT (national disaster response team) member supported by 50 volunteers from Mopti. The Mali Red Cross also monitored the situation by regularly posting updates on DMIS and provided a plan of action based on the results of the assessment that was supported in the implementation with funds from a DREF allocation. The assessment team was able to train an additional 25 volunteers from the local community to support the assessment and the entire operation.

With the support from the Federation Dakar Zone, the Mali Red Cross responded to the disaster in collaboration with local authorities.

Progress towards objectives

Objective: The Mali Red Cross contributes to the wellbeing of flood affected people in Bandiagara locality for one month.

Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items)

Specific objective: Mali Red Cross ensures provision of one-month food assistance to 500 floods affected households in Bandiagara, with the support of World Food Programme (WFP) coupled with survival kits of basic items; supports 500 flood affected farmers with quality seeds in collaboration with FAO.

Achievements:

The Mali Red Cross in collaboration with WFP and support of the Federation distributed 500 blankets; 500 mats; and 500 jerry cans.

These items allowed beneficiaries to be sheltered, to recover their daily life activities while in the camp. The risk of water born diseases has reduced and the morbidity pertaining to these illnesses.

The operation was carried out in partnership with UNICEF, OXFAM and the Ministry of Health and Social Affairs. Besides, with the support of the Red Crescent of Kuwait, the Emirates and Qatar, the Mali Red Cross distributed 80 tons of food while UNICEF targeted children under five with high energy biscuits in the aftermath of the floods.

It was an opportunity for the new trained volunteers to be familiar with relief distribution method and tents installation.

Water, sanitation, and hygiene promotion

Specific objective: The Mali Red Cross contributes to the prevention of poor hygiene and water related diseases in Bandiagara.

Achievements: In collaboration with local authorities, the Mali Red Cross produced sensitization material for campaigns to reach more than 12,000 people within the area in the prevention of malaria, hygiene related and waterborne diseases, using the Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation (PHAST) method. A hang-up campaign was conducted with the distribution of 500 impregnated mosquito nets and some 300 hygiene kits.

Monitoring and evaluation activities

A community set-up team has been instituted to carry out follow up activities supported in this by the newly 25 recruited and trained volunteers. The collaboration with the local authorities made it possible for records and disease surveillance which became part of the government early warning mechanism (EWS).

The overall coordination was possible with the support from the Mali Red Cross Head office team work.

Conclusion

Though the Bandiagara operation seemed small or rather insignificant compared to other Red Cross interventions with only 500 beneficiaries, the essence of alleviating suffering of the most vulnerable prevailed as this community was in serious distress.

Working in collaboration with local authorities and capitalizing in the local capacity were key to the success of the operation. This effort paid off also due to the partnership with WFP and FAO as important partners of the Red Cross. Further trainings, follow-up in Watsan and contingency plans including drill exercises will be necessary for the community to reinforce their resilience to floods in the coming years.

How we work	
<i>All International Federation 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 is committed to the Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response (Sphere) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.</i>	
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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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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Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2007/6-2008/3
Budget Timeframe	2007/6-2007/9
Appeal	MDRML004
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Consolidated Response to Appeal

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
A. Budget		21,117				21,117
B. Opening Balance		0				0
Income						
<u>Other Income</u>						
<i>DREF Allocations</i>		24,605				24,605
C5. Other Income		24,605				24,605
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C5)		24,605				24,605
D. Total Funding = B + C		24,605				24,605
Appeal Coverage		117%				117%

II. Balance of Funds

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance		0				0
C. Income		24,605				24,605
E. Expenditure		-24,605				-24,605
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)		0				0

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation		
A							B	A - B
BUDGET (C)		21,117					21,117	
Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	4,875						4,875	
Food			100			100	-100	
Water & Sanitation	5,391						5,391	
Teaching Materials	1,875						1,875	
Other Supplies & Services			13,559			13,559	-13,559	
Total Supplies	12,141		13,659			13,659	-1,518	
Transport & Storage								
Distribution & Monitoring	1,125						1,125	
Transport & Vehicle Costs	450		2,102			2,102	-1,652	
Total Transport & Storage	1,575		2,102			2,102	-527	
Personnel								
National Staff	206						206	
National Society Staff	4,181		5,750			5,750	-1,569	
Total Personnel	4,388		5,750			5,750	-1,363	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	167						167	
Total Workshops & Training	167						167	
General Expenditure								
Travel	1,286						1,286	
Information & Public Relation			456			456	-456	
Office Costs	75		598			598	-523	
Communications	113		300			300	-188	
Financial Charges			141			141	-141	
Total General Expenditure	1,474		1,495			1,495	-22	
Programme Support								
Program Support	1,373		1,599			1,599	-227	
Total Programme Support	1,373		1,599			1,599	-227	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	21,117		24,605			24,605	-3,488	
VARIANCE (C - D)			-3,488			-3,488		