

DREF operation final report



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Rwanda: Floods

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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 188,899 (USD 161,314 or EUR 113,795) was allocated from the Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) on 26 October 2007 to support the Rwandan Red Cross (RRC) in delivering assistance to 1,020 households (5,100 beneficiaries).

This operation was implemented over 6 months starting 26 October 2007 and completed by 17 April 2008. During this period the Rwandan Red Cross volunteers distributed food items provided by the Rwandan Government to a total of 1,020 households. The National Society also procured Sosoma¹ and distributed as a supplement for nutrition to pregnant mothers and mothers with children under five years in order to prevent malnutrition. The National Society also provided non-food items such as sleeping mats, blankets and wrappers as well as temporary shelter (sheetings) to the beneficiaries.



A temporary settlement site in Nyabihu District managed by the RRC. (Photo by RRC)

Red Cross volunteers, local authority representatives and beneficiaries' representatives were trained on participatory hygiene and sanitation transformation in emergency response (PHASTER) as well as malaria prevention methods. RRC constructed pit latrines, compost pits and bathrooms to the affected communities. Sensitization sessions were conducted to ensure that the latrines and compost sites are used appropriately. Awareness on malaria prevention, hygiene related water-borne infections using the participatory hygiene and sanitation transformation (PHAST) methodology was also done. Clean water supply and hygiene promotion items were also provided.

Rwandan Red Cross volunteers in collaboration with the health workers conducted sensitization workshops on vaccination, nutrition, hygiene and sanitation and other major health problems. Rwandan Red Cross volunteers managed the warehouse on a daily basis during the operation. A distribution site

¹ Sosoma is a blend of sorghum, soya and maize

was set in place and non-food items (NFI) distributed to the beneficiaries. Daily warehouse reports were produced by volunteers in charge of warehouse.

This operation was conducted in collaboration with the Rwandan Government, Movement Partners including the Belgian, Spanish and German Red Cross Societies as well as the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). United Nations Agencies including United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and World Food Programme (WFP) also collaborated at different capacities.

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The situation

In September 2007, the heavy rains, floods and landslides that occurred in the Rwandan Western Province, affecting Nyabihu and Rubavu districts, a total of 18 lives were lost and 1,020 families left homeless (5,100 people). These figures were confirmed by the local administration in collaboration with the Red Cross committees in the area.

A total of 342 houses were completely damaged and 678 partially damaged with walls cracked, roofs blown away or windows shattered. The water system was damaged and this raised fears of water contamination as the communities seek alternative water sources for domestic use. The affected areas were productive agriculturally and produced almost 80 percent of potatoes and vegetables for local consumption.

The displaced families were relocated in two transit camps in Bigogwe and Kanzenze where the Rwandan Red Cross managed their overall welfare. The National Society was nominated by the Rwandan Government as the lead agency in the management of the transit camps (**see table 1 below**).

Table 1: Resettlement of the affected populations into transit camps

District	Settlement site	Number of households	Number of people assisted
Nyabihu	Bigogwe	369	1,696
Rubavu	Kanzenze	50	492
Total		419	2,188

Coordination and partnerships

The Rwandan Government was in charge of the general coordination, regularly providing information on the implementation of activities in the site. Local authorities in collaboration with the Red Cross volunteers in Nyabihu District where Bigogwe site was located provided moral support to the displaced persons. The Rwandan Government also supplied food to the affected families.

The United Nations Children's Fund provided family kits and school boxes (**see table 3**), while World Food Programme provided food items (**see table 2**). The Rwandan Red Cross received support from its Partner National Societies including the German Red Cross, Belgium Red Cross – Flanders, Spanish Red Cross and the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Rwandan Government provided land for resettlement of the affected populations. The funds donated by German Embassy were utilized in the construction of 33 pit latrines, 35 composts pits and 33 bathrooms, volunteers per diem, water treatment, purchase of sosoma flour, purchase of condoms, fuel maintenance, communication and follow up fees by the branch committees.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Focusing on risk reduction, the Rwandan Red Cross volunteers organized tree planting activities in the areas that experienced massive soil erosion and land degradation in Nyabihu and Rubavu districts. Approximately 1,500 trees were planted by the volunteers and community members.

Progress towards objectives

The Rwandan Red Cross implemented its plan of action with support from the Federation. Distribution of relief items was done simultaneously with procurement and transportation. The Rwandan Government provided food items which were distributed by the RRC. Non-food items distributed included blankets, plastic sheeting, kitchen sets, sleeping mats and wrappers for women. Other items distributed included water tanks, water bladders and taps.

Goal: To provide humanitarian assistance to households affected by floods in Nyabihu and Rubavu districts and implement disease prevention and health promotion interventions for 6 months.

Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items)

Objective 1: To distribute food provided by the Rwandan Government, basic non-food items and shelter items to 1,020 flood-affected households (5,100 people).

Activities planned

- Register the affected people by household, age and sex.
- Purchase plastic sheeting, blankets, kitchen set, sleeping mats, clothing and food following Federation procurement standards and procedures.
- Distribute the blankets, kitchen sets, sleeping mats, plastic sheeting, clothing and food based on Sphere minimum standards.

Achievements

The Rwandan Red Cross volunteers distributed food items provided by the Rwandan Government (see table 2). A total of 1,020 households benefited from the food supplies such as maize, beans, vegetable oil, sugar, salt, Irish, potatoes, banana and cassava. The National Society also utilized funds provided by the Federation to procure Sosoma and distributed to pregnant mothers and mothers with children under five years. A total of two tonnes were purchased and distributed.

The National Society also provided non-food items such as sleeping mats, blankets and wrappers and temporary shelter (sheetings) to the beneficiaries (see table 3).

Table 2: Food items provide by Rwandan Government and others partners.

Food items	Quantity	Donors
Maize	204,300 T	Rwandan Government
Beans	122,700 T	Rwandan Government
Cooking oil	9,900 L	Rwandan Government
Salt	800 kgs	Rwandan Government
Sosoma	2,200 kgs	RRC
Sosoma	1,200 kgs	WOLRD VISION
Irish potatoes	12,500 kgs	FAO
Peas	5,750 Kgs	WFP
Maize	23,800 kgs	WFP
Cooking oil	6,381 L	WFP
Sugar	1,250 kgs	WOLRD-VISION

Table 3 : Distribution of non food items and shelter items

Non food items	Quantity	Donors
Blankets	912 pcs	RRC
Blankets	352 pcs	UNICEF
Sleeping mates	656 pcs	RRC
Kitenge	656 pcs	RRC
Plastic sheeting	890 pcs	RRC/Germany RC
Plastic sheeting	162 pcs	RRC/Spanish RC
Plastic sheeting	390 pcs	RRC/Belgian RC-Flanders
Kitchen sets	656 sets	RRC
Family kit	196 kits	UNICEF
School box	4 boxes	UNICEF
Clothes	35 bales	Rwandan Government

Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion

Objective 2: To contribute to the prevention of water and vector-borne diseases among 1,020 flood-affected households (5,100 peoples).

Activities planned

- Purchase water tanks and hygiene items and 2,040 long lasting insecticide-treated mosquito nets (two per household) following Federation procurement, standards and procedures.
- Distribute jerry-cans, soaps and hygiene pads.
- Conduct refresher training for volunteers on malaria prevention and control as well as cholera and acute watery diarrhoea (AWD) prevention and control.
- Conduct sensitization campaigns on the prevention and control of malaria, focusing on proper use of long lasting insecticide-treated mosquito nets, early case detection and referral.
- Focus on prevention of AWD and/or cholera outbreak.
- Conduct sensitization campaigns on poor hygiene and waterborne/water related diseases using the PHAST methodology.
- Construct latrines.
- Set up compost and mobile dustbins.
- Distribute long lasting insecticide-treated mosquito nets.
- Produce information, education and communication/behavioural change communication (IEC/BCC) materials and volunteer toolkits to be utilized during health education and promotion.

Achievements

A total of 15 Red Cross volunteers, 6 local authority representatives and 5 beneficiaries' representatives were trained on participatory hygiene and sanitation transformation in emergency response (PHASTER) as well as malaria prevention methods. RRC constructed a total of 33 pit latrines, 35 compost pits and 33 bathrooms to the affected communities in Nyabihu and Rubavu districts.

Sensitization sessions were conducted to ensure that the latrines and compost sites are used appropriately. The campaigns were also used by the RRC volunteers supported by the local authorities and beneficiary representatives to create awareness on malaria prevention, hygiene related water-borne infections using the PHAST methodology. A total of 4 water tanks, 3 bladders of 10 and 15 cubic meters, 2 water taps and a motor pump were procured and set up for water supply. A total of 1,410 hygiene kits were procured and distributed to the affected communities. The Red Cross volunteers distributed hygiene promotion items (see table 4 below). In addition, 1,100 potties for children were distributed.

Table 4: Distribution of hygiene promotion items

Hygiene promotion items	Quantity	Donors
Jerry cans	712 pcs	RRC
Soap (bars)	2,224 pcs	RRC
Soap	1,298 pcs	Rwandan Government
Chlorine tablets	600	Rwandan Government
Disinfectant	4 L	RRC
Sprayer	3 pcs	RRC
Sprayer	24 pcs	FAO
Water tank	4 pcs	RRC
Bladders	3 pcs	RRC
Water taps	2 pcs	RRC
Motor pump	1 pcs	RRC

Objective 3: To contribute to the prevention of infant and maternal mortality through provision of components of minimum initial service package to the affected population.

Activities planned

- Promote proper breast feeding practices to reduce infant mortality.
- Conduct health education and promotion to the community, targeting mothers and focusing on prevention of childhood illness such as measles.

Achievements

Rwandan Red Cross volunteers in collaboration with the health workers conducted sensitization workshops on vaccination, nutrition, hygiene and sanitation and other major health problems.

Logistics support

Objective 4: To strengthen the National Society's logistics capacity through effective warehouse management.

Activities planned

- Receive goods provided by Rwandan Government and other humanitarian actors.
- Transport non foods items.
- Produce daily warehouse reports.
- Set up a distribution calendar and disseminate it to beneficiaries.

Achievements

A total of Five Rwandan Red Cross volunteers managed the warehouse on a daily basis during the operation. A distribution site was set in place and NFI distributed to the beneficiaries. Daily warehouse reports were produced by volunteers in charge of warehouse.

How we work

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.

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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Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2007/10-2008/11
Budget Timeframe	2007/10-2008/11
Appeal	MDRRW003
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Consolidated Response to Appeal

	Goal 1: Disaster Management	Goal 2: Health and Care	Goal 3: Capacity Building	Goal 4: Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
A. Budget	188,899					188,899
B. Opening Balance	0					0
Income						
<u>Cash contributions</u>						
<i>United Arab Emirates - Private Dono</i>	1,467					1,467
C1. Cash contributions	1,467					1,467
<u>Other Income</u>						
<i>Voluntary Income</i>	188,899					188,899
C5. Other Income	188,899					188,899
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C5)	190,366					190,366
D. Total Funding = B + C	190,366					190,366
Appeal Coverage	101%					101%

II. Balance of Funds

	Goal 1: Disaster Management	Goal 2: Health and Care	Goal 3: Capacity Building	Goal 4: Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance	0					0
C. Income	190,366					190,366
E. Expenditure	-190,366					-190,366
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)	0					0

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Goal 1: Disaster Management	Goal 2: Health and Care	Goal 3: Capacity Building	Goal 4: Principles and Values	Coordination		
A		B					A - B	
BUDGET (C)		188,899					188,899	
Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	22,440							22,440
Clothing & textiles	43,965							43,965
Water & Sanitation	3,883							3,883
Utensils & Tools	30,253							30,253
Other Supplies & Services	20,328							20,328
Total Supplies	120,869							120,869
Transport & Storage								
Storage	660							660
Transport & Vehicle Costs	27,085							27,085
Total Transport & Storage	27,745							27,745
Personnel								
National Staff	18,942							18,942
Total Personnel	18,942							18,942
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	528							528
Total Workshops & Training	528							528
General Expenditure								
Information & Public Relation	660							660
Office Costs	7,217							7,217
Communications	660							660
Other General Expenses		-12					-12	12
Total General Expenditure	8,537	-12					-12	8,549
Contributions & Transfers								
Cash Transfers National Societies		178,004					178,004	-178,004
Total Contributions & Transfers		178,004					178,004	-178,004
Programme Support								
Program Support	12,278	12,374					12,374	-95
Total Programme Support	12,278	12,374					12,374	-95
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	188,899	190,366					190,366	-1,467
VARIANCE (C - D)		-1,467					-1,467	