

# DREF operation



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## Tajikistan: 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 and Red Crescent emergency response. 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.

**CHF 107,849 (USD 101,810 or EUR 74,826) has been allocated from the International Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to some 120 families (720 people) and to replenish emergency stocks. Unearmarked funds to repay DREF are encouraged.**

**Summary:** As a result of heavy rains on 11 April 2010, floods occurred and affected 18 villages throughout the country. In total 319 houses (with 1,914 inhabitants) have been damaged, out of which 5 houses totally destroyed. Two people were killed by the floods. Besides the 18 affected villages, more than 10 villages are under the risk of flooding and landslide. In addition, 4 schools, 9 bridges, and 5 kms of internal roads have been damaged and 10 heads of livestock died. The National Society will assist the 120 most affected households through the distribution of basic non-food items to help them cope with the consequences of the disaster.



**Damaged houses in Vose district.** Photo: Shavkat Radjabov, Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan

This operation is expected to be implemented over four months, and will therefore be completed by 15 August; a Final Report will be made available three months after the end of the operation (by 15 November 2010).

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## The situation

As a result of heavy rains on 11 April 2010, rural areas of Tajikistan have been affected by floods and landslides. Around 18 villages throughout the country have been affected. In total 319 houses (with 1,914 inhabitants) have been damaged, out of which 5 houses totally destroyed. Two people were killed by the floods. Besides the 18 affected villages, more than 10 villages are under the risk of flooding and landslide. In addition, 4 schools, 9 bridges, 5 kms of internal roads have been damaged and 10 heads of livestock died.

People from the affected areas have been evacuated by joint efforts of the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence (CoES) search and rescue divisions, the Red Crescent national disaster

response team, local population and fire services. Many villagers, who left their households because of the flooding are now hosted by relatives and neighbours. No aid to the affected population has been provided as per 13 April.

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan has started providing first-aid and psychosocial support through its national disaster response team.

The following districts have been affected:

**Vose district:** Increasing water level in the Yakhsu river led to the outbreak of the riverbank on 11 April 2010. As a result, part of the river stream has changed its direction and flooded Kuchabogh and Ghofilobod villages of Pakhtakor jamoat<sup>1</sup> and Tugarak village of Tugarak jamoat. One person was killed by the flooding. According to the information received on 13 April from the Red Crescent national disaster response team, the water stream continues to flow through the villages restricting access to the affected areas. Preliminary information indicates that flooding has caused damage to approximately 97 households in Kuchabogh village, 28 households in Gofilobod village and 58 households in Tugarak village, including 1 school and 2 houses in Ghofilobod village that are fully destroyed. However, the figures will be revisited once access to the affected areas is restored.

**Shurobod district:** Preliminary information provided by CoES indicates that around 30 households have been affected, out of which 2 houses are fully destroyed in Dashti Jum and Shohinak villages of Dashti Jum jamoat. An older person was killed. School no. 21 has been partly damaged by the flooding. Local authorities are assessing the damage. The bridge located close to village Shogun has been damaged, disrupting the communication on the Dushanbe-Khorog road. Representatives of transport and road services have been mobilized to restore the communication.

**Muminobod district:** According to preliminary reports of district CoES, several households in Balkhobi, Tutu, Boghgai and Childukhtaron jamoats and the center of Muminobod district have been affected. Kitchen gardens, barns and other utility premises of the households as well as the roads and bridges of different villages are damaged. Damage assessment is ongoing by local authorities and district CoES representatives.

**Sarband district:** The floods caused damages to the houses in Guliston and Okgaza villages. Internal roads and bridges have been damaged in Sarband town and Guliston jamoat and around 200 hectares of cultivated land (cotton and different food crops) have been destroyed in the district.

**Kulob district:** Preliminary information indicates that approximately 30 houses in Kulob town including school no. 44 in Dahana Jamoat have been affected.

**Istaravshan district:** Heavy rains in Nijoni, Nafaraj, and Communism jamoats and Istaravshan town caused damage to private houses, social infrastructure and agriculture. Preliminary information provided by CoES indicates that 75 houses are partially damaged and 1 house is completely destroyed. In addition, school no. 55 in Nijoni village, 5 kms of internal roads, 4 bridges, 21 hectares of vineyards, and 1 hectare of potato cultivations have been damaged. 10 heads of livestock were killed by flooding. The bridge connecting Ghonchi and Istaravshan district has been destroyed. Representatives of Sughd regional REACT group conducted a damage and needs assessment at the disaster site on 13 April 2010.

**Fayzabod district:** Water level in the Elok river has increased significantly. At present, nine villages are under the risk of flooding in Fayzabad, Vashgird, Mehrobod and Buston jamoat.

**Varzob district:** A land crack has occurred creating a high risk of landslide in Namozgoh village of Ziddi jamoat. Possible landslide can block the stream of Varzob river and flood the village.

## Coordination and partnerships

In order to respond timely and effectively to the arising needs of the affected population, an operational point was established in Pakhtakor jamoat of Vose district by CoES of Kulob district.

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<sup>1</sup> Administrative centre.

On 12 April 2010, a coordination meeting initiated by the CoES of Kulob district was conducted together with representatives of the Red Crescent Kulob branch, UN WFP, UNDP and INGO Oxfam, hukumat<sup>2</sup> chairman, local authorities and the head of Pakhtakor jamoat in Vose district.

The assessment of the situation and the needs of people affected has begun by CoES in close cooperation with the local authorities, the Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan and Rapid Emergency and Coordination Team (REACT) members. Beneficiary lists are being prepared so that relief assistance could start.

## Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Red Crescent volunteers and members of the national disaster response team have been deployed within 12 hours of the disaster to conduct rapid assessment in all affected areas. Preliminary assessments are being carried out in coordination with the government authorities and REACT partners. The Federation secretariat is supporting the assessment teams in Kulyab region.

The Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan is participating in coordination meetings with the government authorities and other actors to jointly plan the response activities. The National Society has also started rendering first aid and psychosocial support to the affected people.

Based on the information gathered through the situation and needs assessment the National Society disaster response team is preparing distribution lists together with the local authorities. The basic needs of the affected population are mainly for shelter and non-food items, such as bedding sets, blankets, quilts, hygiene kits, water storage dishes and kitchen utensils.

## The needs

According to the preliminary data collected by CoES and the Red Crescent regional disaster response team the basic needs of the affected people are for shelter and non-food items. Out of the 319 affected households from the 18 villages, the Red Crescent Society is planning to assist the 120 most affected households (720 people) with basic non-food items from its emergency stock. The table below summarized the relief items planned to be distributed to the families.

**Items to be distributed to the most affected households**

District	Number of people targeted	Tents	Tarpaulins	Blankets (pcs)	Bed-linen	Mattresses	Pillows (pcs)	Shovels (pcs)	Hoes (pcs)	Water cans	Buckets	Cooking sets	Hygiene kits
Vose	420	15	70	420	420	420	420	140	140	140	140	70	70
Shurobod	120	9	20	120	120	120	120	40	40	40	40	20	20
Muminobod	60	0	10	60	60	60	60	20	20	20	20	10	10
Sarband	62	0	10	62	62	62	62	20	20	20	20	10	10
Istaravshan	58	1	10	58	58	58	58	20	20	20	20	10	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>720</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>

**Beneficiary selection:** Beneficiaries were identified through needs assessments in close cooperation with the local authorities, community members, beneficiaries' representatives and the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence.

## The proposed operation

The proposed operation foresees an initial, one-time supply of non-food items to the target beneficiaries to help them cope with the consequences of the floods. To address the existing situation, the Red Crescent Society, with support from the International Federation, will assist the 120 most affected households or 720

<sup>2</sup> District government.

people with family tents, construction tool kits, tarpaulins, bed-linen sets, mattresses, pillows, cooking sets, shovels, hoes, water cans and hygiene kits.

The visibility of the Red Crescent and the International Federation will be promoted through banners with Red Crescent/ International Federation logos at distribution points as well through the distribution of printed materials on disaster awareness.

#### Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items)

**Outcome: 120 most affected families (720 beneficiaries) are provided with basic non-food items to help them cope with the consequences of the floods.**

#### Outputs (expected results) and activities planned:

- Prepare lists of beneficiaries together with local authorities.
- Conduct monitoring of beneficiary lists.
- Procure selected items and store in the warehouse.
- Support the National Society technically and financially in logistics, warehousing, distribution and control supply movements from point of dispatch to end user.
- Monitor the relief activities and provide reporting on relief distributions.
- As part of the monitoring and evaluation activities, conduct a survey among the people reached to find out what they felt about the goods and services they received.

The emergency stocks of the disaster management centres in the targeted districts and the central warehouse in Dushanbe will be replenished through the procurement of non-food items and their transportation to the above-mentioned locations. The table below summarizes the list of items to replenish the National Society's emergency stocks.

**Non-food items to replenish the emergency stocks**

Tents	Tarpaulins (pcs)	Blankets (pcs)	Bed-linen (sets)	Mattresses (pcs)	Pillows (pcs)	Shovels (pcs)	Hoes (pcs)	Water cans (pcs)	Buckets (pcs)	Cooking sets	Hygiene kits
25	120	720	720	720	720	240	240	240	240	120	120

## Budget

#### BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Group	DREF Grant Budget	TOTAL BUDGET CHF
Shelter - Relief	13,650	<b>13,650</b>
Clothing & Textiles	32,242	<b>32,242</b>
Ustensils & Tools	15,120	<b>15,120</b>
Other Supplies & Services & Cash Disbursements	4,200	<b>4,200</b>
<b>Total Supplies</b>	<b>65,212</b>	<b>65,212</b>
Distribution & Monitoring	6,000	<b>6,000</b>
Transport & Vehicle Costs	20,000	<b>20,000</b>
<b>Total Transport &amp; Storage</b>	<b>26,000</b>	<b>26,000</b>
National Society Staff	6,865	<b>6,865</b>
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>6,865</b>	<b>6,865</b>
Information & Public Relation Communications	2,240	<b>2,240</b>
	950	<b>950</b>

<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>3,190</b>	<b>3,190</b>
Program Support	6,582	<b>6,582</b>
<b>Total Programme Support</b>	<b>6,582</b>	<b>6,582</b>
Services & Recoveries		<b>0</b>
Shared Services		<b>0</b>
<b>Total Services</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>107,849</b>	<b>107,849</b>

## 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 the [Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response \(Sphere\)](#) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

The International Federation'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 International Federation'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 non-violence and peace.

## Contact information

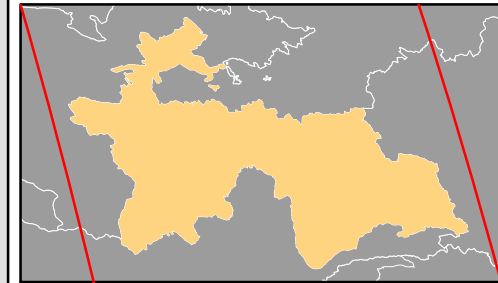
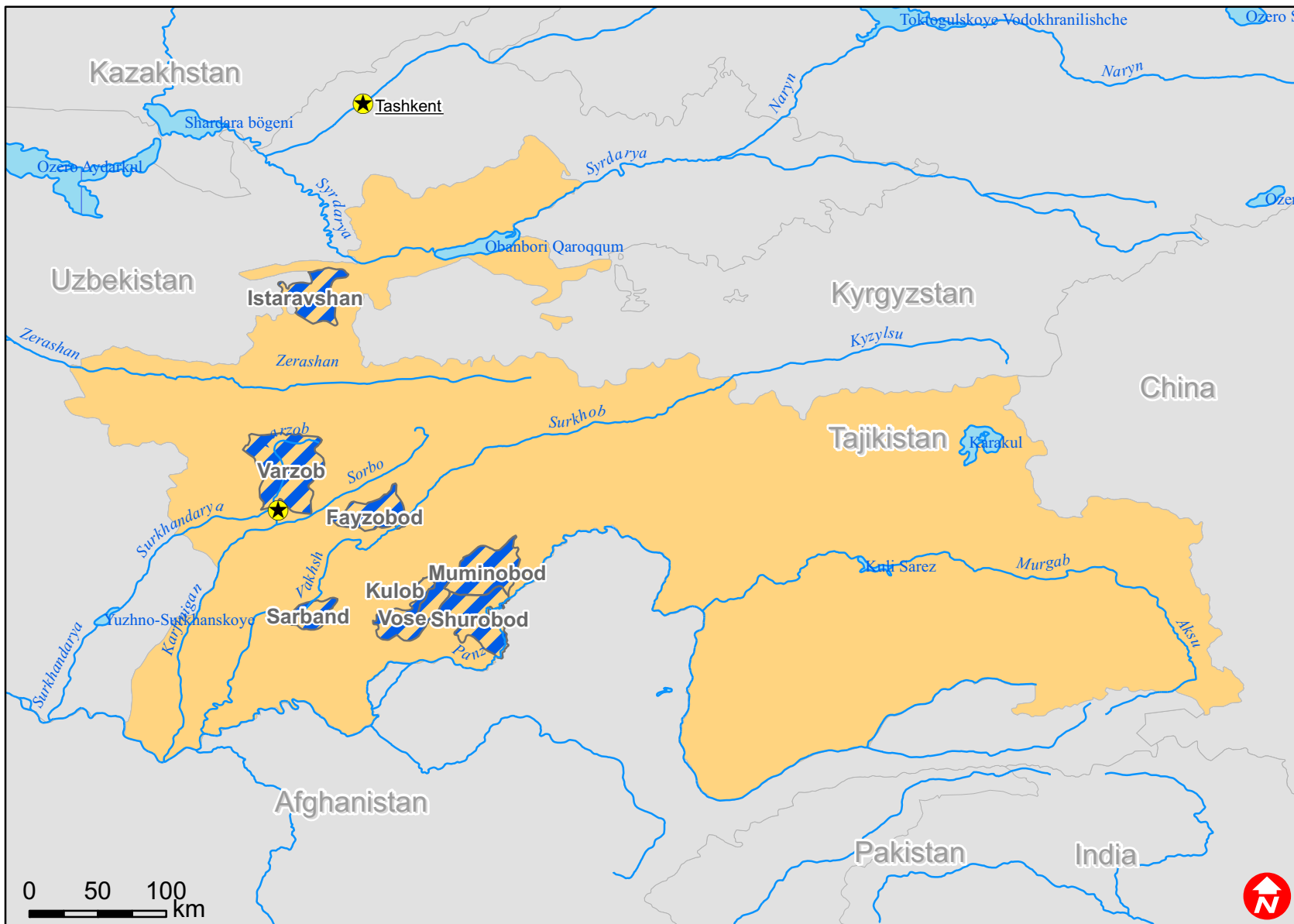
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 Affected districts