

Disaster relief emergency fund (DREF): Guinea: Floods

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CHF 261,008 have been allocated from the IFRC's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to some 1,500 households beneficiaries. Unearmarked funds to repay DREF are encouraged.

This year again, Republic of Guinea has been struck by a series of floods, particularly affecting the Prefectures of Labé (city centre), Siguiri, the sub-prefectures of Niandankoro, and Kéniébakoura and the urban districts of Mandiana (Kiniéran), Gaoual, Matam (Heremakonon) and Matoto (Yimbaya market).

The floods have caused significant material damage and affected 2,645 families, or 16,143 persons, including more than 4,000 left homeless. Displaced persons are being accommodated in temporary sites (schools, stores, neighbours, public buildings, etc.). This DREF operation addresses urgent needs identified by an assessment led by the Red Cross of Guinea in areas of:

- Shelter (distribution of blankets and mats to 1,500 households and 35 tents);
- Water and sanitation (rehabilitation of 75 latrines and 100 wells, distribution of water purification products and sensitisation on hygiene);
- Health (distribution of bed nets, sensitisation on water-borne diseases) as well as supporting logistics and coordination activities.

This operation is expected to be implemented over 3 months, and will therefore be completed by December, 2011; a final report will be made available three months after the end of the operation (by March, 2012).

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The situation

Houses were damaged or destroyed (1,920), and latrines (542) and wells (212) flooded and rendered unusable in places. This situation risks proliferating waterborne diseases and increasing the vulnerability of the disaster-stricken communities. Among the locations affected, the Prefecture of Siguiri has 12,166 persons affected. According to the forecasts of the regional ACMAD¹, heavy rains are still expected in the Northern part of the Republic of Guinea, which may aggravate the situation further. Rainstorms are expected



Flood at Siguiri/ Kéniébakoura during the assessment by Red Cross volunteers Photo: Red Cross of Guinea

¹ African Centre of Meteorological Applications for Development

in the Western part of the country. The findings of an initial assessment led by the Red Cross of Guinea and conducted by authorities, Red Cross volunteers, and other humanitarian agencies have been shared with all humanitarian actors. The assessment, collected the following data:

Summary of flood-affected areas in Guinea, 2011

No.	Name of locations	Affected		Vulnerable persons				Health		Water and sanitation				Infrastructure damage		Displacement		Livelihoods	
		Affected households	Affected populations	Children > 5	Pregnant women	Elderly people	Disabled people	Diarrhoea	Malaria	Completely destroyed wells	Partly destroyed wells	Completely destroyed latrines	Partly destroyed latrines	Completely destroyed houses	Partly destroyed houses	Number of displaced families	Number of displaced persons	Number of gardens destroyed	Number of fields destroyed
1	Labé	20	417	175															
2	Sigiri centre	84	697	168									107	55					
3	Niandankoro	84	1,469	327						50		92		21					67.5 ha
4	Kiniébakoura	2,000	10,000	3,000	*	*	*	*	*	114	*	443	*	1,162	175	*	4,000	*	
5	Mandiana	100	795					*	*	*	*	*	*			*	*	*	15 ha
6	Gaoual	34	324	*	*	*	*	*	*						*	*	*	*	*
7	Matoto	71	454	143	14	30	4	24	62	*	48		7		5	*	*	*	*
8	Matam	252	1,987																
	Totals	2,645	16,143	3,813	14	30	4	24	62	164	48	535	7	1,664	256		4,000		82,5

Coordination and partnerships

Assessment results were shared with movement partners (IFRC, ICRC, Danish Red Cross and Spanish Red Cross) and other humanitarian partners (UNDP, UNICEF, WFP, MSF, etc) as well as the Service National de l'Action Humanitaire (SENAH) representing the Government. Based on these data, each actor defines its intervention in accordance with its mandate. Exchange meetings are regularly held during which everyone presents the humanitarian actions envisioned.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Volunteers from the different Red Cross branches of the prefectures affected by the floods have provided assistance to the victims in addition to leading the joint initial assessment.

The needs and planned response

The key figures emerging from the assessment include:

- 2,645 families affected, or 16,143 persons;
- 1,920 houses damaged or destroyed;
- 212 wells flooded;
- 542 latrines flooded.

The most urgent immediate needs—and the planned response is as follows:

- Shelter: In Siguirí/Kiniébakoura, over 4,500 persons are displaced, and are currently accommodated in schools, stores, and in neighbours' homes. Therefore, blankets and mats will be distributed to 1,500 households. Additionally, 35 tents will be distributed to the most vulnerable.
- Water and sanitation: 542 latrines and 212 wells have been flooded. The Red Cross will thus rehabilitate 75 latrines and 100 wells in the short term. Distribution of water purification products and sensitisation of the populations on the promotion of hygiene will take place.
- Health: Due to the vulnerability of a significant number of displaced persons, planned preventative measures currently include: distribution of bed nets, sensitisation on the transmission of water-borne diseases, which require capacity building of volunteers (training and sensitisation tools).
- Logistics: need to procure and deliver non-food kits such as blankets, mats, jerry cans, soap, boots, gloves, raincoats, field interventions and trucks for dispatching the kits;
- Coordination: coordination meetings will be held on a regular basis within the Red Cross Movement, with the external partners and with the government, in order to ensure complementary efforts in providing support to flood victims.

The proposed operation

Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items)
<p>Outcome: To contribute to the reduction of the vulnerability to floods of 1,500 families with the provision of relief materials.</p>
<p>Outputs (expected results) Relief items are procured and distributed to 1,500 families affected by the floods.</p> <p>Activities planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of 35 tents, 3000 blankets, 3,000 mats, 15,750 bars of soap, 1,500 jerry cans, 1,500 buckets, 1,500 kitchen sets. • Equipping the 150 volunteers with: 150 pairs of boots, 150 gloves, 60 raincoats. • Acquisition and use of 10 megaphones and batteries. • Transportation of non-food items to distribution points. • Briefing of 150 volunteers for the distribution.
Emergency health
<p>Outcome: Reduce the health risks due to flooding through the provision of malaria prevention activities and conduct health sensitization sessions for 1,500 affected families.</p>
<p>Outputs (expected results) Mortality and morbidity are reduced through the provision of mosquito nets, and preventive health care sensitization sessions to the affected families.</p> <p>Activities planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sensitisation of 1,500 households on malaria prevention. • Distribution of 3,000 treated bed nets. • Ensure the training of 150 volunteers on malaria prevention.
Water, sanitation, and hygiene promotion
<p>Outcome: The risks of diseases are reduced through the improvement of access to clean water, hygiene and sanitation facilities for 1,500 affected families.</p>
<p>Outputs (expected results) Improved access to potable water, sanitation and hygiene for families affected by floods.</p> <p>Activities planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of 60,000 Aquatabs to 1500 households. • Rebuild 75 latrines for houses that lost their latrines during the flood. • Distribution of 1500 hygiene kits to 1500 affected households. • Distribute 150 PHAST kits to volunteers in the flooded areas. • Ensure the training of 75 Volunteers in techniques of water purification and promotion of hygiene. • Distribute 15,750 bars of soap, 1500 jerry cans, 1500 buckets, 13,500 detergent bottles. • Organise hygiene and sanitation promotion activities. • Distribution of hygiene and sanitation material. • Rehabilitate and treat 100 flooded wells.

Communications/Reporting and monitoring, and coordination

Outcome: The social mobilisation capacity of the Red Cross of Guinea for households affected by the flood is strengthened, as well as its capacity for monitoring-evaluation

Outputs (expected results)

Communication promotion materials are developed in order to reach flood victims, women and children, and other populations at risk.

Activities planned:

- Production and multiplication of posters, bulletins and other sensitisation materials.
- Strengthen the capacities of the persons affected on the techniques for sensitising the affected populations and their host families.

Outputs (expected results)

The populations at risk are sensitised on early warning system in risk areas, drainage techniques as well as the reduction of flood-related risks.

Activities planned:

- Build the capacities of the persons affected on social mobilisation techniques.
- Strengthen the capacities of the Red Cross of Guinea on the techniques for sensitising the affected populations.

Outputs (expected results)

The reports are drafted and shared in a timely manner.

Activities planned:

- Information is shared with all the partners and reports are drafted on a timely basis.
- The activity reports of the National Society are published.

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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.
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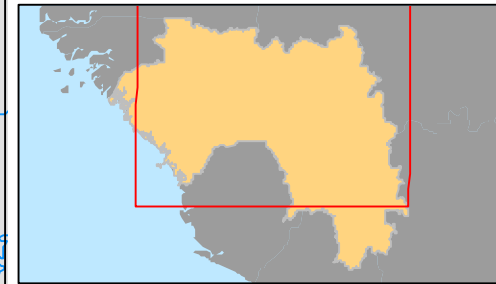
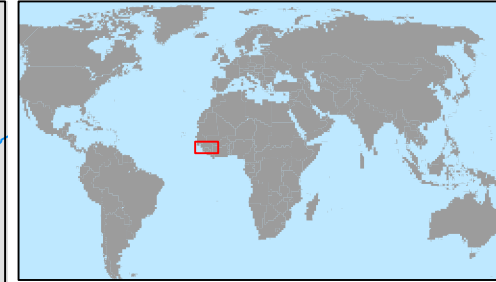
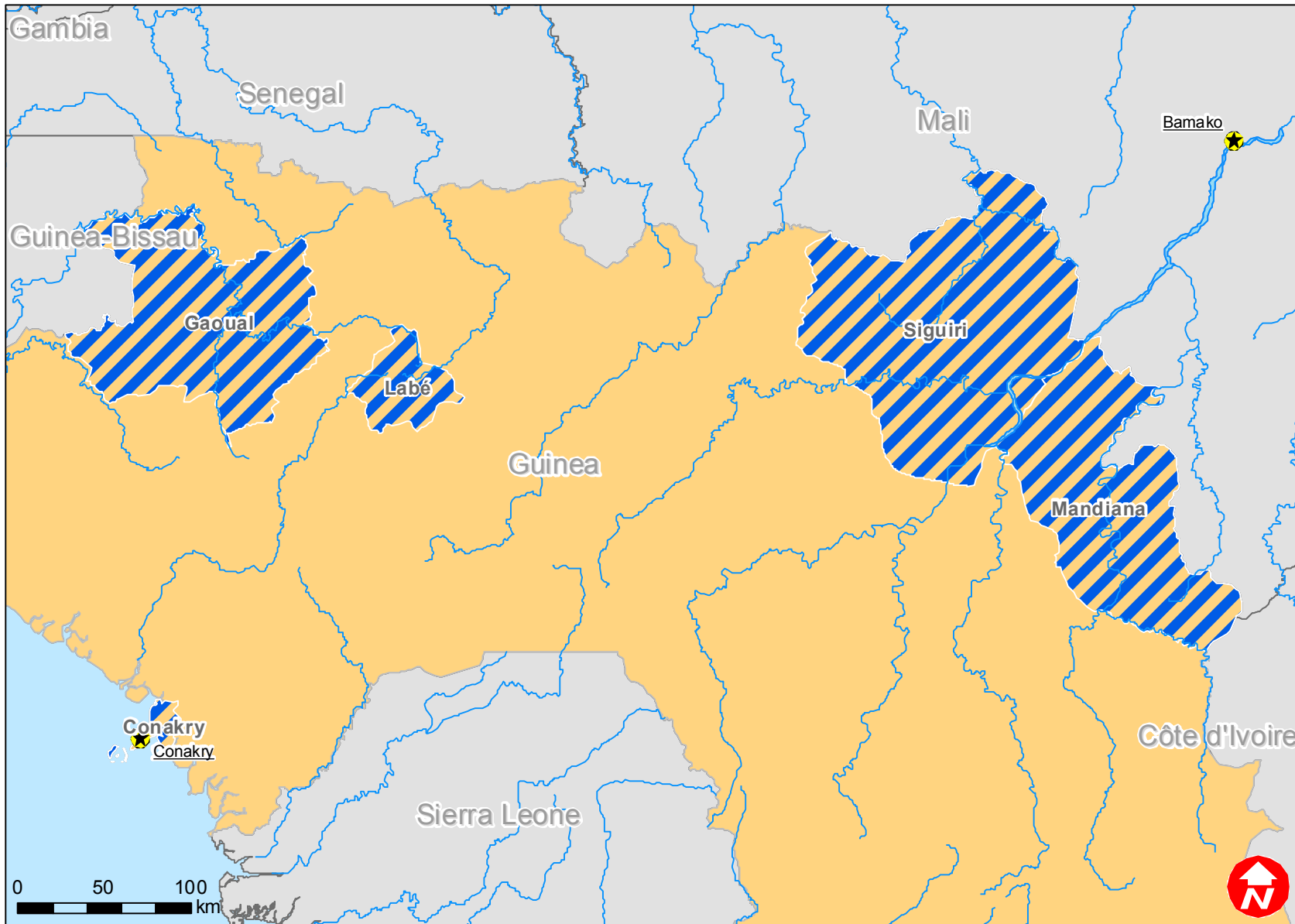
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Guinea FLOODS

Budget Group	DREF Grant Budget CHF
Shelter - Relief	12,250
Shelter - Transitional	
Construction - Housing	
Construction - Facilities	
Construction - Materials	
Clothing & Textiles	40,500
Food	
Seeds & Plants	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	81,991
Medical & First Aid	0
Teaching Materials	4,525
Utensils & Tools	48,330
Other Supplies & Services	0
Emergency Response Units	
Cash Disbursements	
Total RELIEF ITEMS, CONSTRUCTION AND SUPPLIES	187,596
Land & Buildings	
Vehicles Purchase	
Computer & Telecom Equipment	
Office/Household Furniture & Equipment	
Medical Equipment	
Other Machinery & Equipment	
Total LAND, VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT	0
Storage, Warehousing	
Distribution & Monitoring	3,000
Transport & Vehicle Costs	24,070
Logistics Services	
Total LOGISTICS, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE	27,070
International Staff	3,500
National Staff	
National Society Staff	13,412
Volunteers	0
Total PERSONNEL	16,912
Consultants	
Professional Fees	
Total CONSULTANTS & PROFESSIONAL FEES	0
Workshops & Training	3,750
Total WORKSHOP & TRAINING	3,750
Travel	3,750
Information & Public Relations	1,000
Office Costs	2,000
Communications	1,000
Financial Charges	2,000
Other General Expenses	0
Shared Support Services	
Total GENERAL EXPENDITURES	9,750
Programme and Supplementary Services Recovery	15,930
Total INDIRECT COSTS	15,930
TOTAL BUDGET	261,008



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 Affected areas