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In a world of global challenges, continued poverty, inequity, and increasing vulnerability to disasters and disease, the International Federation with its global network, works to accomplish its Global Agenda, partnering with local community and civil society to prevent and alleviate human suffering from disasters, diseases and public health emergencies.



Red Cross volunteers carrying relief items after a Red Cross convoy was disrupted by a collapsed road during the recent floods.

In brief

Implementation of 2007's annual programmes progressed well until the country was hit by massive in August 2007. The disaster evolved while the Federation delegation and the DPRK Red Cross (DPRK RCS) engaged in an operational planning meeting for the years 2008-2009. As reported in a separate operations update, from 7-14 August, torrential rains of 600- 850 mm, the highest record in the past 40 years, fell upon large areas of the country. Associated with high winds, the heavy rain triggered massive flooding along with land and mudslides. This barrage of rain caused unprecedented damage and destruction to infrastructure and public buildings including health facilities (approximately 30-40 percent partially or totally damaged). It is estimated that 454 people were killed while 156 are still unaccounted for. Around 170,000 people were left homeless with tens of thousands living in temporary shelters. Estimates provided by the ministry of agriculture indicated that the damage to cultivated land with rice, maize, soybean and other crops totals 223,381 hectares and accounts for about 20 percent of the paddy and for 15 percent of the maize area. Many affected communities were suffering from contaminated water or non-functional water-supply systems.

The DPRK Red Cross was able to take action immediately, mobilizing thousands of volunteers, setting up 112 mobile first aid posts in addition to 368 existing ones and distributed some 21,000 family kits - relief items from their disaster preparedness warehouses. On 20 August, an appeal was sent out for international support. A serious shortage of medical supplies and health infrastructure leaves the population vulnerable to consequential public health emergencies. The government repaired transport routes and began rebuilding houses. The United Nations special agency for humanitarian aid, OCHA, launched an appeal as well a week later on behalf of the World Food Programme (WFP), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), World Health Organization (WHO) and two European Union programme

support units. International aid arrived from neighbouring countries: from the Republic of Korea (ROK), via the ROK Red Cross, and directly from the governments of Russia and China.

The disaster happened in the midst of an improving political environment. The frozen DPRK funds in Macao were unblocked and the DPRK closed the Yongbyon nuclear plant under the inspections of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). These developments helped improve relations, in particular with the Republic of Korea. For the first time in 56 years, trains crossed the border between the Koreas, a concessional loan of 400.000 tons rice was released and the ROK was the first to donate humanitarian aid in response to the floods. The summit between the two leaders of the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea and the Republic of Korea scheduled for August, had to be postponed till October due to the relief activities in response to the floods.

Needs:

MAA54001: Overall budget CHF 28.7 million (USD 23.8 million or EUR 18.1 million) out of which 81 percent is covered. Outstanding needs are CHF 5.4 million (USD 11 million or EUR 8.17 million).

DPRK component only: Total 2006-2007 budget CHF 26.4 million (USD 23.7 million or EUR 16 million) out of which 82 percent covered. Outstanding needs are CHF 4.8 million (USD 4.3 million or EUR 2.9 million).

DPR Korea only	Appeal budget 2006-2007	Total income	Expenditure Jan 06 – Aug 07	Coverage by programme	Expenditure vs. budget
Health and care	22,294,113	17,630,223	15,759,391	79%	70%
Disaster management	3,018,491	2,673,030	2,056,892	89%	68%
Organizational development	703,945	572,173	403,460	81%	57%
Coordination & implementation	380,797	656,294	708,160	172%	186%
Total	26,397,346	21,531,720	18,927,903	82%	71%

Figure 1: Financial analysis of DPRK component of Appeal no.MAA54001

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No. of people we help: The community-based programmes supported by the International Federation and the DPRK Red Cross target 8.25 million people in four out of the 12 provinces in the DPRK. Children 0-14 years of age comprise 26.5 percent of total population and the ratio of men – women is 50.5 to 49.5 per hundred. Much data is confidential in the DPRK and therefore the actual number of beneficiaries assisted by all the programmes is difficult to calculate. However according to information collected by the DPRK Red Cross, the attendances of the target population to the health institutions counted more than 20 million visits in 2006.

Our Partners: The DPRK Red Cross and the Federation worked in close contact with ICRC, over 20 government agencies and community and national level entities, Red Cross partners, as well as all the main UN and other international organizations present in the DPRK. Ten national Red Cross societies have signed a three year cooperation agreement strategy with the DPRK Red Cross and are actively engaged in implementing the CAS. In April, the Canadian Red Cross was the latest to sign the CAS agreement during an in-country visit together with Australian Red Cross and a representative of AusAid.

¹ Funding sources includes total in-kind donations yet to be entered into the system.

Progress towards objectives

Health and Care

Goal: Reduce the number of deaths, illnesses and impact from diseases and public health emergencies.

Objective: The health of vulnerable communities in 64 counties/cities in North Phyongan, South Phyongan, North Hwanghae, Chagang and South Hamgyong provinces is improved.

Achievements: The area in which the Federation implements its activities in the DPRK covers 64 cities and counties in five provinces, with a total population of 8.25 million. This is about 40 percent of the population of the DPRK. Unfortunately, Chagang Province (seven counties) and one county in North Phyongan province has been closed to expatriates since November 2006 and the Federation supported programmes for this area have therefore been suspended.



A DPRK RCS and Federation supported clinic in North Phyongan province.



Monitoring is conducted throughout the project including this joint monitoring visit by ECHO/DPRK RCS/ Federation to a Red Cross supported clinic in South Hamgyong Province.

Medical distribution programme: There were delays in the arrival of “*Il cha*” (primary) health kits with essential medicines for 2,007 health facilities for the first six months of this year. This was a result of longer production time of drugs than expected, and could have caused a negative impact on public health as most Federation supported health facilities had run out of basic drugs.

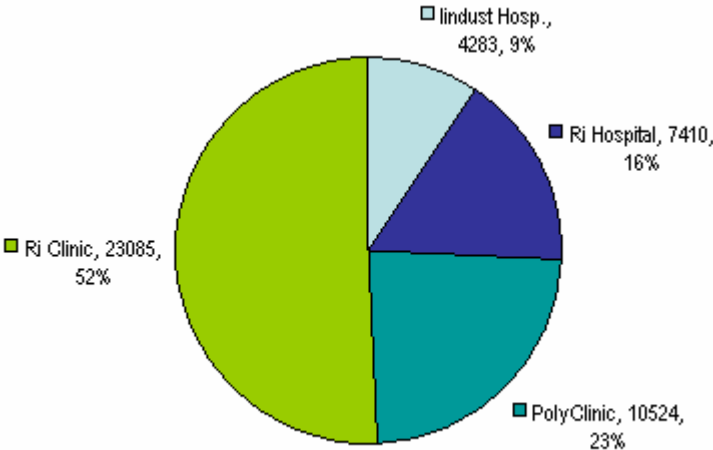
The situation was fortunately overcome by a generous loan of 2,360 basic health kits from UNICEF. The borrowed kits contain three-months of essential medicine supplies and were distributed to 2,007 health facilities in South and North Phyongan, North Hwanghae, South Hamgyong provinces by the end of June. Furthermore, the procurement of “*Il Cha*” and “*Jon Mun*” kits (for county hospitals) for the second six-month distribution to these 2,007 health facilities commenced in May.

The first consignments of 4,312 kits containing equipment and instrument component of the “*Il Cha*” kit are arriving on 5 September and the second consignment of 4,312 kits containing essential drugs between 10-13 September. These kits cover the first six- nine months distribution of medicine in Federation supported areas. A total of 2,360 three-month kits will be immediately returned to UNICEF and the balance is planned to be distributed immediately to Red Cross supported health facilities.

During the reporting period, 778 health monitoring visits were made by national society field monitors to county warehouses and health institutions in four provinces to measure impact and to support the drug distribution programme. The Federation health delegate and the DPRK Red Cross health coordinator visited ten health facilities with the purpose of verifying the monitoring system and assessing the effectiveness of drug distributions.

The staff of the health facilities expressed satisfaction over this support but reported as before that Federation supplies met only 60 -70 percent of their total medicine needs which includes children and women in the catchments area. A continuation of the *rational drug use* trainings in future were strongly recommended by a majority of clinic directors.

Beneficiaries are predominantly women and children under 15 years and a majority of them are served by *ri* clinics and hospitals. The following figure illustrates out-patients at different health facilities on a daily basis. It shows that about 90 percent of out- patients are more likely to first visit healthcare facilities at the first-level.



The five most common diseases reported for treatment are diarrhoea, acute respiratory infections, gastroenteritis, musculo-skeletal pain and kidney disorders. Diarrhoeal cases reported during this period are higher compared to the winter months. The clinics face difficulties treating common illnesses due to a lack of medicines during May and June caused by delays in the new consignments but the situation improved after receiving medicines by the end of June. During flood assessments in South Phyongan and South Hamgyong Provinces in August, it was found that the clinics in flood affected areas have lost most of their medical stock and equipment. Health facilities in 22 counties of flood affected provinces of South Phyongan, South Hamgyong and Kaesong city will be provided with emergency health kits and dressing materials in addition to scheduled annual supplies of essential medicines to care for the homeless and injured.

CBFA/First Aid: During August, ten sessions of first aid trainings for 200 Red Cross youth volunteers from five secondary schools were conducted in South Hamgyong, South and North Phyongan Provinces. Community-based first aid (CBFA) manuals were updated to include the road safety awareness component. Altogether 3,000 copies of updated manuals were printed for distribution.

Malaria: The Finnish Red Cross donated 20,000 mosquito nets and 40,000 meters of screens were distributed to 10,000 families in 56 cities/counties of South and North Phyongan, North Hwanghae and South Hamgyong provinces in August.

Health promotion for health professionals: In consultation with the ministry of public health (MoPH), the revision and updating of teaching materials on infectious disease control including tuberculosis, diarrhoea and HIV/AIDS were completed. The national society printed newly-revised materials for ten training workshops during the months of July and August, in which 260 household doctors from various counties participated.

In collaboration with MoPH and UNICEF, training materials on several health promotion subjects for household doctors such as rational drug use, mother and child health were updated with 260 copies printed for the training..

Public Health in Emergencies (PHiE): The DPRK Red Cross health coordinator, water and sanitation programme officer, community-based disaster preparedness (CBDP) programme officer and the Federation’s health delegate and health officer attended a regional PHiE training workshop in Beijing. The workshop aimed to improve the public health in emergency preparedness and response capacity of the national society by developing and maintaining a team of health professionals who can be deployed for emergency health interventions in major disasters situations in DPRK and the wider region.



School girls disseminating messages on road safety through performances enacted during “Global Road Safety Day”, 10 May 2007.

Rapid and effective action by the DPRK Red Cross in response to needs of those affected in the August floods helped save countless lives. In the flood areas of South Phyongan, Kangwon, South Hamgyong and North and South Hwanghae, 112 mobile first aid posts were immediately set up in addition to the existing 368 first aid posts and thousands of Red Cross volunteers were mobilized, providing first aid and hygiene health promotion in partnership with their respective health facilities to prevent waterborne diseases, malaria and other disease outbreaks.

Needs assessments and the monitoring of relief supplies distribution (21,000 family kits) in the flood affected counties of South Hwanghae, Kangwon, South Pyongan and South Hamgyong provinces was done by the joint team of health, water and sanitation and disaster management departments.

Road safety: On the occasion of the first “United Nations Global Road Safety week”, the DPRK RCS observed the event with the theme “Road Safety is No Accident” for young school children on 10 May. In partnership with the ministry of public security, the event helped raise awareness about the impact of road traffic injuries, ways to prevent them and to improve road safety for young road users. About 50 school boys and girls organized and participated in role plays; displaying road signs, traffic lights and first aid in accidents informing the audiences on staying safe on the road.

The national society established a first aid (FA) dissemination room for drivers in the Red Cross service centre with teaching materials including a FA dissemination board displaying information on FA and road safety. It also developed and printed 2,000 copies of brochures and 600 flipcharts on road safety and first aid for distribution in partnership with the ministry of people’s security in order to educate children about road safety. Teaching materials for traffic controllers on road safety and FA aid have been developed and printed for workshops scheduled for September.

Voluntary blood donor recruitment: This year the “World Blood Donor Day” was celebrated to honour and recognize blood donors in collaboration with the MoPH, WHO, the Federation and DPRK RCS in the People’s Palace of Culture on 14 June 2007. The objectives were to create wider awareness of the importance of voluntary non-remunerated blood donation and encourage more people in becoming regular and repeated donors.

Constraints or challenges: Delays in the procurement of essential drugs led Red Cross supported health facilities to work with limited medical supplies for a while till the end of June. All human and material resources were mobilized to respond to the heavy rains and subsequent floods in the country. Therefore some planned workshops on rational drug use, mother and child health, and road safety awareness were delayed.



A pump station in Sangbuk-dong, Mundok county.



A pump installation in Sangbuk-dong, Mundok county.

and sanitation systems to the communities in November. During the implementation of the programme, the national society's water and sanitation technicians and the Federation's water and sanitation officer have monitored construction on a regular basis and provided technical assistance and recommendations where necessary.

Water and sanitation impact review workshop:

A one week workshop was organized in May following the completion of a first round water and sanitation impact review for the pilot and first phase of the programme in April. The workshop facilitated by the Federation's water and sanitation consultant was aimed at summing up the review and discussing the future of the programme based on the lessons learned. During the workshop, results of the review were shared with the participants and follow up measures to upgrade and support the reviewed sites were discussed in detail. Intensive discussions were also undertaken in planning activities in the second part of 2007 and 2008, and to develop DPRK RCS emergency water and sanitation response capacity.

Water and Sanitation

Objective: Morbidity caused by water and vector borne diseases are reduced in selected communities with access to safe and sustainable water and sanitation systems.

In the past eight years, the DPRK Red Cross, the Federation and its partner national societies have so far implemented an ambitious programme of 269 projects (147 health institutions and 122 communities) with more to come. The projects have evolved over time from individual health institutions to community-based construction of water supplies and sanitation facilities at cooperative farms in rural and semi-rural areas.

Completion of 2006-2007 water and sanitation programme:

Implementation of the water and sanitation programme that began in January 2007 is near completion. Most of the 19 communities have finalized the construction of water supply systems with some providing regular water supply to projected beneficiaries. The construction of waste water collection systems could not be completed in all communities due to delays in the arrival of sanitation materials.

All planned activities are expected to be finalised by end of October 2007 and the water and sanitation unit of DPRK RCS and the Federation water and sanitation delegate will conduct a final assessment and handover full ownership of water

and sanitation systems to the communities in November. During the implementation of the programme, the national society's water and sanitation technicians and the Federation's water and sanitation officer have monitored construction on a regular basis and provided technical assistance and recommendations where necessary.



Participants of a water and sanitation workshop on 22-24 May 2007.

Following the workshop, a bill of quantity for an upgrade of reviewed projects was discussed and finalized in June. A request for procurement of construction materials, except for cement and reinforcement steel, was sent to the Netherlands Red Cross international tendering arrangements. Procurement of cement and reinforcement steel was arranged by the Federation delegation through local tendering and the materials will be delivered in late August for immediate construction.



Field assessment to select new target in Songnam farm, Jongju city, North Pyongan Province, 13 July 2007.

Initiation of 2007-2008 water and sanitation programme: During the water and sanitation workshop in May, the DPRK RCS and the Federation delegation agreed to implement a new water and sanitation programme in line with the Federation's 2006-2007 annual appeal. The programme implementation period is from July 2007 till the end of 2008. Following a vulnerability and capacity assessment by the national society, the Federation's water and sanitation delegate and DPRK RCS water and sanitation unit jointly visited ten pre-selected communities for field assessment and final selection.

Nine communities (34,597 people in) were finally selected, designs for the systems confirmed and a bill of quantity was made by DPRK RCS water and sanitation technicians and the Federation water and sanitation delegate. A request to procure construction materials, excluding cement and reinforcement steel, was also submitted to the Netherlands Red Cross for international tendering arrangement. The Federation delegation will procure cement and reinforcement steel from local company according to standard tendering procedure.

Development of emergency water and sanitation response capacity: Following detailed discussions and agreements made during the workshop in May, a list of equipment for the national society's emergency water and sanitation response has been drafted and shared with the Federation secretariat's technical experts. Based on comments and feedback from the Federation's water and sanitation experts, procurement of the necessary equipment started in July with delivery expected at the end of the year. The first national level workshop on emergency water and sanitation will take place in early 2008 and similar workshops will be held in the two most disaster prone provinces of the country during in the first quarter of 2008.

Constraints or challenges: The implementation of the programme was partially suspended due to changes in the Federation's water and sanitation delegate position. A short-term water and sanitation expert with previous DPRK experience was contracted for the period of 10-28 July 2007. A new water and sanitation delegate is currently being recruited.

Disaster Management

Goal: Reduce the numbers of deaths, injuries and impact from disasters.

Objective: DPRK RCS capacity to respond effectively to large-scale, sudden onset disaster, and to support the development and implementation of community-based disaster preparedness and response mechanisms have improved.

Achievements: Community-based disaster preparedness working tools have again impressed with its effectiveness in reducing the number of casualties and destroyed homes during the seasonal flooding. Closer cooperation within the national disaster coordination mechanism (cabinet level) facilitated a swift Red Cross response with staff from headquarters and provincial branches making early assessments, with alerted DPRK RCS volunteers distributing pre-positioned contingency stock in the worst affected areas. Delayed activities under the tree planting programme supported by the Norwegian Red Cross was resolved by locally procuring materials needed for the final installation of three greenhouses and sunshades (80 percent coverage of the total budget).

Emergency Response Capacity: The torrential rains which started on 7 August resulted in destructive flooding in nine provinces of the country. Over 440 people died and a large number of people is still unaccounted for. Some 170,000 people were left homeless. The national society rapidly mobilized 14,300 volunteers for early warning, monitoring of the hazard, evacuating those threatened to be inundated, providing first aid services and distributing relief items in the affected provinces. The disaster response teams of the DPRK Red Cross were dispatched 17 times in the period 10 August - 4 September. They assessed the needs and the distribution of relief items in the five worst affected provinces; Kangwon, South Hamgyong, South Phyongan, North and South Hwanghae provinces.

On the request of the national society, the Federation launched an emergency appeal seeking international support CHF 6.6 million to assist 3.7 million beneficiaries over six months. The appeal was largely aimed at reducing the risk for health emergencies as 30 percent of the health infrastructure had been destroyed, damaged or submerged. The total emergency response stock in the six disaster preparedness (DP) warehouses was utilized to support 22,000 homeless families and is being replenished at present.

The matrix below shows the delivery of contingency stocks to the homeless by DPRK Red Cross on hand.

DP items	Location / quantity of DP items							Total
	North Hwanghae	South Hwanghae	South Hamgyong	Kangwon	South Phyongyan	North Phyongan	Pyongyang	
Blanket	17,933	4,470	20,071	35,619	12,966	452	1,520	93,031
Cooking set	2,000	964	5,099	8,779	3,059	108	381	20,390
Jerry can	6,018	964	5,099	8,779	5,618	108	762	27,348
Plastic sheet	1,405	964	5,099	8,779	3,059	108		19,414
WPT	521,710	268,200	1,204,260	2,137,140	777,960	27,120	91,200	5,027,590

Disaster Management Coordination: A series of meetings were arranged between the DPRK RCS headquarter staff and provincial branch staff to respond to the Federation’s questionnaires on a “well-prepared national society” and the questionnaire for “national society disaster risk reduction activities”. In a two-day meeting arranged in June in Phyongsong of South Phyongan province, national society staff and Federation officers reviewed and summarized the implementation over the last five years based on the questionnaires.

The guidelines for Red Cross intervention in small-scale disasters were discussed between the Federation and the DPRK RCS in light of relief activities and the “disaster field relief manual”.

The guidelines for contingency planning by the DPRK RCS were translated with copies sent to relevant governmental organizations like the cabinet and the standing committee of the Supreme People’s Assembly with the purpose of advocating and raising awareness and the necessity to be well prepared at a national level.

With the rainy season approaching, the DRPK Red Cross raised the preparedness measures against the potential floods in the national disaster coordination commission meeting in July. The Hydro Meteorological Bureau in Pyongyang agreed to provide the weather forecast on a weekly basis. The disaster management (DM) department of the national society contacted and visited flood-prone provinces like South and North Phyongan, Kangwon, South Hamgyong and North Hwanghae to arouse their alertness and activate the warning systems.

Community-based disaster preparedness (CDBP): Comprehensive questionnaires for community-based hazard, vulnerability and capacity analysis (HVCA) were used to select 12 communities out of 26 CDBP *ris* in South Phyongan province for renewed support in 2007. Some 18 out of 38 ongoing CDBP projects in South Hamgyong, North and South Phyongan provinces were considered to receive continued support for mitigation work such as the embankment, water channelling and reinforcement of dykes. The quantities of cement needed for these mitigation activities in these 30 CDBP *ris* in three provinces are 2,162 MT. The DM programme started a requisition for 1,800 MT while the remaining needs will be covered by the community and the city/county authorities.

Some 14 CDBP *ris* in South Phyongan province completed their planned mitigation work before the rainy season started. The impact of this mitigation was shown during the field visit of the organizational development (OD) consultant of the Swedish Red Cross to one of the *ris* a week after the flooding.

Mrs. Kim Yong Sil (46), an inhabitant of the village told him, "Every year the vicious flood threatened our lives and we had to evacuate from my home with my children when the heavy rain started. But now we are safe. My children do not cry because of the rains and instead are playing on the embankment. Though this year we had much more rain than before, we were not in danger. Not only I, but also other villagers will contribute to Red Cross volunteer work wherever and whenever".

Some 16 CDBP *ris* in North Phyongan and South Hamgyong provinces will receive 900 metric tons of cement to conduct risk reduction work before harvesting.

Tree Planting: A two-day technical workshop was organized in May for the tree nurseries supported by the Norwegian Red Cross. Some 32 nursery technicians and staff participated in the workshop and discussed agro-forestry management, environment and land management, mixed forestation, method of growing seedlings by using plastic pot and the effects of harmful insects recently affecting pine trees.

In July Finnish greenhouse experts installed a UPS voltage stabilizer in the central tree nursery greenhouse. The greenhouse is still not functioning as scheduled as the UPS is not functioning as a result of a low frequency of electricity supply. Further activities include the installation of three greenhouses and sun shades in newly-selected nurseries and the provision of 100 metric tons of fertiliser to all eight nurseries in the reporting period.

Constraints or challenges: In the absence of a well-functioning communication system, a computer disaster information network could have facilitated rapid field assessments of the disaster, and communication between various emergency organizations. During the flooding in August, most wired telecommunication lines were cut off. The discussions on the installation of a HF system need to be wound up as soon as possible.

The scheduled implementation of the DM programme, like regular DM trainings, CDBP and reforestation activities was delayed as all of the national society and Federation DM staff were involved in emergency relief operation. The location of regional DP warehouses needs reconsideration. The flood relief operation of August showed that e.g. Sinuiju warehouse would be better located in the middle part of the province, preferably in Jongju city, where quick delivery to the affected areas is better assured.

Organization Development and Humanitarian Values

Objectives: Increase local community and Red Cross capacity to address the most urgent situations of vulnerability.

Programme objective: The DPRK RCS has enhanced the efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of its service delivery to the vulnerable by incorporating characteristics of a well-functioning national society into its organizational development efforts.

Achievements:

Upgrade of the legal base: Following the adoption of the Red Cross Law of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea by the Red Cross Society on 10 January 2007, the cabinet instituted a regulation on the implementation of the Law on 7 May. The central committee of the DPRK RCS, with a number of members with professional links to the different ministries, sees it as its responsibility to urge relevant stakeholders in ensuring the implementation of the Red Cross Law and the correct use of the Red Cross emblem. In line with the cabinet regulation for the implementation of the Law on Red Cross Society, all health institutions in the country, including hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, vehicles under the ministry of public health have to change the use of the red cross into a green cross.



A VCA field exercise in Jangrim Ri, Songchong county, South Phyongan province.

National society development (NSDP) mid-term review: In July the “national society mid-term review team on the implementation of the national society development plan” presented to the programme officers of the national society guidelines for the designed review procedures and setup. The review process will have four steps;

1. Provide the branches with review tools (a questionnaire and the guidelines for vulnerability, capacity assessment).
2. Branches conduct self-reviews by means of the tools.
3. Consultation of stakeholders related to the work of the Red Cross.
4. Drafting of the review report with recommendations.



An NSDP review workshop in Phyongsong city, South Phyongan province.

A series of review workshops are being prepared and held in three provincial branches and vulnerability and capacity assessments (VCA) in five communities. Based on the respective NSDP mid-term review reports from all ten provincial branches, the national society mid-term review team will hold consultation meetings with stakeholders to discuss areas of common intervention and support. The first two-day workshop was held in August in South Phyongan province under the guidance of the review team composed of five staff members of the headquarters. The one-day VCA field exercise was held in Jangrim *ri*, Songchon count. The national society mid-term review report is due in November 2007 to be submitted to the Congress in 2008.

Volunteer management: The nationwide re-registration of Red Cross members and volunteers was compiled and completed by the OD department in July. The results showed a total of 1,051,107 Red Cross members and 101,965 volunteers (approx. 9.7 percent). Membership is based on a financial contribution, while a volunteer is defined as a person who dedicates at least four hours of his or her time to the Red Cross. Out of the 101,965 counted volunteers, 15,025 (14.7 percent) received appropriate training. The text of the volunteer handbook was finalized and agreed and the publication prepared. The draft of the volunteer policy of the national society and volunteer management guidelines were translated into English.

Branch and headquarters capacity building: A four-day workshop on organisational development for province/city branch staff was held in Nampo in May to provide participants with an updated OD training curriculum (Federation of the Future, new Red Cross Law) and to prepare branches to be involved in the interim review of the national society development plan 2010. A communication workshop for the same target participants was linked to the OD workshop to improve communication activities at branches. The workshop was facilitated by the Federation's regional information delegate, the head of press department of Danish Red Cross and the information and dissemination programme officer of Mongolian Red Cross Society.

To further build up the capacity of the staff in the headquarters, the OD team of the national society arranged six study sessions on the Federation of the Future, organizational development and capacity building, VCA and volunteer management. The procurement of office equipments for Kangwon, South Phyongan and Nampo Red Cross branches and renovation materials for South Hamgyong training centre completed the upgrading of the branches and provincial training centres.

Financial management: The staff of the finance unit increased. The revision of the financial management guideline is under discussion in order to improve transparency and efficiency.

Communications and public relations: On the occasion of World Red Cross Day, the national society in cooperation with the Federation delegation arranged several events including TV interviews broadcasted on national television. The national society scored high on visibility in national and international media during the flood relief operation and Red Cross support to those affected by the floods. Many of the pictures shown in the international media were either taken by the national society or Federation delegates. The equipment procured in the reporting period (digital cameras, a video camera, laptop computer, colour printer) proved its value. Red Cross logos, tags, T-shirts and caps were procured for staff and volunteers in order to increase the visibility of Red Cross in the country.

Impact: The establishment of a cabinet decree on the implementation regulation of the Red Cross Law increases the understanding of the protective value of the Red Cross emblem. Increasingly red crosses are transferred into green crosses. Re-registration of Red Cross members and volunteers further provided the DPRK RCS with a clearer picture of the requirements to effectively manage volunteers.

Constraints or challenges: The annual mass mobilization for rice planting in May and June and the relief activities as a result of the floods delayed the implementation of the OD activities.

Working in partnership

In August, an OD consultant from the Swedish Red Cross visited the national society and the Federation delegation for discussions on the organizational development programme. The objective of his visit was to discuss the possibilities for a long-term OD back stopping programme. A programme was discussed on topics around volunteer management, OD strategies and policies which are under development and for which the OD consultant will provide technical support through regular contacts and visits. During his stay, a visit to a community-based disaster project in Sonchon County was

arranged. The visit took place shortly after the period of torrential rains and offered the opportunity to assess branch activities during the rain and the effectiveness of CBDP activities.

Discussions were held with the ICRC head of delegation in Pyongyang and the regional cooperation delegate of ICRC from Beijing on the cooperation in support of DPRK RCS's communication activities. Together with the Federation's head of country delegation, they visited South Phyongan provincial Red Cross branch to be informed of branch activities in the field of communication, humanitarian values and international humanitarian law (IHL). The vice-chairman and deputy secretary-general of DPRK RCS attended the regional leadership meeting in Mongolia to discuss the upcoming statutory meetings and regional cooperation.

Contributing to longer-term impact

The Federation's Global Goals are steadily integrated in programme activities and monitoring systems are gradually coping with the data needed. The adoption of the Red Cross Law enforced the role of the DPRK Red Cross as participants in the meetings with the cabinet of the DPRK government in responding to the disaster. The national society not only immediately alerted the Red Cross branches to be prepared in handling the upcoming rains; it was also at the forefront in collecting data and conducting assessments of the impact of the disaster. The national society was able to convince the government to make the data available as quickly as possible in order to facilitate international support for those affected by the disaster.

The review of the water and sanitation programme showed not only the lessons learned in the last years, but also offered an opportunity to repair or upgrade the systems which did not deliver as expected. Some of the 38 project sites under review have now been granted an extension in order to cover the growth of the community in the past years. The assessment further revealed a reduction in waterborne diseases in communities with installed and well-functioning systems.

Looking Ahead

The floods in August will have a serious impact on the activities in the last part of 2007. The relief operations depleted the complete emergency stock in all Red Cross warehouses. The emergency appeal called for the replenishment of stocks and the donations coming in will determine the level to which this actually will be successful. It further will require the necessary additional logistical activities.

Of more importance is the medical aid and medicines which enters the country in response to the disruption of the medical services. Medicines are brought in from all directions and sources and as it is virtually impossible to calculate the precise losses and the real needs in view of increased diseases, the influx complicates with the planned phasing out of both UNICEF and the Federation out of the drug supplies. UNICEF, WHO, the EU programme support units are coordinating closely their input in the country and the distribution of medicines to different geographical areas. However, it appears not possible to obtain a proper view of donations from abroad from NGOs and governmental resources, about which information has not yet been made available. The distribution of the incoming medicines of the regular programme will have to be reviewed and adapted to the recent developments.

Water and sanitation systems have been seriously affected by the floods. In the selection of new sites, these areas will be given priority. The months of July and August have been used by the DPRK Red Cross and the Federation country delegation to discuss intensively the plans for 2008 and 2009. The outcome of these discussions will be shared with the national societies which have signed the cooperation agreement strategy. A CAS meeting with partners is foreseen for early October 2007 aiming at a well defined and well funded programme for this period.

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MAA54001 - EAST ASIA

Interim Financial Report

Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2006/1-2007/8
Budget Timeframe	2006/1-2007/12
Appeal	MAA54001
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	23,000,940	3,498,491	580,535	703,945	934,873	28,718,784
B. Opening Balance	2,463,882	399,118	106,005	100,145	155,663	3,224,812

Income

Cash contributions (received)

American Red Cross	115,945				115,945	231,890
Australian Red Cross	386,049	637,258		0		1,023,307
British Government		4,713				4,713
British Red Cross	15,439	201,080			3,412	219,931
Canadian Red Cross		55,440		55,440		110,880
Caritas International		87,837				87,837
China Red Cross	36,600					36,600
Danish Red Cross	2,102,648	244,325		44,012		2,390,985
DFID Partnership		20,580				20,580
ECHO	204,944					204,944
Finnish Red Cross	126,738	16,801	33,794		72,430	249,763
German Red Cross	102,497					102,497
Hong Kong Red Cross	1,209					1,209
Japanese Red Cross	209,768	171,948		70,847		452,563
Netherlands Red Cross	1,351,012				10,498	1,361,510
New Zealand Red Cross				55,899		55,899
Norwegian Red Cross	1,815,760	1,001,369	136,430	139,350	91,197	3,184,106
Singapore Red Cross		33,592				33,592
Spanish Red Cross					115,920	115,920
Swedish Red Cross	1,082,979			0	1,303	1,084,282
C1. Cash contributions	7,551,590	2,474,942	170,224	365,547	410,705	10,973,006

Outstanding pledges (Revalued)

Australian Red Cross	11,350					11,350
British Government		4,840				4,840
British Red Cross		-175,104				-175,104
China Red Cross			36,090		36,090	72,180
Danish Red Cross	211,923					211,923
DFID Partnership		19,420				19,420
Finnish Red Cross	-48,057		28,877		52,076	32,896
German Red Cross	15,932					15,932
Netherlands Red Cross	-461,478					-461,478
Norwegian Red Cross	-0					-0
Swedish Red Cross	240,024			35,040		275,064
C2. Outstanding pledges (Revalued)	-30,306	-150,844	64,967	35,040	88,166	7,023

Reallocations (within appeal or from/to another appeal)

American Red Cross	0				0	0
Australian Red Cross	0					0
Austrian Red Cross		14,249		14,249		28,498
British Red Cross		-2,842		-852	3,694	0
Danish Red Cross	0	4,502		4,502		9,004
Finnish Red Cross	0					0
Hellenic Red Cross		2,235		2,235		4,470
Hong Kong Red Cross	0					0
Japanese Red Cross	0	51,289		51,289		102,578
Netherlands Red Cross	0					0
Norwegian Red Cross	-24,724	0	0		24,724	0
Other	0					0
Swedish Red Cross	0					0
UNHCR (UN Agency)		17		17		35
C3. Reallocations (within appeal or	-24,724	69,451	0	71,441	28,418	144,585

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Inkind Goods & Transport (received)

Danish Red Cross	4,472,304				4,472,304
Finnish Red Cross	820,788	258,472			1,079,260
German Red Cross	880,065				880,065
Netherlands Red Cross	787,482				787,482
Norwegian Red Cross	1,037,281	51,649			1,088,930
C4. Inkind Goods & Transport	7,997,920	310,121			8,308,041

Inkind Personnel

British Red Cross				52,287	52,287
Finnish Red Cross	46,347		76,053	12,400	134,800
Netherlands Red Cross	39,600			170,000	209,600
Norwegian Red Cross	8,067			62,000	70,067
Swedish Red Cross	113,873			20,047	133,920
C5. Inkind Personnel	207,887		76,053	316,734	600,674

Other Income

Miscellaneous Income				1,832	1,832
Services & Recoveries				66,589	66,589
C6. Other Income				68,421	68,421

C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C6)	15,702,367	2,703,670	311,244	472,028	912,444	20,101,751
D. Total Funding = B + C	18,166,248	3,102,788	417,248	572,172	1,068,106	23,326,563

II. Balance of Funds

	Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance	2,463,882	399,118	106,005	100,145	155,663	3,224,812
C. Income	15,702,367	2,703,670	311,244	472,028	912,444	20,101,751
E. Expenditure	-16,126,269	-2,322,069	-325,600	-403,460	-956,460	-20,133,858
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)	2,039,979	780,719	91,648	168,713	111,646	3,192,705

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance A - B
		Health & Care	Disaster Management	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Coordination & Implementation		
A							B	A - B
BUDGET (C)		23,000,940	3,498,491	580,535	703,945	934,873	28,718,784	
Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	326,300		211,150				211,150	115,150
Construction Materials	606,165	225,543	319,254		21,378		566,176	39,989
Clothing & textiles	573,884	380,327	239,398				619,725	-45,841
Food		358					358	-358
Seeds,Plants	96,400		47,336				47,336	49,065
Water & Sanitation	2,997,660	1,573,453	27,142				1,600,595	1,397,065
Medical & First Aid	13,548,466	9,143,444	45,191				9,188,635	4,359,831
Teaching Materials	380,759	241,316	18,360		27,921		287,597	93,162
Utensils & Tools	353,250		281,031				281,031	72,219
Other Supplies & Services	1,052,714	561,948	416,547		30,575		1,009,071	43,643
Total Supplies	19,935,599	12,126,390	1,605,410		79,874		13,811,674	6,123,925
Land, vehicles & equipment								
Vehicles	7,500	29,710				7,500	37,210	-29,710
Computers & Telecom	29,340	4,637	2,681	2,131	7,306	19,468	36,223	-6,883
Office/Household Furniture & Equipm.	5,500					5,443	5,443	57
Others Machinery & Equipment		17,059	1,357		564	-18,980	0	-0
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	42,340	51,406	4,038	2,131	7,871	13,430	78,876	-36,536
Transport & Storage								
Storage	107,800	41,694	2,646			166	44,506	63,294
Distribution & Monitoring	730,870	675,032	23,233		1,473	2,330	702,067	28,803
Transport & Vehicle Costs	347,617	229,200	50,304		25,766	9,655	314,925	32,692
Total Transport & Storage	1,186,287	945,926	76,182		27,239	12,151	1,061,498	124,789
Personnel Expenditures								
International Staff Payroll Benefits	1,410,000	712,211	173,747	226,715	1,289	564,697	1,678,660	-268,660
Delegate Benefits	1,045,259							1,045,259
Regionally Deployed Staff	168,100			6,622		146	6,768	161,332
National Staff	333,450	201,350	35,095	22,949	23,795	15,198	298,387	35,063
National Society Staff	520,511	315,955	60,562		18,090	6,060	400,668	119,843
Consultants	171,500	79,558					79,558	91,942
Total Personnel Expenditures	3,648,820	1,309,075	269,405	256,286	43,174	586,101	2,464,041	1,184,779
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	1,173,443	210,457	103,234	1,468	137,465	53,369	505,994	667,449
Total Workshops & Training	1,173,443	210,457	103,234	1,468	137,465	53,369	505,994	667,449
General Expenditure								
Travel	227,251	86,494	21,237	15,877	20,763	44,468	188,838	38,413
Information & Public Relation	297,800	63,819	8,324	9,736	50,238	1,567	133,683	164,117
Office Costs	155,450	44,312	4,386	4,748	1,480	121,352	176,278	-20,828
Communications	158,700	11,403	2,757	4,465	3,018	130,714	152,358	6,342
Professional Fees	3,000	1,118	773		2,948		4,839	-1,839
Financial Charges	12,500	1,125	898	47	636	-6,328	-3,621	16,121
Other General Expenses	43,400	191,865	38,255	10,000	10,755	-218,686	32,188	11,212
Total General Expenditure	898,101	400,136	76,630	44,872	89,837	73,088	684,563	213,538
Depreciation								
Depreciation		15,697					15,697	-15,697
Total Depreciation		15,697					15,697	-15,697
Federation Contributions & Transfers								
Cash Transfers National Societies			30,372			156,429	186,801	-186,801
Total Federation Contributions & Tr			30,372			156,429	186,801	-186,801
Program Support								
Program Support	1,834,194	1,051,549	149,624	20,843	26,225	60,832	1,309,072	525,122

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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)		23,000,940	3,498,491	580,535	703,945	934,873	28,718,784	
Total Program Support	1,834,194	1,051,549	149,624	20,843	26,225	60,832	1,309,072	525,122
Operational Provisions								
Operational Provisions		15,634	7,173		-8,225	1,060	15,642	-15,642
Total Operational Provisions		15,634	7,173		-8,225	1,060	15,642	-15,642
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	28,718,784	16,126,269	2,322,069	325,600	403,460	956,460	20,133,858	8,584,926
VARIANCE (C - D)		6,874,671	1,176,422	254,934	300,486	-21,587	8,584,926	

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Donor response to MAAKP002 - DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REP OF KOREA

TIMEFRAME: 01 Jan 06 to 31 Dec 07

LOCATION: DPR Korea Delegation

TOTAL AMOUNT SOUGHT:	26,397,347
TOTAL RECEIVED TO DATE:	26,590,428
APPEAL COVERAGE TO DATE:	101%

Updated on: 15 Nov 2007

Currency	Amount	Coordination & Implementation	Disaster Management	Health & Care	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Total
		CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF
BUDGET		380,797	3,018,491	22,294,113		703,945	26,397,347

FUNDING

Opening Balance		46,755.2	177,279.18	2,449,373.74		100,144.84	2,773,553
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Income

Cash contributions (received and pledged)

American Red Cross	USD	183,966	115,945		115,945		231,890
Australian Red Cross	AUD	20,212			19,434		19,434
Australian Red Cross	CHF	280			280		280
Australian Red Cross (from Australian Government)	AUD	500,415		400,669	104,750		505,419
Australian Red Cross (from Australian Government)	CHF	453,116		226,558	226,558		453,116
Austrian Red Cross (from Austrian Government)	CHF	28,498		14,249		14,249	28,498
British Government	EUR	2,962		4,713			4,713
British Government	GBP	2,000		4,800			4,800
British Red Cross	CHF	-282	3,412	-2,842		-852	-282
British Red Cross	GBP	2,519		5,962			5,962
Canadian Red Cross (from Canadian Government)	CAD	99,000		55,440		55,440	110,880
Caritas International	USD	71,517		87,837			87,837
China Red Cross	USD	30,000			36,600		36,600
Danish Red Cross (from Danish Government)	CHF	1,656,151		244,325	1,367,813	44,012	1,656,151
Danish Red Cross (from Denmark - Private Donors)	CHF	9,004		4,502		4,502	9,004
Danish Red Cross (from Denmark - Private Donors)	EUR	665,866			1,074,843		1,074,843
Danish Red Cross (from ECHO)	EUR	49,065			82,086		82,086
Finnish Red Cross	CHF	37,774		17,150	20,624		37,774
Finnish Red Cross	EUR	27,941		11,980	32,174		44,154
Finnish Red Cross (from Finnish Government)	EUR	0			-60		-60
German Red Cross	EUR	79,200			118,001	13,384	131,385
German Red Cross (from German Government)	EUR	38,386			68,174		68,174
Hellenic Red Cross (from Greek Government)	CHF	2,235		2,235			2,235

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	Currency	Amount	Coordination & Implementation	Disaster Management	Health & Care	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Total
			CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF
BUDGET			380,797	3,018,491	22,294,113		703,945	26,397,347
FUNDING								
Opening Balance			46,755.2	177,279.18	2,449,373.74		100,144.84	2,773,553
Income								
Hellenic Red Cross (from UNHCR (UN Agency))	CHF	2,235					2,235	2,235
Hong Kong Red Cross	HKD	7,639			1,209			1,209
Japanese Red Cross	CHF	102,578		51,289			51,289	102,578
Japanese Red Cross	JPY	27,888,098		70,847	141,693		70,847	283,387
Japanese Red Cross	USD	22,900			27,938			27,938
Netherlands Red Cross	CHF	13,071	10,498		2,574			13,071
Netherlands Red Cross	EUR	12,380			28,196			28,196
Netherlands Red Cross (from Netherlands Government)	EUR	537,737			859,672			859,672
New Zealand Red Cross	NZD	58,841					55,899	55,899
Norwegian Red Cross	CHF	47,699	3,627	46,021	-1,948			47,699
Norwegian Red Cross	EUR	3,209	5,066					5,066
Norwegian Red Cross	NOK	714,780		25,841	105,508		9,895	141,244
Norwegian Red Cross (from Norwegian Government)	CHF	391,933		414,185	-22,252			391,933
Norwegian Red Cross (from Norwegian Government)	EUR	28,877	45,597					45,597
Norwegian Red Cross (from Norwegian Government)	NOK	11,354,230		481,110	1,656,571		129,455	2,267,136
Singapore Red Cross	CHF	33,592		33,592				33,592
Spanish Red Cross	EUR	97,000	157,745					157,745
Swedish Red Cross	CHF	1,303	1,303					1,303
Swedish Red Cross	SEK	1,349,900			221,993		18,050	240,043
Swedish Red Cross (from Swedish Government)	SEK	5,100,100			879,477		18,050	897,527
UNHCR (UN Agency)	CHF	35		17			17	35
Total Cash contributions			343,193	2,200,480	7,167,853		486,472	10,197,997
Inkind Goods & Transport (pledged)								
Danish Red Cross	EUR	2,807,431			4,477,300			4,477,300
Danish Red Cross (from Denmark - Private Donors)	EUR	2,121,195			3,336,639			3,336,639
Finnish Red Cross	CHF	622,293		263,843	358,450			622,293
Finnish Red Cross	EUR	483,810		206,942	554,094			761,036
German Red Cross	EUR	592,640			954,151			954,151
German Red Cross (from German Government)	EUR	560,551			880,065			880,065

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	Currency	Amount	Coordination & Implementation	Disaster Management	Health & Care	Humanitarian Values	Organisational Development	Total
			CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF	CHF
BUDGET			380,797	3,018,491	22,294,113		703,945	26,397,347
FUNDING								
Opening Balance			46,755.2	177,279.18	2,449,373.74		100,144.84	2,773,553
Income								
Netherlands Red Cross (from Netherlands Government)	EUR	491,500			765,020			765,020
Norwegian Red Cross	CHF	226,000		226,000				226,000
Norwegian Red Cross	NOK	1,021,932		95,076	103,728			198,804
Norwegian Red Cross (from Norwegian Government)	NOK	4,908,271			933,553			933,553
Total Inkind Goods & Transport				791,861	12,363,001			13,154,862
Inkind Personnel (pledged)								
British Red Cross	CHF	52,400	52,400					52,400
Finnish Red Cross	CHF	46,347			46,347			46,347
Netherlands Red Cross	CHF	243,649	204,000		39,649			243,649
Norwegian Red Cross	CHF	95,129	86,800		8,329			95,129
Swedish Red Cross	CHF	20,047	20,047					20,047
Total Inkind Personnel			363,247		94,324			457,570
Other Income								
Miscellaneous Income	CHF	3,066	3,066					3,066
Services & Recoveries	CHF	3,380	3,380					3,380
Total Other Income			6,446					6,446
Total Income			712,885	2,992,340	19,625,177		486,472	23,816,875
TOTAL FUNDING			759,641	3,169,620	22,074,551	0	586,616	26,590,428
COVERAGE			199%	105%	99%		83%	101%