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Emergency appeal operation update

Chad: Floods

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Emergency appeal n° MDRTD010

GLIDE n° FL-2012-000151-CHD

Operation update n°1

10 December, 2012

Period covered by this Ops Update: 21 October to 30 November 2012.

Appeal target (current): CHF 775,716

Appeal coverage: 16%; [<click here to go directly to the updated donor response report, or here for contact details >](#)

Appeal history:

- **Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF):** CHF 125,920 was initially allocated to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to 5,000 beneficiaries.
- This **Emergency Appeal** was launched on 21 October, 2012 for CHF 775,716 to support the Red Cross of Chad (RCC) to assist 4,400 households (30,800 beneficiaries) for six months.

Summary: In mid-July 2012, heavy rains started to affect families across Chad. As of 24 September, a total of 466,000 persons were affected in eight regions in central and southern Chad. The floods affected both rural and urban areas in the regions, causing damage to infrastructure, agriculture and homes. Approximately 54,689 hectares of agriculture was affected. The National Society, with its network of volunteers around the country responded through evacuation assistance, search and rescue and emergency assessments.

From its emergency stock, relief items such as tarpaulins, soap, blankets, mosquito nets, sleeping mats and jerry cans were dispatched and distributed to 2,354 families (11,770 beneficiaries) in Rig Rig, Mangalmé and Goz Beida regions. A total of 75 volunteers were trained and subsequently conducted sessions raising awareness on water-borne diseases and hygiene promotion, reaching 3,109 families. The volunteers also distributed hygiene kits including detergent to 50 most vulnerable families highly exposed to water borne diseases in Mangalmé area.

In the capital, N'Djamena, 10 emergency latrines were constructed for use by over 700 people displaced by the overflow of the Chari River. Volunteers from the urban committee of the capital worked and supported non-Movement partners such as UNICEF in the installation of temporary camps, distribution of non food items (NFI), camp management as well as in hygiene promotion activities. This move was replicated in all affected areas where NGOs and government regularly requested support from RCC branches to reduce the suffering of affected persons. The IFRC Chad country office coordinated the response activities and advocated with local partners to promote the role of the National Society in the humanitarian response.

To date funding for the appeal has been received from Canadian Red Cross/Government, Netherlands Red Cross/Government, Japanese Red Cross Society and VERC/WHO Voluntary Emergency Relief. The IFRC, on behalf of the National Society, would like to extend thanks to all for their generous contributions. Donors are encouraged to continue to fund the appeal as needs remain urgent.



An emergency latrine built in one of the temporary sites for the flood affected persons/Photo: RCC

The situation

Chad has experienced seasonal flooding in 2012 across the country. The floods have affected 49,000 households between June and September across the regions of Tandjilé, Sila, Moyen Chari, Mayo Kebbi Est, Mayo Kebbi Ouest, Logone Oriental and Ouaddai. The situation has worsened in late September, in the capital N'Djamena when the overflow of the Chari River destroyed several houses and displaced more than 2,000 families. Those affected were temporarily sheltered in 2 sites in the outskirts of the capital. Governmental authorities, Movement and non- Movement partners responded with assistance to those affected by the flooding and there is still dire need for further support with shelter relief items to assist the floods victims who have not returned to their homes which were completely destroyed by the flood waters and who are now faced with the winter season in Chad which began in mid-November. In the southern parts of the country, where floods were triggered by rains, several displaced families have returned to their houses but are still in need of humanitarian support particularly NFIs and WASH support.

Coordination and partnerships

The national and regional Chadian authorities coordinated the overall response to the floods. IASC clusters have been meeting every two weeks with participation of the authorities, humanitarian agencies and donors.

Chad RC volunteers have been working with UNICEF to respond to the needs of flood affected persons in the capital N'Djamena. Activities undertaken include support to NFIs distribution, awareness raising campaigns and camp management. The same activities were replicated in other parts of the regions hit by the floods.

Meanwhile, the IFRC country office started field discussions with DG ECHO in Chad and managed to secure funding for the southern region of the Mayo Kebbi Est and neighboring affected districts. The funds will mainly support emergency health and water and sanitation activities aimed at reducing immediate health risks among targeted vulnerable communities.

National Society Capacity Building: Planned capacity building activities in this emergency appeal have not been achieved due to the low coverage of the appeal. However, through the ECHO funding, a total of 200 volunteers will be trained and involved in response to emergency health threats and water borne diseases among targeted vulnerable populations in the region of Mayo Kebbi and the surroundings. The regional disaster response team (RDRT) members has been working closely with the national society's disaster management officer to speed up the response process and develop a common approach in provision of relief assistance to target beneficiaries.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Overview

Despite the lack of adequate materials and financial resources at the RCC grassroots and national levels, volunteers have showed strong commitment to the RCC fundamental principles by supporting vulnerable communities during the floods. Flood victims received prompt support such as evacuation, search and rescue and awareness raising campaigns on water borne diseases and malaria. In areas targeted by the DREF allocations, flood victims received NFIs as well as hygiene promotion sensitisations. The NFIs were used from the RCC emergency stock and supported by a loan from the ICRC. The IFRC will replenish this stock from Dakar or Las Palmas.

Progress towards outcomes

Emergency health	
Outcome: The immediate threat to health status for 4,400 households is reduced for target communities.	
Outputs (expected results): Increased awareness and prevention of water-borne diseases is ensured through an information campaign in the target community	
Activities planned:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute mosquito nets to 4,400 households • Conduct epidemic control (ECV) and PHAST trainings for 550 volunteers. • Carry out preventive health and hygiene promotion campaigns in targeted communities • Print and distribute information, education and communication materials on epidemic control 	
Water, sanitation, and hygiene promotion	
Outcome: The risk of waterborne and water related diseases are reduced for 4,400 families through the provision of water purification items and adequate sanitation as well as hygiene promotion	
Outputs (expected results): Increased awareness and prevention of waterborne diseases is ensured through a campaign in targeted communities	
Activities planned:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct door to door sensitization campaigns to promote individual and collective hygiene as means of avoiding the spread of the water-borne diseases • Undertake volunteer training workshop on hygiene promotion and sanitation in Mayo Kebbi Est near the border with Cameroon • Distribute jerry cans, soap and bucket to 4,400 households • Clean the public sewage system in support to the Municipality in N'Djamena • Undertake community cleaning campaigns in 9 districts in the two targeted regions • Distribute 300 hand washing containers in public places such as restaurant and schools • Ensure protection standards of Sphere are adhered to the provision of watsan materials • Distribute 60 latrines slabs to vulnerable families in the target areas • Monitor and assess the situation in the affected areas as well as in other parts of the country. 	
Shelter and settlements – Households items	
Outcome: The basic needs for shelter-related NFIs for 4,400 households in affected areas are met	
Outputs (expected results): Affected population received essential household items in the targeted Population according to specific needs and agreed standards	
Activities planned:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitment and training volunteers for distribution and registration • Distribute plastic sheeting, fixing materials and tools, sleeping mats, and blankets to 4,400 households • Provide guiding leaflets on fixing tarpaulins to the beneficiaries during distributions • Monitor and evaluate relief activities and provide reporting on relief distributions 	

Progress: From the National Society emergency stocks and the relief items loaned from the ICRC, RCC has distributed relief items to 2,354 families (11,770 beneficiaries) located in the 3 target areas of Rig Rig, Mangalmé and Goz Beida. Items distributed included tarpaulins, mosquito nets, jerry cans, buckets, blankets, sleeping mats and soap.

Table 1: Summary of NFIs distributed

District	Number of beneficiaries		NFIs distributed					
	Families reached	Beneficiaries reached	Tarpaulins	Mosquito nets	Blankets	Sleeping mats	Soap	Jerry cans
Rig-Rig	998	4,990	998	1996	1996	1996	4990	1996
Mangalmé	800	4,000	800	1600	1600	1600	4000	1600
Goz-Beida	556	2,780	556	1112	1112	1112	2780	1112
Total	2,354	11,770	2,354	4,708	4,708	4,708	11,770	4,708

RCC trained 75 volunteers who in turn were involved in the distribution of hygiene kits such as detergent including 50 most vulnerable families highly exposed to water born diseases in the Mangalmé area. Awareness raising campaigns were also conducted in the 3 target areas reaching a total 3,109 families.

Latrine construction planned for Rig Rig, Mangalmé and Goz Beida did not take place and instead 10 emergency latrines were constructed in N'Djamena for use by over 700 people displaced by the overflow of the Chari River. This was necessitated by the threat of water-borne diseases due to lack of sanitation facilities in the temporary camps. In addition to the 10 emergency latrines in the temporary camps, other facilities were provided by non-Movement partners.

Through discussion with DG ECHO Chad, RCC has secured funding to support 3,160 families in Mayo Kebbi Est region and surrounding areas through emergency health and water and sanitation activities. Additional funding from other donors will be used to complement the efforts of non-Movement partners in their response to flood victims in the capital N'Djamena.

Challenges: The IFRC response to one the worst floods in Chad was delayed due to the lack of emergency kits and funding at the country and regional offices. Also contributing to the delay were bureaucracies around the capacity of the country office to procure the required relief items.

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How we work

All IFRC assistance seeks to adhere to the Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) in Disaster Relief and the Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response (Sphere) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

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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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Interim Report

Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2012/9-2012/10
Budget Timeframe	2012/9-2013/4
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All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Funding

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL	Deferred Income
A. Budget	775,716					775,716	
B. Opening Balance	0					0	
Income							
<u>Cash contributions</u>							
<i>The Canadian Red Cross Society</i>	46,847					46,847	
<i>VERF/WHO Voluntary Emergency Relief</i>	250					250	
C1. Cash contributions	47,097					47,097	
<u>Other Income</u>							
<i>DREF Allocations</i>	125,920					125,920	
C4. Other Income	125,920					125,920	
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4)	173,017					173,017	
D. Total Funding = B + C	173,017					173,017	
Coverage = D/A	22%					22%	

II. Movement of Funds

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL	Deferred Income
B. Opening Balance	0					0	
C. Income	173,017					173,017	
E. Expenditure	-41,601					-41,601	
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)	131,417					131,417	

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III. Expenditure

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination		
A							B	A - B
BUDGET (C)		775,716					775,716	
Relief items, Construction, Supplies								
Shelter - Relief	189,200						189,200	
Construction - Facilities	27,961						27,961	
Clothing & Textiles	130,718						130,718	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	31,699						31,699	
Teaching Materials	6,500						6,500	
Utensils & Tools	78,903						78,903	
Total Relief items, Construction, Supplies	464,982						464,982	
Land, vehicles & equipment								
Vehicles	5,825						5,825	
Computers & Telecom	2,330						2,330	
Office & Household Equipment	2,913						2,913	
Total Land, vehicles & equipment	11,068						11,068	
Logistics, Transport & Storage								
Storage	3,495						3,495	
Distribution & Monitoring	70,074						70,074	
Transport & Vehicles Costs	42,724						42,724	
Logistics Services	17,532						17,532	
Total Logistics, Transport & Storage	133,826						133,826	
Personnel								
International Staff	41,000	2,193				2,193	38,807	
National Staff	7,184						7,184	
National Society Staff	17,534						17,534	
Volunteers	15,083	2,084				2,084	12,999	
Total Personnel	80,802	4,278				4,278	76,524	
Workshops & Training								
Workshops & Training	12,680						12,680	
Total Workshops & Training	12,680						12,680	
General Expenditure								
Travel	8,621	1,015				1,015	7,607	
Information & Public Relations	1,408						1,408	
Office Costs	6,388						6,388	
Communications	4,715						4,715	
Financial Charges	3,883						3,883	
Total General Expenditure	25,016	1,015				1,015	24,001	
Operational Provisions								
Operational Provisions		33,769				33,769	-33,769	
Total Operational Provisions		33,769				33,769	-33,769	
Indirect Costs								
Programme & Services Support Recov	47,344	2,539				2,539	44,805	
Total Indirect Costs	47,344	2,539				2,539	44,805	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	775,716	41,601				41,601	734,115	
VARIANCE (C - D)		734,115				734,115		