

Information bulletin

Iran: Iran/ Bandar-e Jask, Hormozgan Province
Earthquake 11 May 2013

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Summary:

An earthquake with the magnitude of 6.2 on the Richter scale rocked Goharan District, Sardasht, Bandar-e Jask, in Hormozgan province, Iran on 11 May 2013 at 06:38 AM local time, as per Tehran University's Seismological Center. The earthquake occurred at the depth of 15 Km of the ground with 59 aftershocks between 2 and 5.7 on the Richter scale.

So far, six villages of Goharan district being Irar, Tidar, Kalahou, Shib Kolah, Sar haour and Kouhe Sefid together with Bashagard were the most quake hit areas.

Furthermore, two other earthquakes measuring 4.8 and 4.7 on the Richter scale shook Minab city, Hormozgan province on the same day.



The situation

As per latest from the field, 20 people were injured and two people are dead. Houses in the affected villages suffered cracks in the walls and damage to 31 rural villages.

The Governor General of the Hormozgan Province announced that 70 villages have been affected. A total of 400 houses collapsed.

Preliminary assessments were conducted by IRCS Sardasht, Hormozgan province with the help of auxiliary provinces which included 10 assessment teams.

So far 4 camps have been set up for the affected people and the following items have been distributed among the needy people:

- Relief Tents: 990
- Moquettes: 500
- Blankets: 800

- Mineral Water: 5,250 bottles
- Loaves of Breads: 4,000

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

- As soon as the earthquake occurred, an emergency meeting was held in Emergency Operation Center (E.O.C.) of IRCS Relief and Rescue Organization in Tehran. operation teams from Tehran, Sistan va Baluchistan, Fars, Bushehr, Kerman provinces and 5 additional provinces, reaching a total of 18 teams, consisting of 90 relief workers each, were immediately dispatched to the affected areas and swung into actions.
- Pointing to locating people in safe areas, Relief and Rescue Organization backed by air relief (three helicopters), search & rescue workers, sniffer dogs as well as rescue tools, five ambulances, four trucks and sixpickups were forwarded to the affected areas.

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