

# OPERATIONS UPDATE



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## **HUMANITARIAN CRISIS**

26 October 2001

*Appeal No. 32/01*

*Preliminary Appeal launched on 21 September 2001 for CHF 8,765,000 for 2 months. Revised on 3 October 2001 and the budget increased to CHF 40,280,340 for 6 months.*

*DREF Allocated: CHF 600,000.*

*Beneficiaries: 300,000<sup>1</sup>*

*Operations Update No. 08; Period covered: 25 - 26 October 2001. Last update issued: Operations update no. 07 dated 24 October 2001.*

### *“At a Glance”*

*Appeal coverage: 21.1%*

*Related Appeals: 01.62/2001 (Central Asia Region Annual Appeal); 01.34.2001 (Afghanistan Annual Appeal); 01.38/2001 (Pakistan Annual Appeal); 01.36/2001 (India Annual Appeal).*

*Outstanding needs: CHF 31,767,328*

*This operations update intends to provide more detailed logistics information in order to further improve the coordinated action of the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies committing funds and in-kind assistance to the Federation Appeal on the Humanitarian Crisis. See Annexes to review the outstanding needs, commitments made by different national societies, the list of goods already received in the field as well as the list of deployed delegates.*

### **Operational Developments**

- In some areas the influx of people is now changing on daily basis. However, the humanitarian challenge is still not clearly defined as access to Afghanistan remains restricted. Continuous air raids are reportedly resulting in an increased number of civilian casualties and a higher number of people reaching the border area with Iran and Pakistan. While people heading for Iran started gathering in IDP camps at the Afghan side of the border, the Afghan community living in Pakistan still seems to have the capacity to absorb the newcomers.

<sup>1</sup> While the Federation's approach is fundamentally based on an initial beneficiary figure of 300,000, given the uncertainties associated with this evolving operation, the Federation has undertaken preparations to scale-up relief activities to deliver assistance to a proposed level of 500,000 beneficiaries.

- The borders of all countries neighbouring Afghanistan remain officially closed. Only the most vulnerable and injured are provided free access to medical services in Pakistan.
- At the southern part of the border with Iran, the worsening seasonal weather conditions represent a problem. The area is extremely barren. The dusty environment and strong winds (occurring on 150 out of 365 days a year) combined with hot days and cold nights represent health risks for the population in the IDP camps.

### **Red Cross and Red Crescent coordination and action w**

- The Red Crescent Society of **Tajikistan** plans to continue its seminars on refugee matters in the areas bordering Afghanistan. This will be a second series of seminars, carried out in cooperation with UNHCR, ICRC and IOM, including topics such as refugee status, international humanitarian law and advocacy. The target group includes local authorities, volunteers and community representatives.
- The Federation and ICRC senior management held a meeting in **Geneva** on Thursday, 26 October, focusing on the present situation in and around Afghanistan and pointing out difficulties in providing assistance within the affected country. Both organizations continue pre-positioning relief supplies and human resources in the neighbouring countries. At the moment, the Federation is pre-positioning the majority of the relief items in Pakistan while the ICRC is also looking into possibilities for using the neighbouring countries to the north to access the victims of the conflict.
- The ICRC as well as the Federation are increasingly concerned about the impact of the crisis in Afghanistan. The latest ICRC press release urges all parties in conflict to respect the international humanitarian law and Geneva Conventions.

### **Health w**

- A one day first aid basic training course was organized in Dushanbe, **Tajikistan** for around 30 UNHCR expatriate and national staff members. The training was considered very successful, with positive feedback and evaluations from all participants.
- The first cases of malnutrition, diarrhoea and malaria have been diagnosed among some of the newly-arrived people to the Makaki IDP camp in **Afghanistan**.

### **Water and Sanitation w**

- It was reported in the Operations Update no.06 that the water table in southern Pakistan is situated several hundred metres deep in granite. However, according to the latest reports coming from the area close to the Chaman border crossing in southern **Pakistan**, pockets of land with much shallower water tables have been detected. The Tor Tangi camp site is situated 18 km from the Chaman border crossing and in the vicinity of a village with the same name. Present water sources (a well 20 metres deep) could be further developed to accommodate the needs in the camp.

### **Relief and Shelter w**

- According to the Federation assessment, the relief supplies already pre-positioned in **Pakistan**, together with those which are in the pipeline, would suffice for one refugee camp of 10,000 people in the North West Frontier Province. With the arrival of the Canadian Red Cross donation (on the way to the southern province of Baluchistan), another camp for 10,000 people can be established. However, there are outstanding needs in stoves, lamps and cooking sets.
- As regards the camps for internally displaced persons set up by the Red Crescent Society of the Islamic Republic of **Iran**, the latest figures show that the camps have become home to around 6,500 people; approximately 3,000 of them have arrived in the last 48 hours mostly settling in the Makaki camp. With winter expected to start within two weeks, the preparations for the third camp in the area are well underway. The Iranian national society is supporting them with their national disaster preparedness stocks but will definitely require international assistance to meet the growing needs. Presently, the national society has reportedly enough stocks to assist around 100,000 people for one month.

### **Logistics w**

- The Red Crescent Society of the Islamic Republic of **Iran** and their Central Relief and Rescue Organization have been actively supporting the pre-positioning of stocks in their Sistan and Baluchestan province. The national society continues to use the provincial branch in Zahedan as their central reception and dispatch facility for the operation. Together with the branch in Zabol, they are currently ready to react to the influx of

around 8,000 IDP families in the two already existing camps on the Afghan side of the border for a one month period without resupply. Reportedly, the initial resupply of the relief goods will be organized by the branches in close proximity as well as by the provincial headquarters. The headquarters in Zahedan are well prepared for an airlift operation, should the situation deteriorate. The national society branch in Zabol already has a 600 square metre warehouse that is presently full of relief items. Additional warehousing is being made available at a governmental warehouse just 15 km from the “Mile 46” camp. Insufficient storage exists in the camps, though. HF radio provides communications with Zabol and Zahedan.

### **Telecommunications w**

- In **Uzbekistan**, the Federation telecommunications equipment intended for the Humanitarian Crisis operation is currently being installed.

### **Federation Delegation - Delegates w**

- See the Annex entitled “Delegates in the field by country and position”.

### **Communications and Advocacy w**

- Within the reporting period, the Federation representatives paid a visit to the Permanent Missions of Ireland and Switzerland in **Geneva**. Both missions have been informed about the Federation activities and strategy in the affected region. The advantages of the Movement’s network and capacities and preparedness measures undertaken in the individual neighbouring countries have been particularly pointed out.

### **Coordination**

- The UNHCR will reportedly establish a transit camp 200 metres away from the Chaman border crossing inside **Pakistan**. The transit camp should accommodate up to 300 families (1,800 people) for a short period of time.
- In **Tajikistan**, the inter-agency contingency planning meetings on cross-border assistance, shelter, water/sanitation and non-food items continue on regular basis. Additional non-governmental organizations are establishing offices/operations for the cross-border humanitarian relief into northern Afghanistan. An inter-agency logistics cell is planned to ensure a coordinated approach to possible cross-border interventions. At the latest NGO coordination meeting, the focus was on information sharing about activities carried out by NGOs in northern Afghanistan. UNICEF initiated discussions about possible cooperation with NGOs to implement projects in that area. The UN USG for Humanitarian Affairs is visiting Tajikistan on 26 to 28 October together with UNOCHA representatives from Geneva and New York and a meeting with humanitarian agencies will be arranged.

### **Outstanding needs**

- See the List of Contributions (Annex 1) and the Mobilization Table for Humanitarian Crisis (Annex 2) in order to verify the outstanding needs.

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*Donors providing in-kind relief in response to large-scale emergencies are urged to contact the Federation's Logistics and Resource Mobilization Department to avoid any unnecessary delays in the clearance and delivery of emergency relief assistance.*

*All International Federation Operations seek to adhere to the Code of Conduct and are committed to the Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response (SPHERE Project) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.*

*This operation seeks to administer to the immediate requirements of the victims of this disaster. Subsequent operations to promote sustainable development or longer-term capacity building will require additional support, and these programmes are outlined on the Federation's website.*

*For further information concerning Federation operations in this or other countries, please access the Federation website at <http://www.ifrc.org>.*

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Humanitarian crisis						ANNEX 1
APPEAL No. 32/2001		PLEDGES RECEIVED			26.10.2001	
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
<b>CASH</b>						
REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF ----->				<b>40'280'340</b>		<b>TOTAL COVERAGE 21.1%</b>
AUSTRIAN - RC		4106	EUR	6'071	10.10.2001	
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		273'088	GBP	658'142	04.10.2001	
CANADIAN - RC		50'000	CAD	54'470	21.09.2001	
CHINA - RC		30'000	USD	48'990	10.10.2001	PAKISTAN
CHINA, HONG-KONG - RC				42'004	22.10.2001	
CYPRUS - RC				15'446	15.10.2001	AFGHAN REFUGEES
DANISH - RC		7'312'500	DKK	1'455'188	11.10.2001	
EGYPTIAN - RC		70'000	USD	113'155	11.10.2001	
FINNISH - RC		67'275	EUR	102'190	26.09.2001	
IRISH - GOVT		250'000	IEP	477'375	08.10.2001	
IRISH - RC		50'000	IEP	95'475	08.10.2001	
JAPANESE - RC		30'000'000	JPY	406'950	11.10.2001	EARMARKED FOR 6 VEHICLES
JAPANESE - RC		35'200'000	JPY	477'488	11.10.2001	EARMARKED FOR MEDICAL SUPPLIES
JAPANESE - RC		28'200'000	JPY	382'533	11.10.2001	
KOREA, REPUBLIC - RC				50'000	26.10.2001	AFGHANISTAN, PAKISTAN
KUWAIT - RC		250'000	USD	408'250	09.10.2001	IRAN & PAKISTAN
LIBYA - RC				5'000	29.09.2001	
MONACO - RC		200'000	FRF	45'860	21.09.2001	
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		775'891	NOK	13'850	21.09.2001	PAKISTAN
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		11'700	NOK	2'170	23.10.2001	PAKISTAN
PRIVATE DONORS				14'281	23.10.2001	
SWEDISH - GOVT/RC		6'500'000	SEK	1'017'250	10.10.2001	
SWISS - GOVT				55'500	26.09.2001	
TUNISIAN - RC		5'000	USD	8'165	19.10.2001	
<b>SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH</b>				<b>5'955'803</b>	<b>CHF</b>	<b>14.8%</b>
<b>KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)</b>						
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
AUSTRIAN - RC		87'210	EUR	131'173	10.10.2001	WATER SANITATION MATERIAL
AUSTRIAN - RC				15'000	10.10.2001	TELECOM DELEGATE, 3 MONTHS
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		627'884	GBP	1'513'200	04.10.2002	TENTS, BLANKETS, KITCHEN SETS, TARPAULINS FOR TURKMENISTAN, UZBEKISTAN AND PAKISTAN
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		18'900	GBP	45'000	04.10.2001	RELIEF DELGATE & LOGISTICS DELEGATE FOR TURKMENISTAN, RELIEF DELEGATE FOR UZBEKISTAN
JAPANESE - RC		50'000	JPY	671	04.10.2001	
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		2'737'820	NOK	499'652	21.09.2001	PAKISTAN: JERRY CANS, DELEGATE BOXES, 2 NEW EMERGENCY HEALTH KITS
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		394'000	NOK	73'076	23.10.2001	3 RUBBHALLS, TRANSPORT & INSURANCE FOR PAKISTAN
SWISS - GOVT				129'245	26.09.2001	6'000 BLANKETS, 1'200 KITCHEN SETS, TRANSPORT & INSURANCE
AUSTRALIA	DELEGATE(S)			30'000		
NETHERLANDS	DELEGATE(S)			30'000		
SWEDEN	DELEGATE(S)			5'585		
SWITZERLAND	DELEGATE(S)			16'427		
SWISS - GOVT				68'180	26.09.2001	3 DELEGATES, 3 MONTHS
<b>SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN KIND/SERVICES</b>				<b>2'557'209</b>	<b>CHF</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL TO APPEAL BUDGET</b>						
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
TURKISH - RC					03.10.2001	5'000 BLANKETS, 2 PORTABLE KITCHENS, 2'500 PLASMA UNITS, BASIC FOOD SUPPLIES
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES					10.10.2001	UNITS OF TENTS FOR 40'000 REFUGEES
<b>SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED</b>				<b>0</b>	<b>CHF</b>	

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES									
LOGISTICS AND RESOURCE MOBILISATION DEPARTMENT									
MOBILIZATION TABLE FOR HUMANITARIAN CRISIS - Appeal 32/2001									
Commodity	Total Quantity needed	Unit	Quantity needed per each destination						Donors
			Pakistan (PK)	Turkmenistan (TM)	Tajikistan (TJ)	Uzbekistan (UZ)	Abu Dhabi (AE)	Iran (IR)	
			150'000	15'000	15'000	15'000	5'000	100'000	
<b>SHELTER/RELIEF</b>									
Plastic sheeting	50'000	pce	25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
			10000						American RC
			9000	4500			4500		American RC
			4500						Spanish RC
			4000						British RC
						600			British RC
Outstanding	12'900		-2500	-2000	2500	1900	-3700	16700	
Blankets	200'000	pce	100000	10000	10000	10000	3300	66700	
			10000						American RC
				3000					British RC
						3000			British RC
			20000						British RC
			6000						Swiss RC
			9900						German RC
			10000						The Thai RC
			12000						TBC /Pakistan stock
			9334						Bahrain RC
Outstanding	116'766		22766	7000	10000	7000	3300	66700	
Tents	50'000	pce	25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
			500						American RC
			250						Spanish RC
			4000						British RC
				800					British RC
						800			British RC
			900						German RC
			1000						TBC /Pakistan stock
			200						Bahrain RCS
Outstanding	41'550		18150	1700	2500	1700	800	16700	
Kitchen sets	50'000	pce	25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
			5000						American RC
			5000						Austrian RC
			1001						Spanish RC
			4000						British RC
				600					British RC
						600			British RC
			1008						Swiss RC
			500						German RC
			3240						Netherlands RC
Outstanding	29'051		5251	1900	2500	1900	800	16700	
Stoves	50'000	pce	25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
Outstanding	50'000		25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
Lamps	50'000	pce	25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
Outstanding	50'000		25000	2500	2500	2500	800	16700	
<b>MEDICAL</b>									
New Emergency Health Kits	37	kit	20	0	3	3	8	3	
			5						American RC
			2						Norwegian RC
			10						Netherlands RC
Outstanding	20		3	0	3	3	8	3	
Medical Items		Lot							
			1						Bahrain RCS
Outstanding	0								
<b>WATSAN</b>									
Various wat-san equipment (See additional table for details)		Lot	1						Austrian RC
Outstanding	0								French RC
<b>FOOD</b>									
High Protein biscuit	40	ton							
			5						Spanish RC
Outstanding	35		35						
<b>TELECOM</b>									
Telecom Equipment		Lot							
Outstanding	0								
<b>LOGISTICS</b>									
Rubb Halls	10	units	6	1	1	1		1	
			3						Norwegian RC
Outstanding	7		3	1	1	1	0	1	
Vehicles 4X4	40	units	20	5	5	5		5	
			1						Spanish RC
			6						Japanese RC
Outstanding	33		13	5	5	5	0	5	
<b>OTHER ITEMS</b>									
Delegate kits	50	kit							Norwegian RC
Outstanding	0								
Administration kits	3	kit							
Outstanding	0								
<b>DONATION NOT IN THE APPEAL</b>									
Mobile phones		units	12		4			4	Ericsson Co.
Outstanding									

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES							
LOGISTICS AND RESOURCE MOBILISATION DEPARTMENT							
MOBILIZATION TABLE FOR WATSAN MATERIAL FOR HUMANITARIAN CRISIS - A							
Commodity	Total Quantity needed	Unit	Quantity needed per each destination				Donors
			Pakistan (PK)	Turkmenistan (TM)	Tajikistan (TJ)	Abu Dhabi (AE)	
<b>WATSAN</b>							
Jerry Can, 20 litre, collapsible LDPE 55mm handscrew cap, built in handle	130'000	pce	50000	30000	20000	30000	
			50000				Norwegian RC
			3384				Spanish RC
			4000				TBC /Pakistan stock
			10200				Austrian RC
Outstanding	ERR		-17584	30000	20000	30000	
Del'Agua Water Testing Kit, plus extra Consumables Test Kit	7	pce	2	2	1	2	
			1				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		1	2	1	2	
Bladder Tank, 5000 litre,with accessories	110	pce	40	30	10	30	
			4				Austrian RC
			4				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		32	30	10	30	
Bladder Tank, 10000 litre, with accessories	78	pce	30	20	8	20	
Outstanding	ERR		30	20	8	20	
Bladder Tank, 15000 litre, with accessories	70	pce	30	20	0	20	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		26	20	0	20	
Oxyfam type Tank, 95000 litre	20	pce	8	4	4	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		4	4	4	4	
<b>WATSAN</b>							
Oxfam type Tank, 70000 litre	20	pce	8	4	4	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		4	4	4	4	
Tap Stand with hoses and couplings Red Cross standard for bladder tank	510	pce	200	140	30	140	
			8				Austrian RC
			30				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		162	140	30	140	
Atalanta Pumps, diesel type, 2", 30m	18	pce	8	4	2	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	ERR		4	4	2	4	
Water Purification Tablet, 1 tab=20litre	4'400'000	ea	2000000	1200000	0	1200000	
			990000				Austrian RC
Outstanding	ERR		1010000	1200000	0	1200000	
Water Purification Powder 100gm/pack =10,000 litre	4	MT	0	2	0	2	
Outstanding	ERR		0	2	0	2	
<b>WATSAN</b>							
Water Purification Tablet, 1 tab=1 litre	800'000	ea	0	0	800000	0	
Outstanding	ERR		0	0	800000	0	
SanPlat Latrine Mould Kit	15	kit	6	4	1	4	
Outstanding	ERR		6	4	1	4	
Squatting Plates	1'500	pce	1000	0	500	0	
			500				Austrian RC
Outstanding	ERR		500	0	500	0	
Back Pack Sprayers, 15 litre	90	pce	50	15	10	15	
Outstanding	ERR		50	15	10	15	
Chlorine	12	MT	5	2	3	2	
Outstanding	ERR		5	2	3	2	
Aluminium Sulphate	33	MT	15	5	8	5	
Outstanding	ERR		15	5	8	5	
Lime	12	MT	5	2	3	2	
Outstanding	ERR		5	2	3	2	
<b>DONATION NOT IN THE APPEAL</b>							
Soap, 250 gr		pce	10200				Austran RC
Additional WATSAN equipment							French RC

**HUMANITARIAN CRISIS - ARRIVED GOODS**

Commodity	Quantity	Unit	Transport	Final Destination	Donor
Jerry Cans, 15 ltr	3'384	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
Tents, 12 m2	250	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
Kitchen sets	1'001	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
Tarpaulins	4'500	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
BP5	10'008	rtn	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
Vehicle, 4x4	1	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Spanish RC
Vehicles	6	pce	air	PK/ Islamabad	Japanese RC
Water purification tab.	990'000	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Bladder tank 5000 ltr.	4	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Tapstand with hoses	8	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Plastic sheeting, 4x60m	27	rolls	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Squatting plattes latrines	500	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Jerry Cans, 15 ltr	10'200	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
Soap, 250 gr	10'200	pce	Air	PK/ Islamabad	Austria RC
NHEK	1	pce	Air	PK/Peshawar	Norwegian RC
Blankets	9'990	pce	air	Peshawar	German RC
Tents	900	pce	air	Peshawar	German RC
Health clinics	50	pce	air	PK/Peshawar	Federation
Kitchen sets	500	pce	air	Peshawar	German RC
Jerry cans	50'000	pce	air	Islamabad	Norwegian RC
NHEK	1	pce	Air	PK/ Quetta	Norwegian RC
Blankets	6'000	pce	air	PK/Islamabad	Swiss RC
Kitchen sets	1'300	pce	air	PK/Islamabad	Swiss RC
Blankets	10'020	pce	road	PK/Quetta	British RC
Tents	500	pce	road	PK/Peshawar	American RC
Blankets	9'334	pce	air	Pakistan/Islama	Bahrain RC
Tents	200	pce	air	Pakistan/Islama	Bahrain RC
Tank	4	pce	air	Pakistan/Islama	Bahrain RC
Medicaments			air	Pakistan/Islama	Bahrain RC

**Delegates in the field by country and position**

	<b><u>Country/Positions</u></b>
	<b>PAKISTAN</b>
1	Liaison Afg. - Psh
2	Team leader - Isl
3	Info - Isl
4	Admin - Isl
5	FAD - Isl
6	Health CO - Isl
7	Logistics - Isl
8	Logistics - Quet
9	Logistics - Psh
10	Relief - Quet
11	Relief - Psh
12	W/S - Isl
13	Telec - Isl
	<b>IRAN</b>
14	Liaison - Teh
15	Logistics - Teh
	<b>TURKMENISTAN</b>
16	Liaison - Ash
17	Logistics
	<b>UZBEKISTAN</b>
18	Logistics
19	Relief
	<b>TAJIKISTAN</b>
20	Information

