

OPERATIONS UPDATE



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HUMANITARIAN CRISIS

6 November 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

Operations Update No. 11; Period covered: 1 - 6 October 2001. Last update issued: Operations Update no. 10 dated 1 October 2001.

"At a Glance"

Appeal coverage: 35.4 %

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: 26,021,044 CHF

Despite a 5-day visit by the UN High Commissioner of Refugees to Pakistan and Iran, all borders with Afghanistan remain firmly closed to refugees. Pakistan is allowing the "most vulnerable" cases to cross, meaning the sick, the wounded, the disabled, and only to those sites identified with Pakistani authorities. Site preparation tasks are limited to basic infrastructure such as building roads and levelling ground.

Operational Developments

- **Afghanistan** - Bombing intensified this weekend, just as the first snows fell on the top of the Anjuman pass leading to the Panshir valley and in Hazerajat. Humanitarian convoys are reaching Afghanistan for the moment but this marks the onset of winter and almost certain delays in future convoys as well as hardships for vulnerable people in Afghanistan.
- In **Turkmenistan** the border with Afghanistan was opened for humanitarian aid convoys during the last week of October. Federation and Turmenistan Red Crescent (TRCS) representatives will visit the border area during this week for an assessment. In **Tajikistan** the borders remain closed although the situation has remained calm.

- A meeting with representatives of the International Federation, the ICRC and the Minister of Emergencies in **Uzbekistan** was recently held to discuss the proposed humanitarian corridor to Afghanistan that will be coordinated by UNDP and the Government of Uzbekistan (GoUZ). It will only be for UN and UN-coordinated organisations. Although the ICRC and the Federation have been recognised as International Organisations by the GoUZ, it was stressed that they cannot be coordinated by the UN.
- Two UN/GoUZ commissions are being established in **Uzbekistan** to study the operational protocols for the humanitarian response for Afghan IDPs in Afghanistan. This involves the opening of the Termez river port and the establishment of the humanitarian corridor by barges on the Amudarya river to Heiraton in Afghanistan, a distance of 15kms.
- In 6 camps outside Herat, Afghanistan, **Iranian Red Crescent (IRCS)** reports that approximately 300,000 displaced persons are suffering from food shortages, with many malnourished children amongst the population. While the population is established in the 6 camps, it is thought that there is potential for a large exodus in the near future.
- In the southern part of Iran, no new influxes have been reported except for approximately 1,800 unregistered IDPs near Makaki. A third camp to accommodate them is being considered across the border at Pashmakeh, north-east of Makaki.

Red Cross and Red Crescent coordination and action w

- The special session on **Afghanistan** to be held during the General Assembly of the International Federation will take place on 6 November in Geneva. Participants will be updated by the Federation, the ICRC and Red Crescent representatives from 4 countries bordering Afghanistan on activities in the region.
- As Iran's lead agency for humanitarian assistance to Afghans, the IRCS is participating in regular inter-agency meetings with UNICEF, WFP and WHO. UNHCR has provided IRCS with a bus and two mobile storage facilities.
- In the last week of October, the IRCS also resumed convoys into **Afghanistan**. 11 trucks of relief items reached Herat, including food and medical supplies.
- The ICRC has established a logistics base in Mashad, in the north-eastern Iranian province of Khorosan, to prepare for cross-border operations into **Afghanistan**, should security of the convoys be guaranteed. The IRCS is assisting with storage facilities and customs clearance for 15,000 tonnes of food and non-food items, medical supplies and a field hospital.

Relief and Shelter w

- Due to the impending winter, the number of blankets estimated per family, previously 4, has been upgraded to 6 in Pakistan. The changes will filter through to the mobilisation table as prepositioning continues.

Water and Sanitation w

- **Pakistan** Authorities have now rejected the location for three UNHCR camp sites planned to be built in Balochistan, due to land disputes. Two of these sites, Rhogani and Tor Tangi, as reported in Operations Update no 09 were identified as having suitable water tables for WatSan Emergency Response Units (ERUs). Consequently Federation watsan activities in cooperation with the UNHCR are now on hold.
- Watsan delegates in **Pakistan**, including the Spanish Red Cross delegate tasked with identifying potential ERU sites have also visited Badini in Balochistan. The site has insufficient surface water to support an ERU, however. The search for suitable sites continues.
- Due to the conditions in the Chaman transit camp, the Federation WatSan team in **Pakistan** have submitted a proposal for a hygiene education seminar to the PRCS and UNHCR.

Health w

- A proposal submitted to the Ministry of Health Balochistan for Federation medical technical support to the District Hospital nearest to the Chaman crossing point on the Pakistan-Afghan border is awaiting agreement. The support will focus on transit camp referrals of new Afghan refugees in addition to existing ones and the Japanese Red Cross have offered the medical staff necessary for this proposal.
- In Quetta, locations for health interventions have not been agreed upon, but are being actively discussed with the **Pakistan** authorities.

- The Norwegian Red Cross have offered a 150-bed field hospital to the Pakistan Red Crescent should the need arise and given security guarantees. The offer is being considered.
- In **Afghanistan**, the planned National Immunization Days (NID) for polio vaccination are to go ahead on 6-8 November, supported by the Afghan Red Crescent volunteers from Afghanistan Red Crescent (ARCS) clinics as NID fixed points. ARCS and Federation health officers will monitor vaccination in collaboration with WHO, the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) and UNICEF.
- The Norwegian, Austrian and German RC ERU assessment team in Iran, having visited a number of camps along the border are now in Mashad. They are due to leave for Zahedan tomorrow.

Logistics w

- The pre-positioning of stocks and supplies in **Pakistan** for the planned number of 150,000 refugees is continuing. Stocks are sufficient for 40,000 at present as indicated by the following table showing arrived stocks as at 5 November:

Item	Unit	Islamabad	Peshawar	Quetta	Total
Blankets*	pcs	8,080	10,000	24,340	42,420
Compact food - BP5 biscuits	tons		5		5
NEHK	kit		1	1	2
Jerry cans - 15 litres*	pcs	10,200	53,384	4,000	67,584
Jersey	pcs	1,356			1,356
Kitchen sets	set	1,008	1,501	2,735	5,244
Medicaments	lot	1			1
Plastic sheeting 4x60m	pcs	405	5,400		5,805
Tents*	pcs	139	1,650	1,000	2,789
Toyota Land cruiser	vehicle	6	1		7
Water/sanitation material	lot			1	1
Rubbhalls	pce	3			3

*Please note that 1,000 blankets, 4,000 jerry cans and 1,000 tents located in Quetta are from the Pakistan Red Crescent Society stocks and will have to be replenished.

- In **Uzbekistan**, a contract for a large warehousing facility in Termez is being signed, further to a mission by Federation relief and logistics delegates to the town. Termez has excellent logistical supply possibilities for prepositioning purposes and is a short distance from Mazar-i-Sharif. The humanitarian corridor for cross border operations from Uzbekistan into Afghanistan will operate from the Termez river port.

National Society Capacity Building w

- In **Turkmenistan**, a 3-day camp management workshop for 25 Turkmenistan Red Crescent (TRCS) volunteers was held during the week ending 2 November.
- The Federation Team Leader in **Pakistan** will travel with the President of the PRCS to Peshawar on 7 November to speak to the Governor and the PRCS Secretary General about evolution in capacities of the National Society.

Coordination

- During a visit to the Federation Secretariat, Special Assistant to the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State (Head of the Bureau for Population Refugees and Migration) and the Attache to the Permanent United States Mission, **Geneva** announced a \$3,000,000 contribution to the Appeal. (This contribution has the proviso that the money is not to be spent on camps on the Afghan side of the border with Iran.)

- During the reporting period, Federation representatives paid visits to the Permanent Missions of the European Commission, Denmark and Israel in **Geneva**. Briefings focused on National Society capacities in the Appeal countries, the involvement of and coordination with Red Crescent Societies and Federation preparedness activities on the ground.
- A meeting was held on 1 November between UN agencies, PRCS, and the President of Pakistan. At this meeting the President stated unequivocally “there will be no camps in Pakistan, the border remains closed, the issue is not open for discussion”.
- A committee of agencies has been formed to meet with the Ministry of Safron in **Pakistan** to establish ground rules for further operations under the direction of the Government.

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			06/11/01	
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
CASH						
REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF ----->				40,280,340		TOTAL COVERAGE 35.4%
AMERICAN - GOVT/PRM		3,000,000	USD	4,872,000	29/10/01	
AUSTRALIAN - GOVT		205,200	AUD	171,711	25/10/01	
AUSTRIAN - RC		4,106	EUR	6,071	10/10/01	
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		273,088	GBP	658,142	04/10/01	
CANADIAN - RC		50,000	CAD	54,470	21/09/01	
CHINA - RC		30,000	USD	48,990	10/10/01	PAKISTAN
CHINA, HONG-KONG - RC				42,004	22/10/01	
CYPRUS - RC				15,446	15/10/01	AFGHAN REFUGEES
DANISH - RC		7,312,500	DKK	1,455,188	11/10/01	
EGYPTIAN - RC		70,000	USD	113,155	11/10/01	
FINNISH - RC		67,275	EUR	102,190	26/09/01	
INDONESIAN - GOVT		20,000	USD	32,480	30/10/01	
IRISH - GOVT		250,000	IEP	477,375	08/10/01	
IRISH - RC		50,000	IEP	95,475	08/10/01	
JAPANESE - RC		30,000,000	JPY	406,950	11/10/01	EARMARKED FOR 6 VEHICLES
JAPANESE - RC		35,200,000	JPY	477,488	11/10/01	EARMARKED FOR MEDICAL SUPPLIES
JAPANESE - RC		28,200,000	JPY	382,533	11/10/01	
JAPANESE - RC		50,000	JPY	671	04/10/01	
KOREA, REPUBLIC - RC				50,000	26/10/01	AFGHANISTAN, PAKISTAN
KUWAIT - RC		250,000	USD	408,250	09/10/01	IRAN & PAKISTAN
LIBYA - RC				5,000	29/09/01	
MONACO - RC		200,000	FRF	45,860	21/09/01	
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		775,891	NOK	143,906	21/09/01	PAKISTAN
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		11,700	NOK	2,170	23/10/01	PAKISTAN
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		11,700	NOK	2,170	31/10/01	IRAN
PRIVATE DONORS				29,887	23/10/01	
SPANISH - RC		30,051	EUR	44,451	29/10/01	IFRC-ARC CLINICS, RELIEF & SHELTER WATER & SANITATION
SPANISH - RC		10,406	EUR	15,392	29/10/01	PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT & CONTROL
SWEDISH - GOVT/RC		6,500,000	SEK	1,017,250	10/10/01	
SWISS - GOVT				55,500	26/09/01	
TUNISIAN - RC		5,000	USD	8,165	19/10/01	
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH				11,240,340	CHF	27.9%

KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)						
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
AUSTRIAN - RC		87,210	EUR	131,173	10/10/01	WATER SANITATION MATERIAL
AUSTRIAN - RC				15,000	10/10/01	TELECOM DELEGATE, 3 MONTHS
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		608,984	GBP	1,448,339	04/10/02	TENTS, BLANKETS, KITCHEN SETS, TARPULINS FOR TURKMENISTAN, UZBEKISTAN AND PAKISTAN
BRITISH - GOVT/DFID		18,900	GBP	45,000	04/10/01	RELIEF DELGATE & LOGISTICS DELEGATE FOR TURKMENISTAN, RELIEF DELEGATE FOR UZBEKISTAN
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		2,737,820	NOK	499,652	21/09/01	PAKISTAN: JERRY CANS, DELEGATE BOXES, 2 NEW EMERGENCY HEALTH KITS
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		394,000	NOK	73,076	23/10/01	3 RUBBHALLS, TRANSPORT & INSURANCE FOR PAKISTAN
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		375,600	NOK	69,663	31/10/01	4 RUBBHALLS, TRANSPORT & INSURANCE FOR IRAN
SPANISH - RC		304,337	EUR	450,175	02/10/01	3'384 JERRY CANS, 250 FAMILY TENTS, 1'001 KITECHN SETS, 4'500 TARPULIN, 10'008 BP5 COMPACT FOOD, 1 TOYOT LANDCRUISER
SPANISH - RC		5,031	EUR	7,441	27/10/01	WAT/SAN DELEGATE
SWISS - GOVT				129,245	26/09/01	6'000 BLANKETS, 1'200 KITCHEN SETS, TRANSPORT & INSURANCE
SWISS - GOVT				68,180	26/09/01	3 DELEGATES, 3 MONTHS
AUSTRALIA	DELEGATE(S)			30,000		
NETHERLANDS	DELEGATE(S)			30,000		
SWEDEN	DELEGATE(S)			5,585		
SWITZERLAND	DELEGATE(S)			16,427		
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN KIND/SERVICES				3,018,956	CHF	7.5%
ADDITIONAL TO APPEAL BUDGET						
DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
TURKISH - RC					03/10/01	5'000 BLANKETS, 2 PORTABLE KITCHENS, 2'500 PLASMA UNITS, BASIC FOOD SUPPLIES
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES					10/10/01	UNITS OF TENTS FOR 40'000 REFUGEES
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED				0	CHF	

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	
SHELTER/RELIEF									
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
								16700	Ex Iranian RC stock
Outstanding	-3,800		-2500	-2000	2500	1900	-3700	0	
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
			1475						Spanish RC
								66700	Ex Iranian RC stock
Outstanding	48,591		21291	7000	10000	7000	3300	0	
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
			1500						American RC
			130						Spanish RC
								16700	Ex Iranian RC stock
							200		Finnish RC
Outstanding	23,020		16520	1700	2500	1700	600	0	
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
			1001						Spanish RC
								16700	Ex Iranian RC stock
Outstanding	11,350		4250	1900	2500	1900	800	0	
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	
MEDICAL									
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								
WATSAN									
Various wat-san equipment (See additional table for details)		Lot	1						
									Austrian RC
									French RC
									Spanish RC
Outstanding	0								
FOOD									
High Protein biscuit	40	ton							
			5						Spanish RC
Outstanding	35		35						
TELECOM									
Telecom Equipment		Lot							
Outstanding	0								
LOGISTICS									
Rubb Halls	10	units	6	1	1	1		1	
			3						Norwegian RC
			2						Spanish RC
								3	Norwegian RC
Outstanding	2		1	1	1	1	0	-2	
Vehicles 4X4	40	units	20	5	5	5		5	
			1						Spanish RC
			6						Japanese RC
			2						Spanish RC
Outstanding	31		11	5	5	5	0	5	
OTHER ITEMS									
Delegate kits	50	kit							
									Norwegian RC
Outstanding	0								
Administration kits	3	kit							
Outstanding	0								
DONATION NOT IN THE APPEAL									
Mobile phones		units	12		4			4	Ericsson Co.
Jerseys									Bahrain RC
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)	
WATSAN							
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
			3384				Spanish RC
Outstanding	69,232		-10768	30000	20000	30000	
Del'Agua Water Testing Kit, plus extra Consumables Test Kit	7	pce	2	2	1	2	
			1				French RC
Outstanding	6		1	2	1	2	
Bladder Tank, 5000 litre, with accessor	110	pce	40	30	10	30	
			4				Austrian RC
			4				French RC
Outstanding	102		32	30	10	30	
Bladder Tank, 10000 litre, with access	78	pce	30	20	8	20	
			14				Spanish RC
Outstanding	64		16	20	8	20	
Bladder Tank, 15000 litre, with access	70	pce	30	20	0	20	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	66		26	20	0	20	
Oxylam type Tank, 95000 litre	20	pce	8	4	4	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	16		4	4	4	4	
WATSAN							
Oxlam type Tank, 70000 litre	20	pce	8	4	4	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	16		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
			20				Spanish RC
Outstanding	452		142	140	30	140	
Atalanta Pumps, diesel type, 2", 30m	18	pce	8	4	2	4	
			4				French RC
Outstanding	14		4	4	2	4	
Water Purification Tablet, 1 tab=20litre	4,400,000	ea	2000000	1200000	0	1200000	
			9900000				Austrian RC
Outstanding	3,410,000		1010000	1200000	0	1200000	
Water Purification Powder 100gm/pack =10,000 litre	4	MT	0	2	0	2	
Outstanding	4		0	2	0	2	
WATSAN							
Water Purification Tablet, 1 tab=1 litre	800,000	ea	0	0	800000	0	
Outstanding	800,000		0	0	800000	0	
SanPlat Latrine Mould Kit	15	kit	6	4	1	4	
Outstanding	15		6	4	1	4	
Squatting Plates	1,500	pce	1000	0	500	0	
			500				Austrian RC
Outstanding	1,000		500	0	500	0	
Back Pack Sprayers, 15 litre	90	pce	50	15	10	15	
Outstanding	90		50	15	10	15	
Chlorine	12	MT	5	2	3	2	
Outstanding	12		5	2	3	2	
Aluminium Sulphate	33	MT	15	5	8	5	
Outstanding	33		15	5	8	5	
Lime	12	MT	5	2	3	2	
Outstanding	12		5	2	3	2	
DONATION NOT IN THE APPEAL							
Soap, 250 gr		pce	10200				Austrian RC
Additional WATSAN equipment							French RC
Additional WATSAN equipment		plt	1				Spanish RC
Motorpump, Honda		pce	5				Spanish RC