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### In Brief

**Revised Preliminary Appeal No. 28/2004; Operations Update no. 19; Period covered: 14-15 January 2005; Appeal coverage: 68.7%** ([Click here to view the provisional contributions list attached, also available on the Federation's website](#)).

#### Appeal history:

- Preliminary appeal launched on 26 December 2004 for CHF 7,517,000 (USD 6,658,712 or EUR 4,852,932) for 6 months to assist 500,000 beneficiaries.
- Disaster Relief Emergency Funds (DREF) allocated: CHF 1,000,000.
- Revised Preliminary Appeal issued on 29 December 2004, for CHF 67,005,000 (USD 59,152,246 or EUR 53,439,988) for 2 million beneficiaries for 6-8 months.
- The Preliminary Appeal was originally launched titled "Bay of Bengal: Earthquake and Tsunamis". The title was subsequently changed to "Asia: Earthquake and Tsunamis" in the Revised Preliminary Appeal launched on 29 December 2004.
- Operations update No. 16 issued on 12 January 2005 revised the Revised Preliminary Appeal 28/2004 budget to CHF 183,486,000 (USD 155,286,000 or EUR 118,669,000) with programme extensions for Sri Lanka, Indonesia, the Maldives and East Africa.

#### Highlights of the Day:

- **The total human toll as a result of the 26 December earthquake and tsunamis stands now at over 157,500 in countries around the Indian Ocean rim. Indonesia alone has reported over 110,000 dead as thousands more dead bodies are being recovered every day.**
- **The national societies of Sri Lanka and Indonesia supported by various emergency response units of the Federation and partner national societies are providing urgently needed drinking water, shelter and health services. Thousands of families have received food and nonfood assistance. Many displaced are yet to be reached. The next operations update will focus on Indonesia.**
- **The recovery assessment team, comprised of specialists in water and sanitation, community health, community development, relief and disaster recovery has arrived in Sri Lanka. It is estimated that the time span for recovery will extend beyond five years.**
- **The overall situation in the Maldives is considered serious but not critical. Focus is on recovery. Seventeen generators arrived yesterday and will provide a major boost to the power situation in the worst affected areas. Health supplies are arriving and being distributed. The Red Cross psychosocial intervention is making a significant impact on the affected communities. The first phase of the temporary shelter is nearing completion.**
- **Large quantities of non-food items such as mosquito nets, sleeping nets, kitchen sets, tarpaulin sheets, jerry cans and family tents continue to be needed in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Maldives and India.**
- **The Federation is recruiting 35 field delegates with expertise in administration, relief, logistics, health, water and sanitation, construction, information, programme, fleet and flight coordination.**

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**Background**

The magnitude 9.0 earthquake that struck the area off the western coast of northern Sumatra on Sunday morning, 26 December 2004, at 7:59 am local time (00:59 GMT) triggered massive tidal waves, or tsunamis, that inundated coastal areas in countries all around the Indian Ocean rim – from Indonesia to Somalia. Sri Lanka, the Indonesian province of Aceh, four states of southern India, the Maldives, coastal areas of Thailand, Malaysia, and Myanmar were the most severely affected. The earthquake

**Summary of the human toll caused by the tsunami as of 13 January**

Countries	Dead	Missing	Displaced	Homeless	Sources
Indonesia	110,229	12,000	651,678	392,000	Government
Sri Lanka	30,899	6,034	425,620	480,000	Government
India	10,672	5,711	646,967	200,000	Government
Maldives	82	26	21,663	n/a	Government
Thailand	5,313	3,254	n/a	n/a	Government
Myanmar	59	10	n/a	3,200	Government
Malaysia	68	50	n/a	4,296	Delegation
East Africa	244	n/a	52,000	n/a	Government
<b>Total</b>	<b>157,566</b>	<b>27,085</b>	<b>&gt;1,797,928</b>	<b>&gt;1,079,496</b>	

Note: East Africa covers tsunami-affected countries of Kenya, Madagascar, Seychelles, Somalia and Tanzania.

epicentre was located at 3.30 N, 95.78E at a depth of 10 kilometres. The area is historically prone to seismic upheaval due to its location on the margins of tectonic plates. However, tidal waves of this magnitude are rare and therefore the level of preparedness was very low.

Thousands of staff, relief and medical personnel, and volunteers of the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies of the tsunami affected countries have provided a vital initial response, in search and rescue, clean-up, providing temporary shelter and immediate relief assistance, emergency medical services, psychological first aid and tracing. It is estimated that over 5,000 Red Cross and Red Crescent volunteers and 76 relief and medical teams have been mobilised in the disaster-affected areas.

The Federation immediately launched a Preliminary Emergency Appeal on the day of the disaster with a focus on Sri Lanka, Indonesia and the Maldives. On 3 January 2005, the ICRC launched budget extensions additional to its 2005 Emergency Appeal for Indonesia and Sri Lanka. Along with initial support from the country and regional delegations, the Federation deployed within 24-72 hours three [Field Assessment and Coordination Teams \(FACT\)](#) and 14 [Emergency Response Units \(ERU\)](#) in the sectors of water and sanitation, health care, aid distribution, telecommunications, and logistics/transportation to Sri Lanka, Indonesia and the Maldives.

## Overview

Through a joint letter to the member national societies of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement on 14 January, the Federation and the ICRC acknowledge the generosity of the world in support of Red Cross Red Crescent response in the affected countries and emphasize the need for a well-planned approach to ensure the best use of these resources to meet the needs of the affected population.

The Federation and the ICRC are developing a clear coordination framework in which the Red Cross Red Crescent operational space can be secured, not only to allow the Movement to respond to the immediate crisis but also to long-term disaster preparedness, rehabilitation and reconstruction needs in the region. Recovery assessments have started in the field and will constitute the basis for a combined and coordinated international Red Cross Red Crescent appeal scheduled to be launched in February. The Federation and the ICRC urge all actors of the Movement to coordinate according to the principles and rules adhered at the 1997 Seville Council of Delegates and to work within the framework of the agreed plans in the long-term interest of all populations affected by this disaster. Regardless of the modalities, there clearly exists both the need and the space for all Movement components to deploy the best of their resources through the ICRC, the Federation or bilaterally with the host national societies.

Especially in the areas affected by armed conflict, the proliferation of organizations will oblige the authorities to put restrictions on the movements of relief personnel and their security may no longer be guaranteed. In full agreement to the letter from the chairman of the Indonesia Red Cross on 12 January, the ICRC and the Federation call for all components of the Movement not to jeopardize the confidence that the ICRC, the Sri Lanka Red Cross and the Indonesia Red Cross have built up over the years with the parties to the armed conflicts and among the civilian population. Both the ICRC and the Federation have signed agreements with the governments of Indonesia and Sri Lanka regulating the status of their delegations, personnel and assets, which facilitate the operation of the Movement's humanitarian activities in these countries. Unilateral actions by any Movement components risk to undermine the trust which is inherent to the full respect of these agreements. The Federation and the ICRC will be sending special notes to guide Red Cross Red Crescent work and provide a coordination framework.

In Geneva, there are regular twice weekly coordination meetings between the Federation and the ICRC, both senior-level Movement cooperation meetings and technical taskforce meetings. In addition, in both Sri Lanka and Indonesia, there are regular coordination meetings between the host national societies, the Federation, the ICRC and partner national societies.

## Operational Developments

### Sri Lanka

#### Overview

The Sri Lanka Red Cross Society continues its relief operations, supported by the Federation and the ICRC. Food and non-food items have been distributed to thousands of families through the national society, and eight Federation ERUs are fully operational in the country, providing urgently needed drinking water, health support, medical assistance and logistics support. Many displaced people are still in need of assistance and the Federation has brought relief items for tens of thousands into the country. Distributions of Federation resourced non-food items have already started in the southern part of the country, with the number of beneficiaries rapidly growing.



*One of thousands of beneficiaries to have received Red Cross relief assistance so far*

For maps and reports on the general background of the disaster in Sri Lanka please refer to <http://www.lk.undp.org/ndmc/>

A recovery assessment team comprised of specialists in the field of water and sanitation, community health, community development, relief and disaster recovery has arrived in Sri Lanka. The assessment team will analyse and provide recommendations for the next 12 months of programming. It is estimated that the time span for recovery will extend beyond five years. The results of this assessment will be a part of a broad plan for disaster recovery work in the affected regions. The objective of the assessment is to determine relevant recovery programming for the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, building on the national society capacity and role, as well as the skills and experience of different components of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement.

#### Coordination

Relief activities of the Federation are closely coordinated with the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society, both with regard to planning and implementation at the field level. There is also close coordination with the ICRC which is the lead agency in the east of the country and where five of the eight Emergency Response Units (ERUs) operate. The delegates belonging to the ERUs follow ICRC security and communication rules in those regions.

Taskforce meetings between the Sri Lanka Red Cross, the ICRC and the Federation take place at the national society headquarters in Colombo. The role of the Taskforce is to take joint policy decisions on all activities.

OCHA has a leading role in coordinating the activities and planning of the various humanitarian actors in the country. The Federation shares FACT reports and other information with OCHA.

The Federation representative in Sri Lanka and programme managers meet with UN agencies, government departments and donor representatives to coordinate the overall operations in the country.

## Red Cross and Red Crescent action - objectives, progress, impact

**Overall Goal: Up to 40,000 families (about 200,000 people) in the south of the country receive immediate relief, shelter, health and care, and community support over the next six months.**

**Objective 1 (water and sanitation): Adequate sanitation and water supply provided to a selected number of temporary shelters<sup>1</sup>/welfare centres<sup>2</sup>, and water and sanitation systems to serve the affected population.**

<sup>1</sup> Schools and monasteries that are presently in use to house the affected people.

<sup>2</sup> The welfare centres/camps will accommodate the affected people, for up to six months, who will be relocated from the school temporary shelters because of the start of the schooling term from 10 January. The centres currently await government decision to be established.

The Federation presently provides adequate drinking water to more than 20,000 people in the affected areas around Pottuvil and Komari, including the nine temporary shelters for displaced people in Ampara District. In Pottuvil and Komari, water and sanitation activities are supported by the specialised water and sanitation ERU from the German Red Cross, the mass water distribution ERU from the Swedish Red Cross and the French Red Cross water and sanitation unit. The Norwegian Red Cross ERU supports water and sanitation activities in Ichtilampattai in Trincomalee district.

The Federation is also starting a programme to improve the existing water supply (cleaning of 1,000 wells) to ensure the targeted population has adequate water in accordance with the Sphere standard.

The Hambantota branch, supported by the Spanish Red Cross is cleaning 600 wells in Hambantota district. The Ampara branch, and Kalutara branch, supported by the French Red Cross is cleaning 1,500 wells in Ampara and Kalutara, starting next week. Matara branch, supported by the Netherlands Red Cross is planning to clean 1,000 wells in Matara.

District	Lead Agency	Federation ERU Type	PNS	ERU staff	Exact Location	Water provided
Ampara (German and Swedish units work together)	ICRC	BHCU/watsan/ mobile health	French	7	Pottuvil	200,000 litres/day
		Watsan	German	6	Komari	150,000 litres/day 20,000 people
		Watsan	Swedish	5	Komari	9x11,000 litres
Trincomalee	ICRC	BHCU/watsan	Norwegian	7	Ichtilampattai	
<b>Total beneficiaries</b>						20,000

Operations have progressed as planned in most aspects, although rain, damaged infrastructure and flooded roads have caused difficulties in transportation. Communication is also difficult in several of the places where ERUs are operating, slowing the flow of information from the field in some locations.

**Objective 2 (shelter): Temporary shelter provided to up to 15,000 families (about 75,000 people) whose houses have been destroyed and have no extended family to live with.**

The American Red Cross ERU located in Galle is presently facilitating the distribution of tents and tarpaulins in the south of the country to the targeted population through the Sri Lanka Red Cross branches. A total of 356 family tents have been distributed in Gampa district by the national society to provide displaced people with basic shelter. A total of 1800 tarpaulins are planned to be distributed in Colombo district next week. Several shipments of tarpaulins have arrived in Federation warehouses or are in the pipeline. As of 15 January 8,380 tarpaulins had arrived in warehouses in Galle, and distributions had already taken place to 6,205 families.



*Approximately 3,000 Sri Lanka Red Cross volunteers are actively involved in the relief operation.*

Over half of the tarpaulins needed to fulfil the needs of temporary shelter addressed through this objective have already been received in the Federation warehouse in Galle and approximately 40 percent of targeted beneficiaries have been reached through the distributions.

The American Red Cross relief ERU in Galle has experienced difficulties in establishing reliable communications links with the FACT operations centre in Colombo. The FACT telecommunications delegate travelled to Galle on 15 January to undertake repairs.

**Objective 3 (immediate livelihood restoration): The minimum livelihood requirements provided for up to 40,000 families (about 200,000 people) whose houses have been destroyed and have lost their belongings.**

Through close cooperation with the Sri Lanka Red Cross, the American Red Cross ERU has distributed non-food items to 3,957 families (reaching almost 15,126 people).

The national society has been distributing relief to affected people since the beginning of the disaster. The American Red Cross has been coordinating distribution of Federation relief through the Sri Lanka Red Cross throughout the southern coast.

The telecommunications ERU from the Spanish Red Cross has provided vital support to the operation together with the logistics teams from the logistics units from the British and American Red Cross societies.

The American Red Cross relief ERU has completed setup of the distribution system in the south, and is moving onward to establish a distribution system in Ampara as well.

As of 15 January, the following distributions have been recorded:

Commodity	Received (approx)	distributed
water containers (10&20 litre)	15,000	7,363
Tarpaulins	8,380	6,205
USAID plastic sheeting (30m x 7m roll)	495	5
kitchen sets	8,709	3,809
USAID Family Hygiene Kits (< Sphere minimum standards)	2,953	2,933
50% wool blankets	38,340	14,831
bed sheets	10,780	6,191
sleeping mats	12,625	
body bags	5,550	

There is a rapidly growing impact from the ongoing non-food relief distributions by the Federation and the Sri Lanka Red Cross. The appeal aims at providing minimum livelihood requirements for up to 40,000 families in the southern districts of the country, and about a tenth of the population targeted with Federation supplied non-food relief items have already received assistance. These numbers are expected to rise rapidly as operations continue.

There are difficulties in receiving all the required elements of the non-food relief item packs. Rather than delay the distributions, it is sometimes necessary to distribute incomplete packs. It is important particularly vulnerable victims of the disaster receive some form of assistance immediately.

**Objective 4 (health): A constant, good level of health is ensured for up to 20,000 families (about 100,000 people) through prevention and basic health care, as well as health and hygiene promotion.**

ERUs continue to provide health services in the southern and eastern regions of the country. The Finnish Red Cross basic health care unit (BHCU) covers the basic health needs of all centres for displaced people between Pottuvil and Kalmunai. The French BHCU covers the south of Pottuvil with mobile health units. The ERUs report a need for basic health care training/education and also for psychosocial support in the area of operations. No outbreaks of serious diseases have been observed.

District	Lead Agency	Federation ERU	PNS	ERU Delegates	Location	Beneficiaries attended to daily
Ampara (German and Swedish units work together)	ICRC	BHCU/watsan/ mobile health	French RC	7	Pottuvil	Patients: 60 (mostly small infected wounds)
		BHCU	Finnish RC	14	Komari	home visits: 50 outpatients: 165
Trincomalee	ICRC	BHCU/watsan	Norwegian RC	7	Ichtilampattai	OPD patients: 200 inpatients: 8 maternity: 10
<b>Total:</b>		<b>3</b>		28		493 (approximate)

Federation BHCUs are reaching approximately 500 patients per day. They make use of mobile health teams to reach surrounding areas where there are patients who are unable to access the clinics.

Many patients have difficulties reaching clinics due to illness or the distance from the BHCUs. This problem is being addressed by the operation of mobile health units.

**Objective 5 (psychosocial support): The resilience of the affected population and the local relief workers is enhanced through psychosocial support.**

Psychosocial programmes being established by the American and Danish Red Cross, the Sri Lanka Red Cross and the Federation are currently being discussed. The Turkish Red Crescent also wishes to participate in psychosocial programmes and is considering sending six specialist doctors, 10 nurses and providing three brand new ambulances to establish mobile mental health clinics.

Specific objectives and activities for logistics, telecommunications and disaster management capacity of the Sri Lanka Red Cross, and for the Federation support, will be developed in the following days.

## Maldives

### Overview

The government notes that the overall situation in the Maldives is serious but not critical. WFP is planning to link the distribution of biscuits along with UNICEF school kits with the reopening of schools on 25 January to target some 25,000 school children. UNFPA is supporting the ministry of health and working with the other UN agencies to assess the impact of the disaster on health services and to develop a comprehensive plan for relief and rehabilitation. An emergency health expert from International Centre for Migration and Health (ICMH), in collaboration with the ministry of health, is visiting a number of tsunami affected islands and will debrief relevant stakeholders on his observations and recommendations upon his return. Logistics problems continue to remain a serious concern for the authorities to transport relief goods as the population is dispersed over 200 islands and scattered over 900 kms.

The Red Cross response, now focusing on rehabilitation, continues to make excellent progress. Most requested items have either arrived or are in the pipeline and distributions are continuing. The water-sanitation materials may be some weeks away, but are not urgently required at this stage.

The health situation is stable. Health supplies (medical kits etc) are arriving and being distributed. The American Red Cross psychosocial team is having a significant impact. As of 13 January it had trained 40 counsellors who would be spread around the atolls to assist affected people. A further 20 counsellors are expected to be trained shortly.

Seventeen large generators (supplied by the British Red Cross) arrived on 14 January and these will provide a major boost to the power situation. They will be distributed to the worst affected areas. These generators are very large and it will be a major logistical exercise to move and install them.

The water-sanitation activities will proceed once requested items arrive. There is no critical water shortage and generally the situation is improving.

The first phase of temporary shelters is nearing completion. People still awaiting shelter assistance are finding alternative accommodation such as with other families and in mosques and schools.

The FACT/RDRT team currently numbers four (one FACT, three RDRT). The South Asia regional delegation programme coordinator has been on a visit to the Maldives since 13 January. He is meeting with government officials, discussing plans for future support to the Maldives. He is also making assessments with the view to the formation of a national society. The regional organisational development delegate is due to make a visit later this month.



*Some areas of the Maldives have been damaged extensively.*

**Coordination**

There is close coordination and cooperation with the government as well as with the UN agencies and other NGOs. One of the reasons extensive health (other than psychosocial support) and water and sanitation activities have not been proposed is that support to the government from other agencies such as UNICEF, Oxfam etc. in these fields already exists and will likely continue. The UNDP has indicated that it intends to become involved in assisting the government in the provision of temporary and permanent housing and close relationships have been established with them as well as the relevant government departments to ensure that there is no duplication of effort. Regular agency coordination meetings have been established.

**Overall Goal: Tsunami affected families in Maldives receive immediate non-food relief, shelter, electricity, health, water and sanitation services; and a national society established.**

**Objective 1 (Shelter): Temporary shelter provided for 3,440 families and permanent shelter material provided for 5,500 families whose houses have been completely or badly damaged.**

The first batch of temporary shelters is nearing completion with the authorities working quickly. Whilst families wait for tents to arrive they are finding alternative accommodation with other families, in mosques, schools etc.

As well providing temporary housing, thorough assessments are being carried out regarding damaged housing and the planning of permanent accommodation, and sites are already being cleared in readiness.

**Objective 2 (immediate livelihood restoration): electric power restored for 30,000 people and the minimum livelihood requirements supported for 2,000 families whose houses have been destroyed or badly damaged, and have lost their belongings.**

Seventeen out of the planned 24 generators arrived on 14 January, supplied by the British Red Cross. These will provide a tremendous boost to the overall power situation once they are transported to the worst affected islands. These are very large generators and it will be a significant logistical exercise to move and install them.

All but five inhabited islands currently have power, although this supply can fluctuate from between one to 12 hours a day.

A Rubb hall has been erected at the airport for safe storage of incoming goods.

**Objective 3 (health): the physical and mental health of the affected population is ensured through the provision of needed basic medical supplies and psychosocial support.**

Four hundred basic health kits arrived from Geneva on 13 January. These will be distributed to health posts, health centres, atoll hospitals and regional hospitals as required.

An American Red Cross (AmCross) psychosocial support delegate arrived in the Maldives on 12 January to bolster the work of the AmCross team already present. A training schedule to train as many teachers on the majority of atolls before the commencement of school on January 25th has been developed by the Red Cross team (Federation and AmCross), the Maldivian psych task force, UNICEF and the ministry of education. The American Red Cross as part of the Federation support is responding to the needs of the disaster-affected population in the areas of psycho-social support and is working with the social support and counselling service of the Maldives.

The AmCross team currently consists of one delegate, a psychiatrist, a social worker, a psychologist, and a community specialist. As of 13 January the team had trained 40 counsellors to support affected populations.

An operational training in psychological first aid is being conducted in Male this weekend (15-16 January) for 20 volunteers. Once training is completed they will be deployed to the atolls. The training team is composed of one AmCross professional and two Maldivian staff.

Instances of diarrhoea and viral fever are gradually decreasing. Overall the health situation is stable. All the medical/health supplies which have been ordered to date have now arrived and will be distributed through the ministry of health.

Eleven bodies thought probably to have been washed up from Sri Lanka have appeared in the last few days and more are expected. This situation is being monitored.

**Objective 4 (water and sanitation): about 5,000 people have access to adequate water and sanitation facilities.**

Following detailed assessments of needs, a request has been made to Geneva for water and sanitation equipment. Five thousand beneficiaries have been targeted. The final decision in terms of allocating/distribution may be decided by the government. However, a tentative list has temporarily been made by the FACT/RDRT team.

There are no critical water shortages although 10-12 islands have less than seven days supplies. Mobile desalination plants are travelling around the country and overall the situation is improving.

## Malaysia

### Overview

The country is well underway in its efforts of rebuilding lives and property affected in the tsunami. Housing for tsunami survivors is being tackled, with the national housing corporation announcing its plan of subsidizing houses and land for survivors in Kota Kuala Muda. The 150 transitional homes or temporary longhouses will be completed by next week and will house 134 families. The local government has also announced that all local fishermen who experienced property damage in the tsunami are eligible for an interest-free loan up to MYR 25,000 (CHF 7,700). Until 10 January, 772 fishermen have registered with the fisheries development authority and more are expected in the coming days.

In local media reports, rescue workers from various agencies and non-governmental organizations were reminded of Araham 20, a command structure issued by the prime minister's department that dictates the responsibilities of various departments during crises, in which the fire and rescue department must assume the lead coordinating role in all rescue operations to avoid future chaos.

The national tsunami early warning system is expected to be ready by next year. In the meantime, the country will connect to the Pacific Tsunami Warning Centre in Hawaii. The prime minister further called for the protection of Malaysia's mangrove swamps from development in light of their role as shock absorbers and barriers to large waves, a move that conservationists must be lauding as a step towards greater recognition of the natural environment.

In an effort to address the Indonesian government's stance of removing all foreign military missions in Aceh, the government has had a dialogue with them, to the conclusion that Malaysian humanitarian workers, including soldiers, police and SMART personnel, will be allowed to remain in the country. The government has urged all volunteers who plan on going to Aceh to register with the National Security Division to ensure their security.

### Red Cross Red Crescent action

All information in this section is provided solely by the Malaysian Red Crescent Society and its many divisions involved in tsunami relief work. According to their records, 139 families or 779 beneficiaries are living in relief centres or camps in the country. These numbers are however not reliable as some have moved elsewhere, returned to their villages or shifted to transit homes. The national society continues its work in established relief centres in Kedah.

Representatives from the Malaysian Red Crescent and other agencies met with the National Security Division on 12 January, in which further cooperation on the storage and movement of goods to Aceh was established. To date, 2,358 volunteers have registered at the Malaysian Red Crescent headquarters to extend their assistance in tsunami relief related work. On 15 January, a team consisting of two relief officers and one volunteer radio operator left to assist the national society's efforts in Aceh. Twelve more people from the Malaysian Red Crescent will be sent by a national airforce flight to Indonesia on 17 January to replace some of the national society relief workers in the disaster-stricken province.

### Communications – Advocacy and Public Information

Coverage of volunteer opportunities at various NGOs including the Malaysian Red Crescent was featured in a local newspaper. Such positive media exposure is bound to aid the national society's volunteer drive.

## Outstanding Needs

### Human Resources

The Federation is recruiting 35 field delegates for Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Kuala Lumpur, Maldives and a delegate for the Federation office in New York. While candidates are being considered for seven of the posts, a total of 29 posts, as detailed below, are still to be filled. The recruitment of head of operations for Indonesia is extremely urgent.

Place of assignment	Positions to be filled
Sri Lanka	Relief coordinator, IT delegate, logistics coordinator
Indonesia – Jakarta	Head of operations, logistics delegate, information delegate, Movement coordinator
Indonesia – Medan operations centre	Programme coordinator, administration delegate, logistics coordinator, logistics delegate, relief delegate, health coordinator, water-sanitation coordinator, fleet manager, IT delegate, psychosocial delegate
Indonesia – Banda Aceh sub-office	Head of office, administration delegate, relief delegate, flight coordinator, water-sanitation delegate
Indonesia – Meulaboh sub-office	Head of office, water-sanitation delegate, health delegate, relief delegate
Maldives	Relief delegate, water-sanitation delegate, construction delegate, information delegate
New York	UN liaison delegate

### Relief needs

The following table summarizes the major outstanding material needs in the affected countries under this Revised Preliminary Appeal. Any national societies wishing to contribute to the relief pipeline are kindly requested to contact the logistics department at the Federation secretariat in Geneva.

Country	Major outstanding needs		
Indonesia	13,400 bed sheets 78,235 blankets 525,000 food parcels 250,000 hygiene parcels 155,437 tarpaulin sheets	67,840 kitchen sets 20 dispensary tents 98,500 hurricane lamps 135,000 jerry cans	5,000 volunteer rescue kits 26,785 family tents 90,000 mosquito nets 232,500 sleeping mats
Sri Lanka	94,000 jerry cans 33,000 kitchen sets	20,000 cooking stoves 52,000 mosquito nets 240,000 sleeping mats 200,000 women's underwear	
Maldives	10,000 mosquito nets		
India	25,000 mosquito nets, 2,000 family tents, 3,600,000 water purification tablets		
Myanmar	8,500 kitchen sets, 4,700 tarpaulins		

### Mobilization of goods

The list of needs posted on the [mobilization table](#) which is updated on a daily basis and posted on DMIS is a tool, which allows monitoring of outstanding needs and reporting on who has donated which items for which country. The table contains clear specifications (item codes coming from the Red Cross and Red Crescent catalogue are from the field). Lists are sent to the relief coordinator in the operations support department in Geneva, who formally requests the Logistics Department to add items on the mobilization table. To avoid confusion, this table will only be updated upon request from the relief coordinator in Geneva. Only goods listed in the mobilization table will be accepted.

**The process for in-kind donations:**

1. Read the mobilization table to see what items are outstanding.
2. Contact Geneva logistics department (contact information on Page 2 of this operations update).
3. Geneva logistics will allocate a commodity tracking number (CTN) for each item. One CTN per donor, per country per item. Shipping instructions will then be forwarded to the donor.
4. Follow shipping instructions and inform Geneva logistics department about shipping details. As shipping instructions change according to the situation, donors will receive updated shipping instructions for each consignment.
5. Geneva will compile all shipping information in the pipeline table and forward it to the field (ETA, ETD, documents and vessel numbers etc). It is from the pipeline table that delegates will receive accurate shipping details which enable them to receive and collect goods appropriately.
6. Once received in the field, a goods received note will be issued, forwarded to Geneva logistics who will send it to the donors as acknowledgement of receipt.

**Unsolicited donations**

The humanitarian space and the available logistics infrastructures (airport, port, warehousing) are limited in both Sri Lanka and Indonesia. Therefore, in order to avoid congestion and loss of items and to ensure accurate reporting, all items sent to the operation must be coordinated through the logistics cell within the Logistics Department in Geneva. Only items with tracking numbers which appear in the pipeline will be reported on and tracked. Unsolicited donations (unannounced and/or not listed in the mobilization table) will be re-routed to a remote warehouse and will not be distributed through the Federation system. The airport in Medan is completely congested by unsolicited donations and essential items cannot be unloaded or distributed because of the current situation. To ensure an efficient operation, the mobilization process and shipping instructions must be respected by all parties.

**Drugs donations**

The governments in Sri Lanka and Indonesia have barred importation of drug donations until further notice.

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### CASH

REQUESTED IN APPEAL CHF ----->				183,486,000		TOTAL COVERAGE 68.7%
ANDORRA, PRINCIP. - PRIVATE DONOR				3,086	12.01.05	
AUSTRALIAN - RC	2,400,000	AUD		2,119,200	30.12.04	
AUSTRALIAN - RC	7,300,000	AUD		6,445,900	31.12.04	
AUSTRALIAN - GOVT	4,800,000	AUD		4,238,400	02.01.05	
BAHRAIN - PRIVATE DONOR	50,000	USD		56,600	06.01.05	
BELGIUM - RC/GOVT	7,186	EUR		11,088	31.12.04	PROGRAMME SUPPORT/KIND
BRITISH PETROLEUM FOUNDATION	1,000,000	USD		1,145,000	29.12.04	
BRUNEI - PRIVATE DONORS	30,285	USD		34,282	05.01.05	INDONESIA
BRUNEI - PRIVATE DONOR	600	USD		679	04.01.05	
CAMBODIAN - GOVT/RC	10,000	USD		11,320	05.01.05	
CANADIAN - GOVT	3,465,000	CAD		3,336,795	31.12.04	
CANADIAN - GOVT/RC	990,000	CAD		953,370	26.12.04	
CANADIAN - RC	200,000	CAD		192,600	27.12.04	
CANADIAN - RC	5,000,000	CAD		4,815,000	29.12.04	
CANADIAN - PRIVATE DONOR	100,000	USD		113,200	06.01.05	
CANADIAN - PRIVATE DONORS				570	17.01.05	
CHINA - HONG KONG - RC BRANCH				3,713,771	04.01.05	FAMILY KITS INDONESIA
CHINA - HONG KONG - RC BRANCH				3,238,470	29.12.04	TO PURCHASE RELIEF ITEMS
CHINA - HONG KONG - RC BRANCH				1,560,515	01.01.05	
CHINA - HONG KONG - PRIVATE DONORS				3,373	04.01.05	
CHINA - MACAU - RC BRANCH				500,000	26.12.04	WATER & SHELTER; MEDICAL & RELIEF SUPPLIES IN INDONESIA
CHINA - MACAU - RC BRANCH				280,000	30.12.04	SRI LANKA
CHINA - RC	50,000	USD		56,500	31.12.04	THAILAND RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	100,000	USD		113,000	31.12.04	SRI LANKA RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	100,000	USD		113,000	31.12.04	INDONESIA RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	20,000	USD		22,600	31.12.04	MYANMAR RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	50,000	USD		56,500	31.12.04	INDIA RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	20,000	USD		22,600	31.12.04	MALDIVES DIRECT
CHINA - RC	20,000	USD		22,600	31.12.04	MALAYSIA RC DIRECT
CHINA - RC	300,000	USD		343,500	28.12.04	
CROATIA - RC				1,200,000	30.12.04	INDIA, SRI LANKA, INDONESIA, THAILAND
CYPRUS - RC				26,540	11.01.05	
ECHO	3,000,000	EUR		4,549,500	26.12.04	
ESTONIA - GOVT	500,000	EEK		48,100	28.12.04	
FINLAND - RC	1,575,000	EUR		2,430,225	05.01.05	
FIRST DATA WESTERN UNION FOUND.	1,000,000	USD		1,130,000	31.12.04	PMN to be finalised
FRANCE - PRIVATE DONORS	2,710	EUR		4,182	04.01.05	
FRANCE - PRIVATE DONOR	10,000	USD		11,320	11.01.05	
OECD STAFF MEMBERS	10,000	EUR		15,430	05.01.05	
GERMANY - PRIVATE DONORS				409	30.12.04	
GREAT BRITAIN - GOVT/RC	400,000	GBP		865,600	30.12.04	INDONESIA
GREAT BRITAIN - RC	100,000	GBP		216,400	28.12.04	
GREAT BRITAIN RC				840,642	30.12.04	SRI LANKA TO PURCHASE CLOTHES, MATS, SOAPS

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GREAT BRITAIN - PRIVATE DONOR		20,000	EUR	30,860	30.12.04	
GREAT BRITAIN - PRIVATE DONOR		75,000	USD	84,900	07.01.05	
BREAT BRITAIN - PRIVATE DONOR		20,000	USD	22,640	04.01.05	
HELLENIC - RC		50,000	EUR	75,825	27.12.04	
HELLENIC - RC		200,000	EUR	308,600	05.01.05	
HELLENIC - PRIVATE DONOR		100	EUR	154	03.01.05	
ICELAND - GOVT		5,000,000	ISK	88,000	26.12.04	
ICELAND - RC		12,000,000	ISK	211,200	26.12.04	
IRELAND - GOVT		750,000	EUR	1,155,750	29.12.04	
IRELAND - RC		2,000,000	EUR	3,086,000	31.12.04	
IRELAND - PRIVATE DONOR		10,000	EUR	15,430	06.01.05	
ITALY - RC		288,615	EUR	444,756	29.12.04	INDIA (EUR 150'000)
ITALY - PRIVATE DONORS				309	10.01.05	
JAPANESE - RC		100,000,000	JPY	1,109,500	28.12.04	
JORDAN - PRIVATE DONOR				5,629	04.01.05	
KOREA, REPUBLIC OF - RC		200,000	USD	226,400	07.01.04	
LATVIA - RC		28,400	EUR	43,821	13.01.05	
LATVIA - PRIVATE DONOR		20,000	USD	22,640	03.01.05	
LEBANON - PRIVATE DONORS				1,358	13.01.05	
LIBYAN - RC				25,000	06.01.05	
LIECHTENSTEIN - RC				20,000	29.12.04	
LITHUANIA - RC				21,460	10.01.05	
LUXEMBOURG - GOVT/RC		250,000	EUR	385,750	05.01.05	
MALAYSIA - RC		30,000	USD	34,200	30.12.04	BILATERAL FOR INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, INDIA
MALAYSIA - PRIVATE DONORS		200,000	MYR	60,500	03.01.05	
MALAYSIA - PRIVATE DONOR		1,475	USD	1,670	04.01.05	
MONACO - RC		100,000	EUR	151,650	28.12.04	
MOROCCO - RC		250,000	MAD	36,300	29.12.04	
NETHERLANDS - RC		1,000,000	EUR	1,516,500	29.12.04	
NETHERLANDS - PRIVATE DONOR		80	EUR	123	05.01.05	
NETHERLANDS - PRIVATE DONOR		10,000	EUR	15,430	12.01.05	
NEW ZEALAND - GOVT		500,000	NZD	406,500	30.12.04	
NORWEGIAN - GOVT/RC		2,112,664	NOK	395,068	02.01.05	SRI LANKA
NORWAY - GOVT/RC		313,697	NOK	58,661	02.01.05	PROGRAMME SUPPORT/KIND
NORWEGIAN - PRIVATE DONORS				198	12.01.05	
OPEC FUND		1,200,000	USD	1,374,000	29.12.04	USD 600,000 INDONESIA; USD 200,000 SRI LANKA; USD 200,000 INDIA; USD 100,000 THAILAND; USD 100,000 MALDIVES
PARAGUAY - RC		5,000	USD	5,660	11.01.05	
PANAMA - PRIVATE DONORS		126	USD	143	30.12.04	
PHILIPPINES - PRIVATE DONOR		9,985	USD	11,303	03.01.05	
PORTUGAL - RC		150,000	EUR	231,450	04.01.05	
PRIVATE ON LINE DONATIONS				8,390,000	13.01.05	
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		500,000	USD	572,500	30.12.04	INDONESIA RC - PMN to be finalised
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		300,000	USD	343,500	30.12.04	SRI LANKA RC - PMN to be finalised

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SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		200,000	USD	229,000	30.12.04	THAILAND RC - PMN to be finalised
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		2,000,000	USD	2,290,000	30.12.04	PMN to be finalised
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		200,000	USD	229,000	30.12.04	MALDIVES RC - PMN to be finalised
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		100,000	USD	113,200	30.12.04	SOMALIA RC - PMN to be finalised
SAUDI ARABIA - GOVT		200,000	USD	229,000	30.12.04	INDIA RC - PMN to be finalised
SINGAPORE - JAPAN TOBACCO INTERN.		30,000	USD	34,350	28.12.04	SRI LANKA, MALDIVES, INDONESIA
SINGAPORE - RC/GOV.		2,000,000	SGD	1,396,600	03.01.05	INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, INDIA, THAILAND, MALDIVES, BANGLADESH, MYANMAR
SLOVAKIA - RC		50,000	SKK	1,925	27.12.04	
SLOVENIA - RC				32,148	30.12.04	
SLOVENIA - RC				128,742	06.01.05	
SLOVENIA - GOVT				55,045	11.01.05	
SOUTH AFRICA - RC				488,250	06.01.05	
SOUTH AFRICA - RC				785,200	11.01.05	
SPAIN - RC		240,000	EUR	370,536	28.12.04	BILATERAL
SPAIN - RC		100,000	EUR	154,100	29.12.04	
SPAIN - RC		100,000	EUR	154,100	31.12.04	
SWEDEN - GOVT/RC		1,250,000	SEK	212,500	28.12.04	
SWEDEN - GOVT/RC		17,000,000	SEK	2,890,000	29.12.04	
SWEDEN - RC		120,000,000	SEK	20,520,000	11.01.05	
SWEDEN - PRIVATE DONOR		150,000	EUR	231,450	05.01.05	
SWITZERLAND- GOVT/RC				15,938	31.12.04	PROGRAMME SUPPORT/KIND
SWITZERLAND - GOVT/RC				300,000	29.12.04	INDONESIA
SWITZERLAND - PRIVATE DONORS				21,789	05.01.05	
SWITZERLAND - PRIVATE DONORS				1,000	30.12.04	INDIA
SWITZERLAND - PRIVATE DONORS				1,000	30.12.04	SRI LANKA
THAILAND - PRIVATE DONOR		2,485	USD	2,813	05.01.05	INDONESIA, SRI LANKA
TAIWAN RED CROSS ORGANISATION		3,000,000	USD	3,435,000	02.01.05	INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, INDIA
TERRACOTTA CORPORATION				1,000,000	04.01.05	
TUNISIA - PRIVATE DONORS				3,086	11.01.05	
TURKISH - RC		40,000	USD	45,280	04.01.05	INDIA, BANGLADESH, MYANMAR, MALAYSIA
UKRAINE - PRIVATE DONORS				1,000	05.01.05	
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - PRIVATE DONORS		1,485	USD	1,682	30.12.04	
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		500,000	USD	572,500	28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR SRI LANKA, PURCHASE OF RELIEF ITEMS
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		610,000	USD	698,500	28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR INDONESIA, PURCHASE OF RELIEF ITEMS
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		400,000	USD	458,000	28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR INDIA, PURCHASE OF RELIEF ITEMS
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		20,000	USD	22,900	27.12.04	
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		150,000	USD	171,750	28.12.04	MALDIVES

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		120,000	USD	137,400	28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR THAILAND, PURCHASE OF RELIEF ITEMS
USA - PRIVATE DONORS		1,700	USD	1,924	29.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONORS		9,955	USD	11,398	28.12.04	SRI LANKA
USA - PRIVATE DONORS		100,000	USD	113,200	29.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONORS		5,000	USD	5,660	31.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		50,000	USD	56,600	28.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		25,000	USD	28,300	28.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		25,000	USD	28,300	29.12.04	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		25,000	USD	28,300	05.01.05	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		10,000	USD	11,320	06.01.05	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		25,000	USD	28,300	07.01.05	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		10,000	USD	11,320	06.01.05	
USA - PRIVATE DONOR		10,000	USD	11,320	04.01.05	
USAID/OFDA		4,000,000	USD	4,560,000	28.12.04	PMN to be finalised
VIRGIN ISLANDS - PRIVATE DONOR				5,660	07.01.05	
VODAPHONE GROUP FOUNDATION		250,000	GBP	545,250	30.12.04	
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN CASH				108,734,841	CHF	59.3%

## KIND AND SERVICES (INCLUDING PERSONNEL)

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
AUSTRALIA RC	FACT	3	12,000	36,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
BELGIUM - RC/GOVT		218,560	EUR	337,238	31.12.04	500 FAMILY TENTS, 10'600 JERRYCANS (10I), 10'200 JERRYCANS (20I) - FOR SRI LANKA
CANADA RC	FACT	2	12,000	24,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
DENMARK RC	FACT	2	12,000	24,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
DENMARK RC	ERU LOGISTICS	1		250,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, value Danish RC
FINLAND RC	ERU HEALTH	1		512,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
FRANCE RC	ERU HEALTH	1		465,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
FRANCE RC	ERU WATSAN	1		465,000	30.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
FRANCE RC	FACT	2	12,000	24,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
GERMANY RC	FACT	2	12,000	24,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
GERMANY RC	ERU WATSAN + ERU HEALTH	1,475,000	EUR	2,275,925	30.12.04	2 ERU + EQUIPMENT + VEHICLES + TPT - DIRECT ASSISTANCE INDONESIA
GERMANY RC	ERU WATSAN	646,000	EUR	996,778	30.12.04	ERU + EQUIPMENT + VEHICLES + TPT - DIRECT ASSISTANCE SRI LANKA
GERMANY RC	HYGIENE + BAGS	89,600	EUR	138,253	02.01.05	SRI LANKA - DIRECT ASSISTANCE : HYGIENE PACKS, BODY BAGS
GERMANY - RC		170,540	EUR	263,143	03.01.05	SRI LANKA - DIRECT ASSISTANCE : JERRYCANS, KITCHEN SETS, BEDSHEETS
GREAT BRITAIN RC	ERU LOGISTICS	231,194	GBP	504,234	28.12.04	SRI LANKA - DIRECT ASSISTANCE
GREAT BRITAIN RC	FACT	1	12,000	12,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
IRAN RC	RELIEF ITEMS	672,000	USD	759,360	31.12.04	PMN to be finalised
JAPAN RC	FACT	1	12,000	12,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
JAPAN RC	ERU HEALTH	1		512,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
KOREA REP. RC	BLANKETS	90,000	USD	102,600	28.12.04	BILATERAL

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KUWAIT - RC					28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR SRI LANKA: 3500 PCES BLANKETS, 500 PCS KEROSENE LAMPS, 1000 PCES FOOD CANS, 1'095 CART. FOOD
NEW ZEALAND RC	FACT	1	12,000	12,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
NORWAY RC	ERU HEALTH	1		515,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
NORWAY RC		NOK	3,330,000	623,267	30.12.04	PMN to be finalised - JERRY CANS, TENTS, RUB HALLS, BLANKETS + TPT & INSURANCES
NORWAY - GOVT/RC		7,399,801	NOK	1,383,763	02.01.05	JERRY CANS, FAMILY TENTS, RUBHALLS, BODYBAGS, TOYOTA, WATER PURIFICATION
SAUDI ARABIA		USD	2,000,000	2,264,000	30.12.04	INDONESIA VARIOUS SUPPLIES DIRECT
SAUDI ARABIA		USD	800,000	905,000	30.12.04	THAILAND VARIOUS SUPPLIES DIRECT
SAUDI ARABIA		USD	1,200,000	1,358,000	30.12.04	SRI LANKA VARIOUS SUPPLIES DIRECT
SAUDI ARABIA		USD	500,000	566,000	30.12.04	MALDIVES VARIOUS SUPPLIES DIRECT
SPAIN RC	ERU TELECOM	1		155,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
SPAIN RC	FACT	1	12,000	12,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
SPAIN RC	ERU WATSAN			440,000	30.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
SWEDEN RC	ERU WATSAN	1		399,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised, value Swedish RC
SWITZERLAND - RC/GOVT				305,200	31.12.04	SRI LANKA - KITCHEN SETS, SHEETING, TARPULINS, LANTERNS
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES - RC		41,625	USD	47,661	28.12.04	BILATERAL FOR SRI LANKA: BLANKETS, CLOTHES
USA AMCROSS	FACT	2	12,000	24,000	27.12.04	PMN to be finalised
USA AMCROSS	ERU RELIEF	1		500,000	30.12.04	PMN to be finalised, estimated value
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED IN KIND/SERVICES				17,247,422	CHF	9.4%

## ADDITIONAL TO APPEAL BUDGET

DONOR	CATEGORY	QUANTITY	UNIT	VALUE CHF	DATE	COMMENT
AUSTRIA RC	SUPPORT TEAMS	142,103	EUR	220,075	03.01.05	
SUB/TOTAL RECEIVED				220,075	CHF	