

# FINAL REPORT



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## SRI LANKA - DROUGHT

9 January 2003

**Appeal No. 18/2002; Launched on: 1 July 2002 for 9 months for CHF 2,457,000 to assist 18,000 beneficiaries. Budget decreased to CHF 1,748,000.**

**Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) Allocated: CHF 200,000  
Appeal coverage: 36.3%**

**Related Appeals: 01.29/2002 Sri Lanka Annual Appeal, 01.24/2002 South Asia Regional Appeal**

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### Summary

This is the final report to mark the completion of all the activities under this appeal. The operation was closed in February. However activities including the construction of four water tanks were not completed and an interim final report was posted in June 2003.

Through this appeal, and based on funding available, it was planned to support 3,000 families by providing food packets and water distribution to seven divisional areas of the Hambantota district and to carry out preventive health care activities. The operation also included demonstrating long-term water conservation practices in ten schools by constructing rain-water harvesting water storage tanks.

The construction of rain-water harvesting tanks in ten schools was completed in the first week of December 2003, which marks the completion of all the activities originally planned under the appeal.

The construction of irrigation tanks as a longer term drought mitigation measures to strengthen community level coping mechanisms, using the remaining funds after closure of the appeal in April, was also completed.

Red Cross volunteers trained under the drought relief operation were effectively and smoothly deployed by the Sri Lanka Red Cross to carry out the floods and landslides relief operation for the affected population in Hambantota.

In May heavy rain in southern districts, and its aftermath, significantly impeded the progress of construction of the remaining rain-water harvesting tanks and irrigation water tanks in Hambantota. The emergency relief and rehabilitation activities in response to the floods and landslides disaster also over-burdened the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society (SLRCS) both at the national headquarters and Hambantota branch. With the increased supervision from the national headquarters, the national society completed these tasks by early December.

### Coordination

The drought relief operation offered many advocacy opportunities to connect learning, from multi-institutional responses to the need to establish a national disaster management plan, now drafted by the National Disaster Management Centre of the government. Close coordination initiated during the drought operation was carried through during the new emergency operation for the floods and landslides in the middle of 2003.

## **Objectives, achievements, impact**

### **Food Supply**

**Objective 1: To distribute food to 3,000 families for nine months.**

**Activity 1: Personnel from the NHQ of the Sri Lanka Red Cross, Hambantota Red Cross branch and a Federation delegate will conduct a rapid assessment to identify 1,000 of the most vulnerable families in the district. This will be completed before mid July, with an immediate first food distribution to these families by end of July.**

This activity has been completed (see operations update no 1).

**Activity 2: Food will be procured and distributed to a further 2,000 families starting first week of August until end of February 2003 (four distributions with each distribution consisting of a two month supply and a final distribution of a one month supply).**

This activity has been completed (see interim final report).

**Activity 3: The warehouse currently available in the district will be upgraded and repaired to provide a storage area for relief and food stocks.**

This activity has been completed (see interim final report).

### **Health/Water and Sanitation**

This activity has been completed (see interim final report).

**Objective 2: To provide drinking water to ten water collection containers at ten schools including rainwater harvesting system and hand pump.**

**Activity 1: Personnel from the NHQ of the Sri Lanka Red Cross and Hambantota Red Cross branch will identify the ten most suitable schools, in the worst affected areas, to receive water tanks. School assessment will be based on the scarcity of water, quality of the school's roof to maximise run-off catchments, the distance of the school from the village, and the availability of volunteers in the area for maintenance of the tanks and pumps.**

This activity has been completed. (See operation update no.2)

**Activity 2: Construction of water collection tanks by the end of August.**

Construction of rain-water harvesting tanks of 30,000 litres capacity started on 14 February 2003. The construction schedule was severely impeded by the heavy flooding which hit the southern districts of Sri Lanka including Hambantota in May. This led to delays in completion of the activity. Construction of rain-water harvesting tanks and rehabilitation of irrigation tanks was finalised in early December.

Water harvesting tanks are in place in the following schools:

1. Boondala Junior Vidyalaya
2. Gonnoruwa Junior Vidyalaya
3. Keliyapura Junior Vidyalaya
4. Angunakolawewa Junior Vidyalaya
5. Mahaaluthgamara Junior Vidyalaya
6. Sooriyawewa Wedigamwewa Vidyalaya
7. Ranmuduwewa Primary School
8. Weliwewa Primary School
9. Palathuduwa Vidyalaya
10. Wagegoda Vidyalaya

## Irrigation Tanks

1. Bandagiriya Kudawewa
2. Swarnamalee wewa
3. Sooriyapokunawewa
4. Nonagamwewa
5. Katunayayawewa
6. Madamayalanda Huniyampolawewa
7. Dambethalawawewa

**Activity 3: Bowsering (tankering) water to these water points will begin in mid-July. In the first month, while tanks are being constructed, water will be distributed directly from bowser. Browsers will deposit water directly into the tanks once construction is complete. This activity will continue until the first rains appear in November/December. The contract is to be renewed on a monthly basis until the rains start but with a maximum of five months.**

This activity has been completed. (see operations update no.2 and interim final report).

**Activity 4: The system will be maintained by volunteers throughout the project.**

Red Cross volunteers trained under the drought relief operation continued essential activities and were deployed in the May floods and landslides operation.

**Objective 3: To disseminate sanitation and health practices through a sustainable network of volunteers targeting female heads of families.**

**Activity 1: The Sri Lanka Red Cross will train 40 volunteers in Community Based Health and First Aid (CBFA) and provide them with a first aid kit, a bicycle and dissemination material. Two of these volunteers will be selected to be trained as trainers in order to facilitate further development of the volunteer pool.**

This activity has been completed. (see operations update no.2)

## **National Society Capacity Building**

A vulnerability and capacity assessment (VCA) workshop for 28 volunteers and a training session on regional disaster response for 35 participants was held in Hambantota, which resulted in an improved response by the Hambantota branch staff and volunteers throughout the operation and also during the floods and landslides relief operation.

## **Federation Delegation**

The role of the Federation delegation in Sri Lanka as well as of the regional delegation in Delhi in providing support to the SLRCS was successfully demonstrated in the facilitation of national level coordination meetings with other international and local non-government organisations and UN family agencies during the drought and succeeding flood relief operations.

## **Advocacy/Public Information**

Media interest sustained throughout the drought operation continued during the floods and landslides disaster response by the Red Cross.

## **Outstanding needs**

There are no outstanding needs as all activities under this operation have been completed.

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

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**Appeal No & title: 18/2002 Sri Lanka drought**

Period: 2002 - 2003 up to 10/12

Project(s): PLK507

Currency: CHF

**I - CONSOLIDATED RESPONSE TO APPEAL**

FUNDING	CASH		KIND & SERVICES		TOTAL INCOME
	Contributions	Comments	Goods/Services	Personnel	
Appeal budget	1,748,000				
less					
Cash brought forward					
<b>TOTAL ASSISTANCE SOUGHT</b>	<b>1,748,000</b>				
<i>Contributions from Donors</i>					
British Red Cross (DNGB)	64,207				64,207
Japanese Red Cross (DNJP)	120,321				120,321
Monaco Red Cross (DNMC)	14,698				14,698
Private Donors-online donations (DPOLD)	443				443
Red Crescent of Islamic Rep. of Iran (DNIR)	3,656				3,656
Republic of Korea Red Cross (DNKR)	20,000				20,000
Swedish Govt.via Swedish Red Cross (DGNSE)	103,326				103,326
Swiss Govt.via Swiss Red Cross (DGNCH)	200,000				200,000
United Arab Emirates Red Crescent (DNAE)	7,347				7,347
IRANIAN - RC			73,110		73,110
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>533,999</b>		<b>73,110</b>		<b>607,109</b>

**II - Balance of funds**

OPENING	
CASH INCOME Rcv'd	533,999
CASH EXPENDITURE	-533,999
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CASH BALANCE	0

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**III - Budget analysis / Breakdown of expenditures**

Description	APPEAL Budget	CASH Expenditures	KIND & SERVICES		TOTAL Expenditures	Variance
			Goods/services	Personnel		
<u>SUPPLIES</u>						
Shelter & Construction						
Clothing & Textiles						
Food & Seeds	1,265,000	233,295			233,295	1,031,705
Water & sanitation	56,000	117,930			117,930	-61,930
Medical & First Aid	6,000					6,000
Teaching materials	1,000					1,000
Utensils & Tools						
Other relief supplies			73,110		73,110	-73,110
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1,328,000</b>	<b>351,225</b>	<b>73,110</b>		<b>424,335</b>	<b>903,665</b>
<u>CAPITAL EXPENSES</u>						
Land & Buildings						
Vehicles	38,000	44,069			44,069	-6,069
Computers & Telecom equip.	2,000	2,128			2,128	-128
Medical equipment						
Other capital expenditures	8,000	2,250			2,250	5,750
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>48,000</b>	<b>48,448</b>			<b>48,448</b>	<b>-448</b>
<u>TRANSPORT &amp; STORAGE</u>	96,000	21,690			21,690	74,310
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>96,000</b>	<b>21,690</b>			<b>21,690</b>	<b>74,310</b>
<u>PERSONNEL</u>						
Personnel (delegates)	42,000	12,057			12,057	29,943
Personnel (national staff)	13,000	10,690			10,690	2,310
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>55,000</b>	<b>22,747</b>			<b>22,747</b>	<b>32,253</b>
<u>GENERAL &amp; ADMINISTRATION</u>						
Assessment/Monitoring/experts		819			819	-819
Travel & related expenses	2,000	4,666			4,666	-2,666
Information expenses	9,000	4,687			4,687	4,313
Admin./general expenses	18,000	31,421			31,421	-13,421
External workshops & Seminars		28			28	-28
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>29,000</b>	<b>41,620</b>			<b>41,620</b>	<b>-12,620</b>
<u>PROGRAMME SUPPORT</u>						
Programme management	118,000	37,259			37,259	80,741
Technical services	35,000	5,220			5,220	29,780
Professional services	39,000	5,790			5,790	33,210
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>192,000</b>	<b>48,269</b>			<b>48,269</b>	<b>143,731</b>
Operational provisions						
Transfers to National Societies						
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>1,748,000</b>	<b>533,999</b>	<b>73,110</b>		<b>607,109</b>	<b>1,140,891</b>