

# DREF operation final report



International Federation  
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

## Guinea Conakry: Floods

DREF operation n° MDRGN003

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The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent (IFRC) Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) is a source of un-earmarked money created by the Federation in 1985 to ensure that immediate financial support is available for Red Cross Red Crescent response to emergencies. The DREF is a vital part of the International Federation's disaster response system and increases the ability of National Societies to respond to disasters.

**Summary: CHF 174,302 has been allocated from the IFRC's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support Red Cross Society of Guinea in delivering immediate assistance to 1,000 families most affected by the 2010 floods.**

A [DREF Operations Update](#) was issued on 21 January 2011 to announce an extension of the operation for an additional 3 months, until 30 April 2011.

This DREF allocation has contributed to reducing the vulnerability of 1,000 families through the distribution of non-food items. Families were also sensitized on water-borne diseases, hygiene practices, malaria and the use of mosquito nets. Some 375 displaced families were provided with shelter kits and have also been sensitized on more sustainable construction methods. This project has enabled the Red Cross Society of

Guinea (RCSG) to provide assistance to the most vulnerable people affected by the floods on one side, and on the other side it has improved its image vis-à-vis communities and authorities.

The RCSG provided non-food items, carried out awareness raising campaigns in communities and built 40 latrines for families whose houses were destroyed in Kouremalé in the Prefecture of Siguiiri. The staff of the RCSG has solid experience in the area of distribution and sensitization to hygiene practices and water-borne diseases, and in advocacy for the use of more sustainable construction methods. For a more effective implementation of the DREF, the Federation requested a Regional Disaster Response Team (RDRT) member specialized in shelter from the Burkinabe Red Cross to assist the RCSG in sensitizing people to more sustainable construction methods.

The major donors and partners of DREF include the Australian, American and Belgian governments, the Austrian Red Cross, the Canadian Red Cross and government, Danish Red Cross and government, the European Commission Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO), the Irish and the Italian governments, the Japanese Red Cross Society, the Luxembourg government, the Monaco Red Cross and government, the Netherlands Red Cross and government, the Norwegian Red Cross and government, the Spanish Government, the Swedish Red Cross and government, the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID), the Medtronic and Z Zurich Foundations, and other corporate and private donors. The IFRC, on behalf of the National Society, would like to extend thanks to all for their generous contributions.



The Guinean Red Cross Society volunteers distributing relief materials/RCSG

Details of all contributions to the DREF for 2010 can be found on:  
[http://www.ifrc.org/docs/appeals/Active/MAA00010\\_2010.pdf](http://www.ifrc.org/docs/appeals/Active/MAA00010_2010.pdf) and for 2011 on:  
[http://www.ifrc.org/docs/appeals/Active/MAA00010\\_2011.pdf](http://www.ifrc.org/docs/appeals/Active/MAA00010_2011.pdf)

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## The situation

The year 2010 was marked by a series of natural and human disasters in the Republic of Guinea, which have caused major damage and left thousands of households without any livelihood. Floods have badly hit several cities, namely Conakry, Forécariah, Fria, Téliélé, Mamou, Kankan, Siguiri and Lola and affected more than 5,500 persons between July and October 2010.

In compliance with its mandate of helping alleviate the sufferings of the most vulnerable populations, the RCSG deployed its volunteers to provide assistance to the affected people and assess the damage. The outcomes of their evaluation were forwarded to the National Bureau, which, in turn, shared them with their humanitarian partners. Given the extent of damages and the huge number of flood affected people, the RCSG launched a DREF operation with the support of the IFRC, targeting 1,500 households. The DREF was finally approved for a target of 1,000 households. The RCSG therefore selected four cities among the most affected: Mamou, Lola, Kankan and Siguiri. The targeted households were selected as follows: 74 in Mamou, 157 in Lola, 280 in Kankan and 489 in Siguiri. The project aimed at reducing the vulnerability of the flood affected people in these various cities. The implementation of the DREF started in January 2011.

## Red Cross and Red Crescent action

A new team was set up and trained by an RDRT member to enhance their capacity in disaster response by introducing IFRC disaster management tools. In cognisance of the difficulties the National Society is currently facing in managing emergencies, an RDRT member was deployed in March 2011 for three weeks to help in supporting in implementation of the shelter activities as well as in reporting. The National Society also has distributed prepositioned NFIs whilst mobilizing resources for additional needs.

## Achievements against outcomes

Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items)	
<b>Outcome: To contribute to the reduction of the vulnerability of 1,000 families with the provision of relief materials.</b>	
Expected results	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relief items are procured and distributed to 1,000 families.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Procure, transport, warehouse and distribute 2,000 blankets; 2,000 sleeping mats for 1,000 families;</li> <li>Procure and utilize boots, bibs, rain coats for 50 volunteers covering all flood affected localities;</li> <li>Conduct integrated refreshment training for 50 volunteers on relief distribution, health and care, water and sanitation</li> </ul>

### Achievements:

- Non-food items were distributed to some 1,000 vulnerable floods affected families in Mamou, Lola, Kankan and Siguiri. These items included jerry cans, blankets, sleeping mats, mosquito nets, tarpaulins, shelter kits, buckets, aquatabs and soap.
- Shelter kits were also distributed to 375 displaced families in Siguiri (Kourémalé, Maléa and Norassoba). Note that shelter activities were combined with distribution of relief items.

In Mamou ten volunteers were identified to receive training on distribution methods of non-food items. The training was led by the Head of the Disaster Management and Risk Reduction Department and a unit head.

The first round of distribution of non-food items to the floods affected populations was successful; indeed, it was based on total transparency and all recipients got what they were expected.

- **Lola**

Officials hailed in turn the Red Cross efforts in emergency situations. Volunteers' training to distribution methods was then held at the committee's headquarters. Its purpose was to make them familiar with distribution methods for improved effectiveness. Recipients said this was the most successful distribution session they had ever experienced in the Prefecture of Lola. This should be a good reason for the Red Cross to even improve on its success.

- **Kankan**

The mission team made up of the Head of the Disaster Management and Risk Reduction Department, the Head of the Health and Community Care Department and a representative of the GCRR Unit went to Siguiiri. The objective of the mission was to go to Kourémalé in the sub-prefecture of Doko to evaluate the possibilities of building latrines. Kourémalé is one of the five villages devastated by the 2010 floods in Siguiiri. A technician from GCRR was appointed to carry out the field mission. Many households had lost their houses, wells and latrines. They have been all temporarily sheltered by neighbours until they finish rebuilding their houses. Twenty volunteers from the Kankan PCR have been trained on distribution techniques and deployed in the target areas to inform the affected people about the day of the sensitization campaign and distribution activities. Door-to-door information sessions were also carried out the day after, with a view to reaching all target people. The programme was articulated around two stages: sensitization to the principles of hygiene and the use of the kits.

- **Siguiiri**

The Prefecture of Siguiiri was also badly affected by the series of floods that hit the country in 2010. Five villages were devastated: Kourémalé, Maléa, Norassoba, Djomabana and Nounkounkan and 600 households had been affected by the floods. The Guinea Red Cross had to prioritize as part of its assistance programme by selecting 489 households in Kourémalé, Maléa and Norassoba. A team was therefore deployed to Siguiiri as part of the programme of distribution of non-food item kits to the affected populations; 25 volunteers were trained to distribution methods. Distribution activities started in the district of Kourémalé, in the sub-préfecture of Doko on 23 January, 2011. In the district of Kourémalé, 160 households had been affected by the floods. Recipients and authorities expressed their satisfaction to the Red Cross.

The team in charge of sensitizing the flood affected people to the principles of hygiene had started their training while the distribution team was preparing kits. The sub-prefecture of Norassoba which is located 95 km from the city of Siguiiri was also targeted to benefit from the assistance.

- **Djomabana**

The Red Cross' initial plan to provide assistance to flood affected people was initially limited to Kouremalé, Maléa and Norassoba. But given that some people did not show up in some of these towns, the distribution team, after consultation with Red Cross prefecture committee of Siguiiri and the Guinea Red Cross, decided to also cover the village of Djomabana, which was hit by the floods. The list of those affected was also available, thus offering of relief assistance was not challenge. The committee thus made a radio newscast to inform populations and authorities before getting there. There were only 40 households that had been affected by the floods and the remaining stock could therefore accommodate all households.

<b>Emergency health</b>	
<b>Outcome 1: To contribute to the prevention of diarrheal and other communicable diseases among 1,000 most vulnerable families in the affected localities</b>	
<b>Expected results</b>	<b>Activities planned:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The risks of diarrheal and other communicable diseases are reduced for the most affected communities and the health status of the community is improved.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with trained volunteers on health preventive measures on diarrheal and other communicable diseases;</li> <li>• Provide information, education and communication; (IEC) materials for health, water, sanitation and risk reduction sensitization activities</li> </ul>
<b>Outcome 2: To reduce the morbidity and mortality attributable to malaria among 1,000 displaced families.</b>	
<b>Expected results</b>	<b>Activities planned:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,000 displaced families by floods are reached by volunteers disseminating messages regarding malaria and distribution of LLIN,</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procure and distribute 2,000 mosquito nets for 1,000 flood displaced families;</li> <li>• Disseminate key messages concerning LLIN</li> </ul>

usage, and assist in the correct hanging.	use and malaria (targeting pregnant women and caretakers for children under five years); <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procure nail and strings for mosquito nets hang-up campaign for 1,000 affected families</li> </ul>
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**Achievements:**

- The flood affected communities in Mamou, Lola, Kankan and Siguiri were sensitized to the risks of diarrheal diseases and other water-borne diseases;
- Communities were sensitized to malaria prevention methods, and also to hygiene and sanitation methods;
- All flood affected people in the cities targeted by the project were trained on how to obtain potable water;
- 40 displaced families of Kourémalé were provided with latrines.

**Communications/IT/Reporting**

**Outcome: Contribute to the improvement of the capacity of the National Society to engage in social mobilization to reach families affected by the floods and to ensure timely reporting and the monitoring of activities.**

<b>Expected results</b>	<b>Activities planned:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Populations at risk are sensitized on flood detection, evacuation and risks reduction associated with floods</li> <li>• Timely and accurate reports are prepared and shared.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reinforce MRCS social mobilization capacities;</li> <li>• Reinforce MRCS in the sensitization of affected populations.</li> <li>• Share information with all partners and prepare timely reports;</li> <li>• The National Society to report on the activities carried out;</li> <li>• Regional monitoring visits are carried out during the DREF implementation</li> </ul>

**Achievements:**

All activities related to the response to floods disaster were covered by the media. Activities were filmed and testimonies were collected.

**Water, sanitation, and hygiene promotion**

**Outcome: To contribute to the improvement of access to clean water, hygiene and sanitation facilities for 1,000 most vulnerable affected families.**

<b>Expected results</b>	<b>activities planned</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1,000 families affected by floods in</li> <li>• the localities have access to clean water, hygiene and sanitation facilities.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procure and distribute 45,000 purification tablets for 1,000 affected families for a period of two months;</li> <li>• Procure and distribute 1,000 buckets and 1,000 jerry cans for 1,000 affected families;</li> <li>• Procure and distribute 9,000 bars of soap for 1,000 families;</li> <li>• Procure detergents and disinfect flooded latrines and wells; Construct 50 severely damaged family latrines for the most vulnerable families affected by the floods and have no access to proper latrines due to damage;</li> <li>• Procure and distribute 1,000 hygiene kits for 1,000 affected families;</li> <li>• Conduct hygiene promotion for families affected by floods</li> </ul>

**Achievements:**

The above mentioned activities were carried out by the health and community care department of the Guinea Red Cross. For more details on relief items distribution kindly refer to [Operations Update No 1](#)

- **Training of volunteers**

After preparing the training manual and sensitization tools, the head of the health department proceeded to a three day training for 75 volunteers as follows: 13 in Mamou, 12 in Lola, 25 in Kankan and 25 in Siguiri. By January 2011, all the targeted volunteers had been trained in each of the CPCR of Mamou, Lola, Kankan and Siguiri. The topics included interpersonal communication (IPC); educational talks on diarrhoea, cholera, malaria, the use of insecticide treated bed nets and the applications on PHAST analytical tools. The trainers used participatory method of training which focused on discussions, debates, group work and simulations. The training ended with a final evaluation and all participants were deemed able to carry out sensitization work in their native language.

- **Sensitization of households for hygiene promotion**

The trained volunteers were provided with tools and sensitization materials. In each flood affected area, volunteers carried out sensitization work among 1,500 households for two days through door-to-door. Mass awareness-raising campaigns were organized on distribution sites using megaphones.

- **Support and follow up on bed nets hang up**

Trained volunteers distributed mosquito bed nets and have torn off the packaging just before these were handed over to beneficiaries, so that they could not be sold. Volunteers also helped the beneficiaries hang up their mosquito bed nets.

- **Building of 40 family latrines**

The needs assessment exercise revealed that there were greater needs in the area of Kouremalé. A call for tenders was therefore initiated which enabled the selection of a company. Since demand was greater than supply, recipients were selected on the basis of specific criteria. A total of 40 slabs were built and distributed to the community of Kouremalé.

## How we work

All IFRC assistance seeks to adhere to the [Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations \(NGO's\) in Disaster Relief](#) and the [Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response \(Sphere\)](#) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

The IFRC's vision is to inspire, encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by National Societies, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

The IFRC's work is guided by [Strategy 2020](#) which puts forward three strategic aims:

1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

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MDRGN003 - Guinea - Floods

Appeal Launch Date: 08 oct 10

Appeal Timeframe: 08 oct 10 to 08 jan 11

Final Report

Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2010/10-2011/6
Budget Timeframe	2010/10-2011/4
Appeal	MDRGN003
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

## I. Consolidated Funding

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
<b>A. Budget</b>	<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>
<b>B. Opening Balance</b>	<b>0</b>					<b>0</b>
<b>Income</b>						
<u>Other Income</u>						
<i>DREF Allocations</i>	174,302					174,302
<b>C4. Other Income</b>	<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>
<b>C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4)</b>	<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>
<b>D. Total Funding = B + C</b>	<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>
<b>Appeal Coverage</b>	<b>100%</b>					<b>100%</b>

## II. Movement of Funds

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
<b>B. Opening Balance</b>	<b>0</b>					<b>0</b>
<b>C. Income</b>	<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>
<b>E. Expenditure</b>	<b>-173,333</b>					<b>-173,333</b>
<b>F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)</b>	<b>969</b>					<b>969</b>

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### III. Consolidated Expenditure vs. Budget

Account Groups	Budget	Expenditure					TOTAL	Variance
		Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination		
A							B	A - B
<b>BUDGET (C)</b>		<b>174,302</b>					<b>174,302</b>	
<b>Relief items, Construction, Supplies</b>								
Shelter - Relief	41,288	40,817				40,817	470	
Construction Materials		81				81	-81	
Clothing & textiles	21,441	29,136				29,136	-7,695	
Water, Sanitation & Hygiene	20,663	21,291				21,291	-629	
Teaching Materials	1,773						1,773	
Utensils & Tools	16,220	7,286				7,286	8,934	
Other Supplies & Services	9,000	799				799	8,201	
<b>Total Relief items, Construction, Supplies</b>	<b>110,384</b>	<b>99,411</b>				<b>99,411</b>	<b>10,973</b>	
<b>Logistics, Transport &amp; Storage</b>								
Storage	1,050	708				708	342	
Distribution & Monitoring	2,600	9,287				9,287	-6,687	
Transport & Vehicle Costs	14,415	5,970				5,970	8,445	
Logistics Services		1,319				1,319	-1,319	
<b>Total Logistics, Transport &amp; Storage</b>	<b>18,065</b>	<b>17,284</b>				<b>17,284</b>	<b>781</b>	
<b>Personnel</b>								
International Staff	21,000	110				110	20,890	
National Staff		1,942				1,942	-1,942	
National Society Staff	5,625	3,317				3,317	2,308	
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>26,625</b>	<b>5,368</b>				<b>5,368</b>	<b>21,257</b>	
<b>Consultants &amp; Professional Fees</b>								
Consultants		1,162				1,162	-1,162	
<b>Total Consultants &amp; Professional Fees</b>		<b>1,162</b>				<b>1,162</b>	<b>-1,162</b>	
<b>Workshops &amp; Training</b>								
Workshops & Training	5,750	7,950				7,950	-2,200	
<b>Total Workshops &amp; Training</b>	<b>5,750</b>	<b>7,950</b>				<b>7,950</b>	<b>-2,200</b>	
<b>General Expenditure</b>								
Travel	1,000	7,829				7,829	-6,829	
Information & Public Relation	400	2,194				2,194	-1,794	
Office Costs	1,440	3,712				3,712	-2,272	
Communications		932				932	-932	
Financial Charges		14,369				14,369	-14,369	
Other General Expenses		2,542				2,542	-2,542	
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>2,840</b>	<b>31,580</b>				<b>31,580</b>	<b>-28,740</b>	
<b>Indirect Costs</b>								
Programme & Service Support	10,638	10,579				10,579	59	
<b>Total Indirect Costs</b>	<b>10,638</b>	<b>10,579</b>				<b>10,579</b>	<b>59</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)</b>	<b>174,302</b>	<b>173,333</b>				<b>173,333</b>	<b>969</b>	
<b>VARIANCE (C - D)</b>		<b>969</b>				<b>969</b>		