

# DREF operation update



International Federation  
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

## India: Floods

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20 December 2010

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 and Red Crescent emergency response. 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.

**Period covered by this update:**  
20 October to 20 December 2010.

**Summary:** CHF 358,313 (USD364,547 or EUR 270,543) was allocated from the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent's (IFRC) Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) on 30 September 2010 to support the Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) in delivering assistance to some 25,000 beneficiaries (5,000 families), or to replenish disaster preparedness stocks.

During the reporting period, based on the requests Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, the IRCS national headquarters released stocks from its strategically located warehouses. District branches have in turn received the relief supplies and the distribution of these stocks is in progress.

The Canadian Red Cross/government made contributions towards the replenishment of the DREF for the allocation made to this operation.

This operation is expected to be implemented in four months, and completed by 30 January 2010. In line with the IFRC reporting standards, the Final Report (narrative and financial) is due 90 days after the end of the operation (by 30 April 2010).

IFRC, on behalf of the Indian Red Cross Society, would like to thank all partners for their generous contribution to this operation.

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Distribution of family pack items to the flood affected population in Bihar . Photo: Indian Red Cross Society.

## The situation

This DREF has been launched to support the ongoing relief efforts in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Bihar following severe flooding which affected more than 3 million people.

State	Affected Population
Uttar Pradesh	1,345,183
Uttarakhand	1,200,000
Bihar	722,000

*Source: Media and Ministry of Home Affairs*

Though a large number of people were affected, the Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) initially decided to assist 5,000 families (25,000 individuals) based on the assessment reports, capacities and requests for assistance from the state branches.

The Indian government and the effected state governments were quick to respond to the disaster with emergency supplies and cash grants to those most affected. The IRCS national headquarters and its state and district branches analyzed the unfolding situation in coordination with local authorities and decided to scale down its operations. Relief supplies have been released based on needs assessed from the field and adjustments in relief items and the quantities planned for distribution.

The Uttarakhand state branch has been working in Bageshwar, Pithoragarh, Uttarkashi, Udham Singh Nagar, Haridwar and Almora through its network of district branches and volunteers. They have distributed relief supplies of family tents, garments, woolen blankets in addition to food parcels. The district branches are also conducting health checks in camps for the flood affected people with the help of its volunteers. Medicines are being distributed through local health authorities.

The Uttar Pradesh state branch and its district branches have mobilized locally additional relief supplies which include food and non food items and are been distributed with the relief supplies received from the national headquarters and is in progress.

The Bihar state branch through its Siwan, Saharsa, Chapara, Gopalganj and Mujaffarpur district branches has continued to extend relief to the flood affected people. The distribution of relief supplies in these districts is in the final stage.

## Coordination and partnerships

Being an auxiliary to the government, IRCS is complimenting and supplementing the efforts of the state governments and district authorities.

The beneficiaries are being identified in close coordination with the district authorities in order to reach the most needy, and vulnerable flood affected families in order to avoid duplication of work.

Remaining neutral and independent, IRCS will continue to assist flood affected population in Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Uttarakhand.

IRCS national headquarters and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) have been conducting regular coordination meetings for quick decisions and to monitor the on-going relief operation.

The Movement partners in the country are also being informed about the progress of the ongoing relief operations.

## Red Cross and Red Crescent action

### Progress towards objectives

#### Relief distributions (basic non-food and emergency shelter items)

**Objective: To assist up to 25,000 flood affected people (5,000 families) in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Bihar with non-food items.**

**Activities planned:**

- Develop beneficiary targeting strategy and registration system to deliver intended assistance.
- Distribute relief supplies and control supply movements from point of dispatch to end user.
- Monitor and evaluate the relief activities and provide reporting on relief distributions.
- Replenishment of 5,000 family pack items. (Each family pack consists of kitchen set, dhoti/lungee, saree, blanket, bed sheet, towel, tarpaulin, plastic mug.) The replenishment of these family pack items are done in accordance to IFRC procurement procedures.
- Transportation of family packs item from the regional warehouse to Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, and Bihar until it reaches beneficiaries.

**Progress and impact:** Based on the recommendation of the rapid assessment reports and requests of state branches following relief supplies have been dispatched by IRCS national headquarters to the state branches from Bahadurgarh and Salt Lake warehouses:

Relief Items	Uttarakhand	Bihar	Uttar Pradesh	Total
Tarpaulin	1,000	0	1,000	2,000
Woollen Blankets	1,000	0	1,000	2,000
Sarees	1,000	2,500	1,000	4,500
Kitchen Sets	1,000	500	0	1,500
Plastic buckets	1,000	2,500	0	3,500
Bed sheets	1,000	2,500	0	3,500
Towels	1,000	2,500	0	3,500
Kerosene stove	1,000	0	0	1,000
Cotton Blankets	0	2,500	0	2,500
Gents Dhoties	0	2,500	1,000	3,500
Mosquito nets	0	2,500	0	2,500
Tents	50	0	0	50
New Garments	500	0	0	500

IRCS has revised its target beneficiaries from 25,000 (5,000 families) to 17,500 (3,500 families) as beneficiaries' needs in the field have changed drastically after considering the domestic assistance rendered.

The relief supplies were sent to the state branches with the free rail transport facility available with IRCS. The family packs are being distributed at the district level. The distribution of the relief supplies is taking place in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand. As there is no further request from the state branches, IRCS national headquarters will not release relief supplies.

The following replenishment of relief items has been planned. The relief items like gents' dhoti, cotton blankets, towels, bed sheets, and plastic buckets will be procured locally while the others will be procured through the Regional Logistics Unit in Kuala Lumpur.

Relief Items to be replenished	
Relief item	Quantity
Tarpaulin	2,000
Woollen blankets	2,000
Sarees	4,500
Kitchen sets	1,500
Plastic buckets	3,500
Bed sheets	3,500
Towels	3,500
Kerosene stove	1,000

Cotton blankets	2,500
Gents' dhoties	3,500
Mosquito nets	2,500

### **Capacity Building and technical support**

**Objective: To build the capacity of the community and state and affected branches in disaster response.**

#### **Activities planned:**

- Conduct a joint (IFRC and IRCS) rapid emergency needs and capacity assessments.
- Provide technical support in conducting assessments, resource mobilization, information dissemination, reporting, relief distribution and community empowerment.
- Mobilize the national disaster response team to support the state and district branches with coordination and response operation.

#### **Progress and impact:**

- The IFRC and IRCS joint rapid assessments have been completed in Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh from 5 to 9 October 2010.
- The services of state disaster response team members are taken for the distribution of the relief supplies in Bihar and Uttarakhand.

## 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 \(NGOs\) in Disaster Relief](#) and the [Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response \(Sphere\)](#) in delivering 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 nonviolence and peace.

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MDRIN006 - India - Floods

Interim Financial Report

Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2010/9-2010/11
Budget Timeframe	2010/9-2011/1
Appeal	MDRIN006
Budget	APPEAL

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

## I. Consolidated Response to Appeal

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
<b>A. Budget</b>	358,313					358,313
<b>B. Opening Balance</b>	0					0
<b>Income</b>						
<u>Other Income</u>						
<i>Voluntary Income</i>	358,313					358,313
<b>C6. Other Income</b>	358,313					358,313
<b>C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C6)</b>	358,313					358,313
<b>D. Total Funding = B + C</b>	358,313					358,313
<b>Appeal Coverage</b>	100%					100%

## II. Balance of Funds

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
<b>B. Opening Balance</b>	0					0
<b>C. Income</b>	358,313					358,313
<b>E. Expenditure</b>	-1,822					-1,822
<b>F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)</b>	356,491					356,491

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**III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure**

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>358,313</b>					<b>358,313</b>	
<b>Supplies</b>								
Clothing & textiles	139,778						139,778	
Utensils & Tools	133,333						133,333	
Other Supplies & Services	22,222						22,222	
<b>Total Supplies</b>	<b>295,333</b>						<b>295,333</b>	
<b>Transport &amp; Storage</b>								
Distribution & Monitoring	22,222						22,222	
<b>Total Transport &amp; Storage</b>	<b>22,222</b>						<b>22,222</b>	
<b>Workshops &amp; Training</b>								
Workshops & Training	8,889						8,889	
<b>Total Workshops &amp; Training</b>	<b>8,889</b>						<b>8,889</b>	
<b>General Expenditure</b>								
Travel	6,667	1,711				1,711	4,956	
Information & Public Relation	1,111						1,111	
Office Costs	500						500	
Communications	1,500						1,500	
Other General Expenses	222						222	
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>1,711</b>				<b>1,711</b>	<b>8,289</b>	
<b>Programme &amp; Service Support</b>								
Programme & Service Support	21,869	111				111	21,758	
<b>Total Programme &amp; Service Support</b>	<b>21,869</b>	<b>111</b>				<b>111</b>	<b>21,758</b>	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)</b>	<b>358,313</b>	<b>1,822</b>				<b>1,822</b>	<b>356,491</b>	
<b>VARIANCE (C - D)</b>		<b>356,491</b>				<b>356,491</b>		