

# DREF operation



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of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

## Tanzania: Explosion

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The International Federation's 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.

**CHF 36,210 has been allocated from the Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to 1,000 beneficiaries. Unearmarked funds to repay the DREF are encouraged.**

**Summary:** On 16 February 2011 an explosion occurred at a government storage facility located at Gongo la Mboti Suburb on the outskirts of Dar es Salaam City. The explosion resulted in 27 deaths and approximately 500 persons were injured. An estimated 200 homes were either destroyed or severely damaged. The Tanzania Red Cross Society (TRCS) is responding with support of the International Federation and other partners to the immediate needs of 1,000 beneficiaries.

This operation is expected to be implemented over a 1-month period, with an anticipated completion date of 31 March 2011. A Final Report will be made available three months after the completion of the operation (30 June, 2011)



Above is a section of displaced population at the National Stadium/Holding Center immediately after the explosions (Photo/TRCS)

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## The situation

A series of explosions began at around 20:00 hours on 16 February 2011 near Gongo la Mboti suburb and the surrounding areas of Dar es Salaam and continued for approximately three hours. Gongo la Mboti Suburb is located 20 kilometres from the city centre and approximately 5 kilometres from Julius Nyerere International Airport. It is estimated that 500 people sustained injuries and have received treatment at municipal hospitals and clinics located in Temeke, Amana and in the Muhimbili Districts. A total of 27 fatalities have been recorded. The Tanzania Government confirmed the explosions at the military base and instructed residents in the immediate vicinity to vacate the area in the shortest time possible. A rapid assessment conducted by the government indicates that over 200 homes were damaged; some beyond repair, displacing approximately 200 families (1,000 people).

## Coordination and partnerships

Tanzania Red Cross is working closely with the Government's Disaster Management Department as well as the Ministry of Health (MoH) to provide First Aid and medical assistance to the injured. The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) provided USD 6,566 to support the immediate operational costs, while other in country partners and well wishers provided supplies, which included mineral water and packed juices as well as dry rations such as breads and biscuits. The Tanzania Scouts also deployed a number of Scouts who are working together with the National Society volunteers. Tanzania Government is convening coordination meetings with key humanitarian actors, including TRCS.

## Red Cross and Red Crescent action

**Actions by the National Society:** Within two hours of the disaster, a total of 5 TRCS senior staff and 50 volunteers were deployed along with one (1) ambulance, five (5) Land cruisers and two (2) 10 tonne trucks loaded with relief items. Services provided include; First Aid to the injured, ambulance services and tracing for misplaced children. The National Society established a centre for accommodating misplaced children awaiting identification. A total of 847 children were traced, out of them 828 were reunified with their families, and 18 were taken in by the government's Social Services Department. TRCS provided 100 cartons of drinking water and biscuits mainly to children and lactating mothers at the convening centre. The National Society has so far distributed: blankets, water buckets, cooking sets, towels, tarpaulins, mattresses and mosquito nets. A total of 100 tents provided by government have also been erected by TRCS to support homeless families with shelter.

**Action by Other Organizations:** The National Society has received support from UNICEF in the form of an in-kind donation of 400 water bucket (20 l), which has reduced the DREF request by the same number. UNICEF has also provided high-energy biscuits for children, pregnant and lactating mothers at the relief centre as well as the aforementioned cash contribution. The Spanish Red Cross has released USD 5,000 for the immediate use of the NS which is going to be allocated towards the procurement of 100 mattresses and cooking sets.

Additionally, a number of private companies and individuals have supported the affected people through the National Society with the items such as used clothes, hot meals, juices, biscuits, bread and other sundries. The ICRC – Tanzania office approved the deployment of 10 family kits from its stocks, which are held by TRCS.

**Action by the Government:** All those impacted by the blasts were instructed to convene at the National/Uhuru Stadium as a main holding ground for the affected population. Landing and take-off operations at the Julius Nyerere International Airport were temporarily suspended. On 17 February 2011, the Dar es Salaam Regional Authorities convened an emergency meeting involving different stakeholders including TRCS to review the evolving situation and to mobilize resources for the affected people. The government also provided a one-day ration of hot meals to approximately 4,000 people and provided the 100 family tents that were erected by the Red Cross.

## The needs

As a result of the explosions, immediate beneficiaries are 200 families which were displaced in Gongo la Mboto, Majohe, Pugu, Kigogo Fresh, Kipawa and Kitunda Districts. Basic needs have included First Aid, blankets, kitchen sets, mattresses, water buckets, laundry soap as well as temporary shelter.

## The proposed operation

First Aid	
<b>Outcome:</b> Emergency first aid treatment is provided to members of the community who sustained injuries as a result of the explosions.	
Outputs (expected results)	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>All necessary equipment to facilitate First Aid treatment is available</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Procure First Aid kits .</li><li>Procure ambulance supplies.</li><li>Procure personal protective equipment for staff and volunteers for use during response.</li></ul>

### Non food items (NFIs) distribution

**Outcome:** Timely and effective relief assistance is provided to a total of 200-targeted households (1,000 beneficiaries) affected by the explosions.

Outputs (expected results)	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 200 targeted families receive appropriate NFI's.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Distribute 500 blankets, 500 mosquito bed-nets, 100 mattresses, and 100 cooking sets.</li></ul>

### Shelter

**Outcome:** Appropriate shelter is provided to 100 affected families (500 people) for a period of one month.

Outputs (expected results)	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 100% of targeted families are provided with shelter</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Erect 100 family tents provided by government.</li><li>• Distribute 100 tarpaulins.</li></ul>

### Water and Sanitation (WatSan)

**Outcome:** The risks of water borne diseases is reduced through ensuring proper hygiene and sanitation.

Outputs (expected results)	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safe and clean drinking water is provided and hygiene and sanitation is ensured for the 200 families..</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Provide 100 buckets and 500 Jerri cans for the safe distribution of clean drinking water.</li><li>• Distribution of soap.</li></ul>

### Logistics

**Outcome:** The National Society implements planned activities in a timely manner thus ensuring the vulnerability of the affected families is reduced.

Outputs (expected results)	Activities planned
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The timely and effective delivery of relief supplies to the 1,000 beneficiaries.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maintain a minimum number of vehicles to support movement of staff/volunteers and materials during operation</li><li>• Ensure vehicles are fuelled and serviced</li><li>• Maintain an organized procurement, storage and dispatch system of materials and items required for the operation</li><li>• Ensure logistics procedures are followed/adhered to during movement of items and materials</li><li>• Regular monitoring of activities and beneficiary contact monitoring</li></ul>

### How we work

All International Federation 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 International Federation'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 International Federation'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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### Tanzania: Explosions

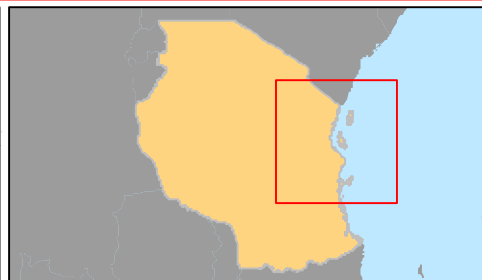
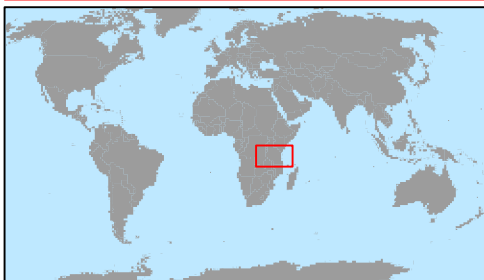
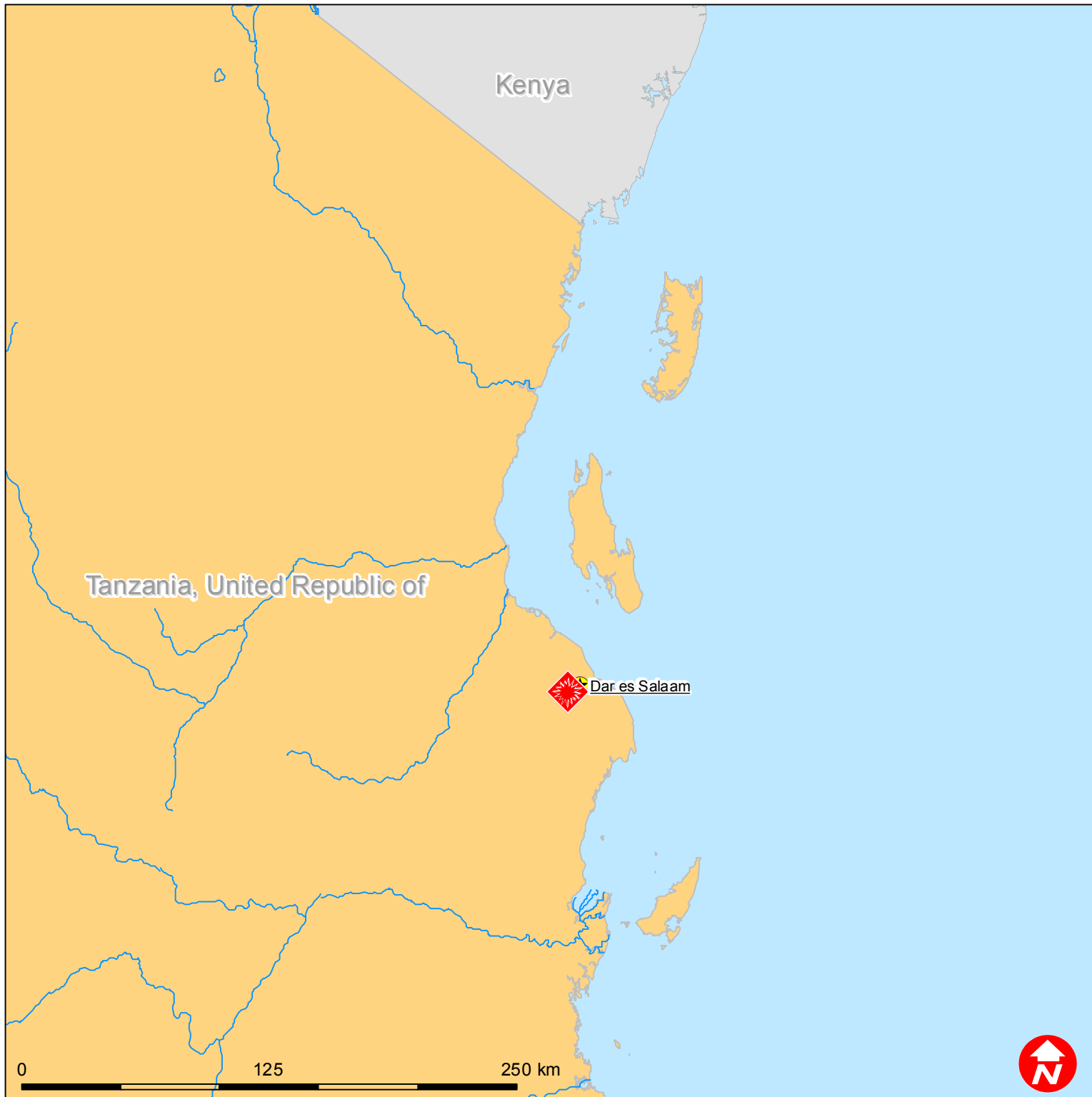
#### BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Group	Multilateral Response	TOTAL BUDGET CHF
Shelter – Relief		0
Shelter – Transitional		0
Construction - Housing		0
Construction - Facilities / Infrastructure		0
Construction – Materials		0
Clothing & Textiles	5,500	5,500
Food		0
Seeds & Plants		0
Water & Sanitation	3,300	3,300
Medical & First Aid	4,200	4,200
Teaching Materials		0
Utensils & Tools		0
Other Supplies & Services & Cash Disbursements	3,000	3,000
ERU (Emergency Response Units)		0
<b>Total Supplies</b>	<b>16,000</b>	<b>16,000</b>
Land & Buildings		0
Vehicles		0
Computer & Telecom	1,000	1,000
Office/Household Furniture & Equipment		0
Medical Equipment		0
Other Machinery & Equipment		0
<b>Total Land, vehicles &amp; equipment</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>
Storage		0
Distribution & Monitoring	1,000	1,000
Transport & Vehicle Costs	5,000	5,000
<b>Total Transport &amp; Storage</b>	<b>6,000</b>	<b>6,000</b>
International Staff		0

Regionally Deployed Staff	3,000	3,000
National Staff		0
National Society Staff	5,000	5,000
Other Staff benefits		0
Consultants		0
<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>8,000</b>	<b>8,000</b>
Workshops & Training		0
<b>Total Workshops &amp; Training</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Travel		0
Information & Public Relation	1,500	1,500
Office Costs	500	500
Communications	1,000	1,000
Professional Fees		0
Financial Charges		0
Other General Expenses		0
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>3,000</b>
Cash Transfers to National Societies		0
Cash Transfers to 3rd parties		0
<b>Total Contributions &amp; Transfers</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Program Support PSR	2,210	2,210
<b>Total Programme Support</b>	<b>2,210</b>	<b>2,210</b>
Services & Recoveries		0
Shared Services		0
<b>Total Services</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>		<b>36,210</b>
<b>Available Resources</b>		
Multilateral Contributions		0
ERUs contributions		0
<b>TOTAL AVAILABLE RESOURCES</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>NET EMERGENCY APPEAL NEEDS</b>		<b>36,210</b>



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