



Bosnia and Herzegovina – Flood Disaster Situation Report August 11, 2014

HIGHLIGHTS/KEY PRIORITIES:

- 5th to 8th of August heavy rainfall hit central, northern and south parts of the BiH
- The Federal and the RS meteorological Institutes report that the weather conditions will be good for the next four days
- Heavy rainfall caused new flooding and activation of landslides (e.i. 37 new landslides in Tuzla, 14 new landslides in Banja Luka, 20 in Celinac) causing damage to property, infrastructure (roads, bridges, railway services) and agricultural land
- Hard access to communities of Donji Brdaci, Topcic Polje, Zeljezno Polje, Bistrica, Starina, Smajici, Kolici, Krepsic, Vucilovac
- Government of the Federation of BiH, Brcko District, Banja Luka, Celinac, Kozarska Dubica, Petrovo, Kostajnica declared a state of natural and other disasters
- Some areas that were hit by May floods were flooded again (e.i. Zenica, Topcic Polje, Zepce, Zeljezno Polje, Banja Luka, Srebrenik, Tuzla, Celic, Lukavac, Gračanica, Doboј Istok, Celinac, Bijeljina, Brcko District)
- Priority needs in the affected areas are cleaning, disinfection, machinery for removal of debris

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SITUATION OVERVIEW:

- **Most affected areas:**
Federation of BiH Zenica-Doboј Canton (Zenica, Topcic Polje, Zepce, Zeljezno Polje, Usora, Tesanj, Zavidovici, Maglaj, Olovo), Tuzla Canton (Srebrenik, Tuzla, Celic, Lukavac, Gračanica, Kladanj, Banovici, Doboј Istok), Posavina Canton (Orašje);
RS: Banja Luka, Kotor Varos, Teslic, Celinac, Prijedor, Bijeljina, Kozarska Dubica, Kostajnica, Petrovo;
Brcko District
- **Weather Conditions and Water Levels:** The Federal and the RS meteorological Institute report that the weather will in most parts of the country be good, with possible local outbursts of rain, temperatures will be rising. Federal and Republic of Srpska Hydrological Report indicates that water levels are in most locations going down.

- In Banja Luka 405 buildings/houses were affected in total, bridges in Cesma, Prijecani, Karanovac, roads in Ponir, Potok, Debeljaci and Tuzlanska ulica were destroyed
- In Gračanica 70 ha of agricultural land are still under water. Civil protection teams are working on rehabilitation of damaged roads. The floods affected private companies as the business zone was flooded.
- In Doboj Istok water is gradually receding to the riverbed. 100 ha of agricultural land are still under water. Due to the flooding of wells water is not potable.
- In Zenica clearing of the roads and maintaining a minimum mobility of the most vulnerable roads after the occurrence of new landslides is ongoing.
- Samac, Orasj, Odzak and Domaljevac experienced mostly damages to agricultural land
- In Kostajnica the water reached the downtown area, flooding the police station, kindergarten and at least ten houses
- In Kotor Varos and Celinac new landslides caused damages to the roads and affect travel conditions. In Celinac 500 households are estimated to be flooded.

Roads and Bridges

- Due to the landslide traffic on M-16 Jajce- Black River (Lucina) is completely suspended.
- Due to the damage to the bridge near the town Peljave is the traffic on M-18 from Tuzla to Bijeljina is interrupted. The prohibition of traffic on the section of highway M-18 Dobro Polje- Miljevinina is ongoing, and an alternative route is via Rogatice and Gorazde.
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