



Zambia

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SITUATION

Chama district one of the newly created districts and is divided into Chama North and South. Chama in Zambia is experiencing flooding of Kamphemba river resulting in destruction of hectares of crop fields and has so far destroyed 154 houses.

Flooding is due to heavy down pour of rain that affected the area in a week, causing the area to experience severe flooding when Kamphemba river and other streams across the District burst their banks, destroying crops; washing away Kempfemba bridge. As a result, 1,748 families (Chama 901; Petuke 847) are left homeless. In addition to floods, communities in Chikwa and Chifunda in Chama district, are also seriously affected by human wildlife conflict.

In Chama District, At least 491 HH are affected and 377 community members have been evacuated and are staying in schools, churches and camps. The government has established 3 Camps (Camp 1: Is hosting 402 affected HHs, Camp 2 (Kapala Konje), Is hosting 192 affected HH and Camp 3 (Katangalikala); Is hosting 201 affected HH hosted in Churches and Schools around Katangalikal. In Petauke District Sandwe, at least 847 households (45 villages) and at least 409 households in Chibale. All 28 villages are affected by floods with 409 houses are heavily soaked and with 40 structures cracking and at risk of collapsing.

NEEDS

The floods have put the district in a state of crisis. The flood affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs such as access to;

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | sufficient food |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | safe shelter and basic non-food items |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | basic health services and facilities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Safe drinking water, as well as sanitation and hygiene infrastructure. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | livelihood activities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | protection services |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | adequate nutrition |

STAKEHOLDERS

The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | National government | Government of the Republic of Zambia (GRZ) through the Disaster Management and Mitigation Unit (DMMU); Ministry of Health (MoH), through the District Commissioners (DCs) for Chama and Petauke. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Red Cross Red Crescent Movement | Zambia Red cross Society |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Faith based groups | United Church of Zambia (UCZ), Reformed Church in Zambia (RCZ), Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), Caritas Zambia, Swedish Diakonia, Dan Church Aid (DCA), Norwegian Church Aid (NCA), Christian Aid (CA) Czechoslovakia Diakonia (CzD) [the four acting as Joint Country Program]. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Affected communities | Affected communities in Chama and Petuake. |

The emergency response is currently being coordinated by Government of the Republic of Zambia (GRZ) through the Disaster Management and Mitigation Unit (DMMU). To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.

ACT Alliance

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ACT Alliance has been working in Zambia since, now helping/planning to help people affected by the floods |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ACT Alliance works in areas affected by the floods, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ACT Alliance is currently monitoring the situation and is preparing a rapid needs assessment to have an in-depth context analysis and better understanding of existing vulnerabilities. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | ACT Alliance is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are ready/preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, the ACT forum has identified a gap in of shelter, WASH, food, psychosocial support, and livelihood restoration and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The ACT forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide shelter, WASH, food, psychosocial support, and livelihood restoration to ensure that the floods affected persons' basic needs are met. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Furthermore, ACT Alliance will engage in advocacy on the national and international level to ensure that the voices of those affected by the floods are amplified. |

Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Head of Finance and Administration, Line Hempel (Line.Hempel@actalliance.org)

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