

DREF operation final report



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of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

India: Flood

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Final Report
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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 358,313 was allocated from the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies' (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.

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

Of the allocated DREF of CHF 358,313, CHF 145,824.09 was spent. The remaining balance of CHF 212,489 has been returned to DREF.



In September 2010, the Indian Red Cross Society distributed urgently needed materials after the floods in flood affected districts of Bihar. **IRCS Bihar**

Based on the requests from the branches of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, IRCS national headquarters released stocks from its strategically located warehouses. District branches in turn received the relief supplies and the distribution of these stocks has been completed.

The Canadian Red Cross/government has made contributions towards the replenishment of the DREF for the allocation made to this operation. The major donors to the DREF are the Irish, Italian, Netherlands and Norwegian governments and ECHO. Details of all donors can be found on <http://www.ifrc.org/what/disasters/responding/drs/tools/dref/donors.asp>

This operation was expected to be implemented within four months, and completed by 31 January 2011. However, as the replenishment of stock was in progress and which could only be completed by 31 March 2011, the DREF operating timeframe was extended up to 31 March 2011.

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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The situation

In September 2010, more than three million people in northern India were affected by floods which killed over 200 people. Further, the floods have washed away thousands of homes, swept through holy sites and damaged crops from hectares of agriculture field. At least two million people in northern India were left homeless and 500,000 hectares of agriculture land in the top cane growing state Uttar Pradesh was completely flooded.

Heavy monsoon rains swelled the mighty Himalayan rivers, which broke their banks in the states of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Uttarakhand. People waded through chest deep water, travelled on bullock carts or on boats to reach safer areas, carrying children and household belongings in their hands and on their heads.

In relief camps, they complained of a lack of food and medicines. In Uttarakhand, 500,000 people were affected by the floods in Haridwar. The government-deployed army which provided medicines, shifting people to safer grounds and conducting repairs of small stretches of roads.

A total of 1.7 million people were affected in Uttar Pradesh and one million in Bihar. Both are poor states and Uttar Pradesh is also the most populous state with 190 million citizens. More than 300,000 people were rendered homeless.

This flood was one of the worst ever to occur in this state (worse than the 2007 floods in terms of affected people and crop damaged).

In Bihar, where the Gandak river burst through its embankments at various places and flooded villages, houses were invaded by stray dogs, snakes and scorpions.

The humanitarian assistance of IRCS assisted the most vulnerable poor who were affected by the floods and helped them to recover quickly. During the relief operation it was found that in the states – like Bihar and Uttarakhand – where the state disaster response teams exists were very quick in response compared to the Uttar Pradesh where the state disaster response team has not yet been formed.

In addition to what has been delivered to the affected population through this DREF operation, the local branches from their own resources provided food, water, clothing, household items to the affected population.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

Achievements against outcomes

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

Objective: To assist up to 17,500 flood affected people (3,500 families) in Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Bihar with non-food items.

Activities planned:

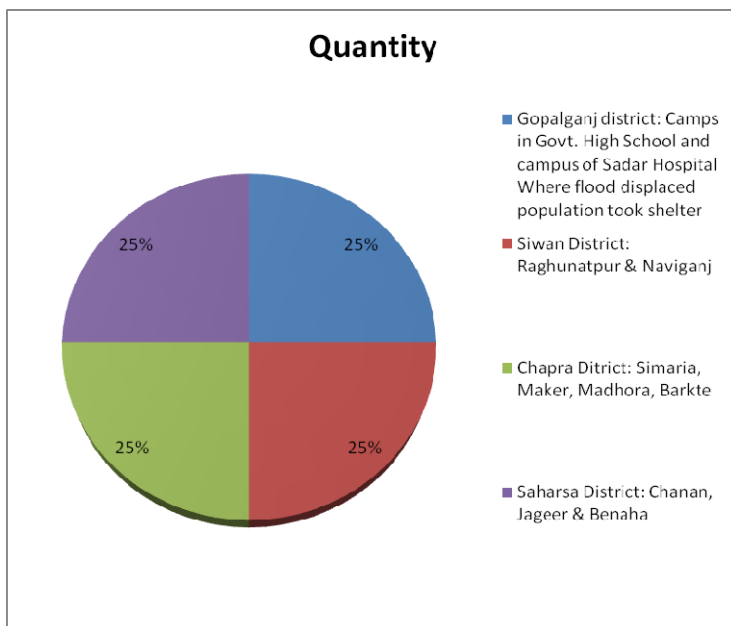
- Develop beneficiary targeting strategy and registration system to deliver intended assistance.
- Distribute relief supplies and control supply movements from point of dispatch to end user.
- Monitor and evaluate the relief activities and provide reporting on relief distributions.
- Replenishment of 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.

Impact: Based on the recommendation of the rapid assessment reports and requests of state branches, the following relief supplies were 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

These relief supplies were transported to the state branches primarily by Indian Railways which provides free transport of relief items for IRCS throughout India. On receipt of the above relief items, the state branches distributed relief to the most vulnerable flood affected population.

Bihar:



The Bihar state branch equally distributed family packs in the districts mentioned in the pie chart (see left). Each family pack consists of ladies' saree, plastic bucket, bed sheet, towel, cotton blanket, gents' dhoti, and mosquito net. In 500 of the family packs, kitchen sets were also included based on the needs of the affected people.

Diagram 1: District-wise distribution of family pack.

Uttarakhand:

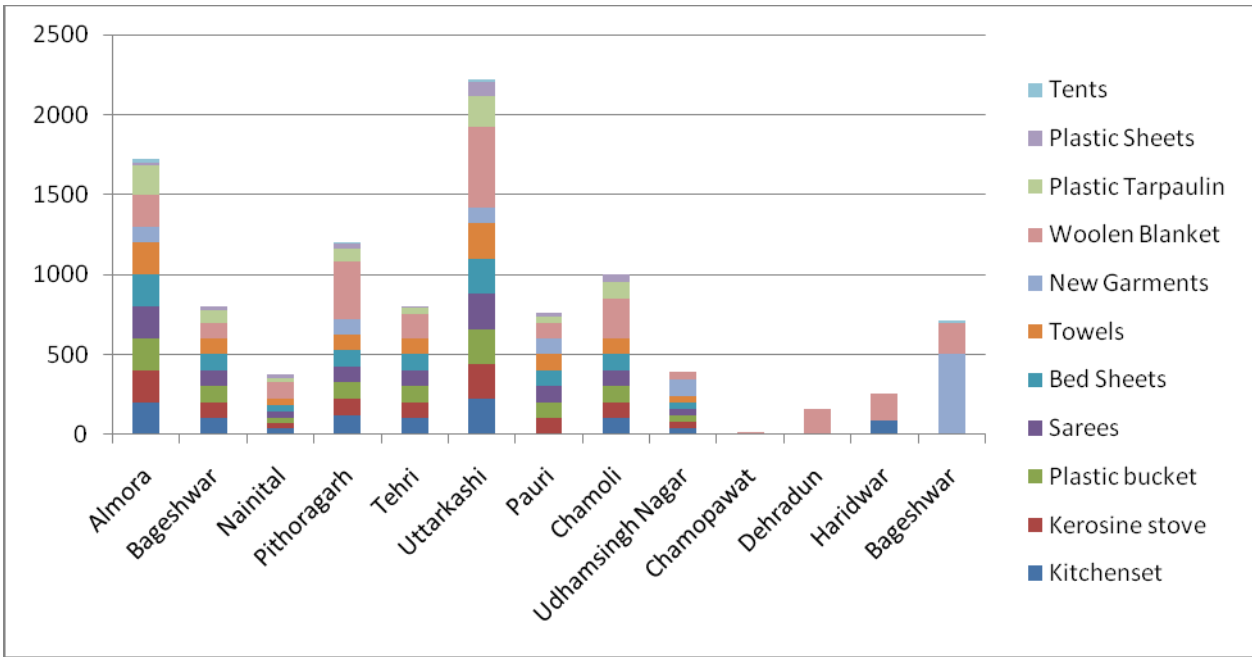


Diagram 2: District-wise distribution of family packs in Uttarakhand.

Uttar Pradesh:

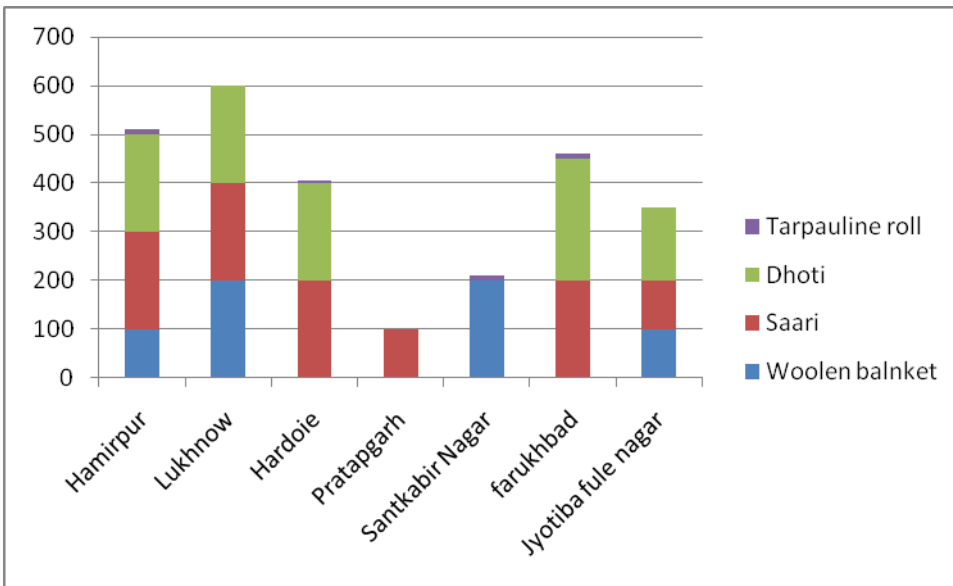


Diagram 3: District-wise distribution of family packs in Uttar Pradesh.

All the distribution in the states of Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand were done as per the needs of the affected population.

The replenishment of relief items distributed has been done as follows:

Relief Items	Quantity
Tarpaulin	2,000
Woolen 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, 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.

Impact:

- IFRC and IRCS joint rapid assessment teams were deployed in Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh from 5 - 9 October 2010. These teams assisted the state branches in analysing the needs of the affected population. Based on the request of the state branches, IRCS national headquarters dispatched relevant non-food items to the affected population.
- The national disaster response team members from the respective states along with the state disaster response team members carried out the distribution of the relief supplies in Bihar and Uttarakhand.
- The distribution in Uttarakhand, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh got wide publicity in the print media.

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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Selected Parameters	
Reporting Timeframe	2010/9-2011/5
Budget Timeframe	2010/9-2011/5
Appeal	MDRIN006
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
A. Budget	358,313					358,313
B. Opening Balance	0					0
Income						
Other Income						
<i>DREF Allocations</i>	358,313					358,313
C4. Other Income	358,313					358,313
C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4)	358,313					358,313
D. Total Funding = B + C	358,313					358,313
Appeal Coverage	100%					100%

II. Movement of Funds

	Disaster Management	Health and Social Services	National Society Development	Principles and Values	Coordination	TOTAL
B. Opening Balance	0					0
C. Income	358,313					358,313
E. Expenditure	-145,824					-145,824
F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E)	212,489					212,489

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Appeal Launch Date: 29 sep 10

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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	
BUDGET (C)		358,313					358,313	
Relief items, Construction, Supplies								
Shelter - Relief		57,288					57,288	-57,288
Clothing & textiles	317,556	37,818					37,818	279,737
Utensils & Tools		22,362					22,362	-22,362
Other Supplies & Services		7,726					7,726	-7,726
Total Relief items, Construction, Suj	317,556	125,195					125,195	192,361
Logistics, Transport & Storage								
Storage		1,536					1,536	-1,536
Distribution & Monitoring		4,408					4,408	-4,408
Logistics Services		3,645					3,645	-3,645
Total Logistics, Transport & Storage		9,590					9,590	-9,590
Workshops & Training								
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General Expenditure								
Travel	6,667	1,917					1,917	4,749
Information & Public Relation	1,111							1,111
Office Costs	500							500
Communications	1,500	44					44	1,456
Financial Charges		179					179	-179
Other General Expenses	222							222
Total General Expenditure	10,000	2,140					2,140	7,860
Indirect Costs								
Programme & Service Support	21,869	8,900					8,900	12,969
Total Indirect Costs	21,869	8,900					8,900	12,969
TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D)	358,313	145,824					145,824	212,489
VARIANCE (C - D)		212,489					212,489	