

Emergency Plan of Action Operation Update 2

Djibouti: Flash Floods

DREF n° MDRDJ003	Glide n° FF-2019-000161-DJI
Operation update n° 2; 04 May 2020	Timeframe covered by this update: 06 December 2019 to 29 April 2020
Operation start date: 06 December 2019	Operation timeframe: 06 December 2019 to 06 June 2020 (1-month extension)
Funding requirements (CHF): 223,977	DREF amount initially allocated: CHF 190,008 Second allocation: CHF 33,969
N° of people being assisted: 10,000 people (2,000 households)	
Red Cross Red Crescent Movement partners currently actively involved in the operation: British Red Cross Society (BRC), International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	
Other partner organizations actively involved in the operation: The Government of Djibouti, United Nations Mission in Djibouti and United Nations agencies: IOM, UNICEF, WHO, UNPD and WFP.	

Summary of major revisions made to emergency plan of action:

This Operations Update 2 authorizes a **no-cost timeframe extension of one month** for the Red Crescent Society of Djibouti (DRCS) Flash Floods operation; new operation end date is 06 June 2020. This brings overall operational timeframe to six (6) months. Through [Operations Update 1](#), DRCS received a second allocation to cover rehabilitation of 50 supplementary latrines. However, the evolution of the COVID-19 pandemic in Djibouti has disrupted implementation of activities since March hence, the request for additional time to complete works on the latrines. In addition, the Surge WASH delegate who was deployed to support the response is still in Djibouti due to the lockdown. The extension will allow for charging of his costs on the DREF operation for an additional month.

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A. SITUATION ANALYSIS

Description of the disaster

Djibouti experienced heavy rains between 21 and 28 November 2019, triggering flash floods and destruction of property, homes and livelihoods across the country. According to the Meteorological Institute of Djibouti, peak rainfall was experienced for three days between 21 to 23 November 2019, with over 295mm of rainfall recorded. This was more than Djibouti's yearly average rainfall of 127mm and was equivalent to two years of rainfall.

Eleven (11) people (including seven (7) children) lost their lives due to flooding and a landslide. A Government-led Interagency Rapid Assessment conducted on 27 and 28 November revealed that over 250,000 people had been affected across the country. The most severe impact of the rains occurred in Djibouti city, where an estimated 200,000 people (21 per cent of the total population of the country) were affected. Other areas affected included the localities of Arta, Damerjog, Goubeto and Tadjourah. New rains experienced between 7 and 10 December 2020 also made access to the affected areas more difficult.

Summary of current response

Overview of Host National Society

A [DREF operation](#) was launched by IFRC to support the Red Crescent Society of Djibouti (DRCS) to provide immediate Health and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene assistance to 2,000 households (10,000 people) affected by flash flooding in Djibouti city and Arta.

An [Operations Update 1](#) was issued in March requesting a second allocation to cover funds needed for rehabilitation of an additional 50 latrines and completion of procurement for household items and distribution.

To date, the DRCS has implemented the following activities:

- Realization of First Aid activities, including Psychosocial First Aid, search and rescue including evacuation assistance, sensitization sessions on hygiene and sanitation especially in collective centres (schools, community development centres) where people were temporarily relocated.
- Rehabilitation of 32 latrines
- Distribution of 2,000 hygiene kits
- Distribution of Non-Food Items as part of DRCS stock: 1,000 Aquatabs, 614 bars of soap (7 cartons of 100 pieces) Javel/bleach (50 cartons), 1,500 blankets, 1,500 mats, 1,000 garbage bags and 1,500 handwashing buckets with accessories
- Collaboration with government of Djibouti / Ministry of Social Affairs with the distribution of 3,500 meals/day;
- Trained 164 volunteers on PHAST approach
- Conducted 3,250 household awareness sessions on hygiene promotion

Overview of Red Cross Red Crescent Movement in country

Refer to [Operations Update 1](#).

Overview of non-RCRC actors in country

Refer to [Operations Update 1](#)

Needs analysis and scenario planning

Refer to [Operations Update 1](#)

B. OPERATIONAL STRATEGY

Proposed strategy

The overall objective of the DREF operation is to respond to the immediate Health and WASH needs of 2,000 households (10,000 people) affected by flash flooding in Djibouti and Arta regions, as stated in the [EPoA](#).

This Operations update 2 seeks to extend the operation by one month to allow DRCS time to complete rehabilitation of the 50 latrines, which was disrupted by the COVID-19 outbreak in March.

The detailed operation strategy remains as presented in [Operations Update 1](#)

C. DETAILED OPERATIONAL PLAN



Shelter

People reached: 1,500

Male: 600

Female: 900

Outcome 1: Communities in disaster and crisis affected areas restore and strengthen their safety, well-being and longer-term recovery through shelter and settlement solutions		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
% of stock replenished out of stock consumed for floods response	100%	100%
Output 1.1: Shelter and settlements and basic household items assistance is provided to the affected families		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
Replenishment aqua tabs	1,000 pieces	36,000 pieces
Replenishment soap bars	614 pieces	792 pieces
Replenishment Javel (bleach)	50 cartons (240 pieces)	50 cartons (240 pieces)
Replenishment blankets	1,500	789 pieces
Replenishment mats	1,500	857 pieces
Replenishment garbage bags	1,000	1,000 pieces
Replenishment handwashing buckets with accessories	1,500	1,500
Progress towards outcomes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aqua tabs were not procured but provided by UNICEF. - Fewer blankets and mats were procured than targeted because the actual market price was higher than the initial budgeted. 		

Health		
 <p>People reached: 10,000 Male: 4,000 Female: 6,000</p>		
Outcome 1: The immediate risks to the health of affected populations are reduced		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
% of people assisted over the total number of people affected	4%	4%
Output 1.1: The health situation and immediate risks are assessed using agreed guidelines		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of detailed assessments conducted	2	1
Health Output 1.4: Epidemic prevention and control measures carried out		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
# of LLITNs procured and distributed	2,000	2,000
# of people reached by health education sessions	10,000	10,000
# of posters procured and distributed	500	500
# of leaflet procured and distributed	500	500
Progress towards outcomes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A rapid inter-agency humanitarian assessment was conducted by the government and humanitarian partners on 27 and 28 November 2019 which revealed urgent needs in sanitation, food security, non-food items/shelter and health. DRCS was not part of the assessment team but received the findings of the assessment. - A total of 3,520 household awareness sessions were conducted by the volunteers. The awareness sessions covered the topics of handwashing and proper storage of household drinking water. - The WASH surge also supported to set up a monitoring and reporting system for WASH volunteers involved in awareness activities. 		



Water, sanitation and hygiene

People reached: 10,000

Male: 4,000

Female: 6,000

Outcome 1: Immediate reduction in risk of waterborne and water related diseases in targeted communities

Indicators:	Target	Actual
% of people assisted over the total number of people affected	4%	4%

Output 1.2: Daily access to safe water which meets Sphere and WHO standards in terms of quantity and quality is provided to target population

Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of HH reached with water reagents	2,000 HH	2,000 HH
Number of jerry cans procured and distributed	2,000	2,000

Output 1.3: Adequate sanitation which meets Sphere standards in terms of quantity and quality is provided to target population

Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of HH latrines rehabilitated	82	32
Number of handwashing buckets with accessories procured and distributed	1,000	1,000
Number of sanitation toolkits procured and distributed	10	10
Number of sanitation campaigns realized	12	12

Output 1.4: Hygiene promotion activities which meet Sphere standards in terms of the identification and use of hygiene items provided to target population

Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of volunteers oriented in Hygiene promotion in emergencies	80	164
Number of HH receiving soap bars	600	2,000

Progress towards outcomes

- In addition to the 80 volunteers from Djibouti and Arta trained on Hygiene Promotion through the PHAST approach, the SG requested that the 4 local committees of the interior (Ali Sabieh, Dikhil, Tadjorah and Obock) also benefit from this capacity building opportunity. The training of volunteers planned in Tadjourah and Obock between 21 and 26 February took place. A total of 164 volunteers were trained from all six local committees in the country:
 - Djibouti and ARTA: 80 volunteers
 - Ali Sabieh: 27 volunteers
 - Dikhil: 23 volunteers
 - Obock: 20 volunteers
 - Tadjourah: 14 volunteers
- Purchase of the soap bars is done.
- DRCS undertook an assessment of 84 latrines from the affected areas 4 zones (Districts 2, 3, 4 and 7) with DRCS technician wash volunteer and the IFRC WASH delegate. Works have been completed on 32 latrines. Work is ongoing for completion of the remaining 50.

Strategies for Implementation

S1.1: National Society capacity building and organizational development objectives are facilitated to ensure that National Societies have the necessary legal, ethical and financial foundations, systems and structures, competences and capacities to plan and perform

Indicators:	Target	Actual
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% of volunteers receiving appropriate protection and briefing	100%	100%
Output S1.1.4: National Societies have effective and motivated volunteers who are protected		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of volunteers involved in the operation	80	80
Output S1.1.6: National Societies have the necessary corporate infrastructure and systems in place		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of CEA mechanism established	1	1
S1.1: National Society capacity building and organizational development objectives are facilitated to ensure that National Societies have the necessary legal, ethical and financial foundations, systems and structures, competences and capacities to plan and perform		
Output S2.1.1: Effective response preparedness and NS surge capacity mechanism is maintained		
Indicators:	Target	Actual
Number of surge capacity deployed	3	2
Progress towards outcomes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All 80 volunteers involved in the operation are insured - A Regional Surge WASH delegate was deployed in January to support DRCS with implementation of the WASH component of the operation, including the volunteer trainings. Past the implementation timeframe for this DREF, if the Surge personnel is still not able to return to his home country due to travel restrictions, his costs will be covered by the CCST through the COVID-19 second allocations. - EA cluster conducted a monitoring mission in January 2020 to review the plan of action with DRCS and follow up on priority activities, including market assessment for the planned procurements. - EA cluster finance conducted a monitoring mission in January 2020. The finance officer worked with DRCS finance on reconciliation of pending working advance balances from previous projects and agreed on financial reporting for the DREF operation. 		

D. Financial Report

This Operation update allows for a no-cost timeframe extension of the operation to complete works for 50 latrines and extend the surge support who is currently in Djibouti due to the lockdown.

Expenditure by area of focus/strategies for implementation

Description	Budget	Expenditure	Variance
AOF1 - Disaster risk reduction			0
AOF2 - Shelter	26,321		26,321
AOF3 - Livelihoods and basic needs			0
AOF4 - Health	22,784		22,784
AOF5 - Water, sanitation and hygiene	117,327	167,159	-49,833
AOF6 - Protection, Gender & Inclusion			0
AOF7 - Migration			0
Area of focus Total	166,432	167,159	-727
SFI1 - Strengthen National Societies	17,600	128	17,472
SFI2 - Effective international disaster management	22,373	17,054	5,320
SFI3 - Influence others as leading strategic partners	16,143	1,025	15,118
SFI4 - Ensure a strong IFRC	1,429		1,429
Strategy for implementation Total	57,545	18,206	39,339
Grand Total	223,977	185,366	38,612

Reference documents



Click here for:

- [Operation Update 1](#)
- [Emergency Plan of Action \(EPoA\)](#)

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Save lives.
protect livelihoods,
and strengthen recovery
from disaster and crises.



Enable **healthy**
and **safe** living.



Promote **social inclusion**
and a culture of
non-violence and peace.