

Pakistan Floods Appeal – Report December 2022

Situation Summary:

Pakistan has been enduring severe monsoon weather since June 2022, with rainfall equivalent to 2.9 times the national 30-year average. This has caused widespread flooding and landslides with severe ramifications for human lives, property, and infrastructure. To date, 81 districts are declared 'calamity hit' by the Government—70% of districts across Pakistan are affected. Given the ongoing rains and floods flowing through Punjab and Sindh, the number of calamity-declared districts is expected to increase to add misery to millions already affected by the rains and floods. Also, the impact on agriculture will further worsen.



Sindh province, Pakistan: Many villages have been washed away and communities largely displaced. They are living on makeshift shelters in riverbanks. Photos courtesy of ACT Alliance.

According to National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) Pakistan, as of September 8, 2022, around 33 million people across the country are affected by the rains, floods, and landslides. The overall death toll has reached 1,391 and 12,722 injured. Over 754,000 livestock perished, 1.7 million houses were damaged and around 3.6 million acres of crops and orchards are affected across the country. Damages to infrastructure have further worsened the situation—impeding the ability of people to flee to safer areas, access markets, healthcare, or other vital services, and delivery of aid to some 6.4 million people in need of humanitarian assistance.

It is estimated that 73% of vulnerable families need food, temporary shelter, support in water, sanitation and hygiene. Livestock owners need feed and vaccinations, and farmers need seeds and fertilisers for the cultivation of important vegetables and crops, to cope with the effects of disasters. In addition, affected families need tents, tarpaulins, sleeping mats, blankets, mattresses, mosquito nets and toolkits for debris removal and restoration of damaged houses. To mitigate the risk of communicable diseases in camps, maternal health services for 650,000 pregnant women need emergency health services with essential medicines, equipment, and supplies. Psychosocial support is required for those affected by significant losses. Safeguarding measures are required for girls, women, and children for protection against sexual exploitation and abuse, with referral pathways for available support services and safe spaces. Likewise, improved access to sufficient and clean water for drinking, cooking, and maintaining personal hygiene, along with the provision of culturally appropriate, secure, user-friendly facilities.

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ACT Pakistan Network participating members (CWSA and NCA) have a long presence and experience of implementing humanitarian response, early recovery, development, and resilience intervention in their respective areas of expertise. Each of the partners have selected their areas of response based on their presence, connections with the communities and line government departments.

Response Framework:

The planned response from ACT Alliance members Christian World Service Asia (CWSA) and Norwegian Church Aid (NCA) is identified as *Emergency lifesaving and recovery assistance for flood-affected population in Pakistan*.

The proposed outcomes of the ACT Appeal are:

1. Flood affected communities have access to food, non-food, health, winterization items, and WASH services appropriate and relevant to their immediate needs and ensuring safeguarding and protection through capacity building of humanitarian actors working with the flood affected communities.
2. Flood affected communities have access to emergency/primary health care services through static health units.
3. Flood affected communities are capacitated on flood resilient shelter reconstruction and communal/institutional WASH infrastructure for restoration of basic needs of water and sanitation, and ensure information sharing and coordination among the aid agencies.
4. Flood affected communities can meet their essential needs of the flood affected communities through provision of cash for work.

The total target beneficiaries for this appeal through ACT Alliance are 36,162 households with 247,580 individuals.

Community World Service Asia (CWSA)

In the proposed intervention, CWSA aims to reduce vulnerabilities as a result of timely, coordinated and needs based emergency and early recovery assistance in the sectors of food, health, shelter, WASH and some livelihood support. CWSA is targeting districts of Mirpur Khas and Umerkot in Sindh province and district Swat in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province for this response.

Norwegian Church Aid (NCA)

For this appeal, NCA has selected three local partners, which are Research and Development Foundation (RDF), Pak Mission Society (PMS) and LASOONA to provide humanitarian assistance to flood affected families in Sindh, Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) provinces. These three partners are registered with the Economic Affairs Division (EAD), have presence in the affected areas, and are well connected with relevant government structures.

Funding by GMP members:

In total, \$1,850.00 has been given to the Pakistan Floods Appeal. Thank you for your generosity. In addition to this, GMP has contributed \$10,000, from discretionary funds. These funds will be sent to the ACT Alliance to aid in the proposed responses outlined above.

Response:

As yet, no funds have been sent to ACT partners through the ACT Appeal. The commitments will be fulfilled in the near future. Currently, ACT partners are responding in the following ways and will be continued by the funding commitments through the ACT Appeal:

Christian World Service Asia (CWSA)

Working in parts of Sindh Province and KPK Province, Christian World Service Asia is assisting people to purchase essential food items and address medical needs. CWSA, through its own pool of funds and some support from partner organisations, is providing health care services through mobile health units in district Umerkot Sindh. The response will be scaled up and will be extended further as soon as further funds are committed.



ACT member CWSA's mobile clinic is bringing health care to communities devastated by the floods in Pakistan. Photos: CWSA, courtesy of ACT Alliance.



Dr. Anila sees patients coming in from flood affected villages. Photo courtesy of ACT Alliance.

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Female health worker sharing awareness raising information on preventive diseases and hygiene practices. Photo courtesy of ACT Alliance.

Norwegian Church Aid (NCA)

Norwegian Church Aid is providing safe drinking water and emergency shelter kits to affected people in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Punjab Provinces. They have distributed hygiene kits, jerry cans, mosquito nets, and shelter kits in Sindh province.



ACT member, NCA, distribution of hygiene kits, jerry cans, mosquito nets, and shelter kits in Sindh province, Pakistan. Photo: RDF, courtesy of ACT Alliance.



Distribution of shelter, hygiene, kitchen kits and jerry cans in Lasbela, Balochistan, by RDF. Photo courtesy of ACT Alliance.

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*Distribution of shelter and hygiene kits, mosquito nets and jerry cans at Lasbela, Balochistan.
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