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Pakistan – Complex Emergency

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Note: The last fact sheet was dated February 4, 2010.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- On February 9, the U.N. formally launched the 2010 Pakistan Humanitarian Response Plan. Developed in close coordination with international humanitarian partners and the Government of Pakistan (GoP), the plan appeals for approximately \$537 million for a period of six months to help meet emergency needs among conflict- and natural disaster-affected populations.
- Areas in Kohistan District, North-West Frontier Province (NWFP), remain inaccessible by road and approximately 2,000 people require humanitarian assistance due to the February 16 avalanche, according to the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). The avalanche also resulted in the deaths of at least 50 people. Relying on helicopters provided by district authorities, the Pakistan Red Crescent Society (PRCS), the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA), and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) continue to provide relief to the affected population.
- On March 5, the GoP announced a decision to close four displaced person camps in Lower Dir District, NWFP, by March 15 in order to facilitate returns and resettlement. The camps currently host more than 1,800 families, or approximately 11,000 individuals, from Bajaur Agency, Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA). USAID/OFDA staff based in Pakistan report that the GoP Special Support Group (SSG) is coordinating the deployment of a U.N. assessment mission to Bajaur Agency to initiate preparations for returns.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE	SOURCE	
Number of Registered Displaced Households	470,472 households	GoP SSG – March 2, 2010
Number of NADRA¹ Verified Displaced Households	425,313 households	GoP SSG – March 2, 2010

FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE

USAID/OFDA Assistance² for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$2,471,818
USAID/FFP³ Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$60,000,000
USAID/Pakistan Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations.....	\$64,978,142
State/PRM⁴ Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$10,000,000
Total USG⁵ Humanitarian Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations.....	\$137,449,960

CURRENT SITUATION

- The overall security situation in NWFP and FATA remains volatile and unpredictable, with security incidents reported in Swat District in recent weeks, sectarian violence occurring in Hangu and Dera Ismail Khan districts, and military operations continuing in Bajaur, Mohmand, Kurram, and Orakzai agencies, FATA, according to the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).
- Increasing conflict in Orakzai Agency has resulted in increased displacement from the area in the last two months, with 23,600 displaced households, or approximately 133,000 individuals, registered to date, according to OCHA and UNHCR.
- In February, humanitarian partners conducted a Multi-Cluster Rapid Assessment in Kohat and Hangu districts, NWFP, where individuals recently displaced from Orakzai and Kurram agencies, FATA, currently reside. The assessment revealed low rates of displaced person registration and verification to date, and persistent humanitarian needs as a result. Some families report waiting up to two months to receive food rations.
- In response to rapid assessment findings, the U.N. Protection Cluster and humanitarian partners resumed registration and humanitarian assistance provision in Kohat and Hangu districts on March 4. OCHA also reports that relevant

¹ GoP National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA)

² Includes support for USAID/OFDA field staff

³ USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

⁴ U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

⁵ U.S. Government (USG)

cluster partners plan to follow up on the gaps identified by the assessment and undertake the appropriate humanitarian activities.

- As a result of the January 4 landslide in Hunza Nagar District, Federally Administered Northern Areas (FANA), approximately 1,600 individuals remain displaced in four camps in the area, according to OCHA. Government authorities continue to remove rubble caused by the landslide to mitigate flood risks in the area, clearing 65,000 cubic meters to date. PRCS, PDMA, and NGOs are distributing emergency relief supplies to affected households.

Displacement and Camp Management

Hangu and Kohat

- Following an increase in conflict-related displacement from Orakzai Agency, FATA, humanitarian partners began formally registering displaced individuals arriving in Hangu and Kohat districts, NWFP, with the approval of the GoP. The process ended on January 18, with nearly 23,000 households registered and approximately 16,000 households verified by NADRA. However, agencies conducting the recent Multi-Cluster Rapid Assessment in the area observed a significant number of unregistered displaced households—including an estimated 57 percent of all displaced families in Kohat District alone—which prompted partners to reinstate registration procedures in both districts on March 4.
- The rapid assessment also found that more than 90 percent of displaced households in Hangu and Kohat are renting accommodations, while the remainder live with host families. A significant percentage of displaced households reported difficulty accessing humanitarian assistance through the designated distribution points.
- In Hangu District, partners have established one displaced person camp—Mohammad Khawaja camp—that hosts 340 families, or approximately 2,400 individuals. However, OCHA reports that the camp recently reached capacity, necessitating the identification of a second site to accommodate new arrivals from Orakzai Agency. On March 5, OCHA indicated that partners had identified a second site after several unsuccessful attempts. PRCS, supported by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), is providing humanitarian assistance to individuals residing outside Mohammad Khawaja camp.

Jalozai

- According to OCHA, as of March 5, more than 24,000 displaced households, or approximately 125,000 individuals, resided in 10 camps in NWFP. Jalozai in Nowshera District remains the largest camp, hosting more than 106,000 people. OCHA further reports that a significant majority of Jalozai residents—80,000 people—were displaced from Bajaur Agency, FATA, and more than 10,000 residents were displaced from Mohmand Agency, FATA.
- In January and February, Jalozai camp also received displaced persons relocated from Walai Kando camp, Lower Dir District, NWFP. Registration of relocated individuals continues, with UNHCR reporting 366 families, or 1,619 individuals, registered as of February 28. Some Walai Kando residents selected to relocate to other locations en route to Jalozai. To accommodate the new arrivals from both Walai Kando and Bajaur Agency, FATA, camp managers at Jalozai have extended the camp from 562 to 625 hectares, with approval from the GoP. Humanitarian partners continue to develop the additional land, erecting tents for newly registered displaced persons from Walai Kando and Bajaur Agency.
- On March 2, UNHCR presented the GoP with a plan to register persons displaced from Kurram Agency, FATA, to the camp in Jalozai. While the GoP approved the plan, the identification and allocation of additional land to accommodate the new arrivals is still required, according to UNHCR.

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)

- On March 5, the U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) began providing safe drinking water to more than 4,200 displaced persons from Orakzai and Kurram agencies currently residing in Kohat District, according to OCHA.
- UNICEF and Oxfam completed an assessment of WASH needs in Kohat District on February 28, precipitating the implementation of appropriate activities in the area, including water tankering, latrine installation, water-well pump provision, and hygiene promotion efforts.

Emergency Food Assistance

- During February emergency operations, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) reached more than 2 million beneficiaries with a total of 27,500 metric tons (MT) of food assistance. The operation, the final round of food distributions for many returnees in Swat and Buner districts, is scheduled to conclude the week of March 8, after which WFP plans to begin implementing a variety of early recovery activities. In cooperation with a number of partners, WFP will support health and education systems and work to rehabilitate livelihoods and infrastructure.
- Food distributions to approximately 4,500 verified displaced families from South Waziristan who have not received government cash cards began on March 2. As of February 18, the GoP had issued nearly 34,000 cards to displaced families residing in Dera Ismail Khan and Tank districts, NWFP, according to OCHA.
- The final report from the ongoing joint Food Security and Market Assessment in areas of NWFP and FATA is scheduled for release in late March, according to WFP.

USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS

- On January 10, U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan Anne W. Patterson issued a disaster declaration due to the January 4 landslide in Hunza Nagar District, FANA. In response, USAID/OFDA provided \$50,000 to PRCS for the provision of emergency relief commodities to 300 families, or approximately 1,600 individuals, displaced by the landslides.
- On October 9, 2009, U.S. Ambassador Anne W. Patterson redeclared a disaster due to continued humanitarian needs resulting from civil conflict and displacement in Pakistan and requested USAID/OFDA assistance.
- On May 15, 2009, USAID deployed a Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to Pakistan to support GoP relief efforts, manage the humanitarian response, and coordinate with the humanitarian community. On May 18, USAID activated a Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Team (RMT) to support the DART. USAID demobilized the RMT and the DART on July 10 and 12, respectively. USAID/OFDA maintains a two-person field office in Pakistan to continue monitoring the situation and respond to evolving humanitarian needs.
- In FY 2009 and FY 2010 to date, USAID/OFDA has provided more than \$105 million in humanitarian assistance to conflict-affected populations in Pakistan.
- In FY 2009 and FY 2010 to date, USAID/FFP has provided 132,520 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at approximately \$118 million, to support WFP emergency operations.
- In FY 2009, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) provided \$44 million in assistance through the Food for Progress program, including 50,000 MT of wheat, valued at \$19.5 million; 6,800 MT of oil, valued at \$11.2 million; and \$13.3 million to WFP.
- In FY 2009 and FY 2010 to date, State/PRM has provided \$69.6 million to UNHCR and ICRC to support relief commodity distributions and camp coordination and management, as well as health, protection, humanitarian coordination, shelter, and WASH activities.
- In FY 2009, the U.S. Department of Defense provided approximately \$3 million in humanitarian assistance to Pakistan, including water trailers, halal meals, air-conditioned tents, and generators.
- To date in FY 2010, USAID/Pakistan has provided nearly \$21 million in immediate funding to WFP for the local and regional procurement of emergency food assistance. In addition, USAID/Pakistan provided \$44 million to the GoP to support displaced person registration and verification procedures, as well as cash voucher programs. In FY 2009, USAID/Pakistan provided more than \$8.9 million in assistance to conflict-affected populations.

USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE COMPLEX EMERGENCY PROVIDED TO DATE

FY 2010			
<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Implementing Partners	Economic Recovery and Market Systems and WASH	NWFP	\$1,653,461
NWFP Provincial Relief, Rehabilitation, and Settlement Authority (PaRRSA)	Collapsed Structure Search-and-Rescue Kits	NWFP	\$287,909
PRCS	Logistics/Relief Commodities	FANA	\$50,000
	Administrative Support Costs ²	Countrywide	\$480,448
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$2,471,818
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE³			
WFP	69,790 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Countrywide	\$60,000,000
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$60,000,000
USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE⁴			
WFP	Local and Regional Food Procurement	Countrywide	\$20,978,142
GoP	Registration and Cash Voucher Support	Countrywide	\$44,000,000
TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN			\$64,978,142
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE			
UNHCR	Camp Coordination and Management, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements	NWFP	\$10,000,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM			\$10,000,000
TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2010			\$127,449,960
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2010			\$137,449,960

¹ USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of March 9, 2010.

² Includes support for USAID/OFDA field staff.

³ USAID/FFP funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts of the value of food assistance as of March 9, 2010.

⁴ Total USAID/Pakistan humanitarian assistance in FY 2010 does not include funding for development activities.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for displacement response efforts in Pakistan can be found at www.interaction.org. Information on organizations responding to the humanitarian situation in Pakistan may be available at www.reliefweb.int.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
 - USAID: www.usaid.gov – Keyword: Donations
 - The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or (703) 276-1914
 - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int