

National Commission for Human Development Floods in Pakistan-2010



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Foreword:

Having gone through the worst floods since 1929, which have devastated lives of more than 22 million people in Pakistan, we are now in the process of recovering and rehabilitating lives of those who have lost their homes, livestock and standing crops. After completion of the immediate evacuation and relief, NCHD shall now assist in the process of reconstruction, overcoming the risks along the way; potential for water borne diseases is high amongst flood victims, particularly 3.4 million children, who are critically prone to gastro, diarrhea and malnutrition.



National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) is working in 142 districts in the four provinces, AJK, Gilgit Baltistan, FATA and FRs (less South and North Waziristan) in line with its mandate to support the government in Universal Primary Education (UPE) and Adult Literacy. Through its network, it is working in close coordination with district administration and other stake holders, in flood relief operations in all the flood affected districts of Pakistan. NCHD has had the experience of relief operations in the past during the devastating earth quake of October, 2005, in Mansehra, Balakot and Muzaffarabad. Subsequently, it helped IDPs during the catastrophe in Swat in the areas of Mardan, Charsadda and Swabi, and then more recently it supported relief operations in Atta Abad lake disaster in Gilgit-Baltistan.

NCHD has unremittingly been engaged to support the district governments in their effort to provide relief to the people of flood affected areas of Pakistan. Since 30th July 2010, when flood hit Charsadda and Nowshera in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, NCHD extended its relief operations in all the flood affected districts. It has been engaged in emergency rescue, provision of shelter, food, water and emergency medical care for the flood affected people.

NCHD, being a public private partnership model, has through its board of Directors of Pakistan Human Development Fund (PHDF), PHDF-UK and American Fund for Human Development (AFHD) secured a pledge of over **Rs. 136.3 million** to support rescue and relief operations, out of which **Rs. 100.6 million** had already been received. Although the donor agencies are quite mobilized and geared up by this hour, still there remains a lot to be done in this context, and NCHD shall guard these interests to its fullest and cover the existing gaps in service delivery.

Flood Devastation:

NCHD Weekly Flood Activity Report has been covering the details of the relief work carried out comprehensively for perusal. Over **70** districts have been affected by floods throughout the country.

Major damages include loss of life, destruction of roads and bridges, telecommunications, water and sanitation facilities, administrative infrastructure, houses, markets, shops, land and standing crops, leaving more than 7 million families homeless.

Summary of rescue and relief activities carried out by NCHD since initiation of these floods has been issued separately, while the actions related to final rehabilitation and reconstruction shall stay underway. It is, in fact, a gigantic task and a great challenge not only for Pakistan but for the whole world community.

Damages to Life and Property of the Flood Victims

A total of 1, 961 deaths have been reported all over Pakistan due to these floods, while 2, 907 have been injured. A staggering number of 1,872,264 households have been completely damaged. (Source: National Disaster Management Authority – NDMA)

NCHD Interventions:

Phase One: Immediate Evacuation and relief:

- Establish close coordination with Provincial as well as District Administration and provide support for evacuation and flood relief operations.
- Document situation on ground and assess immediate and long-term needs of the flood affected people.
- Identify and facilitate essential Volunteer support.
- Ensure Health measures, shelter, food, clean drinking water and articles of general usage



Phase Two: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction:

- Provide education and Recreational Sites/ Centers to engage flood affected population
- Support rehabilitation through continued health support, making available dry rations, quilts and blankets, and establishment of transition schools for the flood affected population



PHASE I

Rescue and Evacuation:

NCHD has provided rescue and evacuation services through 104 boats (rescuing 16,975 people), 193 road transport (45,743 people) and by 3 trains (25,600 people) duly facilitated by the local volunteers for immediate evacuation of the flood victims in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab and Sindh. NCHD also facilitated Amman Foundation in deployment of 21 rescue boats for rescue operations in Sindh and Balochistan.

KPK: Charsadda, Nowshera and Malakand.

Punjab: Rajanpur, Muzaffargarh, Khushab, Sargodha, Rahim Yar Khan, Mandibahuddin and Layyah.

Sindh: Sukkur, Khairpur, Thatta, Shikarpur, Kahsmore, Badin, Jamshoro, Jacobabad, Kamber Shahdadkot, Shaheed Benazirabad, Tando Muhammad Khan and Dadu.

NCHD-managed Camps:

The number of NCHD-managed camps had reduced from 19 to 12, with **3,394** families in Sindh and Punjab, because of IDPs' movement back to their locations. In these camps NCHD has provided security, registration facilities, food, clean drinking water and essential health care on daily basis.

Punjab: Multan

Sindh: Kashmore, Badin, Khairpur (2), Larkana, Jacobabad, Shikarpur, Thatta, Dadu (2) and Sukkur,

Provision of Water:

Clean drinking water was desperately needed by the displaced communities / families. Initially NCHD provided bottled water for immediate relief. Subsequently, water in Jerry cans and coolers duly treated with Aqua tablets for purification were provided to the flood affectees. Water tankers too have been provided to communities at various places wherever required. NCHD provided a total number of 47,596 bottles, 1,364 tankers, and 290 Aqua boxes with in-built filtration units to 66,395 families in Punjab, KPK and Sindh.



Provision of food:

NCHD provided food to the flood affectees in two modes:

Dry Food: Dry food rations are provided to families who have been evacuated or accommodated in localities where cooking facilities can be arranged. Packets containing dry food are being provided to the flood affectees. One food packet had contained 5ltr cooking oil, 20kg flour, 5kg rice, 3kg sugar, 2kg red beans, 1 kg powdered milk and ½ kg tea leaves, to last a family for a week.

27, 540 dry food ration packs have been distributed in NCHD managed relief camps, while 47,962 packs have been provided in other relief camps. These have been provided in:

KPK: Nowshera, Charsadda, Shangla, Swat, Upper Dir and Kohistan

Punjab: Multan, Mianwali, Rajanpur, Muzaffargarh, Layyah, Rahim Yar Khan, Lodhran, D.G.Khan, Bhakkar, Khushab and Mandibahauddin

Sindh: Jacobabad, Sukkur, Khairpur, Shikarpur, Dadu, Badin, Jamshoro and Kahsmore

Balochistan: Quetta and Sibbi



Cooked Food: Cooked meals have been provided to the families residing in camps managed by NCHD. These meals have been served on daily basis in the camps managed by NCHD accommodating over **3,000 families** (373, 792 individuals) in:

Punjab: Muzaffargarh, Rajanpur, D.G. Khan, Layyah, Khushab and Multan.

Sindh: Sukkur, Larkana, Mitiari, Thatta, Shikarpur, Kashmore, Badin, Dadu, and Jamshoro

Balochistan: Quetta



Provision of Shelter:

3,041 tents and 2, 570 plastic sheets have been provided in Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Sindh to shelter displaced families:

KPK: D.I. Khan,
Punjab: Muzaffargarh, Khushab, Rahim Yar khan
Sindh: Sukkur, Shikarpur, Ghotki, Kamber Shadadkot, Thatta, Khairpur and Khairpur



Provision of Non Food Items (NFIs):

NCHD has already provided 3,046 water coolers, 1,145 sleeping bags, and 29,308 pairs of shoes and clothing in the flood affected districts:



Volunteer Support:

NCHD has also identified and facilitated **5, 707** volunteers, out of which **3, 099** have been registered, to support relief activities in the IDP camps established in:

Punjab: Khushab, Layyah, Jhelum, Mandibahuddin and Muzaffargarh
KPK: Nowshera, Charsadda, Malakand, Shangla, Swat and Bannu
Sindh: Sukkur, Khairpur, Jamshoro, Jacobabad, Badin and Thatta.
Balochistan: Quetta



PHASE II

NCHD Rehabilitation Initiation:

National Commission for Human Development is now working for the rehabilitation of affected people. On-going Rehabilitation services include Emergency Health care, provision of cooked and un-cooked food, and provision of clean drinking water.

Collaborative Partnerships:

A total of NCHD's 274 Temporary Learning and Recreational Sites (TLRS) and 317 Adult Literacy Social Counseling Centers (ALSCC) have already been established to overcome trauma and to maintain affected public on the right track. NCHD shall extend this intervention in all flood relief camps in Pakistan, and is collaborating with UNICEF to establish Transitional schools in tents, with the government providing teachers for the same.

Skills development program initiated by NCHD in collaboration with Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Youth Development Program (BBSYDP) aims at meaningful rehabilitation, improved living standards and enhanced income generation.

Volunteers identified and registered by NCHD are actively working with the affected communities, mobilizing people to clean debris left behind in wake of the recent floods.

Emergency Health Care:

NCHD has already held **634** static as well as **979** mobile medical camps, treating **121,128** and **122,838** patients respectively. NCHD will continue to hold these camps wherever required till the end of the rehabilitation phase and, in coordination with the district governments and UN support clusters, is supporting vaccination campaign to avert any epidemics.



Dry Food Rations and NFIs:

NCHD shall provide dry food ration packs for 15, 000 people including cooking oils, flour, rice, sugar, red beans and pulses, powdered milk and tea leaves to last a family for at least a month.

NCHD shall also ensure provision of quilts, blankets, mattresses and warm clothes to facilitate the affected population during rehabilitation and reconstruction rigors. Also included in these continuing services will be the establishment of Transition Schools and Adult Counselling centres to keep the literacy targets in sight and manageable attainment.

Educational and Recreational Activities:

NCHD had facilitated establishment of Temporary Learning and Recreational Sites (TLRSs) for 5 – 10 years old children, as well as Adult Literacy Social Counseling Centers (ALSCCs) in order to engage the flood affected population to overcome distress / trauma, regain balance, and to prepare them for rigors of rehabilitation.

TLRSs:

In order to provide joyful learning environment to the children of flood affected districts, NCHD has so far established a total of **274** TLRSs in Sindh with an enrollment of **18, 634** children in Larkana, Khairpur, Badin, Dadu, Ghotki, Hyderabad, Jamshoro, Kamber Shadadkot, Karachi, Kashmore, Shaheed Benazirabad, Nousheroferoze, Shikarpur, Thatta and Sukkur.

36 TLRSs have been established in Punjab with an enrollment of **3, 351** students. TLRSs shall continue to render these services till and as required.

ALSCCs:

A total of **317** ALSCCs had been established with an induction of **4,660** adults in Sindh in Badin, Dadu, Hyderabad, Jamshoro, Kamber Shadadkot, Kashmore, Khairpur, Larkana, Mitiari, Nousheroferoze, Sanghar, Shaheed Benazirabad, Shikarpur, Sukkur and Tando Muhammad Khan.

These TLRSs and ALSCCs will be established in all the camps for Flood Affectees until they are fully rehabilitated.



IN THE NEWS:

1. Chancellor of SZABIST University Dr. Azra Fazal Pechucho (MNA) visits NCHD Literacy Resource centre. She was welcomed by the Chairperson NCHD, Ms. Nafisa Shah.
2. Chairperson NCHD, Ms. Nafisa Shah presented the Prime Minister a cheque of Rs. Two million for the Prime Minister's Flood Relief Fund on 20th Oct. 2010. She apprised the Prime Minister of various flood relief activities taken up by NCHD in various flood ravaged areas.
3. Chairperson NCHD Ms. Nafisa Shah met with the Federal Minister for Science and Technology Muhammad Azam Khan Swati at NCHD Head Office Islamabad on October 19, 2010. They discussed the post flood situation of literacy in Pakistan and built-in understanding to ensure rehabilitation of educational activities in the flood hit areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The minister appreciated NCHD's efforts to increase literacy rate in the country through its Adult Literacy Centers established through-out the country.
4. British Journalist, Eleanor Wason visited NCHD free medical camps on 15th Oct. Sugar Mill, Sports Stadium and Adam Ghar Tent Villages. She was moved by the suffering of the flood affectees and appreciated the role of NCHD in providing support and relief to the flood affected people of Charsadda.



5. 17 teachers have been awarded with “Best Teacher” award in a ceremony organized by NCHD on 14th Oct. 2010 to recognize the contributions of teachers to improve quality of education and literacy rate in the country. NCHD Chairperson, Ms. Nafisa Shah said that that the Commission has advocated for involving a broad representation of stake holders in policy making. She also highlighted the role of Teachers’ Unions in this respect.



6. NCHD had initiated precautionary measures / Spray against Malaria for Malaria Control program, M/O Health, at Charsadda on 9th September, 2010

7. Provincial Education Ministers of Sindh and Baluchistan, Mr. Mazhar –ul-Haq and Mr. Tahir Mehmood visited National Commission for Human Development’s “Literacy Resource Centre” on September 30, 2010. They lauded the Chairperson NCHD, Ms. Nafisa Shah for her dynamic leadership, appreciated NCHD’s efforts for promotion of literacy in the country, and assured their full support.



8. A memorandum of understanding was signed worth **Rs. 164.962 M**, between National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) and Provincial Coordination Unit (PCU) Benazir Bhutto Shaheed Youth Development Program (BBSYDP) on September 27, 2010 for forging mutual support to achieve their goals and objectives to promote Skill Development for Youth. The MoU constitutes an implementation framework for a short-term skill development program. The Program is aimed at training 8, 750 trainees, divided over 4 batches, through NCHD in the field of tailoring and stitching.



9. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) and Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Government of Sindh, worth 4.8 million Pak Rupees, on 21st Sep. 2010 for Data Collection of Relief Camps and Villages in Flood Affected Areas. The main features of the MoU include Data Collection of Relief Camps in Flood Affected Areas, Data Collection of villages in Flood Affected Areas, and Monitoring of flood affected camps and villages. PDMA, with the assistance from UNHCR shall provide the budget expenses and the list of affected areas, along with 20% mobilization advance, to NCHD for the data collection. The payment shall be transferred to PHDF account.

NCHD has carried out relief operations from donations alone, and no government funds have been used for this purpose.

Donations:

Summary of pledges and receipts are as under:

S. No.	Donor	Pledges				Receipts				Outstanding			
		Cash		In Kind	Total	Cash		In Kind	Total	Cash		In Kind	Total
		USD	PKR	PKR	PKR	USD	PKR	PKR	PKR	USD	PKR	PKR	PKR
1	Pakistan Human Development Fund	-	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	-	10,000,000	-	-	-	-
2	PHDF Directors	97,808	54,085,890	581,254	63,029,685	82,808	23,985,890	581,254	31,647,185	15,000	30,100,000	-	31,382,500
3	NCHD District Offices	-	4,079,419	23,445,898	27,525,317	-	4,079,419	23,445,898	27,525,317	-	-	-	-
4	Humanity First	-	-	11,035,300	11,035,300	-	-	11,035,300	11,035,300	-	-	-	-
5	AAR Japan	-	13,144,476	-	13,144,476	-	8,826,988	-	8,826,988	-	4,317,488	-	4,317,488
6	Abbott Laborattaries, USA	52,500	-	-	4,488,750	52,500	-	-	4,488,750	-	-	-	-
7	Rotary Club of Eltham, Australia	-	-	4,432,320	4,432,320	-	-	4,432,320	4,432,320	-	-	-	-
8	Individual Philanthropists/ NGOs	13,800	1,482,377	-	2,662,277	13,800	1,482,377	-	2,662,277	-	-	-	-
	Total	164,108	82,792,162	39,494,772	136,318,125	149,108	48,374,674	39,494,772	100,618,137	15,000	34,417,488	-	35,699,988

The contribution that NCHD has put in for Relief activities in Pakistan, and what it shall hold for rehabilitating devastated lives and reconstructing up from ruins cannot be carried forth without the generous donations and support of the Directors of Pakistan Human Development Fund (PHDF), Pakistan Human Development Fund – UK, American Fund for Human Development and Philanthropists within Pakistan and abroad.

Rehabilitation, reconstruction and relief work being carried out by NCHD can only be sustained with your generous support.

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