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## ***Pakistan –Floods, Earthquake, and Complex Emergency***

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### **BACKGROUND AND KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

- From July through early August 2008, monsoon rains and related flooding affected populations throughout Pakistan, killing 40 individuals and affecting an estimated 241,000 others, including approximately 175,000 people displaced from communities in North-West Frontier Province (NWFP). Floods also damaged or destroyed an estimated 12,000 houses, in addition to infrastructure, crops, and agricultural land.
- At 0400 hours local time on October 29, 2008, a magnitude 6.4 earthquake struck 80 miles northeast of Quetta city in Baluchistan Province. According to the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the earthquake was followed by 47 aftershocks, registering magnitude 3.5 or greater. According to the Government of Pakistan (GoP) National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), tremors caused 166 deaths and 357 injuries, damaged or destroyed nearly 10,000 houses, and affected approximately 68,200 people, primarily in Ziarat and Pishin districts, Baluchistan Province.
- Between August 2008 and September 2009, conflict between the GoP and militants in Bajaur and Mohmand agencies in the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), and Swat, Buner, and Lower Dir districts in NWFP resulted in widespread population displacement and insecurity. Following military operations and intensified conflict, the majority of internally displaced persons fled to host communities in NWFP, with a minority moving into organized camps. To date, the GoP National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) has verified approximately 2.7 million conflict-displaced individuals from NWFP and FATA, in addition to at least 77,000 displaced people from South Waziristan Agency, FATA, and an unknown number of individuals recently displaced from Khyber Agency, FATA. In mid-July 2009, humanitarian agencies began to record large-scale population returns to areas of origin in NWFP, specifically Swat and Buner districts, with the majority of displaced families returning to the districts by early September. Although returns to FATA have also occurred, population movements to the area have been more limited due to insecurity and property damage.
- In FY 2009, the U.S. Government (USG) has provided more than \$279 million in humanitarian assistance for flood, earthquake, and conflict-affected populations in Pakistan. In addition to emergency-related funding, USAID/OFDA also continues to support a disaster preparedness and mitigation program in Pakistan designed to increase local capacity by providing training to disaster response and rescue professionals.

| <b>ESTIMATED NUMBERS AT A GLANCE</b> | <b>SOURCE</b>   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Floods</b>                        | 241,000 affected, 40 dead<br>GoP – August 2008                    |
| <b>Earthquake</b>                    | 68,200 affected, 166 dead,<br>357 injured<br>NDMA – November 2008 |
| <b>Complex Emergency</b>             | 2.78 million displaced<br>GoP SSG <sup>1</sup> – September 2009   |

### **HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED IN FY 2009**

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| <b>USAID/OFDA Assistance for Floods .....</b>                           | <b>\$674,382</b>     |
| <b>USAID/OFDA Assistance for the Earthquake.....</b>                    | <b>\$2,383,367</b>   |
| <b>USAID/OFDA Assistance for the Complex Emergency.....</b>             | <b>\$102,776,403</b> |
| <b>USAID/FFP Assistance for the Complex Emergency.....</b>              | <b>\$58,000,000</b>  |
| <b>USAID/Pakistan Assistance the Complex Emergency .....</b>            | <b>\$8,913,631</b>   |
| <b>State/PRM<sup>2</sup> Assistance for the Complex Emergency .....</b> | <b>\$59,600,000</b>  |
| <b>USDA<sup>3</sup> Assistance for the Complex Emergency .....</b>      | <b>\$44,000,000</b>  |
| <b>DoD<sup>4</sup> Assistance for the Complex Emergency .....</b>       | <b>\$3,000,000</b>   |
| <b>Total USG Humanitarian Assistance to Pakistan.....</b>               | <b>\$279,347,783</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Special Support Group (SSG)

<sup>2</sup> U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

<sup>4</sup> U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)

## **CURRENT SITUATION**

- Although the general security situation in NWFP has improved in recent months, humanitarian agencies and local media continue to report security incidents in Swat, Buner, and Lower Dir districts. According to the GoP SSG, the majority of displaced families from NWFP have returned to areas of origin in Swat, Buner, Lower Dir, Upper Dir, and Shangla districts, while less than 50 percent of displaced individuals from Bajaur and Mohmand agencies, FATA, have returned to areas of origin. Individuals displaced from FATA regularly cite insecurity and property damage as impediments to return.
- USAID/OFDA implementing partners continue to provide assistance to displaced and returning populations, despite the challenging security environment. Since October 2008, USAID/OFDA provided nearly \$106 million in support for flood, earthquake, and conflict-affected individuals in Pakistan, including assistance provided to communities hosting displaced populations.
- In mid-September, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) indicated that the organization planned to provide food for 200,000 additional individuals, bringing the total number of food assistance beneficiaries in Pakistan to 2.4 million people. Between September 1 and 29, WFP distributed 33,400 metric tons (MT) of food aid to approximately 2.3 million beneficiaries. WFP representatives reported that the organization anticipated reaching the remaining 100,000 beneficiaries by October 1.
- Relief agencies report 28 operational humanitarian hubs in Pakistan, including 12 hubs in Swat District, 6 hubs in Buner District, 3 hubs in Bajaur Agency, and 7 hubs remaining in host communities in NWFP. WFP also plans to open two hubs in Lower Dir District and one hub in Shangla District, NWFP in the coming days.

## **USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE**

### ***Floods***

- In response to the August 2008 floods, U.S. Chargé d’Affaires Peter W. Bodde issued a disaster declaration. In response, USAID/OFDA provided more than \$670,000 for affected populations through humanitarian partners in Pakistan. In addition, USAID/OFDA deployed an emergency disaster relief coordinator to monitor humanitarian conditions in flood-affected areas.
- To assist affected populations in Punjab Province, USAID/OFDA-supported programs included the provision of transitional shelter materials to nearly 4,500 people and the distribution of essential commodities—including cooking stoves, kitchen supplies, water containers, and bed nets—to 12,800 flood-affected individuals. A USAID/OFDA partner also supported flood-affected populations through cash-for-work and hygiene promotion programs, in addition to distributing emergency relief commodities. With USAID/OFDA funding, partners implemented programs generating short-term income earning opportunities for approximately 1,000 people and involving up to 9,500 individuals in hygiene promotion activities.

### ***Earthquake***

- On October 31, U.S. Ambassador Anne W. Patterson issued a disaster declaration requesting USAID/OFDA assistance due to the effects of the earthquake. In response, USAID/OFDA provided nearly \$2.4 million in assistance for earthquake-affected populations. In addition, from November 1 to November 10, USAID deployed a four-person Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to Pakistan to assess humanitarian needs and facilitate USG humanitarian assistance.
- USAID/OFDA assistance included \$1 million provided to the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to support the provision of shelter and relief supplies to earthquake-affected populations, including safe drinking water, food, and household items. With USAID/OFDA support, ICRC assistance also addressed emergency medical and surgical needs in affected areas.
- In the weeks following the earthquake, USAID/OFDA provided nearly \$1.4 million in additional assistance for shelter and water, sanitation, and hygiene interventions (WASH) in earthquake-affected areas. USAID/OFDA-supported shelter programs contributed to economic recovery through procurement of local building materials when possible. The programs employed skilled workers and trained unskilled workers to construct seismic- and weather-resistant structures. In addition, USAID/OFDA shelter assistance included transitional shelter materials that households could re-use to construct permanent shelters in the spring and summer months.
- Via airlift, USAID/OFDA also transported 530 rolls of plastic sheeting from the USAID/OFDA Dubai commodity stockpile to Quetta to help meet immediate shelter needs of approximately 2,650 earthquake-affected families. Through a network of local organizations, a USAID/OFDA partner distributed the plastic sheeting to villages in affected areas of Pishin and Ziarat districts, benefitting at least 26,500 people by improving wind- and water-proofing of existing non-winterized tents.

**Complex Emergency**

- On October 20, 2008, U.S. Ambassador Anne W. Patterson redeclared a disaster in Pakistan due to continued humanitarian needs resulting from civil conflict and displacement in FATA and NWFP and requested USAID/OFDA assistance.
- On May 15, USAID deployed a 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. At present, USAID/OFDA maintains a three-person field office in Pakistan to continue monitoring the situation and respond to evolving humanitarian needs.
- In FY 2009, USAID/OFDA provided more than \$102 million in humanitarian assistance to conflict-affected populations in Pakistan for agriculture and food security, health, nutrition, economic recovery and market systems, risk reduction, humanitarian coordination and information management, shelter and settlements, and WASH activities, as well as the provision of emergency relief supplies and logistical support.
- In FY 2009, USAID/FFP provided 62,730 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at approximately \$58 million, for WFP emergency operations.
- In FY 2009, USDA provided or committed \$44 million in assistance to conflict-affected populations through the Food for Progress program and in cooperation with the GoP Ministry of Agriculture. USDA assistance includes 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 for associated costs.
- In FY 2009, USAID/Pakistan provided more than \$8.9 million in assistance to conflict-affected populations, including support for the provision of relief commodities, as well as livelihoods, infrastructure rehabilitation, education, health, agriculture, shelter and settlements, economic recovery and market systems, and WASH activities.
- In FY 2009, State/PRM provided \$59.6 million to the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and ICRC for the provision of relief commodities, as well as camp coordination and management, health, protection, humanitarian coordination, shelter, and WASH activities.
- In FY 2009, DoD provided \$3 million in humanitarian assistance to Pakistan, including the provision of water trailers, halal meals, air-conditioned tents, and generators.

**Preparedness and Mitigation Programs**

- In FY 2009, USAID/OFDA continued to contribute to disaster preparedness in Pakistan. Since 1998, USAID/OFDA has funded the regional Program for the Enhancement of Emergency Response (PEER), which provides training for disaster response and rescue professionals in Pakistan and other countries in Asia. The program assists local, regional, and national disaster management agencies in organizing and conducting training in medical first response, collapsed structure search and rescue, and hospital preparedness for mass casualties following a disaster. In FY 2009, USAID/OFDA provided an additional \$1.5 million to support PEER trainings and activities throughout Asia.

**FY 2009 USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE PAKISTAN FLOODS**

| <i>Implementing Partner</i>   | <i>Activity</i>  | <i>Location</i> | <i>Amount</i>    |
|---|--|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>                              |  |                 |                  |
| Implementing Partner  | Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Logistics and Relief Commodities, WASH | Affected Areas  | \$428,070        |
| Implementing Partner  | Emergency Relief Supplies  | Affected Areas  | \$246,312        |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR FLOODS IN FY 2009</b> |  |                 | <b>\$674,382</b> |
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<sup>1</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of September 30, 2009.

**FY 2009 USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE PAKISTAN EARTHQUAKE**

| <i>Implementing Partner</i>              | <i>Activity</i>  | <i>Location</i> | <i>Amount</i> |
|--|--|-----------------|---------------|
| <b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b> |  |                 |               |
| Implementing Partner                     | Health, Shelter and Settlements, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene, Emergency Relief Supplies | Affected Areas  | \$1,000,000   |
| Implementing Partner                     | Emergency Relief Supplies  | Affected Areas  | \$100,000     |
| Implementing Partner                     | Shelter and Settlements and WASH   | Affected Areas  | \$499,009     |

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|---|--|----------------|--------------------|
| Implementing Partner  | Shelter and Settlements and WASH                         | Affected Areas | \$636,457          |
| Implementing Partners   | Emergency Relief Supplies, Including Air Transport Costs | Affected Areas | \$258,270          |
|   | Administrative Support and Travel Costs                  | Pakistan       | \$95,345           |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR EARTHQUAKE IN FY 2009</b> |  |                | <b>\$2,383,367</b> |
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### FY 2009 USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE PAKISTAN COMPLEX EMERGENCY

| <i>Implementing Partner</i>                                     | <i>Activity</i>  | <i>Location</i> | <i>Amount</i>        |
|---|--|-----------------|----------------------|
| <b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>                        |  |                 |                      |
| Implementing Partners   | Agriculture and Food Security, Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Logistics, Relief Commodities, Nutrition, Health, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH | NWFP and FATA   | \$49,032,382         |
| U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) | Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management   | NWFP and FATA   | \$1,700,000          |
| U.N. Human Settlements Program (UN HABITAT)                     | Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Shelter and Settlements  | NWFP            | \$1,110,000          |
| U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF)                                   | WASH, Nutrition  | NWFP            | \$10,800,000         |
| WFP   | Logistical Support   | NWFP            | \$1,740,000          |
| WFP   | Local Food Procurement and Distribution  | NWFP            | \$35,453,612         |
| U.N. World Health Organization (WHO)                            | Health   | NWFP            | \$2,600,000          |
|   | Administrative Support Costs   | Countrywide     | \$340,409            |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>   |  |                 | <b>\$102,776,403</b> |
| <b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE<sup>2</sup></b>                         |  |                 |                      |
| WFP   | 62,730 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance   | Countrywide     | \$58,000,000         |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/FFP</b>  |  |                 | <b>\$58,000,000</b>  |
| <b>USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE</b>                                |  |                 |                      |
| Implementing Partners   | Education, Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Agriculture, WASH, Health  | NWFP and FATA   | \$8,913,631          |
| <b>USAID/PAKISTAN</b>   |  |                 | <b>\$8,913,631</b>   |
| <b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>                                     |  |                 |                      |
| UNHCR, ICRC   | Camp Coordination and Management, Health, Protection, Humanitarian Coordination, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, WASH   | NWFP            | \$59,600,000         |
| <b>TOTAL STATE/PRM</b>  |  |                 | <b>\$59,600,000</b>  |
| <b>USDA ASSISTANCE</b>  |  |                 |                      |
| GoP Ministry of Agriculture                                     | 56,800 MT of Food For Progress Assistance  | Countrywide     | \$44,000,000         |
| <b>TOTAL USDA</b>   |  |                 | <b>\$44,000,000</b>  |

| <b>DoD ASSISTANCE</b>                    |   |      |                      |
|--|---|------|----------------------|
| GoP                                      | Emergency Relief Commodities and Related Transportation Costs | NWFP | \$3,000,000          |
| <b>TOTAL DoD</b>                         |   |      | <b>\$3,000,000</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b> |   |      | <b>\$169,690,034</b> |
| <b>TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>   |   |      | <b>\$276,290,034</b> |

<sup>1</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of September 30, 2009.

#### **FY 2009 HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TOTALS**

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| <b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>     | <b>\$105,834,152</b> |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>      | <b>\$58,000,000</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b> | <b>\$8,913,631</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>          | <b>\$172,747,783</b> |
| <b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>      | <b>\$59,600,000</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL USDA ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>           | <b>\$44,000,000</b>  |
| <b>TOTAL DoD ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>            | <b>\$3,000,000</b>   |
| <b>TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>            | <b>\$279,347,783</b> |

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#### **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. Information on organizations responding to the humanitarian situation in Pakistan may be available at [www.reliefweb.int](http://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, warehouse space, etc); 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](http://www.usaid.gov) – Keyword: Donations
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: [www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org) or (703) 276-1914
  - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at [www.reliefweb.int](http://www.reliefweb.int)