



USAID
FROM THE AMERICAN PEOPLE

**BUREAU FOR DEMOCRACY, CONFLICT, AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (DCHA)
OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (OFDA)**

Pakistan – Complex Emergency

Fact Sheet #6, Fiscal Year (FY) 2009

May 14, 2009

Note: The last fact sheet was dated May 7, 2009.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- Beginning May 8, the Pakistani military launched an offensive in Swat and Buner districts in Pakistan’s North-West Frontier Province (NWFP) in response to Taliban militant activity, according to international media sources.
- As a result of renewed conflict in Buner, Lower Dir, and Swat districts, approximately 671,000 internally displaced persons (IDPs) registered with the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) between May 2 and May 12, primarily in neighboring Mardan and Swabi districts.
- The total estimated IDP population in NWFP may now exceed 1.2 million individuals, including approximately 550,000 registered IDPs who fled conflict in NWFP and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) between August 2008 and to date in May 2009. The U.N. estimates that the total IDP population in Pakistan could reach 1.5 million people by the end of 2009.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, the U.S. Government (USG) has contributed approximately \$62.3 million in humanitarian assistance for conflict-affected populations in NWFP and FATA.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE	SOURCE	
Total Number of Registered Conflict-Affected IDPs Residing in Official Camps in NWFP	173,469	UNHCR – May 12, 2009
Total Number of Registered Conflict-Affected IDPs Residing Outside Official Camps in NWFP	1,053,976	UNHCR – May 12, 2009
Total Number of Registered Conflict-Affected IDPs in NWFP	1,227,445 ¹	UNHCR – May 12, 2009

FY 2008 AND FY 2009 FUNDING FOR CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS IN PAKISTAN

USAID/OFDA Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$22,702,588
USAID/FFP² Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$21,001,400
USAID/Pakistan Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$3,962,737
State/PRM³ Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations⁴	\$14,600,000
Total USAID and State Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$62,266,725

CURRENT SITUATION

- The security situation in NWFP and FATA remains unstable. Ongoing conflict, including Taliban advances and resulting military operations in NWFP and FATA, has caused substantial displacement and significantly limited humanitarian access to populations in conflict zones.
- The USAID/OFDA emergency disaster relief coordinator (EDRC) in Pakistan notes that numbers of affected populations are fluid and changing daily.
- The U.N., the Government of Pakistan (GoP), and the international donor community continue to assess the needs of IDPs and host community populations and closely coordinate to plan humanitarian interventions.

Displacement in NWFP

- On May 8, UNHCR announced the establishment of 75 new IDP registration points in Mardan and Swabi districts. On May 13, OCHA reported that 22 registration points were operational, each with 15 to 20 registration counters.

¹ This figure does not include registered IDPs not entered into official databases, unofficial estimates of new displacement, or IDPs outside NWFP who are currently undergoing registration.

² USAID’s Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

³ U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (State/PRM)

⁴ This figure does not include more than \$51 million in regional humanitarian assistance provided by State/PRM in FY 2008.

- As of May 12, UNHCR reported a total of 1,227,445 registered IDPs in NWFP, including 670,906 registered between May 2 and May 12 and 556,539 displaced between August 2008 and May 2, 2009. Of this caseload, 173,469 IDPs are residing in camps, and 1,053,976 IDPs are located outside camps in rental accommodations or with host families.
- Current IDP estimates do not include persons who may be displaced within Buner, Lower Dir, and Swat districts, where limited or no humanitarian access continues to impede relief efforts.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, USAID/OFDA has provided more than \$22.7 million in humanitarian assistance for displaced and conflict-affected individuals and host communities, in coordination with implementing partners.

Humanitarian Coordination

- The U.N. is working to revise the Humanitarian Response Plan for Pakistan to account for the humanitarian needs of the increased IDP population. The new U.N. plan will be presented the week of May 18, after the GoP presents its own appeal.
- USAID and U.S. Embassy staff have participated in discussions with the U.N. and implementing partners to emphasize the need for improved humanitarian coordination that includes coordination with donors.
- The U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) plans to establish a satellite office in Mardan District in the week of May 18 to facilitate coordination and monitor the evolving situation.
- On May 12, GoP officials announced that the provincial government of NWFP would assume primary responsibility for humanitarian response efforts, with support from a federal Special Support Group (SSG). General Nadeem Ahmad, who managed the GoP humanitarian response to the 2005 earthquake in northeastern Pakistan, will lead the SSG. According to General Nadeem, the SSG will serve as an extension of the office of the Provincial Relief Commissioner to assist with non-governmental organization (NGO) and donor coordination, including facilitating access to affected populations and visa approvals for international humanitarian staff. According to the USAID/OFDA EDRC, General Nadeem pledged SSG support, including health and engineering teams and transportation services, and the provision of regular security updates to the humanitarian community.

Shelter and Settlements

- On May 8, the EDRC reported the establishment of Jalala and Sheikh Shahzad camps in Mardan District and Yar Hussain in Swabi District. As of May 10, Jalala and Sheikh Shahzad camps had reached capacity. As of May 14, 11 new or expanded camps were accommodating IDPs in Lower Dir, Malakand, Mardan, Swabi, and Nowshera districts.
- UNHCR has expanded Jalozai camp in Nowshera District to accommodate additional IDPs. The humanitarian community will gradually assist approximately 12,000 individuals to move from Mardan District to the expanded Jalozai facilities. Jalozai remains the largest camp for conflict-affected IDPs in NWFP.
- On May 11, UNHCR airlifted 120 metric tons (MT) of emergency relief supplies to Pakistan, including plastic sheeting, mosquito nets, and portable warehouses.

Emergency Food Assistance

- On May 12, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) announced a doubling of emergency food assistance to conflict-affected populations in NWFP, emphasizing a commitment to assist populations living outside of camps through distribution hubs in Mardan and Swabi districts. WFP is currently providing emergency rations to 650,000 IDPs.

USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS

- On October 20, 2008, 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.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, USAID/OFDA has provided more than \$22.7 million in humanitarian assistance to conflict-affected populations in Pakistan and more than \$4.9 million in response to earthquakes and floods. At present, USAID/OFDA is supporting health, nutrition, humanitarian coordination and information management, risk reduction, shelter and settlements, and water, sanitation, and hygiene interventions, as well as the provision of relief supplies and logistical support.
- To date in FY 2009, USAID/FFP has provided 24,200 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at more than \$21 million, to WFP emergency operations.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, USAID/Pakistan has provided nearly \$4 million in humanitarian assistance to displaced persons and conflict-affected populations, including support for relief commodities and programs for livelihood recovery, education, agriculture and food security, shelter and settlements, economy and market systems, and water, sanitation, and hygiene.
- In FY 2009, State/PRM has provided \$14.6 million to UNHCR and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to support the provision of relief commodities, as well as health, protection, humanitarian coordination, shelter and settlements, and WASH activities. In FY 2008, State/PRM provided more than \$51 million in regional humanitarian assistance to populations in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iran, including assistance to conflict-affected populations in Pakistan.

**USAID AND STATE HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE
FOR CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS IN PAKISTAN**

FY 2009			
<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Implementing Partners	Economy and Market Systems, WASH, Logistics, Relief Commodities, and Shelter and Settlements	NWFP	\$7,865,690
U.N. Human Settlements Program (UN HABITAT)	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	NWFP	\$110,000
U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF)	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	NWFP	\$1,700,000
WFP	Logistical Support	NWFP	\$240,000
WFP	Food Assistance	NWFP	\$8,853,612
U.N. World Health Organization (WHO)	Health	NWFP	\$600,000
	Administrative Support Costs	Countrywide	\$37,606
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$19,406,908
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	Food Assistance	Countrywide	\$21,001,400
TOTAL USAID/FFP			\$21,001,400
USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE			
Implementing Partners	Economy and Market Systems, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Agriculture and Food Security, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	NWFP and FATA	\$2,130,060
USAID/PAKISTAN			\$2,130,060
STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE			
UNHCR, ICRC	Health, Protection, Humanitarian Coordination, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	NWFP	\$14,600,000
TOTAL STATE/PRM			\$14,600,000
TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009			\$42,538,368
TOTAL USAID AND STATE ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009			\$57,138,368
FY 2008			
<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
UNICEF, WHO, U.N. Development Program (UNDP), UN HABITAT, NGOs	Health, Nutrition, Risk Reduction, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics and Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	NWFP	\$3,295,680
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$3,295,680
USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE			
NGO partners	Livelihood Recovery, Relief Commodities	FATA	\$1,529,275
Implementing Partners	Economy and Market Systems, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Agriculture and Food Security, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	NWFP	\$303,402
TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN			\$1,832,677
TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008			\$5,128,357
TOTAL USAID AND STATE ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008			\$5,128,357
FY 2008 AND FY 2009			
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009			\$22,702,588

TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009	\$21,001,400
TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009²	\$3,962,737
TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009	\$47,666,725
TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009³	\$14,600,000
TOTAL USAID AND STATE ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009	\$62,266,725

¹ USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of May 14, 2009.

² Total USAID/Pakistan humanitarian assistance in FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009 does not include funding for development activities.

³ Total State FY 2008 assistance does not include more than \$51 million in regional humanitarian assistance provided by State/PRM.

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