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*Note: The last fact sheet was dated June 9, 2009.*

**KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

- On June 9, a bombing at the Pearl Continental Hotel in Peshawar city killed nine people and injured at least 64 others, including five humanitarian aid workers. Despite heightened insecurity and relocation of some humanitarian staff to Islamabad, the U.N. and other humanitarian agencies continue to provide food and other emergency assistance to displaced persons in North-West Frontier Province (NWFP).
- As of June 9, the Government of Pakistan (GoP) National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) had confirmed that nearly 1.9 million individuals—or nearly 269,000 families—were eligible for displaced person benefits. NADRA continues to verify household registrations and has indicated that thousands of forms remain unprocessed, according to the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).
- On June 11, USAID/OFDA provided nearly \$3.2 million in additional assistance to implementing partners, including \$1.5 million to the U.N. World Food Program (WFP), for logistics and emergency relief supplies, economy and market systems, and water, sanitation, and hygiene support for internally displaced persons and host families in NWFP and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA). Recent contributions increase USAID/OFDA’s total humanitarian assistance in Pakistan to more than \$79 million in FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009.
- During the week of June 8, a USAID/OFDA safety and security officer deployed to Pakistan to support the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART).

<b>NUMBERS AT A GLANCE</b>		<b>SOURCE</b>
<b>Number of Internally Displaced Persons Verified to Date</b>	1.9 million	UNHCR – June 9, 2009
<b>Total Number of Registered Internally Displaced Persons in NWFP</b>	Registration Verification Ongoing <sup>1</sup>	NADRA

**FY 2008 AND FY 2009 HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS**

<b>USAID/OFDA Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations .....</b>	<b>\$79,153,106</b>
<b>USAID/WFP Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations .....</b>	<b>\$36,237,900</b>
<b>USAID/Pakistan Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations.....</b>	<b>\$7,524,308</b>
<b>State/PRM Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations<sup>2</sup> .....</b>	<b>\$24,600,000</b>
<b>USDA Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations .....</b>	<b>\$16,800,000</b>
<b>DoD<sup>3</sup> Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations.....</b>	<b>\$3,800,000</b>
<b>Total USG<sup>4</sup> Humanitarian Assistance for Conflict-Affected Populations .....</b>	<b>\$168,115,314</b>

**CURRENT SITUATION**

- The security situation in NWFP and FATA remains challenging and unpredictable for humanitarian workers, particularly following the June 9 bombing at the Pearl Continental Hotel, which killed at least five humanitarian aid workers and injured at least four others, including staff from U.N. agencies. Despite ongoing challenges and insecurity, humanitarian agencies and implementing partners continue to provide critical assistance to displaced populations.

<sup>1</sup> NADRA continues to verify internally displaced person registration numbers. Humanitarian agencies expect the process to yield between 2 and 3 million registered and verified internally displaced persons, according to the U.N. This figure does not include unofficial estimates of new displacement or displaced populations outside NWFP.

<sup>2</sup> This figure does not include more than \$51 million in regional humanitarian assistance provided by State/PRM in FY 2008.

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)

<sup>4</sup> U.S. Government (USG)

- Non-governmental organization (NGO) partners report that security concerns continue to hinder NGO relief operations in NWFP and FATA. To date, the International Committee for the Red Cross (ICRC) remains the only international humanitarian organization with access to conflict-affected populations in Swat and Lower Dir districts.

#### ***Population Movements and Internally Displaced Person Camps***

- UNHCR continues to report increasing numbers of individuals arriving to internally displaced person camps in Charsadda, Mardan, and Swabi districts. According to UNHCR, displaced individuals have cited the stress placed on host families with already-limited resources and access to relief in schools in the decision to relocate to camps. On June 8, UNHCR estimated that camps located in seven districts of NWFP housed more than 235,000 displaced individuals, with 300 to 500 new families arriving at camps daily.
- According to UNHCR, existing camps—particularly Jalala, Larama, Sheikh Shahzad, Sheikh Yaseen, Sugar Mill, and Yar Hussain—have reached capacity and cannot accommodate additional displaced persons. Established on June 1 to accommodate additional displaced individuals, the Sugar Mill camp in Charsadda District and Larama camp in Peshawar District had already reached capacity on June 2, according to UNHCR.
- In response to the lack of absorption capacity in existing camps, humanitarian agencies are directing new arrivals to Jalozaï and Yar Hussain camps, which have been expanded to accommodate new arrivals. On June 8 and 9, UNHCR and NGO partners registered more than 1,100 new arrivals in Yar Hussain camp and nearly 1,600 others in Jalozaï camp. UNHCR and NGO partners have provided newly arrived individuals with emergency relief supplies and tents.
- Due to overcrowding in camps and potential for related environmental and health issues, UNHCR reported an urgent need for land in NWFP. To accommodate excess populations, UNHCR is currently exploring the possibility of developing additional camps or expanding camps in the area.

#### ***Registration and Verification***

- On June 9, UNHCR reported that agencies have suspended registrations of newly arrived displaced persons in Larama and Sugar Mill camps, as the camps have reached capacity. According to a recent assessment survey, approximately 177 unregistered families are currently living in tents in Larama camp. In the coming weeks, UNHCR plans to register families who were unable to register previously due to incomplete documents or separated family members.

#### ***Health and Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene***

- On June 7, WHO reported the provision of mental health and psychological support as critical needs, particularly in Yar Hussain camp in Swabi District. According to a WHO needs assessment, between 40 and 60 percent of consultations at health facilities in Yar Hussain camp are primarily related to psychosocial and mental health issues.
- Health agencies have also reported concerns regarding increasing numbers of acute watery diarrhea (AWD) cases in displaced person camps. Increasing AWD cases pose a particular concern due to the imminent onset of the monsoon season in July, which is typically associated with significant increases in waterborne diseases. According to the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO), since mid-April, AWD cases have consistently increased in Jalozaï and Benazir complex camps in Nowshera District and Palosa camp in Charsadda District. WHO highlighted limited availability of safe drinking water and inadequate hygiene and sanitation facilities as challenges to preventing AWD in the camps, as well as limited pharmaceuticals and medical supply stocks in affected districts.
- In response to AWD and other waterborne disease concerns, a WHO environmental health team is training sanitation workers to deliver public health messages focused on sanitation, hygiene, and causative and preventative measures related to diarrheal diseases in the camps.

#### ***Shelter and Settlements***

- As of June 8, U.N. Shelter Cluster members had commenced a project to provide shelters for displaced families living in congested host households, in accordance with international minimum humanitarian standards. Humanitarian partners plan to construct prototypes in rural areas where land is available next to host households.
- According to the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), increasing temperatures continue to pose problems for internally displaced persons residing in tents. According to UNCHR, an international NGO recently commenced a project to provide shade structures for all existing tents in Sheikh Yaseen camp in Mardan District.

#### ***Emergency Relief Supplies***

- As of June 10, a USAID/OFDA partner had delivered more than 3,000 tents, nearly 180,000 blankets and quilts, 83,500 sleeping mats, 45,600 water containers, 30,450 mosquito nets, 43,090 buckets, 27,700 kitchen sets, and 63,900 bars of soap to the UNHCR warehouse in Nowshera District for provision to conflict-affected individuals.
- To address high temperatures experienced by displaced individuals queuing to collect relief commodities and food assistance, UNHCR and implementing partners are also constructing shade-providing structures at relief distribution hubs. UNHCR reports the completion of 23 shade structures in eight distribution hubs in Mardan District to date.

- Implementing partners are responding to the needs of internally displaced persons residing in government buildings in Charsadda and Swabi districts through the provision of a basic relief commodity package that includes clothing, shoes, fans, high-energy biscuits, mosquito nets, rice, milk, tea and sugar.
- In the coming days, UNHCR and local partners also plan to commence distribution of relief items, including mats, kitchen sets, plastic sheeting, and water containers, to displaced individuals living in schools and rented accommodations and with host families in Charsadda and Nowshera districts.
- To support displaced families residing in host communities in Swat, Buner, and Lower Dir districts, a USAID/OFDA implementing partner plans to provide rent and cash-for-work assistance to approximately 10,000 families, representing more than 60,000 individuals.

### **Protection**

- As of June 8, UNHCR had developed criteria to identify vulnerable displaced persons and improve referral mechanisms and protection for individuals with special needs.
- UNHCR reported on June 8 that U.N. Protection Cluster members had provided assistance to more than 3,500 households headed by vulnerable individuals, such as women, children, and disabled persons, to access relief services in camps. UNCHR has also established child protection monitors to identify and arrange care for separated children in camps.

### **USG 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.
- 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 to support the DART.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, USAID/OFDA has provided more than \$79 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, economy and market systems, 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 39,670 metric tons (MT) of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at more than \$36 million, to WFP emergency operations.
- To date in FY 2009, the USDA has provided 50,000 MT of Food for Progress assistance, valued at \$16.8 million, through the GoP Ministry of Agriculture for distribution to conflict-affected populations.
- In FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009, USAID/Pakistan has provided more than \$6.7 million in humanitarian assistance to displaced persons and conflict-affected populations in NWFP and FATA, including support for relief commodities and programs for livelihood recovery, education, agriculture and food security, shelter and settlements, protection, economy and market systems, and water, sanitation, and hygiene.
- In FY 2009, State/PRM has provided \$24.6 million to UNHCR and the 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.
- To date in FY 2009, DoD has provided approximately \$3.8 million in humanitarian assistance to Pakistan, including halal meals, air-conditioned tents, and generators.

### **USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS IN PAKISTAN**

<b>FY 2009</b>			
<b>Implementing Partner</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>			
Implementing Partners	Economy and Market Systems, WASH, Logistics, Relief Commodities, Protection, Nutrition, and Shelter and Settlements	NWFP	\$22,365,071
OCHA	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	NWFP and FATA	\$1,700,000
U.N. Human Settlements Program (UN HABITAT)	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management	NWFP	\$1,110,000
The 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
WHO	Health	NWFP	\$2,600,000
	Administrative Support Costs	Countrywide	\$88,743
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>			<b>\$75,857,426</b>
<b>USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE</b>			
WFP	39,670 MT of P.L. 480 Title II Emergency Food Assistance	Countrywide	\$36,237,900
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP</b>			<b>\$36,237,900</b>
<b>USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE</b>			
Implementing Partners	Economy and Market Systems, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, Agriculture and Food Security, WASH	NWFP and FATA	\$5,691,631
<b>USAID/PAKISTAN</b>			<b>\$5,691,631</b>
<b>STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE</b>			
UNHCR, ICRC	Health, Protection, Humanitarian Coordination, Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	NWFP	\$24,600,000
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM</b>			<b>\$24,600,000</b>
<b>USDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
GoP Ministry of Agriculture	50,000 MT of Food For Progress Assistance	Countrywide	\$16,800,000
<b>TOTAL USDA</b>			<b>\$16,800,000</b>
<b>DoD ASSISTANCE</b>			
GoP	Emergency Relief Commodities and Related Transportation Costs	NWFP	\$3,800,000
<b>TOTAL DoD</b>			<b>\$3,800,000</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>			<b>\$117,786,957</b>
<b>TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2009</b>			<b>\$162,986,957</b>

<b>FY 2008</b>			
<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE</b>			
NGO Partners	Risk Reduction, Protection, Logistics and Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	NWFP	\$1,595,680
UNICEF, WHO, UN HABITAT, U.N. Development Program (UNDP)	Health, Nutrition, Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Shelter and Settlements	NWFP	\$1,700,000
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>			<b>\$3,295,680</b>
<b>USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE</b>			
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, WASH	FATA	\$303,402
<b>TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN</b>			<b>\$1,832,677</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008</b>			<b>\$5,128,357</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID AND STATE ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008</b>			<b>\$5,128,357</b>
<b>FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>			
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>			<b>\$79,153,106</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>			<b>\$36,237,900</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID/PAKISTAN ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009<sup>2</sup></b>			<b>\$7,524,308</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>			<b>\$122,915,314</b>
<b>TOTAL STATE/PRM ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009<sup>3</sup></b>			<b>\$24,600,000</b>

<b>TOTAL USDA ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>	<b>\$16,800,000</b>
<b>TOTAL DoD ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>	<b>\$3,800,000</b>
<b>TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2008 AND FY 2009</b>	<b>\$168,115,314</b>

<sup>1</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of June 11, 2009

<sup>2</sup> Estimated value of food assistance.

<sup>3</sup> Total USAID/Pakistan humanitarian assistance in FY 2008 and to date in FY 2009 does not include funding for development activities.

<sup>4</sup> 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](http://www.interaction.org). 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, 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](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)