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Pakistan – Complex Emergency

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Note: The last fact sheet was dated January 7, 2010.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- On January 26, the Government of Pakistan (GoP) approved the 2010 U.N. Pakistan Humanitarian Response Plan (PHRP). The PHRP requests approximately \$537 million for a six-month period, from February to July 2010. The U.N. plans to officially launch the PHRP in early February.
- On January 4, landslides in Hunza Nagar District in Pakistan’s Federally Administered Northern Areas (FANA) killed at least 13 people and displaced approximately 1,900 others, according to the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). On January 10, U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan Anne W. Patterson issued a disaster declaration due to the damage caused by the landslides. In response, USAID/OFDA provided \$50,000 to the Pakistan Red Crescent Society for the purchase and distribution of emergency relief commodities to 300 families, or approximately 1,600 individuals, displaced by the landslides. Humanitarian organizations and the GoP continue to monitor conditions, including an increased risk of flooding resulting from landslide debris in the Hunza River.
- On January 25, USAID/OFDA’s program officer based in Islamabad and USAID’s Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP) officer traveled to two U.N. World Food Program (WFP) food distribution sites and a cash transfer pilot project in Buner and Swabi districts, North-West Frontier Province (NWFP). During the trip, USAID staff observed orderly food distributions and efficient management of the hubs.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE		SOURCE
Number of Registered Displaced Households	446,926 households	GoP SSG ¹ – February 2, 2010
Number of NADRA² Verified Displaced Households	416,598 households	GoP SSG – February 2, 2010

FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE

USAID/OFDA Assistance³ for Conflict-Affected Populations	\$878,500
USAID/FFP 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.....	\$135,856,642

CURRENT SITUATION

- In recent weeks, the GoP SSG has reported no newly registered displaced individuals from South Waziristan Agency, Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), or Upper Dir, Lower Dir, Buner, Malakand, Shangla, and Swat districts, NWFP. NADRA continues to finalize the verification process of registered displaced individuals from conflict-affected areas, particularly newly displaced households from Orakzai Agency, FATA, residing in Kohat and Hangu districts, NWFP.
- According to OCHA, local media reports indicate that the GoP may begin the returns process for displaced persons from South Waziristan Agency, FATA, in March or April. In addition, the GoP SSG has indicated that Mohmand Agency, FATA, is secure and that the GoP is currently identifying procedures to register returnees to the agency. More than 38,500 households and nearly 27,500 households from South Waziristan and Mohmand agencies, respectively, remained displaced as of February 2.
- Humanitarian needs persist in conflict-affected areas of NWFP and FATA, although identified needs vary by location. U.N. cluster meetings continue to occur regularly to coordinate humanitarian assistance efforts and identify gaps in affected areas.

¹ GoP Special Support Group (SSG)

² GoP National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA)

³ Includes support for USAID/OFDA field staff

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

⁵ U.S. Government (USG)

Displacement and Camp Management

- On February 2, the GoP SSG reported forwarding registration data for 18,206 households—approximately 122,000 individuals—displaced from Orakzai Agency, FATA, to Kohat and Hangu districts, NWFP, to NADRA for verification.
- The GoP SSG reports that nine displacement camps in NWFP continue to host 21,302 families—or 112,870 individuals— from Bajaur, Mohmand, Orakzai, and Khyber agencies, FATA. Jalozi camp in Nowshera District, NWFP, remains the largest camp, hosting more than 87 percent of the registered camp population as of February 2. On February 3, the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) reported that the GoP had identified adjacent land to accommodate up to 3,000 additional displaced families at the camp.
- On January 26, the non-governmental organization Médecins Sans Frontières reported the GoP evacuation of approximately 7,000 individuals from Munda displacement camp and an adjacent market place in Lower Dir District, NWFP. According to the GoP, insecurity prompted the decision to relocate the individuals.
- On January 28, the GoP SSG reported that the 402 families residing in Munda camp at the time of evacuation were re-located to a site adjacent to Wali Kando camp, designated Wali Kando-2. The individuals evacuated from the market place remain unprocessed at an established camp site. Several humanitarian agencies noted concern regarding the GoP decision to relocate the individuals prior to consultations with humanitarian organizations.

Humanitarian Needs

- From January 3 to 8, the GoP's Support Agency for Rural and Human Association's Development (SARHAD) traveled to Kohat and Hangu districts to assess humanitarian needs of populations displaced from Orakzai Agency to the districts. SARHAD identified health and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) as priority humanitarian sectors, as well as the need for blankets due to the onset of winter. However, humanitarian access to the districts remains limited, according to a USAID/OFDA implementing partner.
- During the January 28 U.N. WASH Cluster meeting, cluster representatives reported no significant WASH needs in Jalozi camp, although a USAID/OFDA partner has noted the potential deterioration in WASH condition in the coming weeks. Several cluster members reported gaps in WASH assistance in Dera Ismail (D.I.) Khan and Tank districts, which host displaced populations from South Waziristan Agency.
- During February, the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization, WFP, and the U.N. World Health Organization plan to conduct a joint vulnerability assessment in Upper Dir, Lower Dir, Swat, Buner, and Shangla districts, NWFP, and Bajaur Agency, FATA, to identify humanitarian needs of vulnerable populations.

Emergency Food Assistance

- During the January 25 assessment trip to Buner and Swabi districts, the USAID/OFDA program officer observed efficient operations at Swari hub, Buner District, and Kunda More hub, Swabi District. According to local officials, Kunda More hub has the capacity to process five displaced individuals every two minutes.
- During a January 14 U.N. Logistics Cluster meeting, WFP reported that 2.85 million individuals received WFP food distributions during December, 11 percent more beneficiaries than initially targeted. According to the GoP SSG, returnees received approximately 67 percent of food distributions in December, while displaced individuals and host communities received the remainder.
- The GoP SSG reported that individuals receiving assistance at all hubs and camp distribution points are subject to verification, based on NADRA verification figures. During a January 14 U.N. Food Cluster meeting, WFP reported ongoing re-screening of 650,000 displaced persons in Mardan and Swabi districts to ensure that distribution lists remain accurate.

Early Recovery

- The GoP SSG reported that WFP initiated a cash transfer pilot project in Buner District on January 10. The project, which targets approximately 12,000 returnee families residing in eight union councils, provides each family with 4,000 Pakistani rupees, or approximately \$47, in lieu of WFP food rations. As of January 24, approximately 7,451 households had received cash transfers.
- WFP plans to use the pilot program to examine the benefits of distributing cash versus rations. During the January 25 assessment trip to Buner District, the USAID/OFDA program officer noted that local residents reported increased business in recent days, following the introduction of the pilot project.
- The USAID/OFDA program officer met with several USAID/OFDA partners working in Buner District during the assessment. One USAID/OFDA partner noted that road rehabilitation cash-for-work projects had improved market access in recent weeks. The partner also indicated that, in some communities, local governments had contributed to the projects through the provision of materials for road construction.

USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS

- 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 \$103.7 million in humanitarian assistance to conflict-affected populations in Pakistan.
- In FY 2009, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) provided \$44 million in assistance through the Food for Progress program, in cooperation with the GoP Ministry of Agriculture. USDA assistance included 50,000 metric tons (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 to date in FY 2010, State/PRM has provided \$69.6 million to UNHCR and the International Committee for the Red Cross for the provision of relief commodities, as well as camp coordination and management, 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.
- In FY 2009 and to date in FY 2010, USAID/FFP has provided 132,520 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at approximately \$118 million, to WFP emergency operations.
- 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 for displaced person registration and verification, as well as cash voucher assistance. 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.

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			
NWFP Provincial Relief, Rehabilitation, and Settlement Authority (PaRRSA)	Collapsed Structure Search-and-Rescue Kits	NWFP	\$287,909
	Administrative Support Costs ²	Countrywide	\$590,591
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$878,500
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			\$125,856,642
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE IN FY 2010			\$135,856,642

¹ USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of February 4, 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 February 4, 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