Situation Update

Following the agreement with National Reconstruction Authority (NRA) for recovery programme, Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) supported enrollment process for shelter support to more than 6,800 households in seven districts: Nuwakot, Rasuwa, Makawanpur, Okhaldhunga, Ramechhap Sindhuli and Sindhupalchowk districts. Payment service agreement (PSA) has already been signed with banks in Ramechhap, Sindhuli, Okhaldhunga, Nuwakot and Sindhupalchowk districts.

Similarly, significant progress has been made in mason training, livelihood, water sanitation and hygiene (WASH) and health activities. With the completion of staff recruitment, it is expected that all of the pending activities relating to shelter, livelihood, WASH and health will be completed on time.

Key sectoral Achievements

- **3,949 people**
  Reached with build back safer training (Mason)

- **7,221 people**
  Reached with WASH and health awareness activities in Kathmandu valley, Sindhuli, Dhading and Rasuwa districts

- **83 drinking water schemes**
  Identified for technical evaluation and verification for rehabilitation

- **48 people**
  Received Start and Improve Your Business ToT in Kathmandu valley districts

- **430 people**
 Benefited by cash for work for activates in Kathmandu, Bhaktpur, Lalitpur and Nuwakot districts

*Cumulative figure
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District Highlights

Nuwakot: Completed PSA with bank in Bhalche village development committee (VDC). Conducted vulnerability assessment for livelihood activities in Bhalche.

Makawanpur: Conducted VDC Level full immunization orientations in Dandakharka and Khairang, with the participation of 75 people including 37 females. Conducted orientation on gender equality and social inclusion (GESI), community engagement and accountability (CEA) and planning monitoring evaluation and reporting (PMER) to 18 volunteers and staff at district chapter including three females.

Kavrepalanchowk: Conducted awareness sessions on communicable diseases at Kharalthok with participation of 45 people including 40 females. In addition, 453 fruit plants (Mango and Litchi) were distributed to 69 households in ward no. 6 and 9 of Kharelothok.

Rasuwa: Conducted community Lite activities such as hand washing demonstration sessions, assistance to rehabilitation of Chautara (Sitting arrangement around a big tree for community meetings). Supported for enrollment for cash grant support in Thulogaun VDC.

Sindhuli: Formed nine ward level reconstruction committee and completed agreement with 805 beneficiaries for shelter cash grant support.

Okhaldhunga: Signed PSA with bank for shelter support. Formed VDC and ward level reconstruction committees in Harkapur and Prapcha VDCs.

Ramechhap: Declared Manthali municipality as ‘Total Immunization Municipality’ by the Government. NRCS was involved in coordination and social mobilization activities for achieving total immunized status in the municipality. Social mobilizers carried out door to door visit to assess and monitor sanitation situation in Rampur VDC. Signed PSA with bank for shelter construction support in Rampur VDC and Manthali municipality.

Kathmandu, Bhaktapur and Lalitpur: Completed training of trainer on community based health with 24 participants. Conducted Cholera awareness campaign in coordination with Lalitpur Sub Metropolitan City, Health Division, District Public Health Office, and other stakeholder working under WASH in Lalitpur district.

Dolakha: Completed household baseline survey, multi-sector focus group discussions, key informant interviews and school WASH assessment in Sushpa Chhemawati and Lapilang VDCs. Report of the baseline is being finalized.

Sindhupalchowk: Cluster surveys were completed in four VDCs in coordination with district health office for total immunization declaration. Supported enrollment of beneficiaries for cash grant support.

Dhading: Organized sanitation campaigns, hand washing practices and demonstrations along with hygiene and sanitation education classes in schools with participation of 358 people including 238 females.

Gorkha: Completed mass project orientation at Mirkot and Manakama VDCs. A total of 73 hand washing demonstration and practice sessions were conducted with participation of 2,245 people in school and community.

Although living in a temporary shelter, concerned for sanitation and health. Ms. Buddhi Maya Rasaii (54yrs) from Melemchi-12, Sindhupalchowk district is thankful to NRCS for providing technical expertise while constructing a toilet for her family. She is willing to allow her neighbors to use it as well.

Glimpse of full immunization deceleration at Manthali, Ramachhap district.
Volunteer Mobilization and Capacity Building

Volunteers supporting in shelter cash grant distribution programme in Sittalpati, Sindhuli District.

PMER, GESI and CEA

Mason Post Training Engagement Status Survey

3,140 trained masons were interviewed

What is your post training engagement status?

- Engaged in Other Work: 716
- Currently out of Work: 1338
- Already Working as Mason: 1086

What is your deployment preference?

- Can work only within the neighborhood: 1197
- Can relocate only within the dist. and adjoining dist.: 1041
- Ready to relocate any districts: 1345

Namaste Red Cross Hotline- 1130

In the reporting period, total of 230 calls were received at "Namaste Red Cross" hotline. Most of these calls were related to shelter (30 calls), WASH (7 calls), health (7 calls), blood transfusion service (7 calls), livelihood (6 calls) and others (42 calls).
Dissemination of IEC materials
Flex with information on ways to contact Red Cross, commitment towards communities and general information were prepared and sent to Kathmandu valley districts. Purpose of flex is to provide relevant information to public and promote accountability to communities.

KIOSK
Four events of KIOSK were organized in Lalitpur and Bhaktapur districts. In Lalitpur, it was organized in Godawari Municipality to raise awareness against waterborne diseases its preventions measures along with first aid booth.

A total of 113 participants visited the KIOSK of Lalitpur (38 male, 56 female and 19 children). In Bhaktapur, two vents were organized at Changhunarayan and Nagarkot. Both events focused on raising awareness against water borne diseases, promotion of hand washing pamphlets relating to WASH and health were also distributed. A total of 800 people visited the KIOSK.

GESI
- “Child Protection Code of Conduct” and “Anti-Harassment Code of Conduct” were implemented at headquarters and districts.
- A total of 30 pieces of blankets, 10 pieces of large size of tarpaulin and two sets of tents were provided to Central Jail Hospital, Kathmandu, Nepal. The jail was fully damaged due to earthquake in 2015.
- Altogether 15 sets of non-food relief items (blanket, kitchen sets, tarpaulin, rope, and bucket) were supported to 15 women with disability
- Remarkable number of women were found involving in cash for work for debris Clarence activities in Kathmandu valley.

Facebook Post
13 posts out of 110 post in NRCS Facebook were related to earthquake response operation with 873,000 likes (Calculating average like 67,154 for each post makes it 13*67154=873000 likes)

Key Issues
- Bank agreement was delayed in few districts as branch offices denied for immediate agreement stating lack of instructions from their central offices.
- Agreement with NRA was changed twice as there was change in name of VDCs for shelter support.

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