In January Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) focused on shelter cash grants, livelihood cash grants, drinking water supply scheme (DWSS) construction, toilet construction, health post construction and trainings to community members and volunteers. Similarly, street drama was conducted to disseminate information about Earthquake Response Operation (ERO) activities. Likewise, feedbacks were collected from feedback boxes and Namaste Red Cross Hotline 1130 and responded accordingly based on their priority.

Key sectorial Achievements (Cumulative)

- **6,219 families** received first tranche of shelter cash grants and 113 families received second tranche and four families received third tranches of shelter cash grants.
- **460 families** constructed household toilets.
- **31,883 people** reached through hygiene promotion activities.
- **6,571 mothers** with child/children less than 1 year received Nano Jhola (Mother-baby kit).
- **1,671 FCHVs** received WAKA-WAKA power light.

Lalitpur Chief District Officer handed over cheque for livelihood conditional cash grants to Ward Secretary of Mahalaxmi Municipality Ward No. 5, 6, 7 & 8.
**District Highlights**

**Dhading**
- Completed 11 ward level Participatory Approach for Safer Shelter Awareness (PASSA) orientations in programme VDCs; Kalleri and Katunje. Altogether 322 people including 221 female participated in the orientation.
- Conducted 14 hand washing sessions in programme VDCs (five in Kalleri and nine in Katunje). A total of 450 people including 270 female were reached by the activities.
- Completed one sanitation campaign and nine hygiene and sanitation education classes in the programme VDCs. Altogether 294 people including 154 people were reached by the activities.

**Dolakha**
- A total of 69 households (21 households in Suspachhemawati and 48 households in Lapilang) were provided with technical support and guidance for construction of new houses complying with safe shelter measures.

**Bhaktapur, Kathmandu and Lalitpur**
- Distributed first instalment of livelihood conditional cash grant (NPR 10,000) to each 318 families (212 in Bhaktapur and 106 in Lalitpur) selected through vulnerability assessment.
- Cleared debris of 95 houses in Kathmandu valley (Bhakapur-46 house and Lalitpur-49 houses) through cash for work approach.
- Distributed mother-baby kit (Nano Jhola) to 380 mother who have child/children less than 1 year in Kathmandu district. Objective of distribution is to protect children from cold and related illness.
- Visited 686 households with PASSA messecge in Kathmandu valley.
- Conducted an event of psychosocial support (PSS) orientation for more 100 people including students and their parents, teachers and FCHVs in Chhetrapatti, Kathmandu.

**Gorkha**
- Completed 19 hand washing sessions were conducted in programme VDCs. Altogether 497 people including 254 female participated in the sessions.
- Completed 84 goat sheds construction in Thalajung VDC. Red Cross has been providing cash grants of NPR 8,000 to 12,000 depending on the size of the shed.

**Sindhupalchowk**
- Visited 2,100 households to disseminate 10 key messages about safe shelter and distributed PASSA booklets in the programme VDCs.
- Oriented 15 volunteers on importance of antenatal care (ANC) and postnatal care (PNC). Following the orientation, altogether 365 households have been visited by the volunteers with ANC, PNC and pneumonia awareness messages.
- Conducted five PSS sessions with card games in Singamati Secondary School, Kunchok and 11 PSS sessions for community members in Nawlupur and Melamchi. A total of 131 students
including 68 female students participated in the school sessions whereas 247 people were participated in the community sessions.

- Conducted five injury awareness sessions in Nawalpur VDC (ward 8, 7, 4, 1, 3) and one session in Melamchi (ward 12) for 122 participants including 67 female participants.
- Conducted Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation (PHAST) implementation orientation to 31 people including 17 female from four Recovery Action Groups in Melamchi. They were oriented on PHAST tools and completed problem identification step of PHAST.
- Conducted 11 cash for work activities (four in Badegaun and seven in Melamchi) which directly benefitted 275 people including 82 female.

Okhaldhunga, Ramechhap and Sinduli

- Completed health education orientations such as pneumonia, water borne disease and safe motherhood for women health group, ward citizen forum, and mother health group to 1,523 people including 847 female in programme area of three districts.
- Provided first aid service to 85 people including five female in programme VDCs of Okhaldhunga.
- Completed construction of 60 goat sheds in programme area of Okhaldhunga district.
- Conducted orientation on safe motherhood and infant care to 24 female community health volunteers (FCHVs) of programme area in Ramechhap district.
- Conducted oratory competition on ‘Community Health and Youth’ in Manthali Campus. A total of 80 students including 35 female students had participated the competition.
- Completed livestock insurance of 193 livestock in Rampur VDC, Ward No. 1, 2 and 3.

Makawanpur, Nuwakot and Rasuwa

- Visited 235 households with message on importance of immunization and preventive measures of pneumonia in Namtar VDC and Thaha municipality in Makawanpur district.
- Conducted health awareness activities on nutrition, immunization and pneumonia for 594 people including 469 female with an objective to change the behaviour of community people towards health in three districts.
- Conducted PSS orientation sessions for community members and schools students in programme areas of three districts. A total of 546 people including 290 female had participated in the orientations.
- Conducted hygiene promotion sessions in communities in Rasuwa district. A total of 375 people including 211 female were reached by the sessions.
- Completed community mobilization activities orientation for 37 people with 23 female in Laharepauwa VDC of Rasuwa district.

Kavre

- Completed one day WASH orientation on toilet and washing construction. Altogether 65 people were oriented on earthquake resistant toilet and washing platform construction.
- Completed six-day District Disaster Response Team (DDRT) training for district chapter and sub-chapter volunteers with 31 participants including 4 female participants.
- Distributed second instalment of livelihood conditional cash grants 144 households based on the agreed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and recommendation from technical monitoring. So far (31 January 2017), a total of 509 households have directly been benefited by the livelihood conditional cash grant.

**Chart2: Trainings and Orientations for Community**

- Hygiene promotion activities for school/community people: 375, 445
- Community based health awareness/activities: 252, 128, 304, 630, 167
- Injury session to school/community: 122
- Health orientation: 252, 24, 536
- PSS orientation: 287, 231, 100, 378
- WASH orientation: 65
- Pre-construction management orientation: 21, 20, 187

Red Cross distributed toilet construction materials to selected families in Lachyang VDC of Nuwakot district. Photo credit: NRCS
Volunteer Mobilization and Capacity Building

455 staffs & Volunteers
Trained/ oriented on shelter, WASH, Health PMER and community mobilization.

459 volunteers
Mobilized in programme activities

PMER GESI and CEA

PMER-IM
Following the users training, the web based management information system (MIS) has been piloted in Makawanpur district.

GESI
GESI coordinator attended NRCS central and eastern regional workshops to conduct orientation on NRCS child protection (CP) and Anti-harassment (A-H) guidelines. A total of 70 participants of two different workshops took an oath on child protection code of conduct and anti-harassment code of conduct (i.e. including Chair Man, Secretary General, Vice president, Treasurer and Central executive committee member, district chapter executive committee’s representative including president, secretary and member).

CEA
Namaste Red Cross Hotline- 1130:
Namaste Red Cross hotline is a toll free number 1130 throughout the country. Through this number a caller can ask questions, provide comments and feedback or even register a complaints against the works of Nepal Red Cross Society. In January, a total of 97 calls were received. Most of the calls were related to livelihood, NRCS activities and shelter activities of Red Cross. Sector wise number of calls have been demonstrated in chart 4.

Street drama:
- Conducted street drama to disseminate information regarding ERO components on the occasion of "celebration of Sali nadi" Sankhu, Shankhapur in Kathmandu district. Approximately 800 people observed the drama.

Volunteer Mobilization and Capacity Building

Chart 3: Capacity Building of Staff and Volunteers

- Orientation on nutrition: 47
- DDRT training for volunteers: 31
- Hand washing facilitator training: 24
- KBO training for Staff and volunteer: 20
- Orientation to SM and volunteers for Mother baby kit distribution: 18
- Community mobilization training: 30

Chart 4: Sector wise call received in Namaste Red Cross Hotline in January 2017

- Health: 15
- Shelter: 37
- Livelihood: 1
- WASH: 7
- Blood Bank: 9
- Hotline service: 19
- Info about NRCS: 4
- Membership: 11
- Others: 0
• Conducted street drama to disseminate message regarding community engagement and accountability of NRCS in Tathali Nagarkot of Bhaktapur district. Approximately, 120 community people observed the drama

**Newspaper Column:** Four inserts (weeks) about Earthquake Response Operation were published in Annapurna Post. Details are as follows;
- January 6, 2017: Cold wave
- January 13, 2017: press release related to ERO activities
- January 20, 2017: Livelihood- Support not distributed to affected/ not fair distribution, rumor- negative news in newspaper
- January 27, 2017: Involvement in Red Cross Activities.

**Facebook Page Likes:**
- Total Likes: 131,006; New Likes in January: 5,340
- Most Popular (Boosted) Post in January: Street Drama Story and photo, Reached: 601,246, people Likes: 44,382, Comments : 87, Shares: 169

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