Situation Update
Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) with the support of Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement partners have been implementing integrated recovery programme (Earthquake Response Operation-ERO) in 50 Village Development Committees (VDCs) and 14 municipalities of 14 severely affected districts (category-A districts).

In October, NRCS focused on shelter cash grants, technical monitoring of shelter construction, vulnerability assessment and beneficiary selection for livelihood activities, debris clearance, foot trail construction, renovation/construction of drinking water supply schemes, community based health and basic first aid trainings, hygiene promotion activities and distribution of solar home system and cooking stove.

Key sectorial Achievements

- **5,352 families** received first tranche of shelter cash grants, 493 families started shelter construction and 71 families completed their houses in seven districts**.

- **5,400 people** reached through hygiene promotion activities (Hand washing events) in Gorkha, Lalitpur, Sindhupalchok, Dhading districts.

- **1535 people** benefited by cash for work activities in Kathmandu valley, Dhading, Kavre, Sindhupalchowk, Rasuwa and Nuwakot districts.

- **2,017 community farmers** were benefitted by the agricultural sensitization orientation in Kathmandu valley districts

- **1,01365** families received solar home system support

- **16,292** families received improved cooking stove support

Note: *Cumulative figure **Rasuwa, Nuwakot, Makawanpur, Ramechhap, Sindhuli, Okhaldhunga and Sindhupalchowk
District highlights

Ramechhap Sindhuli and Okhaldhunga

- A total of 1,987 families received first tranche of shelter cash grants. Out of them, 411 families have started construction of their house and 66 families have completed construction of their houses in three districts. Rapid mobile phone (RAMP) technique has been initiated to collect shelter construction progress data from field.
- A total of 240 families have started construction of toilet in programme VDCs of three districts. Red Cross has supported toilet construction material such as toilet pan, pipe, iron rod, nails, cement, and CGI sheet. Rapid RAMP technique has been used to collect toilet construction progress data from field.
- A total of 25 people from community were trained on commercial goat farming in Rampur VDC of Ramechhap district.
- Global Hand Washing Day was marked on 15 October with slogan “Make hand washing a habit” in Rampur VDC. A total 342 people had participated in the hand washing demonstration sessions organized by Red Cross.
- Construction of three drinking water supply schemes (DWSS) have been completed in Siddhicharan municipality of Okhaldhunga district. A total of 81 households have been benefitted by the schemes.

Dhading

- A total of 21 sanitation campaigns were organized reaching to 500 participants including 233 female.
- Five hygiene and sanitation classes were organized for community people in Kalleri and Katunje VDCs reaching out to 202 participants including 115 female. Feasibility study of the irrigation canal has been completed in Katunje VDC. The canal was identified from rapid need assessment for rehabilitation.
- Maintenance of foot trail was completed in Kalleri VDC through cash for work programme. Altogether, 157 people including 48 female were directly involved in the programme.

Dolakha

- Memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed with six water user committees for construction of DWSS in Sushpa Chhemawati and Lapilang VDCs. The water user committees were oriented on their roles and responsibilities to complete the water schemes.
- Similarly, MoU was sign with school management committee of two schools for construction of two school toilets in Sushpa Chhemawati and Lapilang VDCs.
- A total of 23 staff social mobilizers and volunteers were oriented on planning, monitoring, evaluation and reporting (PMER) and community engagement and accountability (CEA).

Sindupalchowk

- Four VDCs (Nawalpur, Kunchok, Shikharpur and Badegaun) were declared fully immunized VDCs. NRCS supported district health office and health posts to convene coordination meetings, orient health staff and volunteers on total immunization, develop plan of action, maintain register to ensure children have obtained vaccines and organize full immunization declaration and certification event.
• One road was repaired through cash for work programme in Badegaun, ward No.5. Altogether 25 people worked for four days in the project.
• Construction of four health posts was completed in second and third quarters in Sindhupalchowk district. Out of them, three health posts have started service delivery. In September and October 2016, a total of 2198 patients were treated in the three hospital. Healthpost wise data has been presented in chart 2.

Gorkha
• Two basic first aid trainings were conducted for 48 people including 23 female in Gankhu and Mirkot VDCs. The trained people will be mobilized for providing first aid service in the communities.
• Construction of one foot trail was completed in Thalajung VDC. Similarly, construction of three foot trail is in progress in Harmi VDC.
• Design and estimate of two irrigation canals were completed in Harmi VDC.
• Construction of 13 goat sheds was completed at Thalajung VDC. Construction of addition 20 goat sheds is ongoing in the district.
• A total of 22 participatory awareness for safer shelter awareness (PASSA) session were completed reaching to 717 people in six VDCs (Gankhu, Mirkot, Jaubari, Bakrang, Manakamana Barpark).

Kathmandu, Lalitpur and Bhaktapur
• Altogether 2,017 community farmers were benefitted by the agricultural sensitization orientation in three districts. In addition, wellbeing ranking is ongoing in these districts. A total of 8,000 selected families will be supported with NPR 20,000 for livelihood activities in the three districts.
• A total of 439 people including 354 school students benefitted from psychosocial support activities in three districts. Games and entertainment programme such as singing programme activities were organized as part of the psychosocial activities in these districts.
• Altogether 176 households benefitted from the cash for work support for debris clearance activities (Clearing debris of their destroyed houses) in Lalitpur and Bhaktapur districts (124 households in Lalitpur district and 52 households in Bhaktapur district).
• A total of 450 bottles of water purifying agent (Piyush) and 486 pieces of soap were distributed to the female community health volunteers (FCHV) in Lalitpur district. The FCHVs have distributed the bottles of water purifying agent and soaps in the communities during water purification and hand washing demonstration sessions. Similarily, 50 bottles of Piyush were provided to health post in Godamchaur VDC of Lalitpur district.
• A total of 182 people were reached through community level sanitation, hygiene and health awareness activities such as education sessions, demonstration of water purification and hand washing techniques in Changhunaryan municipality of Bhaktapur district.
• A total of 13 people from community were oriented on PASSA in Bhaktapur district.
Kavre

- A total of 1,388 community people including 918 female were involved in PHAST rollout activities.
- Business plan training was organized for most vulnerable households of programme VDCs. Total of 537 households participated in the training and submitted their business plan.
- One rain water harvesting pond was constructed in Kavre district using cash for work approach. As a result of it, local livestock will have drinking water facility in dry season.

Nuwakot, Rasuwa and Makwanpur

- A total of 2195 families received first tranche of shelter cash grant in three districts. Additional data related to shelter progress is yet to be received from field.
- Two road reconstruction activities are ongoing in Thulogaun and Dandagaun VDCs of Rasuwa district. So far, 120 people have been benefitted from cash for work in the reconstruction activities.
- Six-day community based health (CBH) training was conducted for 82 social mobilizers and volunteers in Rasuwa, Nuwakot and Makwanpur districts. Immunization, importance of breastfeeding, family planning, nutrition, HIV/AIDS and vector borne diseases, safe motherhood and neonatal care are the key content of the training. At the end of the training, the participants expressed that they were confident to facilitate community level health orientation and awareness activities.
- Suryamati VDC of Nuwakot district was declared as fully immunized VDC on 24 October 2016. NRCS conducted street drama related to full immunization in Suryamati, Ureleni, Lachyang, Haldekalika and Manakamana VDCs of Nuwakot district. In addition, full immunization orientation was conducted for 114 social mobilizers, volunteers and FCHVs in Ureleni and Lachyang VDCs.
- Post construction training was provided to 31 members of water users committee of two water schemes in Nuwakot district (Ghattepan and Belsing DWSS). The training provided key skills to the water user committee members for operation, monitoring and minor maintenance of the DWSS.
- PSS training was conducted for 23 volunteers from eight programme VDCs in Nuwakot district. The trained volunteers have been mobilized for carrying out PSS assessment and services in programme communities.

Chart 3: Drinking water supply system update of October 2016

- Design Estimation for Rehabilitation/reconstruction
- Survey/feasibility study for Rehabilitation
- Source Registration
- Received approval and technical verification
- BoQ for water schemes
- Construction/rehabilitation of Water Scheme
- Water Source Mapping

Red Cross volunteers supported people from programme communities to open their bank account for shelter cash support in Nuwakot district.

Photo: NRCS

Note: Numerical summary of ongoing drinking water schemes have been provided in chart 3 and district wise human resource capacity building activities in chart 4.
Volunteer Mobilization and Capacity Building

339 volunteers mobilized in programme activities

414 Staff including social mobilizers have been rendering services in earthquake response operation

215 staff and volunteers were trained/oriented on shelter, WASH, Health PMER and community mobilization. Detail of which is presented in the chart: 4

PMER, GESI and CEA

- Two baseline surveys were carried-out in two schools of programme VDCs of Kavre district for child resilience programme (CRP).
- Suggestion boxes were installed in programme VDCs of Sindhupalchok districts.
- Hoarding board with list of items supported for for construction was installed in the community of Thaha municipality of Makawanpur district for transparency.

Namaste Red Cross Hotline- 1130

- A total of 74 calls were received in October. Similar to other months, shelter remained the most common sector for enquiries, with particular focus on shelter grants. Other general quires recorded by the hotline team were about membership process, and blood transfusion service related services of Nepal Red Cross Society.

Radio Programme

- In October, four episodes of radio programme were aired relating to earthquake response operation. Along with that, reports on mason training and safe shelter construction were aired through the radio programme.

Facebook Page Likes

- Total likes reached till September 30 is: 114553
- New likes in this month is: 3759
- Most popular post: Cash for work in Kathmandu Valley: 604.5K reached and 171 sharing

Our Partners


This update has been prepared based on the monthly report received from district PMER team. For more information about the report:

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