General Overview:

According to the Ministry of Population and Environment Department of Hydrology and Meteorology – the current rainfall and river watch shows below the warning level.

The floods and landslides are affecting 36 districts of Eastern, Central, Western, Mid-Western and Far western regions. According to NRCS district chapters and sub chapters, 113 people lost their lives, 61 are injured, 3932 have been displaced and 15094 families are affected by the floods and landslides. 1293 houses are completely damaged and 2024 are partially damaged.

Respective district chapters are closely working together with District Disaster Relief Committee (DDRC) and security forces in rescue, evacuation, relief distribution and assessment; and have been participating in different cluster meetings as well.

Coordination and partnership:

Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) is participating and sharing the NRCS’ response activities in Central Natural Disaster Relief Committee (CNDRC), Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA) and National Emergency Operation Center (NEOC) meetings regularly.

NRCS District chapters are closely working together with DDRC and security forces while rescuing, evacuation, relief distribution and assessment (Initial Rapid Assessment (IRS) and Detail Assessment) in the districts. District chapters are coordinating with INGOs and local level organization for the response, relief, assessment, cash support (Pyuthan District, Arkha and Phoplay VDC) and shelter.

Nepal Red Cross Society EOC is publishing the situation update sit-rep in regular basis and also circulating the updates with government, UN, Partner National Society (PNSs) and other relevant stakeholders. NRCS is in close coordination with International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent (IFRC), in-country PNSs and other Humanitarian Country Team members.

Response

Nepal Red Cross:

NRCS has distributed 1747 full sets of NFRI sets, 1141 tarpaulins, 217 blankets, 12 family tents and 325 hygiene kits through the respective district chapters. As a preparedness measure, NRCS has stockpiled of about 30,000 NFRI sets, 1000 Shelter Toolkit and additional 59,000 Tarpaulins throughout the country.
As an immediate response, NRCS regional/zonal warehouses (Birgunj, Pokhara, Biratnagar, Mahendranagar, Bhairahawa, Nepalgunj and Central warehouse KTM) have dispatched 2391 NFRI sets to the affected districts, beside full set of NFRI – 250 tarpaulins and 250 blankets also dispatched from Biratnagar regional warehouse.

967 NRCS volunteers (NDRT, DDRT, CADRE, Level – A and B, First-Aid and Health) were mobilized to assess the situation and to provide support to district chapters to ensure effective response activities.

Community Disaster Management Committee (CDMC) members and NRCS sub-chapters’ volunteers were actively involved to disseminate the flood alert messages, which helped the communities to evacuate on time (Koshi River Basin area, Banke, Bardiya and Jhapa). Armed Police Force (APF) rescued the affected by using the life jackets and rope, those response kits were provided by the NRCS (Koshi River Basin Area).

Gaps:

- Because of the flood, the stored food items and crops of the affected areas were swept away, which brought the food shortage – it should be the major concern to be addressed soonest;
- The promotion and support of health and hygiene in the affected areas is prominent- looking after the probability of possible epidemics;
- Detail assessment reports yet to receive;

Photo Gallery

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