

25 April 2005

TSUNAMI RESPONSE
CO-ORDINATION OFFICE**Tsunami Response Report No. 31**
Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Thailand

This report covers the operational period spanning from 19 to 25 April, and is based on information provided by ADRA country offices in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India and Thailand. Additional information and statistics is retrieved from media reports, the UN, WHO, IFRC, USAID and ReliefWeb.

SITUATION IN BRIEF:

1. The IFRC Operations Update dated 15 April 2005 reports the latest human toll at: 174,729 dead, 49,956 missing, 1,590,707 displaced and 507,496 homeless.
2. Based on the attached project list (As of 25 Apr 2005), the total budget for proposed projects in all four tsunami-affected countries (Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India and Thailand) is approximately US\$30.7 mil, US\$11.4 mil of which are yet to be funded (either negotiating for funding or looking for donors).

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3. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a US\$300 million grant – its biggest ever single grant – from its Asian Tsunami Fund to help rehabilitate and reconstruct areas in Indonesia afflicted by the earthquake and tsunami disaster of December 2004. Out of US\$300 million, a grant of \$290 million will be provided for the Earthquake and Tsunami Emergency Support Project, which will help restore essential public services, rebuild infrastructure and revive economic activity through livelihood support.
4. UNHCR pulled out of Aceh province after Ministry of Foreign Affairs failed to approve the agency's proposals to rebuild housing in Aceh province. The UNHCR had planned to spend US\$60 million on more than 35,000 houses. The UNHCR was not given an official reason for the rejection, beyond a statement saying that the Indonesian government viewed the agency's responsibility to be involved solely with refugees rather than housing.
5. A proposal to assist the mental hospital to restart their clinical activities is being developed.

NIAS & SIMEULUE ISLANDS

6. The latest data provided by the authorities regarding the number of dead is 647 (496 in Nias and 151 in Nias Selatan). The latest official number of IDPs is 229,660 (24,555 in Nias and 205,805 in Nias Selatan)
7. Immediate priority needs in Nias continue to be the following: powerful antibiotics, infusion, blood, post-trauma doctors, food (rice), and tents.

PADANG, WEST SUMATRA

8. Three (3) people have died because of diarrhea in a refugee camp in Mount Talang, West Sumatra. Another 132 people were poisoned after inhaling too much volcanic ash but their condition improved after receiving intensive health treatments.
9. Total of refugees currently living in temporary tents, as reported by Kompas daily is 43,111 persons

or 7,262 families. These people are living in 32 refugee camps in 7 sub-districts.

10. Mount Talang danger level has been decreased from V (Watch Out) to III (Aware) but villagers prefer to stay in refugee camps for fear of an increase in the danger level.

ADRA'S RESPONSE TO RECENT EARTHQUAKES

11. The Tsunami Response Office remains inactive on Nias. It has reported its stock and financial capacity to OCHA and has not been called on to respond yet.
12. The Tsunami Response office is not involved in operations for Mount Talang.

Medical Response

13. The Medan Adventist Hospital continues its medical assistance to Nias. MAH is receiving money from leftover funds from ADRA New Zealand and DANIDA as well as disaster funds from the ADRA network.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN INDONESIA:

14. In the process of signing an MOU with regional government.
15. Visit by Phil Galenkamp to assist in preparation of USAID proposal.
16. Working on another proposal for school buildings with ADRA Netherlands.

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17. Some 5,500 people affected by the December 26, 2004 tsunami have participated in the cash-for-work project administered through the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), with more expected to benefit in coming weeks. Using bare hands, shovels and barrows, tsunami survivors are cleaning the debris-strewn coast and getting paid for it under a scheme funded by the Japanese government.
18. At least 13 areas in the districts of Jaffna, Mullaitivu, Trincomalee, Batticaloa, Ampara, Hambantota, and Galle have cash-for-work programs in progress while more will kick off in the coming weeks.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN SRI LANKA

HAMBANTOTA EMERGENCY WATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

19. Seven hundred (700) water tanks have now been installed in the permanent sites and 550 of these tanks are being filled with water daily. 22,000 persons are beneficiaries of this daily water delivery.
20. Cement ring based supplier has delivered 800 rings
21. Five thousand (5,000) kg of chlorine ordered, 2,500 kg of which were given to Water Supply Board authorities. The balance will be delivered at the completion of the project.
22. Fifty (50) water wells identified to receive handheld water pumps.
23. Purchased 15,000 x 25-L water containers for beneficiary families, 500 of which have been delivered by the vendor. The balance will be delivered within the next two weeks.
24. Donated 3 water bowsers, 3 tractors, and 3 generator/pumps with all fittings to the government of Hambantota District for faster and more efficient water distribution.

HAMBANTOTA LIVELIHOODS REHABILITATION PROJECT

25. List of 1,000 beneficiaries has been presented to the Project Director by local government. ADRA will conduct survey to assess whether these potential beneficiaries meet criteria.

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26. The Government sanctioned a sum of Rs. 40 crores for building temporary accommodation at the rate of Rs. 8000/- per family for 50,000 families. Another 50,000 temporary shelters are to be provided by NGOs. So far, 12395 temporary shelters have been taken up for construction by the Government and 11,945 have been completed. Likewise, the NGOs have taken up 17220 temporary shelters and have completed 15636.
27. Three (3) orphanages have been opened for children rendered orphans in the districts of Cuddalore, Nagapattinam and Nagercoil (Kanniyakumari) with facilities to maintain one hundred children at each center. Government sanctioned a sum of Rs. 47.76 lakhs for this purpose. So far, 73 children have been admitted.
28. The government of Tamil Nadu sanctioned a sum of RS. 65 crores from the Calamity Relief Fund as an immediate package for fishermen for the repair/replacement of gill nets for vallams and catamarans. As of April 8, 2005, a total of Rs. 45.22 crores has been disbursed

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN INDIA:

29. No updates.

THAILAND

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30. An MOU was signed between the Thai Red Cross Society and Saudi Red Crescent Society setting out principles for cooperation in rendering assistance in reconstruction and recovery for tsunami victims in the southern provinces of Thailand. The Saudi Red Crescent Society also presented a contribution of US\$200,000 to cover activities conducted by both the Thai Red Cross Society and Saudi Red Crescent Society for tsunami victims. A project to help establish a day care center for 120 young children in Satun Province has been identified.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN THAILAND:

Kamala School Project

31. Land fill completed, quotation from contractors received, selection made and target for start of construction is 01 May 2005.

Community Recovery and Development Program

32. **Community Recovery:** Handed over 2 refurbished boats to the Moken (sea gypsies) community on Surin Island; Preparing for a project for the improvement of a water storage system; Preparation for the installation of a water filter system.
33. **Health:** Psycho-social and medical team have started working with affected children and communities; Four (4) professors from Loma Linda University held a 2-day workshop in Phuket for training trainers of Trauma/Disaster Response Teams. This training workshop was participated in by ADRA personnel, among others.
34. **Household Recovery:** Assessing loss and needs of a new community; Continuing to construct new boats to replace those lost and destroyed in the tsunami; Screening and interviewing claimants for support.

Tsunami Relief and Rehabilitation Project

35. Agreement documents have been signed between ADRA Canada and CIDA and project is scheduled

to start 01 May 2005.

COORDINATION:

36. All contacts should be addressed to the relevant person as detailed below. Please copy all contacts below for correspondence regarding funding availability.
37. All donors or agencies wishing to assist in the region should notify the coordinating office in order that all aid flows and submissions can be tracked. For banking details please contact the relevant officer indicated below.
38. The coordinating office is in regular contact with all the implementation offices and will revert with further information as it becomes available.
39. Information on the response from the ADRA partners will also be available on the ADRA International website at <http://www.adra.org>.

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