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Tsunami Response Report No. 1
 Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Thailand

This report covers the operational period spanning from 5 January to 6 January and is based on the information provided by ADRA country offices in Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Thailand, media reports, and UN and other NGO reports.

SITUATION IN BRIEF:

1. Eleven days after the disaster the total death toll is being reported in the media to be 156,000 with tens of thousands still missing. The Red Cross anticipates the figure to rise to over 194,000. The current confirmed figures are:

Country	Deaths	Injured	Missing	Displaced	Damage	Special Reports
Indonesia	94,081	>2,500	1,351	271,904	172 sub-districts and 1550 villages destroyed	
Sri Lanka	30,513	15,683	3,846	834,849	Affected families (212,223), houses (103,753)	Camps in place (789)
India	9,682	3,281 (in Tamil Nadu only)	5,914	627,119	Dwelling units (136,198), villages (883), 4,171ha cropped areas	532 relief camps, 384,956 persons
Thailand	5,288	8,457	3,810		See paragraph 53 below	47,708 rescue workers mobilized
Somalia	298				1,975 completely damaged houses	16,720 affected families
Maldives	82	1,313	26	8,352		8,500 evacuated to other islands
Malaysia	68	73 inpatient 694 outpatient		3205 (homeless)		
Myanmar	64	43	3		592 houses of 17 villages destroyed	

2. The Red Cross estimates more than 520,000 injured, 1,726,000 displaced, and over 1,026,000 estimated to be homeless. These figures are still expected to increase.
3. Total global pledges are reported to now exceed \$3bn.
4. The EU has increase aid by pledging 100mil euro to the immediate relief effort.
5. The UN has launched an appeal to cover the immediate needs including \$222mil for shelter, \$215mil for food, \$122mil for health, \$110mil for economic recovery and infrastructure, and \$61mil for water and sanitation.
6. Current indications are that food is not a priority except in Indonesia. The WFP has set up a camp in Banda Aceh and plans to establish another on the west coast of Sumatra.

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7. The general situation in Aceh Province continues to improve. Significant effort has been put into clearance tasks around Banda Aceh.
8. The problems caused by high volume of supplies and the low capacity of the transport infrastructure continue to cause the same problems as reported previously.
9. The need to establish operating warehouses in the field is now increasing.

10. No confirmed reports on outbreak of disease have been received by the WHO.

Meulaboh

11. 19 new NGOs are reported to have now arrived in Meulaboh.
12. A dedicated Cessna Caravan is not flying limited cargo into Meulaboh.
13. There are few people visible along the west coast. The remaining population appears to now have moved to centers such as Meulaboh or have been absorbed into villages that are located on higher ground and were unaffected.
14. Water and sanitation issues appear to now be coming under control, as is medical supplies and food.
15. Shelter and accommodation are still required.
16. Communications has been established with one remote island offshore where 76,000 IDPs are located without adequate food, water, or shelter. This island is likely to be the next focus for activities.
17. 5 IDP camps are housing 50,000 people in Meulaboh.
18. The WHO has indicated some concern for the security in Meulaboh, however no clarification was provided as to the basis for these concerns. The UN has stated that the security situation remains uncertain and must be assessed.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN INDONESIA:

19. The Medan Command Center continues to coordinate ADRA activities in the region.

Medical Response to northern coastal region of Aceh Province

20. A field hospital is now being opened in Banda Aceh by the medical team that has newly arrived. Coordination is occurring with the provincial health department.
21. To date a total of 15 metric tons of rice and 800 cartons of noodles have been delivered to the Aceh Torah district. Aid was delivered to nine coastal villages, 1322 families for a total of 5949 people.
22. The medical team transported 5 metric tons of medical supplies and equipment to Banda Aceh last night, including infusion liquid, medicines, and medical consumables. An additional vehicle was also taken for logistical support.
23. 4 expatriates are now onsite with the medical team in Banda Aceh including 2 general practitioners and 1 registered nurse.
24. 12 personnel from Banda Lampung Mission Hospital are now onsite in Banda Aceh, as are 2 personnel from Medan Mission Hospital. This team includes 2 doctors, 14 nurses, and 2 general support staff. The team will remain for 1 week before rotating with a replacement team.

Meulaboh

25. As a result of the arrival of the other organizations, planned activities for Meulaboh are now being adjusted in order to coordinate assistance.
26. ADRA is planning to provide larger tents for school use for 2,000 students, as well as family tents.
27. Approximately 200 tents (6m x 9m & 6m x 14m) will be shipped overland next week together with school equipment, stretchers and bedding, and household equipment such as cookers, utensils, and plastic furniture. These items are to be procured in the coming days.

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28. The government has highlighted the importance of enabling children to return to school on January 10 in order

to facilitate their return to normal life.

29. The UN continues to highlight the need for food, water, latrines, waste disposal, and kitchen sets in many districts.
30. Continuing rain is hampering relief efforts.
31. Diarrhea rates are reported by the WHO to be within acceptable limits at this time within the 52 camps surveyed in Batticaloa district.
32. The WHO indicates that in 4 out of 80 camps in Batticaloa district the toilet facilities are still inadequate and have therefore been classified as high risk. The assessment team also indicated that sanitation and garbage disposal needed to be carried out in a planned manner.
33. The need to promote personal hygiene and educate households in safe handling of drinking water remains a need.
34. The provision of psychosocial mental health programs are needed within the camp settings. An assessment in Galle district indicates that the total number of affected children is 228, out of which 28 lost both parents, 126 lost their mothers, and 74 their father.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN SRI LANKA:

35. Daily updates are posted on the ADRA Sri Lanka website at www.adrasrilanka.org.
36. Activities reported previously are ongoing. No additional report was filed today.

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37. To date no outbreak of communicable diseases has been reported by any of the government agencies.
38. Minor cases of diarrhea and nine cases of measles have been reported, and the situation is being closely monitored by the Ministry of Health.
39. 75 medical camps or teams are functioning within Tamil Nadu. A further 101 stationary medical teams, 72 mobile medical teams and 568 para-medical teams have been deployed to Andhra Pradesh. The State Government has deployed 224 doctors to the affected areas, and 40 medical camps were conducted in Kerala.
40. The prevention of disease outbreaks in the Nicobar Islands has been given priority and medical deployments are being made.
41. Except for the Nicobar Islands, the WHO reports the drinking water supply in most affected areas to be normal. Adequate quantities of bleaching powder/halogen tablets have been made available to most areas on the mainland. It is reported that 80% piped water supply has been restored in Port Blair.
42. A continuing call to provide counseling and social support to victims is being made.
43. The WHO is supporting immunizations for measles and polio. In addition, Vitamin A supplements are being provided.
44. In Andhra Pradesh 6,125 fishing boats and 47,370 fishing nets were lost during the tsunami.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN INDIA:

45. Previously reported activities are continuing.
46. ADRA has developed a plan to assist fishing families to restore their livelihoods through assistance with accessing lost fishing equipment.
47. A plan for providing additional clean water using water purification has been prepared.

Andaman Islands

48. Nothing further to report from the Andaman Islands.

THAILAND

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49. Cumulative health data since January 1 in 6 affected provinces include: 167 cases of acute diarrhea, 163 wound infections, 33 cases of food poisoning, 20 cases of pneumonia, 8 cases of malaria, and 7 cases of dengue. The WHO reports all levels to be within endemic levels, and disease surveillance is functioning through all levels of the health system.
50. Plans have been formulated for measles immunizations and to control malaria vectors by spraying and destroying potential breeding areas. Health warnings and public information continue to be issued in the affected areas.
51. The WHO reports that many people have been traumatized and are unwilling to return to their villages. Counseling services are being mobilized by the Ministry of Public Health's Mental Health Team, and a university psychosocial care expert is coordination with the MoPH to mobilize counselors to provide services to the affected populations. Particular note has been made by the Red Cross of the psychosocial problems among the Myanmar language speaking population in Ranong.
52. Over three quarters of deaths occurred in the province of Phang-Nga.
53. The Ministry of Agriculture estimates the following damage to livelihoods and infrastructure: 2,400 fishing boats destroyed, 225 hectares of affected agricultural land, 54,000 livestock killed, 490 fishing villages (population 100,000 – 120,000) affected through loss of head of family, boats, fishing equipment and houses. In addition 5 resorts in Phuket have been damaged and 27 completely destroyed; 3,082 houses damaged (excluding Phi Phi) and 3,689 destroyed; 50 schools damaged and 4 destroyed; 19 government buildings destroyed; 8 harbors; 51 roads; 3 bridges; and 11 embankments damaged.
54. The Thai government is reported to be responding well to the crisis despite the enormous pressure to meet the needs of foreign tourists and their embassies. The Red Cross reports that all organizations working in the area have acknowledged the strong coping mechanisms of the Thailand government.
55. The Ministry of Public Health command centre for the south in Phuket continues to analyze and coordinate health services and epidemic surveillance and response for the affected provinces.
56. The Ministry of Internal Affairs is in charge of the overall relief efforts.
57. UN organizations estimate a need for over \$10mil to assist the Thai government in their disaster response and rehabilitation efforts.

ADRA'S RESPONSE IN THAILAND:

58. ADRA continued its assessment as reported previously.
59. Following much detailed assessment work, another organization has entered the area where ADRA was planning activities with significant funding and plans to initiate similar activities to those of ADRA. Although this has been a setback to the assessment team, they will continue tomorrow to a new area to assess the remaining needs.

COORDINATION:

60. All contacts should be addressed to the relevant person as detailed below. Please copy all contacts below for correspondence regarding funding availability.
61. 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.
62. The coordinating office is in regular contact with all the implementation offices and will revert with further information as it becomes available.

63. 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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