

Floods in Kulyab City and Surrounding Districts, Khatlon Province
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Situation Report № 9 - 21 May 2010

This report is based on information provided by REACT Kulob.
 Past reports and additional information can be found at <http://www.untj.org/?c=7&id=318>.

Situation Overview

The Government has begun distribution of new lands to flood displaced. Movement of people to the new lands is scheduled to start on 24 May 2010.

Damage and Needs Information

REACT Kulob is conducting a reassessment of the flood-affected districts.

Humanitarian Response

Relief and Recovery Operations (outside Kulob City)

No new information.

Flood-Displace in Kulob City

WASH

No new information

Education and Protection

200 children from Camp 1-2-3 are in the kindergarten established by Education Department and Save the Children. There are 6 groups consisting from 30-33 children (3-6 years). Conditions are improving compared to the first day, but the kindergarten needs learning materials and tools (such as paper, pencil, paints, molting plaster, etc.)

Today additional required 20 baby potties were provided by the UNDP Tajikistan Employees Association to the kindergarten.

Food Security

No new information.



Health

Women trained by OXFAM GB have begun to provide training on hygiene and sanitation awareness and preparedness in the camps. The objective of the training is to maintain safe sanitation and hygiene conditions in the camp.

Shelter

Overall the situation in the camp and pedagogical college is stable, and people are waiting for the results of the land distribution and the move to the new settlement site.

Resettlement Update

On May 20th, a joint meeting between Government, affected communities and international organizations was held in Kulob town where issues related to assessment, allocation of new land plots and resettlement were discussed. Details of this meeting are attached as Annex 1.

At 0800 on 21 May 2010 the Government started the distribution of land to flood-affected families. A special commission headed by Deputy Prime Minister M. Alimardon, the Mayor of Kulob City H. Abdulloev and Chairman of CoES H. Latipov oversaw the distribution of the land to 500 individuals (the head of each family which owned a house affected by the flood) at the "Culture House" Building in Kulob.

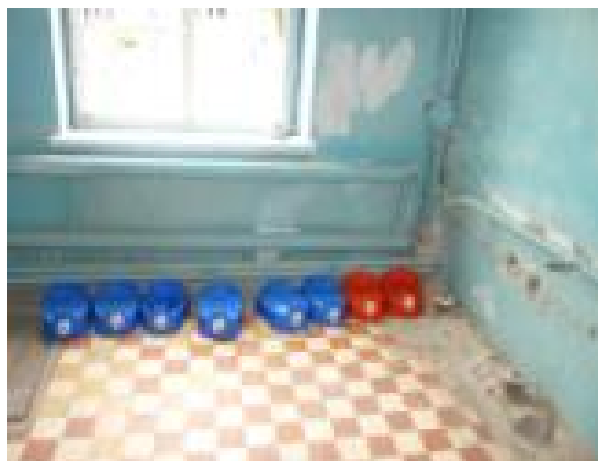


Those participating in the distribution took a card with the number of the land parcel they were to receive and then received a certificate for the land parcel. The first to receive parcels and certificates were the families which had lost family members in the flood, and those whose houses were completely destroyed. The process took place in a quiet and friendly manner.

Movement to the new site will begin on Monday, May 24th, 2010.

Outstanding needs reported for the new settlement site include:

- Temporarily provision of drinking water
- Toilets

**Relief and Recovery Assistance**

Additional assistance provided on 21 May 2010 to camp residents:

UNDP Employees Association

- Baby potties: 200 (180 was distributed to the camp and 20 to the kindergarten)

American Embassy

- Clothes – 14 boxes
- Food Items – 5 boxes

Further information on assistance provided in response to the east Khatlon floods can be found at

<http://www.untj.org/?c=7&id=318>.

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Annex 1:

Summary of Meeting on 20 May 2010
with Government on Relocation of Flood-affected Populations

Participants: Abdulloev H, Mayor of Kulob; General H. Latipov, Chairman of CoES; Representatives from the Government Departments; Representatives from the International Organizations; Heads of Jamoats and Villages; Representatives of the flood-affected people.

Issues discussed:

- Assessment and identification of the affected households;
- Allocating new land for the affected people;
- Resettlement the people from the camp to the new land.

1. Assessment and identification of the affected households.

According to calculations, monitoring and discussions with the community, the assessment by the special commission was not complete. Many houses were not properly checked and there were many missing in calculation of level of damage. The special commission will assess the affected villages again, with a detailed assessment due in 10 days.

An estimated 162 families (tents) which are in the camp are not in the list of affected people, which means they are in the camp illegally.

2. Land for the affected people.

The distribution of land at the new site will take place through a lottery starting at 0800 on 21 May 2010. All house owners affected by the floods should participate in the lottery.

The lottery procedure is as follows:

1. Each house owner will take the card with the number of a parcel in the new site.
2. The person's name and number will be documented.
3. The person will receive the certificate for the parcel which should not be given to someone else.

The first stage of the lottery will be for those families who lost family members (8 families /13 deaths). The second stage will be for people whose houses were completely and partially destroyed.

The houses will be built just for those whose houses were destroyed.

Where there are two or three families who lived in one house, the one family will be provided a house and the other families will be provided land on which they are to build their own house.

All houses will have the same basic structure, but those who receive the houses can make changes to the insides of the building. Houses will be built in one straight line with wide streets.

3. Resettlement the people from the camp to the new land

CoES has been assigned to provide each family with transport for the move to the new site. Tents will also be installed at the new site and steps will be taken to ensure there are no problems with sanitation or water. Initially, people will not have electricity, the power will be provided just for the workers for the construction of the houses but at the night time the projectors will provide the light to the community. In terms of the cooking the food each family will receive gas with 2 "gasbags"

Additional Questions.

Question 1 If the Government provides all affected people with land and houses why you are dividing them to the criteria such as 50% affected; 100% affected and destroyed supplementary facilities?

Answer:

All the affected people will be provided with compensation, and these criteria will help for the calculations.

Question 2

We have families who do not want to move to the new place and want to build their houses on the same place. Is it possible to do it?

Answer

All the houses which are on the risk zone will be moved to the new site contrary to their wishes.

Question 3

During the floods many affected people lost their documents, passports, driving license and etc. Right now we do not know to whom we can apply and to solve this problem.

Answer

It is very important issue; we will discuss it and solve this problem.