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Indonesia – Earthquake

Fact Sheet #6, Fiscal Year (FY) 2010

October 8, 2009

Note: The last fact sheet was dated October 7, 2009.

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- The Government of Indonesia (GoI) National Disaster Management Agency (BNPB) has identified a number of remote communities in West Sumatra Province with no access to assistance due to difficult terrain and blocked roads. In response, the Indonesian military continues to deploy helicopters to deliver relief supplies. Between October 6 and 7, the military completed 13 helicopter sorties to areas inaccessible by ground transport.
- The USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART) is coordinating with the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) to arrange transportation for non-governmental organization (NGO) emergency relief supplies and teams to affected areas on the five U.S. military helicopters scheduled to arrive on ships off the coast of Padang on October 9.
- USAID/DART and DoD personnel intend to conduct aerial site surveys on October 9 to determine priority destinations for emergency assistance and identify landing sites.
- The GoI has developed a timeline for relief and recovery. The GoI plan includes basic service provision, emergency recovery activities, data collection and verification through early November, and technical training and structural rehabilitation through April 2010.
- The USAID/DART in Padang continues to assess humanitarian needs to help program approximately \$4 million in planned USAID/OFDA assistance for the earthquake response. The USAID/DART will coordinate assistance with the humanitarian community, the GoI, and other U.S. Government (USG) actors.
- On October 8, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies revised its emergency appeal to request approximately \$18.5 million in assistance for 100,000 individuals, a significant increase over the original request for \$6.6 million to support 25,000 individuals.
- The U.N. plans to release the three-month Humanitarian Response Plan on October 9. The appeal will summarize humanitarian needs and outline interventions to complement GoI response efforts.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE		SOURCE
Confirmed Number of Deaths	739	GoI BNPB – October 8, 2009
Estimated Number of Affected Persons	1,200,000 ¹	U.N. – October 8, 2009
Estimated Number of Missing Persons	296	GoI BNPB – October 8, 2009
Estimated Number of Injuries	2,219	GoI BNPB – October 8, 2009

FY 2010 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE

USAID/OFDA Assistance to Indonesia.....\$660,945
DoD Assistance to Indonesia..... TBD

CURRENT SITUATION

- On October 8, the USAID/DART conducted overland assessments in Agam and Padang Pariaman districts to determine priority needs and examine potential geographic gaps in the humanitarian response to date. Assessments indicate that food, safe drinking water, and shelter remain priority needs of individuals in earthquake-affected areas. The USAID/DART observed sufficient medicine in assessed areas.
- According to the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), the GoI BNPB declared the start of the recovery phase in the second week of October. Humanitarian agencies and GoI offices intend to collect all data on early recovery needs over the next two weeks, focusing on Agam and Padang Pariaman districts and Padang and Pariaman cities.

¹ The figure is calculated using the number of houses damaged and destroyed in affected areas and an average of five people per household.

- OCHA reports four operational logistics centers in Padang as of October 8. The U.N. Logistics Cluster continues to assess seaport facilities and identify storage capacity.

Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

- According to OCHA, the GoI and humanitarian organizations have distributed 60 water storage bladders, 1,500 water containers, and 868 hygiene kits to support up to 50,000 earthquake-affected households.
- U.N. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Cluster members indicate that sufficient hygiene kits—including USAID/OFDA-provided kits distributed by Mercy Corps—have arrived in the country to serve affected populations. OCHA has identified Agam and Pariaman districts as priority areas to receive emergency relief commodities, including hygiene kits. With USAID/OFDA support, Mercy Corps is also providing water containers and implementing water and sanitation activities at 50 sites to ensure access to safe drinking water.

Shelter and Settlements

- On October 7, OCHA reported that the GoI confirmed earthquake damage to more than 206,000 houses, including more than 102,000 severely damaged houses. According to the USAID/DART, the vast majority of earthquake-affected individuals have remained at points of origin and have not been displaced to informal settlements.
- Humanitarian agencies have expressed concern for individuals residing in damaged houses vulnerable to collapse, households in rural and urban areas with few alternative housing options, and economically vulnerable households with limited recovery mechanisms.
- The USAID/DART reported that humanitarian agencies responding to the earthquake had distributed a total of 10,500 tarpaulins, 2,250 tents, and 47 shelter-in-a-box sets as of October 6. USAID/OFDA plans to provide technical support to the GoI and U.N. Shelter and Settlements Cluster to help meet temporary and transitional shelter needs.
- The USAID/DART has received reports that the GoI plans to provide cash assistance—between approximately \$530 and \$1,590 depending on the extent of damage—to supplement families' available resources to repair or rebuild houses.

Agriculture and Food Security

- Preliminary assessments conducted by the USAID/DART indicate that the price of noodles, one of the staple foods in the area, and the price of water sold from water vendors are increasing, with the price of noodles increasing more than 60 percent since the earthquake.
- The U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) also reports temporary staple food shortages among 38,000 affected households due to lack of access to markets and price increases.
- Populations in affected areas were able to plant the recent rice crop and the upcoming agricultural season is still on track, without any significant interruption. However, as noted in preliminary reports from the October 1 to 5 U.N. interagency Joint Rapid Assessment, the humanitarian community expects existing rice stocks to diminish and, as a result, plans to prioritize procurement of rice and complementary fortified food items to address needs in the period before the harvest.
- The GoI continues to distribute assistance from available three-month stocks as ongoing assessments identify additional gaps.

USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- On October 1, U.S. Ambassador Cameron R. Hume issued a disaster declaration due to the effects of the earthquake. In response, USAID/OFDA has provided an initial \$300,000 to Mercy Corps for the provision of emergency humanitarian assistance.
- Since October 5, an 11-member USAID/DART has assessed humanitarian conditions and coordinated with the humanitarian community, the U.S. Embassy in Jakarta, USAID/Indonesia, and DoD to support the GoI humanitarian response to the earthquake. The USAID/OFDA Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Team, activated on October 1, continues to support the USAID/DART.
- On October 5, DoD established the Humanitarian Assistance Rapid Response Team, or mobile medical unit, to treat earthquake-affected individuals and augment local medical facilities. In addition, DoD is providing helicopters with heavy lift capacity for transporting emergency relief commodities, personnel, and equipment to remote areas. DoD is also transporting emergency relief commodities and personnel from Jakarta to Padang on C-130 aircraft.

USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA TO DATE IN FY 2010

FY 2010			
Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Mercy Corps	Emergency Relief Commodities; Shelter and Settlements; Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	West Sumatra Province	\$300,000
Indonesian Red Cross	Logistics/Relief Commodities	West Sumatra Province	\$194,750 ²
	Administrative/DART Support	Countrywide	\$166,204
TOTAL USAID/OFDA			\$660,954
DoD Assistance			
DoD	Health; Logistics/Relief Commodities	West Sumatra Province	TBD
TOTAL DoD			TBD
TOTAL USAID AND DOD ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA IN FY 2010			\$660,954

¹ USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of October 8, 2009.

² Figure includes transportation costs only.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. Information on organizations responding to the humanitarian situation in Indonesia may be available at www.reliefweb.int.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, warehouse space, etc); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
 - USAID: www.usaid.gov – Keyword: Donations
 - The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or (703) 276-1914
 - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int