Post Impact Support: nature, scale, modalities and limitation

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

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When do we act

NS PREPAREDNESS
Knowledge, capacities and resources that enable National Societies to fulfil their mandate to meet the needs of those most affected by disasters and crises with timely and effective humanitarian assistance.

Anticipatory Action

NS Preparedness for Effective Response Approach

Preparedness integrated into Response and Recovery Operations

Activation of early action protocols up to 72 hours prior to an impending disaster.

RESPONSE
Save lives, meet basic needs and avoid further losses. Respond to ongoing and cascading hazards and impacts.

Recovery
Support people's efforts to cope and self-recover by building back better and restoring services and assets in a resilient manner.

NATIONAL SOCIETIES PROGRAMMES AND SERVICES
Impacts of the climate crisis and how we address impacts

Potential Negative Impacts on People

- Reduced Water and Food Quality and Supply
- Loss of Lives
- Loss of Income and Property
- Damage to Human Health
- Displacement

What We Do to Prevent and Respond to These Impacts

- Public Awareness
- Mental Health
- Advocating for the Most Vulnerable
- Shelter
- Disaster Preparedness and Response
- Community Level Skills and Resources
- Improving Laws and Policy
- Early Warning and Forecast-Based Action
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Promotion
- Income Loss Assistance
How does IFRC crisis response funding work?

Disaster Response emergency fund (DREF)

- Types of allocations
  - Grants to cover the costs of smaller-scale operations.
  - Start-up funding (loan) for response to large-scale disasters for which an emergency appeal has or will be launched
  - Forecast based action: When an event that could lead to a disaster is imminent, which can be predicted in days or at the most in weeks, such as cyclones, evolving floods

  - **Speed**: Available within 12-24 hours from receipt of request
  - **Amount**: up to 1 million CHF
  - **Duration** – Short term, typically 3-9 month operation

Emergency appeal:

- **What is it**: Plan developed for an emergency situation, where there are significant needs for which international assistance is required.

- **Scale of needs**: Usually for medium to large scale disasters and crises of budget beyond DREF threshold

- **Scope**: Relief and recovery, also includes capacity development, preparedness and risk reduction

- **Duration**: usually 6 to 24 months – longer for larger scale.
Where is the DREF responding?

Overview of Emergency Operations Supported by DREF

- 1,538 Emergency Operations Supported by DREF in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 11 more
- 175.51M People Targeted through DREF Operations in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 11 more

DREF grant(s) DREF loan(s) DREF loan(s)

- Civil Unrest: 78
- Cold Wave: 4
- Complex Emergency: 7
- Cyclone: 142
- Drought: 48
- Earthquake: 62
- Epidemic: 55
- Fire: 261
- Flood: 80
- Food Insecurity: 61
- Heat Wave: 1
- Landslide: 6
- Other: 63
- Pluvial/Flash Flood: 11
- Population Movement: 137
- Storm Surge: 12
- Tornado: 1
- Transport Accident: 4
- Tsunami: 1
- Volcanic Eruption: 29

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Anticipatory action: Triggers and early action

- FbF Practitioners Manual
- Set the trigger guidance
- Trigger database
- Early action database