

Jajarkot-Rukum Earthquake Response 2023

MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS

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DEAD
People
158 (M59/F99)



INJURED
People
345



DISPLACED
Families
12,060



AFFECTED
Families
38,705



FULLY
Destroyed houses
9,483



PARTIALLY
Destroyed houses
19,286



1,100
Mattresses distributed



993
Blankets distributed



1,040
Tarpaulins distributed



200
Buckets dispatched



1,040
Roll Ropes distributed

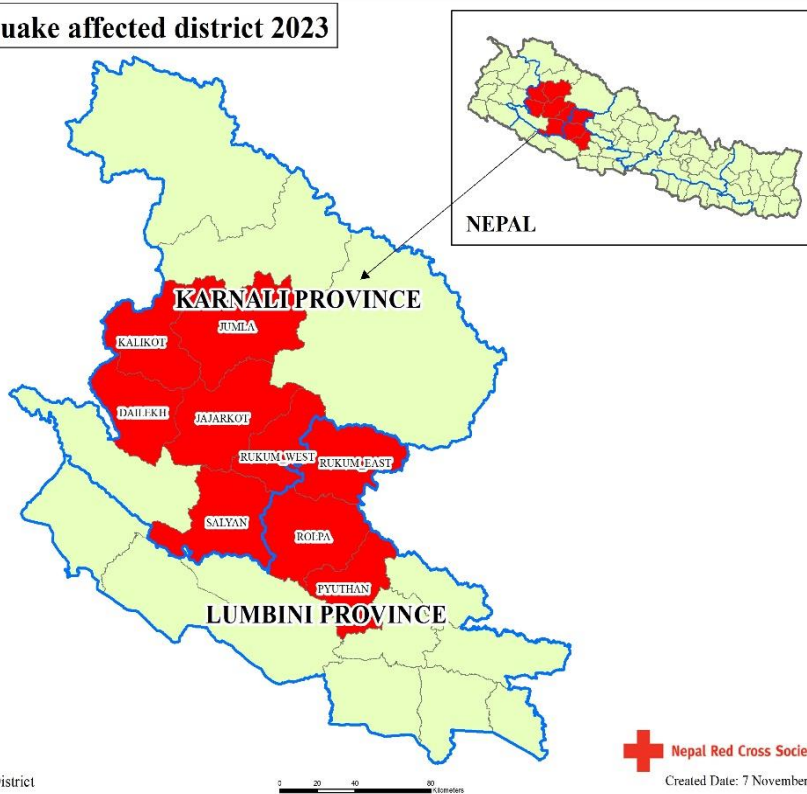


90
Volunteer mobilized

Disaster Update

NRCS Response Update

Earthquake affected district 2023



HELPLINES

100 (Nepal Police)
102 (Ktm. ambulance)
104 (Missing Children cases)
1098 (Child Protection cases)
1145 (National Women Commission)
1166 (Suicide Prevention)
16600102005 (Psychosocial Support)
1130 (Red Cross Hotline)
 Red Cross Blood Bank:
01-5388485 (Kalimati)
01-6612266 (Bhaktapur)

RELATED LINKS

- <https://nrccs.org/>
- <https://go.ifrc.org/>
- <http://ndrrma.gov.np>
- <http://drrportal.gov.np/>
- <https://seismonepal.gov.np/earthquakes>

Source: Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) EOC, 7 November 2023

DISASTER SCENARIO

The devastating earthquake in western part of Nepal on 3 November 2023 resulted in severe losses and damages of people and infrastructures. On 6 November, there is further extensive damage from aftershock of 5.8 magnitude. Some of the partially affected houses are fully damaged and roads are also affected. Continuous aftershocks have forced people to leave houses and stay in cold and open spaces. People especially children, women and elderly people are terrified due to the continuous aftershocks.

Local Government has followed one-door mechanism for relief material distribution and is being distributed based on the requirement of affected people. According to the NRCS Situation report shared by NRCS EOC, there is a death of 158 people and 345 people are injured in seven districts¹. Altogether 38,705 families are affected, 12,060 families are displaced and 28,769 houses (9,483 fully/19,286 partially) are destroyed.



People are forced to spend cold nights in an open space in the affected areas of Sani Bheri Rural Municipality, Rukum West.

Source: Binayak Poudel, NRCS

NRCS RESPONSE ACTIONS

Coordination

NRCS Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) is coordinating, organizing and participating in the meeting conducted by Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Authority (NDRRMA), National Emergency Operation Centre (NEOC), District Emergency Operation Centre (DEOC), District Disaster Management Committee (DDMC), National Clusters, provincial and local government, movement, non-movement partners, NRCS sub national levels for the immediate response.



Ms. Rama Gautam, President of NRCS Rukum West sharing situation update in DDMC meeting.

Source: Binayak Poudel, NRCS



Participation of NRCS deployed member in DDMC meeting organized in Jajarkot.

Source: Tirtha Pandey, NRCS

CBDRM Platform meeting was organized on 6 November. NRCS shared the latest updates of response during the meeting. There was major discussion on the proper utilization of resources in response and recovery, volunteer mobilization for search of documents of affected people, coordinate with local government for cash assistance to fulfill basic needs for one month, focus on safety, security, mental health and hygiene of affected people etc.

¹ Jajarkot, Rukum West, Salyan, Dailekh, Rolpa, Rukum East, Pyuthan, Kalikot and Jumla.

Assessment and Reporting

Nepal Government has trusted NRCS as one of the active member in the earthquake response planning process. NEOC has also provided sole responsibility to NRCS for conducting assessment. Now, NRCS is representing various national clusters and taking lead in the assessment process.

Altogether, eight **Initial Rapid Assessment (IRA)** reports are compiled and disseminated. The representatives from NRCS, security forces and local government carried out IRA in the affected areas.

The deployed technical volunteers are frequently coordinating with NRCS district chapters and sub chapters along with local government and relevant stakeholders for assessment and relief support.

Sectoral teams are working for finalizing **detail assessment** questionnaire at NRCS HQs. The detail

assessment will be conducted using mobile App (Kobo). NRCS technical member will lead this process and local volunteers will be oriented on use of Kobo tool before mobilizing in the field.

NRCS Situation Report/Bulletin is being prepared and shared with relevant stakeholders and International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Society (IFRC) Go platform is being updated. NRCS is preparing the response plan according to the identified specific needs (*Table 1*). The needs were identified from consulting with deployed members, NRCS district chapters, provincial offices and local government.



Sectoral team discussing on detail assessment template in NRCS EOC.

Source: NRCS EOC

Table 1: SECTORWISE SPECIFIC NEEDS

Shelter and Non-food items/CASH

Emergency Shelter (tarpaulin, blanket, mattress, kitchen utensils and bucket)

Safe and inclusive temporary shelter for girls and women

Health

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)

Health promotional activities to displaced one

WASH

Emergency toilets in displaced areas

Provision of safe drinking water

Hygiene promotional activities

Livelihood and basic needs/CASH

Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) for basic needs

Ready to eat Food (RTEF)

Nutritious food for children

Protection, Gender and Inclusion

Dignity Kits for women

Special focus needed for children, elderly, pregnant women, people with chronic illness, people with disabilities

Restoring Family Links (RFL) services (as per need)

Relief Distribution

NRCS is involved as a team member in One-door mechanism for supporting relief materials distribution in the affected districts in coordination with local government. Till date, 1500 tarpaulins, 1500 blankets, 1700 mattresses, 200 buckets, 800 rolls rope and 250 dead body bags are dispatched from NRCS to most affected two districts. 200 mattresses (100 in each hospital) promptly handed over to two district hospitals. NRCS HQs has transferred NPR. 500,000 in each two districts.

In total, 90 staff and volunteers from HQs, district chapters and sub-chapters are mobilized in search and rescue, coordination, data collection, assessment and relief distribution in the affected areas. The trained volunteers for PSS are mobilized and about 305 people received PSS service. Similarly, Central and Districts' NRCS blood transfusion service centers are also in standby position and NRCS is prepared for emergency blood transfusion.

Enabling Factor

NRCS ensures the dignity, access, participation and safety of affected people during earthquake response process. Timely information collection and dissemination is being done from districts as well as HQs to the relevant stakeholders for effective response operation. Also, NRCS Hotline 1130 is providing information and addressing compliances and grievances.

IFRC AND IFRC MEMBER NATIONAL SOCIETIES' ACTIONS

IFRC and other IFRC member National Societies have been continuously supporting in NRCS's emergency response. NRCS and IFRC team have been coordinating with in-country partners for collecting further information, preparing response plan and conduct detail assessment. Their availability has been ensured as per need in EOC.

IFRC Disaster Response Emergency Fund (DREF) was launched for further response in the affected two districts. Whereas, NRCS has agreed to undergo Emergency Appeal.

DISTRICT-WISE UPDATES

JAJARKOT DISTRICT

- Earthquake highly affected Barekot RM., Shivalaya RM., Bheri M., Nalgad M. and Chhedagadh M. where 105 people (M33/F72) died and 200 people injured. In total, 20,153 families are affected, 7,232 families are displaced and 5,088 families' houses are fully destroyed.
- NRCS staff and volunteers were mobilized in search and rescue of affected people along with security forces and community people. The injured people were rescued to district hospital and hub hospitals.
- NRCS has distributed 300 tarpaulins, 333 blankets, 390 rolls of rope and 400 mattresses. About 200 people received PSS services.
- Initial Rapid Assessment (IRA) report was compiled of Barekot RM, Shivalaya RM, Chhedagadh M and Nalgad M.



Relief materials distribution in the affected areas of Jajarkot
Source: Tirtha Pandey, NRCS

RUKUM WEST DISTRICT

- Earthquake affected Aathbiskot M., Sanobheri M. and Chaurjahari M. where 52 people (M25/F27) died and 132 people injured. In total, 17,867 families are affected, 4,246 families' houses are fully destroyed and displaced.
- NRCS staff and volunteers are mobilized in search and rescue and data collection. The injured people were rescued to district hospital and hub hospitals.
- NRCS HQs distributed 600 tarpaulins, 600 blankets, 700 mattresses, 100 buckets, 400 rolls rope and 100 dead body bags.
- Initial Rapid Assessment (IRA) report was compiled of Aathbiskot M., Sanobheri M. and Chaurjahari M.

SALYAN DISTRICT

- Earthquake affected Darma RM. where 2 people are injured, 581 families are affected and displaced. In total, 132 houses are fully destroyed and 449 houses are partially destroyed.
- NRCS HQs distributed 50 tarpaulins, 60 blankets and 50 rolls rope.
- Only three volunteers were mobilized for relief distribution and data collection. IRA report was compiled of the affected area.



A parent with his child on the way to home carrying relief materials in Sani Bheri Rural Municipality, ward no. 2, Rukum West

Source: Jhabi Sharma, NRCS

Good Practices

- Prompt action i.e. volunteer mobilization, EOC activation and planning, technical members' deployment.
- Nepal Governments trust for NRCS response actions. And provided additional responsibility for Assessment in affected districts.
- Nine NRCS District Chapters and Sudur Paschim Provincial Office are actively engaged in fund collection for earthquake response. They have collected NPR. 1,40,105 till date (Attached NRCS letter shared by Sudur Paschim Provincial Office).

Gaps and Constraints

- Communication interruption delayed in data collection.
- The areas are very remote for relief materials transportation.
- Approaching winter has created difficulties for displaced families staying under tarpaulin.

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विषय: मुकम्म प्रतिकार्य सहयोग सम्बन्धमा ।

महोदय,
प्रस्तुत विषय सम्बन्धमा गहि मिति २०८०/०७/१० गते गति ११:४७ बजे जाजरकोट जिल्लाको रामीडोडा केन्द्र तिनचु भई गएको ६.४ रेक्टर स्केलको भूकम्पबाट जाजरकोट र पश्चिम लुम्बिनी जिल्लामा गरि १२७ जनाको मृत्यु २०२ बन्दा घाइते तथा १७०० परिवारहरू प्रभावित भएको यस दुखद घडीमा मृतकहरूको आत्माको पीर शान्तिको लागि र दूध सोज्नेमन्त्र परिवारहरूलाई हार्दिक सम्बेदना प्रकट गर्दै घाइतेहरूको त्तिप स्वास्थ सम्बन्धमा काममा गर्दछौ ।

यसै सम्बन्धमा प्रभावितहरूलाई तत्काल उद्धार तथा राहत सेवा प्रदान गरि मानवीय पिडालाई कम गर्ने उद्देश्यले यस प्रदेशले पनि मिति २०८०/०७/१० गतेमा आकस्मिक रूपमा बाधुबन्ध (बनसाई) बैठकको आयोजना गरेको र प्रदेश सार्वे यस बर्लगतक ९ वटै जिल्लासाधारण उपगाथा र जु/पु रेडक्रस मार्फत सहयोग रकम संकलन गरि ने.रे.सो. कर्णाली प्रदेशसभको तत्कालमा जाजरकोट र पश्चिम लुम्बिनी जिल्लासाधारण सहयोग उपगाथा गराई तत्कालको आवश्यकताको आधारमा प्रभावितलाई सहयोग गर्ने निर्णय भएको हुँदा यस परसाय संलग्न सहयोग विवरणको रकम बम्मा रु. १,४०,१०५ (अक्षरेपी रु. एक लाख चालिस हजार एक सय पाँच) त्तिप प्रदेशको त्तिपार्थ वैक सुर्खेतको खाता न. २४४०१३८१८० मा जम्मा गरि प्रेषण गरिएको हुँदा उक्त सहयोग रकम सम्बन्धित जिल्लासाधारण मार्फत (जाजरकोटलाई रु. ९०,००० र पश्चिम लुम्बिनीलाई रु. २०,१०५) पर्ने गरि) मुकम्म प्रभावितहरूलाई प्रदान गरिदिन हुन हार्दिक अनुरोध गर्दछौ ।

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“रक्तमन नै जीवनसाथ हो, रक्तमन गरी पुग्नु कठिनो ।”

Note: This report covers the information from 3 to 7 November 2023

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