



BRSP Response to Balochistan Earthquake

A series of earthquakes struck Balochistan on 29th October 2008. First earthquake of 5.2 magnitude jolted Balochistan early morning at around 04:33 hrs. Then the second and bigger tremor hit the areas with the magnitude of 6.4 at around 05:10 hrs. Subsequently, aftershocks were felt at 05:54 hrs and 06:32 hrs of the magnitude of 4.0 and 4.6 respectively. After 11 hours, again a strong earthquake of 6.2 magnitude jolted the area at around 17:32 hrs.

Information Source: U.S. Geological Survey Earthquake Hazards Program



Balochistan Rural Support Program has quickly responded earthquake effects on 29 by sending its technical and social teams comprising 12 people relief team to Ziarat at 10:00 am with full-fledged logistic support. The teams after arrival coordinated with Commandant Ghazaband Scot, DCO Ziarat, secretary social welfare department and district Nazim and briefed them about BRSP support for earthquake victims and its strategy of responding to earthquake victims. Similarly, BRSP team established its base camp in Kawas and visited the near villages for assessment. Situation was analyzed and a raw form data was generated. During this the technical team especially doctor initiated the first aid treatment to the affected people and BRSP second technical team visited Kawas and Ziarat for supervision and coordination with other organizations working in the area for this noble work.



At the same time BRSP head office involved BRSP regional office staff in earthquake assessment of Pishin region. In the response Pishin regional office RPO, social mobilization team conducted assessment in tehsil Khanozai, Bashor and other villages of ziarat. District Pishin effected areas data was provided to BRSP head office for further process which was compiled for a database for the emergency response rehabilitation.

From head office another team visited Ziarat along with cooked food for round about 300 families. At dinner time food was served to the earthquake effected individuals in waam, vorchoom and other adjacent villages. 30th October, 2008 BRSP base cam formed 4 further sub-teams for visiting different effected villages which were hardly accessible so, these teams collected further data of



farther effected villages, the other team was consist of doctor and members that visited vorcham, wamm, kawas and adjacent villages where they treated the minor injured people. The third group sent for distributed cooked food among the homeless people in killi waam, vorcham and kawas adject villages. On the same day food for 600 homeless people were served. Latrines were in progress for the IDP camps and will be ready till tomorrow for use, Water coolers were provided to the IDP camps number 40 for storage and usage of clean drinking water, 1116 water flasks were distributed to the earthquake victims. Kitchen utensils and carpet was provided to the staff for their stay and further activities. 400 meter cloth for kafan was provided to the communities for the dead bodies and now work is in progress.

Date	Items	Areas	Beneficiaries	Households
29/10/2008	Cooked Food 15 Deg	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam	900	279
	First Aid treatment	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam	500	500
	Coffin	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam	200	200

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30/10/2008	Cooked Food	24 Deg	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam	900	279
		6 deg	Civil hospital Quetta	360	
	Water cooler	40	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam		
	Latrine Slab	20 no	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam		
	Water Flask	1116 no	Kawas, Vorcham, Waam		

	First aid kit	2 nos	Kawas, Vorham, Waam		
	Food Packages	150	Kawas, Vorchan, Waam		150

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31/10/2008	Cooked Food	9 Deg	Kawas, Vorham, Waam	540	279
		4 deg	Pishin (Khanozai)	240	34
	Shelter bags each bag contains (3 blankets, two pair of shoes, three showel, 1 cap, muffler	40 bags	Kawas, Vorham, Waam		
	Latrine Slab	20 no	Kawas, Vorham, Waam		
	Water tank	02	Kawas, Vorham, Waam		
	Lifebuoy soap	7 cartoon	Kawas, Vorham, Waam		

	Food Packages (Oil, Flour, Sugar, Salt, Tea, Biscuits, Bath soap no 2, Mineral water 2 bottles, dry milk)	100 (Food Item Bags)	Khanozai	700	100
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