

# U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BUREAU FOR DEMOCRACY, CONFLICT, AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (DCHA) OFFICE OF U.S. FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (OFDA)

## INDIAN OCEAN - Earthquake and Tsunamis

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January 7, 2005

Indonesia	113,306 dead, 10,073 missing <b>•</b>	544,927 displaced ■
Sri Lanka <sup>1</sup>	30,718 dead, 4,939 missing ¤	515,234 displaced ¤
India	9,995 dead, 5,689 missing §	382,586 displaced §
Maldives	82 dead, 26 missing ◆	21,633 displaced ◆; 300,000 affected (100,000 severely)□
Thailand	5,301 dead, 3,570 missing <sup>±</sup>	
Malaysia	68 dead, 6 missing □	8,000 displaced □
Somalia	150 dead □	54,000 affected □
Seychelles	3 dead □	500 households affected □

Source Legend:

#### **CURRENT SITUATION**

Numbers Affected

• On January 7, the Indonesian Ministry of Social Affairs reported an increase of more than 19,000 over January 6 estimates of the number killed by the disaster. According to official figures, 113,306 people are reported dead. As of January 7, according to information received from host country governments and U.N. reports, more than 159,000 have been reported dead as a result of the tsunami.

#### International Response

• As of January 6, international contributions for humanitarian relief efforts total more than \$4.6 billion, according to international media reports.

## Indonesia Update

- On January 6, the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART) in Medan conducted an assessment of nine area hospitals and determined that most facilities are operating between 80 and 90 percent of bed capacity. The USAID/DART also reported a significant need for antibiotics, analgesics, Tetanus Toxoid, surgical supplies, and x-ray film. In addition, a central office has been established in Medan to register patients arriving from Aceh and to provide direction regarding the distribution of these patients to Medan area hospitals.
- USAID implementing partner Mercy Corps has established an office in Banda Aceh and is leading food distributions targeting approximately 54,000 displaced persons living in camps, in coordination with the U.N. World Food Program (WFP). Mercy Corps has also started a cash-for-work program for 100 villagers to conduct clean-up and basic sanitation activities. Mercy Corps intends to expand this program significantly in the upcoming weeks, to employ up to 1,000 villagers.
- According to the USAID/DART in Banda Aceh, the local equivalent of Public Works is working to clear the
  town's primary and secondary streets of tsunami-related debris, and in most instances, streets are passable. Local
  residents have joined the effort of cleaning debris and the process is reportedly operating in an orderly fashion. An
  initial USAID/DART damage assessment of the town center revealed major earthquake-related structural damage
  to six buildings that will require eventual demolition.

### Sri Lanka Update

According to OCHA, the threat of water and vector borne disease remains the primary humanitarian concern for affected areas in Sri Lanka. OCHA reports that the immediate priority areas of response are water (including cleaning and restoring water wells), sanitation, health, shelter, food, emergency relief supplies, and transportation. According to the International Organization for Migration (IOM), cooking utensils, shelter, medicine, toilet facilities, and sustainable drinking water are also urgently needed for the camps in the Batticaloa District.

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<sup>■</sup> Government of Indonesia, Ministry of Social Welfare, 1/7/05

Government of Sri Lanka (Center for National Operations), 1/7/05
 Government of India, 1/7/05

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>±</sup> U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 1/7/05

<sup>♦</sup> OCHA, 1/5/05

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Reported casualties in Sri Lanka range from the official government total of 30,718 to more than 46,000 dead and 14,000 missing from CNN as of January 6.

#### India Update

- On January 7, the Indian Director General of Health Services indicated to USAID/India staff that there have been no major health concerns reported, and medical supplies are sufficient. The measles vaccination campaign for children between the ages of six months and five years is now being conducted in the camps in the Nicobar islands.
- According to the USAID/DART, lack of potable water remains an immediate concern throughout the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, including Port Blair. The USAID/DART reports that the tsunami damaged many of the pipes and silted the wells, reducing capacity by as much as 50 percent. The Government of India is currently installing temporary hand pumps in the coastline communities for hygiene purposes. According to the USAID/DART, communities further from the shore have undamaged septic systems.

#### Somalia Update

- According to reports received by USAID, relief workers are having difficulty reaching various affected areas along the 650 km of Somali coastline affected by the tsunami. Some existing road tracks have become impassable, while the main bridge linking the Hafun Peninsula to the mainland has been washed away.
- As part of the flash appeal, the U.N. has called for more than \$10 million dollars to assist the thousands of tsunamiaffected thousands people in Somalia. According to the U.N., northeastern Somalia was the worst affected area.
  The damage and destruction of the tsunami compounds the existing emergency in many areas of Somalia
  experiencing four consecutive years of drought, periodic floods, and chronic insecurity. Although a full needs
  assessment remains to be conducted, according to the U.N. appeal, the Somali fishing industry was significantly
  impacted. The U.N. lists the most urgent needs as potable water, food, medication, and shelter.

#### Seychelles Update

• On January 6, the U.S. Embassy in Port Louis issued a disaster declaration for Seychelles due to the damage caused by the December 26 tsunami. In response, USAID/OFDA is providing \$50,000 to the Seychelles Red Cross to address the immediate needs of residents in the affected coastal areas. According to OCHA, approximately 500 households have been affected, and destruction of roads and bridges has hindered access throughout the islands. According to U.N. estimates, three people were killed as a result of the tsunami.

#### USG ASSISTANCE

#### USAID Response

• To date, USAID has provided more than \$12.9 million to support region-wide emergency relief efforts. The USAID/DART and the U.S. military are conducting ongoing needs assessments and providing supplies and essential logistic support for the relief efforts and in affected areas countries. USAID/OFDA has dispatched ten flights of relief commodities to the region. USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP) has shipped to the region approximately 8,000 metric tons (MT) of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance, valued at \$6 million.

#### Indonesia

- To date, the USG has provided more than \$20.5 million to support emergency relief activities and the provision of food, water, and relief supplies for affected populations in Indonesia. Of this, USAID/OFDA has provided approximately \$5.8 million, including three airlifts of relief supplies, to Indonesia. USAID/Indonesia has awarded approximately \$4.8 million in grants to assist non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with strong operational capacity on the targeting, distribution, and monitoring of USAID-funded relief supplies already en route to Aceh. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has also provided food commodities, valued at approximately \$6 million including transport, to WFP.
- USAID/OFDA is providing \$1.5 million to the U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) for child protection and psychosocial activities.
- To respond to the identified health needs, USAID/OFDA is providing \$292,129 to International Medical Corps (IMC) to dispatch surgeons, general practitioners, outreach doctors, and equipment to provide immediate medical support in Banda Aceh.
- On January 7, USAID/Indonesia awarded two grants, using emergency funds provided by USAID/OFDA, for
  programs in Aceh Province. The first grant was to Save the Children/US (SC/US) for nearly \$288,533 to conduct
  emergency health and water and sanitation activities, and the second grant was to Project Concern International
  (PCI) for nearly \$237,000 for four mobile health clinics.

#### Sri Lanka

- To date, USAID has provided more than \$23.8 million in emergency relief assistance to Sri Lanka. USAID/OFDA has also delivered relief commodities in four airlifts. On January 6, a USAID/OFDA flight containing 1,000 rolls of plastic sheeting, 3,456 hygiene kits, and 10,290 water containers arrived in Sri Lanka. The total value of all commodities transported to date is \$488,199, excluding transport. On January 7, USAID/OFDA provided \$10 million to USAID/Sri Lanka to provide grants for emergency shelter activities.
- USAID/OFDA is providing \$500,000 to UNICEF for child protection and psycho-social activities. *Seychelles*
- USAID/OFDA provided \$50,000 to the Seychelles Red Cross for emergency relief activities.

#### Department of Defense (DOD) Humanitarian Assistance

- As of January 6, more than 12,390 U.S. military personnel were involved in providing relief support in the affected region. Of the 1,549 military personnel currently on the ground, 1,167 are in Thailand, 173 are in Sri Lanka, 63 are in Indonesia, and 146 are in Malaysia. With 18 ships and 91 aircraft, the U.S. military has provided a total of 639,500 lbs of relief supplies, including 337,018 lbs of water, 292,136 lbs of food, and 10,346 lbs of medical supplies to the governments of Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and other affected nations as of January 6.
- The United States Naval Ship Mercy has deployed to Southeast Asia to provide medical services to tsunamiaffected populations. USNS Mercy is currently configured with 250 patient beds but has a capacity to be expanded to 1,000 beds, if necessary.

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A magnitude 9.0 earthquake on December 26, off the west coast of Northern Sumatra, Indonesia, triggered massive tsunamis that affected several countries throughout South and Southeast Asia, as well as Somalia, Tanzania, and Kenya in East Africa. Aftershocks from the December 26 earthquake continue to occur in the region.
- Based on initial findings of USG assessment teams and on the recommendation of Secretary of State Powell and
  USAID Administrator Natsios, on December 31, President Bush committed \$350 million toward earthquake and
  tsunami relief and recovery efforts. Dollar amounts in this Fact Sheet are part of the total pledge of \$350 million
  and refer to specific funding actions that have been committed and programmed. USAID/OFDA welcomes
  proposals from qualified humanitarian assistance organizations prepared to implement relief activities in response
  to the Indian Ocean Earthquake and Tsunami disaster. Details can be found at www.usaid.gov.

#### USAID REGIONAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO ASIA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>		
IFRC	Response to emergency appeal	Regionwide	\$4,000,000
U.S. Embassy/JTF	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Regionwide	\$585,230
AirServ	Aerial assessment, transport of relief personnel and light cargo	Regionwide	\$2,436,681
WFP	Logistics, air support and coordination	Regionwide	\$5,000,000
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies		\$910,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO REGION\$12,931,911			

#### USAID/USDA HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>		
IFRC/Indonesian Red	Emergency relief activities	Aceh, Northern	\$2,100,000
Cross		Sumatra	
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern	\$35,650
		Sumatra	
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern	\$13,650
		Sumatra	
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern	\$49,750
		Sumatra	
IMC	Health	Banda Aceh	\$292,129
UNICEF	Child protection and psycho-social activities	Countrywide	\$1,500,000
USAID/Indonesia	Emergency grants for water and sanitation, health,	Aceh, Northern	\$2,000,000
	shelter	Sumatra	
	• \$288,533 – SC/US for emergency health and	Aceh	
	water and sanitation activities		
	• \$237,000 – Project Concern International for	Aceh	
	four mobile health clinics		
IOM	Provision of emergency relief supplies, food, water,	Aceh, Northern	\$1,000,000
	and medicine	Sumatra	
WHO	Health surveillance	Aceh, Northern	\$250,000

		Sumatra		
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies		\$74,002	
	Administrative		\$67,000	
TOTAL USAID/OF	DA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA		\$7,382,181	
	USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	3,000 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance	Sumatra	\$2,400,000	
TOTAL USAID/FF	P ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA		\$2,400,000	
	USAID/INDONESIA ASSISTANCE			
CARDI	Emergency response teams	Aceh Province	\$99,960	
CARE	Water and sanitation	Aceh Province	\$98,889	
ICMC	Targeting/monitoring of emergency relief supplies	Aceh Province	\$100,000	
IOM	Logistics	Aceh Province	\$208,452	
IOM	Emergency relief activities	Aceh Province	\$1,650,000	
Mercy Corps	Shelter, health, water, and trauma counseling	Aceh Province	\$250,000	
IRD	Emergency food assistance	Aceh Province	\$99,974	
Nurani Dunia	Emergency relief supplies	Aceh Province	\$99,669	
SC/US	Emergency relief supplies and health	Aceh Province	\$100,000	
Multiple <sup>±</sup>	Emergency relief activities	Aceh Province	\$2,087,000	
TOTAL USAID/IN	DONESIA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA	•••••	\$4,793,944	
	USDA ASSISTANCE	_		
WFP	11,000 MT of P.L. 416 (b) Title I emergency food assistance	Sumatra	\$6,000,000	
TOTAL USDA ASS	TOTAL USDA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			
TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA				

## USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>		
USAID/Sri Lanka	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$100,000
USAID/Sri Lanka*	Emergency relief activities, cash-for-work	Countrywide	\$12,500,000
	\$356,655 - Sri Lanka Red Cross for , emergency relief supplies, shelter, and water and sanitation	Countrywide	
	• \$574,950 – CARE for emergency relief supplies, water system rehabilitation	Countrywide	
	• \$499,849 – WVI for emergency relief supplies and shelter	Countrywide	
	• \$403,763 – ACF for emergency relief supplies and water and sanitation	Countrywide	
USAID/Sri Lanka*	Emergency grants for shelter		\$10,000,000
UNICEF	Child protection and psycho-social activities	Countrywide	\$500,000
IFRC	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$44,450
IFRC	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$5,400
IFRC	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$49,750
IOM	Provision of emergency relief supplies, food, water, and medicine	Northern, Eastern, and Southern coastal areas	\$500,000
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies		\$37,926
	Administrative		\$132,000

<sup>\*</sup> USAID/OFDA funding, provided to USAID/Indonesia, will be allocated to implementing partners based on assessments.

<sup>±</sup> USAID/Indonesia is using existing funds earmarked for activities in Aceh Province to support emergency grants in response to the earthquake and tsunami.

TOTAL USAID/OFDA	A ASSISTANCE TO SRI LA	NKA	•••••	\$23,869,526	
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA					
WFP	4,574 MT of P.L. 480 Title assistance	II emergency food	Countrywide	\$3,600,000	
TOTAL USAID/OFDA	TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA\$3,600,000				
	USAID/OTI ASS	SISTANCE TO SRI LAN	NKA		
Clean-up of debris	Clean-up of debris Countrywide				
TOTAL USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA\$57,962					
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA\$27,527,488					

<sup>\*</sup> USAID/OFDA funding, provided to USAID/Sri Lanka, is being allocated to implementing partners based on assessments.

## USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDIA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>		
Prime Minister's Relief Fund	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$50,000
IFRC/ Implemented by Indian Red Cross	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$50,000
USAID/India*	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$3,000,000
	• \$650,000 – CARE for water and sanitation	Tamil Nadu	
	• \$750,000 – CRS for water and sanitation	Tamil Nadu	
	Administrative		\$16,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO INDIA\$3,116,000			

<sup>\*</sup> USAID/OFDA funding, provided to USAID/India, will be allocated to implementing partners based on assessments.

## USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE MALDIVES

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>		
USAID/Sri Lanka	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$100,000
UNICEF	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$8,100
UNICEF	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$44,250
UNICEF	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Countrywide	\$42,250
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies		\$68,400
UNICEF	Health, nutrition, water and sanitation	Countrywide	\$1,200,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO THE MALDIVES			\$1,463,000

## USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE			
Thai Red Cross	Procurement and distribution of relief items	Countrywide	\$100,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND\$100,000			

## USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO MALAYSIA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount		
	USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>				
Malaysia Red Crescent					
National Disaster	Procurement/distribution of relief items and shelter	Northwest Malaysia	\$50,000		
Management and	materials	1 voi tiiwest ividiaysia	\$50,000		
Relief Committee					
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO MALAYSIA					

#### USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>			
UNICEF	Emergency relief activities	Puntland	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA\$50.000			

#### USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SEYCHELLES

Implementing Partner	Activity	Location	Amount
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE <sup>1</sup>			
Seychelles Red Cross	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SEYCHELLES			

All USAID/OFDA funding represent committed and/or obligated amounts as of January 7, 2005.

Total USG Humanitarian and Recovery Assistance Pledged	\$350,000,000
Total USAID/OFDA Humanitarian Assistance Committed	
Total USG Humanitarian Assistance Committed	\$65,864,524

#### FURTHER INFORMATION ON USG RESPONSE

More detailed information on USG assistance already provided, including DOD resources, in response to the disaster may be found in previous USAID/OFDA Fact Sheets:

http://www.usaid.gov/our work/humanitarian assistance/disaster assistance/countries/indian ocean/et index.html

#### PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

Making a Donation to Relief Efforts

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that
  are conducting relief operations.
- For a list of humanitarian organizations accepting donations for South Asia relief operations, please see "Tsunami Relief" at <a href="www.usaid.gov">www.usaid.gov</a>. Or call the Center for International Disaster Information at (703) 276-1914.
- 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.

#### Additional Information

- Information on making effective donations can be found on the following websites:
  - USAID: <u>www.usaid.gov</u>, Keyword: Donations
  - o The Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org
  - o InterAction: "Guide to Appropriate Giving" at <u>www.interaction.org</u>
- Information on choosing a charity to support can be found on the following websites:
  - o Better Business Bureau: www.give.org
  - o GuideStar (A National Database of Nonprofit Organizations): www.guidestar.org
  - The American Institute of Philanthropy: www.charitywatch.org
  - o Charity Navigator: www.charitynavigator.org
- Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int.