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INDIAN OCEAN – Earthquake and Tsunamis

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Indonesia	113,303 dead, 10,073 missing ☉	544,927 displaced ☉
Sri Lanka	30,718 dead, 4,939 missing ☐	515,234 displaced ☐
India	10,022 dead, 5,617 missing §	377,067 displaced (in camps) §
Maldives	82 dead, 26 missing ±	21,633 displaced ±, 300,000 affected ■
Thailand	5,305 dead, 3,498 missing ±	
Malaysia	68 dead, 6 missing ±	8,000 displaced ±
Somalia	150 dead ±	5,000 displaced ±, 54,000 affected ☐
Seychelles	3 dead ±	500 households affected ☐

Source Legend:

☉ Government of Indonesia, 1/8/05

☐ Government of Sri Lanka (Center for National Operations), 1/8/05

§ Government of India, 1/9/05

± U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), 1/7/05

☐ OCHA 1/4/05

■ Government of the Maldives, 1/4/05

Total USG Humanitarian and Recovery Assistance Pledged \$350,000,000
Total USAID/OFDA Humanitarian Assistance Committed \$49,718,872
Total USG Humanitarian Assistance Committed¹ \$78,015,335

CURRENT SITUATION

Regional Update

- As of January 9, the U.N. World Health Organization (WHO) reports that health networks in affected countries remain vigilant, and although cases of some diseases are increasing, no outbreaks have been reported. Injuries sustained during the tsunami still account for many health care needs, and access to treatment remains critical to avoid deaths due to tetanus and to limit potential long term disability. WHO also emphasized the need to increase access to safe drinking water and prevent diseases caused by inadequate sewage and waste disposal.
- On January 9, the U.N. World Food Program (WFP) announced a new Humanitarian Air Hub at the Subang Air Base in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The hub is dedicated to serving the U.N. and other relief agencies sending supplies to Indonesia and other affected countries. The air hub will be managed jointly by WFP, the Royal Malaysian Air Force, the U.N. Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS), and the U.N. Joint Logistics Center (UNJLC).

Indonesia Update

- On January 9, USAID/OFDA Director Ken Isaacs traveled with the USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (USAID/DART) to Halim military airport in Jakarta to observe ongoing relief operations. The Director met with U.S. Air Force and New Zealand Air Force officials and discussed the present status of air operations from Jakarta to Banda Aceh.
- On January 8, the USAID/DART in Banda Aceh conducted an assessment by helicopter in conjunction with the U.S. Navy. The assessment covered the coastal region between Banda Aceh to the village of Teunom on the west coast. The assessment team determined that approximately 50 percent of the roads in the area were intact and passable but that bridges appeared between 80 and 90 percent impassable. In addition, small inland waterways were blocked by debris that overflowed into adjacent rice fields. The USAID/DART concluded that the tsunami destroyed an estimated 13 large villages and 35 small villages in the region. During the mission, the assessment team delivered 200 boxes of noodles donated by Buddhist Relief and 23 five-gallon containers of water provided by USAID to the Acehpya village. Acehpya has a population of approximately 500 adults and 200 children and was not directly affected by the tsunami due to a natural ridge in the land that protected the village from the sea.
- On January 9, UNJLC reported that the Banda Aceh Airport needs additional storage tents and equipment to offload emergency relief supplies. UNJLC noted that the road between Banda Aceh and Meulaboh is inaccessible due to severe damage from the December 26 earthquake and aftershocks.

Sri Lanka Update

- On January 9, the Asia-Pacific Centre for Emergency and Development Information (APCEDI) reported that a tropical cyclone has formed off the southeast coast of Sri Lanka. Although this is considered a minimal strength

¹ The monetary value of assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) is not included in total USG assistance committed.

cyclone, APCEDI warns that there is a high risk of heavy rain that could possibly result in coastal and inland flooding. APCEDI has warned that the storm could also pose a threat to Tamil Nadu and Kerala states in India.

India Update

- According to the USAID/DART, from December 26 to January 9, there have been 126 earthquakes of a 5 point magnitude or higher in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands.
- Relief commodities for the affected island populations are currently sent from Port Blair by ship, according to the USAID/DART. Larger aircraft, such as an IL-76, are unable to land in the Nicobar Islands. The government has announced plans to prepare the runway in Car Nicobar for heavy transport flights in the next two weeks.
- On January 8, Prime Minister Manmohan Singh visited the Andaman Islands and announced a \$45 million relief package for the Andaman and Nicobar Government for implementing immediate rehabilitation measures. The government has yet to make any formal announcement regarding the provision of humanitarian assistance in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands by local or foreign non-governmental organizations (NGOs).
- On January 8, the USAID/DART traveled to Pushpavallam, approximately a one hour drive south of Nagapattinam in Tamil Nadu. Farmers in the village reported that the rice crop has been destroyed and voiced concern that the soil may not be arable next season. Food prices have increased in the village: the price for a kilogram of tomatoes has doubled. Residents are sleeping in relief camps at night and returning to the village during the day to clean up their properties. The residents reported to the USAID/DART that they had received a distribution of relief goods from the government, but it was stolen when they left the village overnight.
- The USAID/DART assessment team also traveled to Stauthur, Tamil Nadu, on January 8. The district government is distributing water to the town. However, according to the USAID/DART, many homes also have a hand pump in the yard, and these pumps need to be assessed and possibly repaired.
- In Nagapattinam, Tamil Nadu, the USAID/DART reports that the district government has abandoned one of the major municipal wells after a mass grave site was dug next to it. The district had disinfected all local wells as a precautionary measure even though none of them were reported to be contaminated.

Maldives Update

- On January 9, OCHA reported that all 120 households on the island of Kolufushi were severely affected: 80 houses require complete reconstruction while 40 need repairs. In addition, extensive cleaning is required due to the large amount of waste and debris.

USG ASSISTANCE

USAID Response

- To date, USAID has provided more than \$13.4 million to support region-wide emergency relief efforts. The USAID/DART and the U.S. military continue to conduct needs assessments and provide supplies and essential logistic support for the relief efforts in affected countries.
- On January 9, the eleventh USAID/OFDA airlift of emergency relief supplies arrived in Utapao, Thailand, to support regional response efforts. The commodities contained in this airlift include 580 rolls of plastic sheeting, 9,520 ten-liter water containers, and 6,624 hygiene kits. The total value of the shipment, excluding transport costs, is \$196,631. The rolls of plastic sheeting will serve 17,400 beneficiaries, the water containers will serve 23,800 beneficiaries, and the hygiene kits will serve 33,120 beneficiaries.

Indonesia

- To date, the USG has provided more than \$22.2 million to support emergency relief activities and the provision of food, water, and relief supplies for affected populations in Indonesia.

Sri Lanka

- To date, USAID has provided more than \$37.1 million in emergency relief assistance to Sri Lanka.

India

- To date, USAID has provided more than \$3.1 million in emergency relief assistance to India. On January 9, through USAID/India, USAID/OFDA provided \$859,992 to World Vision International (WVI) and \$440,295 to Project Concern International (PCI). WVI will implement a cash-for-work program to provide materials and tools to build temporary shelters in Tamil Nadu. PCI activities in Tamil Nadu will include a cash-for-work program to construct temporary shelters, a livelihood revitalization program to assist fishermen in boat repairs, and educational and recreational services.

Maldives

- USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP) has provided 180 MT of food assistance, valued at \$151,200.

Department of Defense (DOD) Humanitarian Assistance

- As of January 8, more than 16,465 U.S. military personnel are involved in providing relief support in the affected region. Of the 2,354 military personnel currently on the ground, 1,339 are in Thailand, 593 are in Sri Lanka, 190 are in Indonesia, and 160 are in Malaysia. With 20 ships and 95 aircraft, the U.S. military has provided a total of 2,146,514 lbs of relief supplies, including 16,455 gallons of water, 433,840 lbs of food, and 1,454,200 lbs of relief supplies to the governments of Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and other affected nations as of January 8.

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

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
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	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Regionwide	\$196,631
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies	Regionwide	\$910,000
	Administrative		\$332,123
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO REGION			\$13,460,665
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO REGION			\$13,460,665

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE MALDIVES

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
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 MALDIVES			\$1,463,000
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	180 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance	Countrywide	\$151,200
TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE TO MALDIVES			\$151,200
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO MALDIVES			\$1,614,200

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Thai Red Cross	Procurement and distribution of relief items	Countrywide	\$100,000
	Administrative		\$167,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND			\$267,000
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO THAILAND			\$267,000

USAID/USDA HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
IFRC/Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief activities	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$2,100,000
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$35,650
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$13,650
Indonesian Red Cross	Emergency relief supplies (In-kind contribution)	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$49,750
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, shelter	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$2,000,000
	\$288,533 – SC/US for emergency health and water and sanitation activities	Aceh	
	\$237,000 – Project Concern International for four mobile health clinics	Aceh	
	\$256,000 – CARE for water purification	Aceh	
IOM	Provision of emergency relief supplies, food, water, and medicine	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$1,000,000
WHO	Health surveillance	Aceh, Northern Sumatra	\$291,500
Multiple	Transport of relief supplies		\$74,002
	Administrative		\$84,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			\$7,440,681
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	3,000 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance	Sumatra	\$2,438,587
TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			\$2,438,587
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 [‡]	Emergency relief activities	Aceh Province	\$2,087,000
TOTAL USAID/INDONESIA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			\$4,793,944
USDA ASSISTANCE			
WFP	9,417 MT of P.L. 416 (b) Title I emergency food assistance	Sumatra	\$7,533,600
TOTAL USDA ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			\$7,533,600
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO INDONESIA			\$22,206,812

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

[‡] USAID/Indonesia is using existing funds earmarked for activities in Aceh Province to support emergency grants in response to the earthquake and tsunami.

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
USAID/Sri Lanka	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$100,000
USAID/Sri Lanka*	Emergency relief activities, cash-for-work	Countrywide	\$12,500,000
	\$356,220 - Sri Lanka Red Cross for emergency relief supplies, health, and cash-for-work activities	Ampara, Mulaitiva	
	\$574,950 – CARE for emergency relief supplies, water system rehabilitation	Ampara	
	\$499,849 – WVI for emergency relief supplies and shelter	Trincomalee, Ampara	
	\$403,763 – ACF/France for emergency relief supplies and water and sanitation	Trincomalee, Mulaitiva, Jaffna	
	\$513,897 – SC/UK for shelter, water and sanitation, and emergency relief supplies	Trincomalee, Matara, Galle	
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		\$67,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA			\$23,804,526
USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE			
WFP	8,771 MT of P.L. 480 Title II emergency food assistance	Countrywide	\$8,854,770
TOTAL USAID/FFP ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA			\$8,854,770
USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE			
NGO Consortium	Clean-up of debris	Countrywide	\$57,962
TOTAL USAID/OTI ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA			\$57,962
USDA ASSISTANCE			
WFP	5,583 MT of P.L. 416 (b) Title I emergency food assistance	Countrywide	\$4,466,400
TOTAL USDA ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA			\$4,466,400
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO SRI LANKA			\$37,183,658

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USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SEYCHELLES

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Seychelles Red Cross	Emergency relief activities	Countrywide	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SEYCHELLES			\$50,000
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO SEYCHELLES			\$50,000

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO INDIA

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
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	
	\$440,295 – PCI for shelters, livelihoods, and education	Tamil Nadu	
	\$859,992 – World Vision for shelter, cash-for-work	Tamil Nadu	
	Administrative		\$33,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO INDIA			\$3,133,000
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO INDIA			\$3,133,000

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

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO MALAYSIA

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
Malaysia Red Crescent National Disaster Management and Relief Committee	Procurement/distribution of relief items and shelter materials	Northwest Malaysia	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO MALAYSIA			\$50,000
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO MALAYSIA			\$50,000

USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE¹			
UNICEF	Emergency relief activities	Puntland	\$50,000
TOTAL USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA			\$50,000
TOTAL USG ASSISTANCE TO SOMALIA			\$50,000

¹All USAID/OFDA funding represent committed and/or obligated amounts as of January 9, 2005.

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Total USG Humanitarian Assistance Committed² \$78,015,335

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

² The monetary value of assistance provided by the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD) is not included in total USG assistance committed.

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