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Disaster Information Report

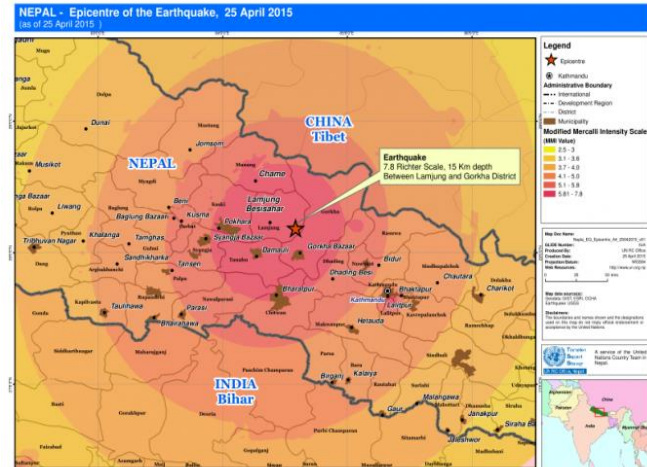
Nepal Earthquake, April 26, 2015 CDIR No. 2

BLUF – Implications to PACOM

- No DOD assistance requested thus far (USAID)
- The Government of Nepal (GON) has requested international assistance and has declared a state of emergency in affected areas
- GON needs remain:
 - Search and Rescue (SAR) capacity (particularly Kathmandu Valley)
 - Helicopters for access and transport
 - Medical teams
 - Supplies and tenting for hospitals, and body bags
 - Heavy equipment for rubble clearing (UNRC)

Key Concerns & Trends

- The GON is leading response efforts and international Search and Rescue (SAR) teams have begun to arrive to provide support
 - Hospitals in Kathmandu valley continue to report overcrowding and a lack of medical supplies and capacity
 - International and local medical teams are being mobilized but transport and logistics remain an issue
 - Majority of people remain outside houses for second night
 - Disease a concern due to exposure—diarrhea is already an issue in Kathmandu
 - Widespread rain and thundershowers are likely over the next 24 hours (UNRC, VOSOCC)



Nepal Earthquake – Stats & Facts

Background:

At 11:56 am local time (06:11 UTC), a 7.8 magnitude earthquake struck Nepal, with epicenter in Lamjung District, located 81 km northwest of Kathmandu (pop. 2.5 million) with a depth of 15 km. (USGS)

Impact

Government reporting 35 out of 75 districts affected. Most affected areas are Dhading, Gorkha (est. in some areas that 80 percent of houses destroyed), Rasuwa, Sindhupalchowk, Kavre, Nuwakot, Dolakha, Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Bhaktapur, and Ramechhap districts. (UNRC)

Logistics

Kathmandu (24-hr operations) and Pokhara airports remain open and accepting some commercial flights. The main feeder roads outside of Kathmandu Valley are reported to be accessible overall. Some side roads are damaged and access is limited. (UN)

Landlines appear to be functioning, but electrical and telecommunications networks are intermittently operational. (VOSOCC)

Affected Population (as of 26 APR)

Deaths: 2,288 (GON)

Injured: 5,850 (GON)

Total Affected: No confirmed figures available, however 6.6 million live within affected areas (100 km area) (GDACS)

Total Population of Nepal: 27.8 million (WB)

Affected State

Military

The Nepalese Armed Forces are assisting with relief efforts.

Civilian

The **Government of Nepal (GON) Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA)** is in charge of response coordination. The **GON National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC)** is operational and stood-up at the MOHA. (UNRC)

A 24-hour emergency health operations room has been set up at the **Ministry of Health and Population (MOHP)** and will coordinate with the NEOC. Coordination with bilateral partners goes through MOFA to MOHP; coordination with international agencies and NGOs goes directly to MOHP. (UNRC)

The main hospitals in Kathmandu are still functioning, although overwhelmed; some damage reported to hospitals in Ramechhap, Nuwakot, and Sindhupalchowk. In Gorkha, it is unclear whether hospitals are operational. (UNRC)

Four national medical teams being sent to Gorkha. Immediate priorities are managing casualties and the injured (many injuries requiring airlifting). (UNRC)

Five shelter camps with water sources have been established in areas belonging to the **Armed Police Force (APF)**. The GON has identified 16 areas around Kathmandu to be used as camps. (UNRC)

Humanitarians

Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS): is continuing to assist with relief efforts and leading relief efforts by the Red Cross network. The NRCS is also providing blood supplies to medical facilities in Kathmandu. The NRCS is headquartered in Kathmandu and has branches in all 75 districts, more than 1,300 sub-branches, 1.1 million members, and 100,000 active volunteers. (ARC, IFRC)

International Humanitarian Community

Overview

The **Humanitarian Staging Area** at Tribhuvan International Airport (TIA) is operational and supporting the coordination of international response. Expedited customs clearance for emergency cargo and visa processes at the airport remain unclear. The UN Virtual OSOCC reports space for only six aircraft on the apron. (UNRC)

United Nations

Four staff members from **UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)** regional office have arrived to help assist with coordination. (UNRC)

In support of the UN Resident Coordinator, the **UN Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC)** 23-member team has arrived and established a Reception and Departure Centre at the airport. (VOSOCC, UNRC)

The **Humanitarian Country Team (HCT)** has established coordination hubs at the NEOC, the Humanitarian Staging Area, and at the UN office.

The World Health Organization this morning handed over four emergency health kits comprising of medicines, medical supplies and US\$175,000 as the first tranche of emergency health funds. Each kit can meet the needs of 10,000 people for three months. Each kit has a basic and supplementary unit. (WHO)

The cluster online meeting calendar can be found at:
www.humanitarianresponse.info/nepal.

NGOs/IOs

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development has committed an immediate £50,000 and launched an emergency appeal. (CAFOD)

CARE's emergency specialists are on their way to Nepal and CARE has over 150 staff in Nepal already working in the majority of the most affected districts. CARE has launched an urgent appeal for US\$40 million. CARE staff on the ground are working to coordinate with other agencies and CARE has plans in place to assist up to 75,000 people. (CARE)

Catholic Relief Services is preparing to respond. CRS is working with Caritas India that is supporting Caritas Nepal's request for help. 10 to 12 CRS emergency specialists will reach Nepal by April 27. (CRS)

International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) has launched its website where people can register names of missing relatives.

International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) appealed for a total of CHF 33,481,398 to enable the IFRC to support the NRCS to deliver assistance and support to a total of 75,000 people (15,000 households) over 18 months. (IFRC)

Médecins du Monde/Doctors of the World emergency response team is enroute, including a surgeon, two doctors, and two logistics staff. MdM teams already working in Nepal (maternal and child health) are mobilized to assist. They will also be sending 15 to 20 tons of medical supplies. (MdM)

Mercy Corps is preparing an emergency response in Nepal. (MC)

MERCY Malaysia will be responding by deploying their emergency medical team and will be part of the Malaysian response team. They currently have a medical team of seven ready to be deployed. This team will be part of their Emergency Response Unit (ERU), which

consists of medical personnel, logisticians, doctors, surgeons, and complete with a field hospital. (MM)

Oxfam is gearing up to deliver clean water and sanitation. Oxfam is working with UNICEF and will start building its first sanitation facilities in Tudikhel in Bhacktapr, serving 1500 - 2000 people. Oxfam will also complete its assessments in the Lalitpur camp soon. (OXFAM)

Save the Children has some emergency kits, hygiene materials and tarpaulins already in Nepal and ready for distribution. (SC)

Search and Rescue Assistance in Disasters (SARAID) has put an official offer of assistance for the GON and awaiting approval. (UNRC)

All humanitarian partners, including donors and recipient agencies, are encouraged to inform OCHA's Financial Tracking Service (FTS - <http://fts.unocha.org>) of cash and in-kind contributions by e-mailing: fts@un.org. The HCT is working on drafting a Flash Appeal in support of the GON response.

Assisting States

Civilian

Australia: A Crisis Response Team will travel to Nepal to assist in establishing the welfare of Australians unaccounted for. Two humanitarian experts will also be deployed. Australia will also provide: \$2.5 million to assist Australian NGOs, \$2 million to support UN partners, and \$500,000 to support the Australian Red Cross. (GOA)

Canada: will support humanitarian organizations with \$5 million to provide assistance to affected people in Nepal. (GOC)

China: A 62-strong China International Search & Rescue Team arrived in Nepal on April 26. (Xinhua)

European Commission: Two personnel from ECHO sent to help support coordination. The EC is also providing €3 million in its immediate response in addition to the assistance from the Member States and the deployment of EC's humanitarian aid and civil protection experts. The EU Civil Protection Mechanism has been activated. Through it, Member States, including Belgium, Finland, Germany, Greece, Netherlands, Poland and Sweden immediately offered SAR teams, water purification systems and technical assistance. (EC, UNRC)

Finland: A 30-member SAR team expected to arrive April 27. (UNRC)

Israel: A SAR team has landed and begun operations. (UNRC)

Japan: has decided to dispatch the Japan Disaster Relief (JDR) Rescue Team to Nepal. (GOJ)

United Arab Emirates (UAE): A group of Emirates Red Crescent (ERC) workers along with the Ministry of Interior's Search and Rescue (SAR) left April 26. Another ERC delegation will travel to New Delhi to purchase supplies and airlift them to affected areas. (UAE)

United Kingdom: The Department for International Development (DFID) has deployed a team of more than 60 SAR responders and medical experts. DFID has activated its rapid funding mechanism for charities and partners on the ground. The package includes: £3 million released under the Rapid Response Facility and £2 million for the British Red Cross. (DFID)

United States: An 8-member medical team already in Nepal will deploy with medical kits. A US DART team set to arrive for SAR support. The US SAR team from Fairfax, Virginia also set to arrive soon. (UNRC)

Military

India: India has launched a relief operation in Nepal, dubbed "Operation Maitri," with the Indian Air Force mobilizing its Il-76, C-130J Hercules and C-17 Globemaster transport aircraft and Mi-17 helicopters. The Indian Army has sent a major general to Nepal to oversee the rescue and relief efforts, in which the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) is playing a key role. The NDRF has dispatched 10 teams to Nepal for its first major operation on foreign soil. An Indian army mountaineering team is assisting on Mount Everest. A total of 14 helicopters will be mobilized to support efforts. (Reuters, UNRC, Hindustan Times)

Pakistan: Four Pakistan Air Force C-130 aircraft carrying SAR and relief assistance, including a 30-bed mobile hospital, arrived in Nepal on April 26. The hospital will be run by Pakistan Army doctors including surgical, medical, orthopedic, gynecologist, anesthesiologist, child specialist, radiologist and paramedics. (Dawn)

Sri Lanka: A plane carrying a team of 44 Army personnel and four Civil Medical Consultants reached Kathmandu on April 26. Another team of 156 rescuers, including 14 sailors, 11 airmen and four Civil Medical Consultants, are expected to leave soon. (GOSL)

Thailand: The Prime Minister has ordered the Public Health Ministry and the armed forces to prepare their medical and disaster relief teams to be on standby to be dispatched to Nepal to provide assistance as soon as possible. (GOT)

For more useful links and information resources, please visit the [CFE-DMHA Nepal Earthquake Crisis Response Page](https://www.cfe-dmha.org/DMHA-Resources/Nepal-Earthquake) at: <https://www.cfe-dmha.org/DMHA-Resources/Nepal-Earthquake>

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