

Tajik Committee of Emergency Situations & Civil Defenseand UNDP in Tajikistan Disaster Risk Management Programme



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Crisis Management Center of the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense

Chair: Colonel Nazarov Talabsho, Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil

Defense under the Government of Tajikistan in Khatlon Province

Participants: REACT partners (Annex I)

1. Introduction:

Maruf Kandikov from REACT Secretariat opened the meeting informing the participants that Head of CoES of Khatlon District, Mr Hotamsho is in field trip in Muminobod and his deputy Mr Halimov is participating at a government meeting therefore updates on disaster overview for October will not be presented by CoES. Colonel Nazarov Talabsho will lead the meeting on behalf of CoES.

Referring to the recent report Rasht Earthquake Extended Relief and Recovery Update released by REACT Secretariat in Dushanbe Mr Kandikov provided short summary of the result of the assessment conducted in Rasht Valley and in new relocation sites of Kumsangir and Panj district by REACT Secretariat with the support of Save the Children International based in Kurgan Tube and German Agro Action and Mission East in Rasht Valley.

The participants were informed that based on the assessment REACT Secretariat is working on preparation of an Appeal document and after meeting conducted by Shelter Cluster in Dushanbe, it has been decided that provision of coal for winterization and provision of bio filters to improve the drinking water quality will be highlighted in the appeal as top priority.

Among other problems which need immediate solutions the following were highlighted;

- Lack of electricity in both sites in Kumsangir and Panj districts
- Lack of nearby schools
- Problems with shortage of food among the relocated families.
- Lack of doors and window frames which were not included in the list of construction materials provided by the government.

Amrullo Mirzoev from WFP stated that the local government need to submit an official request concerning the new arrivals that they require support in which case the organization will assess the situation and decide what can be done. Since the 8 families in Panj has completed construction of their houses Food for Work project cannot be developed for this category of people and while construction works are in process in Kumsangir, the organization might get involved if request follows from the government.



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Mr Safarov Fakhruddin, representative of relocated families in Panj district, briefed the participants that although 6 families completed construction of their houses out of 8 and 2 more families are working on installation of their roofs, the families still facing a lot of hardship. Lack of water and electricity are the main challenges in addition to shortage of fuel in the area.

Colonel Nazarov, instructed his staff that the problem of supply of electricity should be coordinated with the energy supply company and the process must be speeded up. In case of Panj the transformer must be changed as the capacity of the current transformer might not be enough to serve additional 8 families.

Follow up actions;

- WFP to explore the possibility of Food for Work projects for the new relocated families
- CoES to coordinate with the energy supply company to speed the process of connection of the new arrivals to the energy supply system
- REACT Secretariat to include the email address of the new head of OSCE in REACT distribution list.



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Annexes I.

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