

**ALERT****FLOODS****actalliance****Nepal**

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<b>SITUATION</b>
<p>On the morning of Sunday the 13 August 2017, the 18 districts in the southern plains in Nepal, were struck by floods due to continuous torrential rainfall. The Nepal government has reported 115 deaths, 38 missing, and approximately 6 million people being directly affected by the floods. Land in the southern plains are heavily populated and is known as an agricultural farming land. Almost all of the cultivated crops and agriculture farming lands have been affected by the current floods. Livestock has also been affected by the floods. This has also meant the loss of livelihoods.</p>
<b>NEEDS</b>
<p>The floods have put the 18 districts in a state of crisis. The flood affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs which include access to sufficient food, safe shelter and basic non-food items, safe drinking water, as well as sanitation and hygiene infrastructure, livelihood activities, and protection services.</p>
<b>STAKEHOLDERS</b>
<p>The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis: The National government through the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Nepal Red Cross as well as the Nepal Army and Nepal Police. The emergency response is currently being coordinated by the Ministry of Home Affairs. To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (Shelter, WASH, Food Security, Protection/Psychosocial, Logistic and CCCM) and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.</p>
<b>ACT Alliance</b>
<p>ACT Alliance has been working in Nepal since 1994, now helping/planning to help people affected by the floods. ACT Alliance works in areas affected by the floods, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities. ACT Alliance is currently monitoring the situation and is preparing a rapid needs assessment to have an in-depth context analysis and better understanding of existing vulnerabilities. ACT Alliance is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are ready/preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment. In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, the ACT Nepal forum has identified a gap in Shelters, WASH, Food, and Psychosocial and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap. The ACT Nepal forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide Shelters, WASH, Food, and Psychosocial to ensure that the floods affected persons' basic needs are met with regards to access to safe shelter and NFIs, access to potable drinking water, access to sanitation and proper hygiene, access to basic food and psychosocial well being. ACT Alliance is ready to respond, providing Emergency/transitional shelter kit, NFIs, Hygiene kit, Water storage container and water purification supplies, Repair/Construction of family toilets and drinking water supply schemes, basic food, seed fertilizer and equipment support to 5000 affected households in the coming months. Furthermore, ACT Alliance will engage in advocacy on the national and international level to ensure that the voices of those affected by the floods are amplified.</p>

**Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Head of Finance and Administration, Line Hempel ([Line.Hempel@actalliance.org](mailto:Line.Hempel@actalliance.org)) and Senior Finance Officer, Lorenzo Correa ([Lorenzo.Correa@actalliance.org](mailto:Lorenzo.Correa@actalliance.org)).**

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