

Rapid Response Fund (RRF)

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Section 2: Narrative Summary													
<p>Background</p> <p>Atmospheric anomalies and global climate change have led to catastrophic flooding in the Irkutsk region. Three air masses collided over the region at once: Arctic, subtropical and humid air from the Pacific Ocean. From June 25 to July 1 various areas of Irkutsk region of Russia and neighboring regions were hit by long heavy rains. The amount of precipitation in the Western, Southern and Central Irkutsk region in three days reached 1,5 to 4 monthly norms. The current flood broke the historical highs both in terms of the level of precipitation and the levels of the rivers that came out of the banks. Heavy rains led to the rise of rivers – tributaries of the Angara river by 10-14 meters, which is much higher than the critical mark. Official data, to date: more than 38,000 people affected (including 8,000 children), 25 persons killed, 7 persons are missing, 725 persons were hospitalized, 2,563 persons were evacuated; 110 settlements and cities were flooded, 49 sections of roads were covered by water, 22 bridges were damaged. About 10,800 houses were flooded or swept away. In seven districts of the Irkutsk region, a state of emergency was declared, with three of them almost completely flooded.</p>													
<p>Humanitarian Needs</p> <p>The most affected by the flood are 2,563 individuals who were evacuated from completely flooded and swept away houses. They lost all their properties and are now housed with relatives, friends and in the temporary accommodation centers (TACs). Federal and local authorities, local societies and volunteers organized evacuation; supplying water, food and hot meals for TACs; transportation and distribution of water, bread, and food for the affected; organization of medical care; beginning of works on clearing of blocks; pumping out of water; renewal of communication, supply of electricity and infrastructure. The vaccination of people affected with Hepatitis A, typhoid, dysentery was started as well as the disinfection of houses, public buildings and other infrastructure.</p> <p>The ROC's parishes in the affected areas and Church humanitarian aid center in Tulun (the most flood affected city and region) are in constant contact with the affected communities, authorities and civil and NGOs to assist the affected population. In the parishes of the Irkutsk diocese, funds are collected to assist the population. The Church is collecting and delivering water, bread, hygiene and clothing to the neediest. According to the local church's latest Rapid Needs Assessment, the most urgent unmet needs for the most affected are child hygiene diapers, bed linen and blankets.</p>													
<p>Capacity</p> <p>ROC from the very first days of the tragedy has been actively involved in the organization of emergency assistance for the affected population. Local dioceses, parishes, Church organizations, social services and volunteers are engaged as well. In the city of Tulun, the Church humanitarian aid center was set</p>													

up. ROC/DECR/RRT has the mandate, infrastructure, qualified staff and many years of experience working in emergencies (including floods) and providing assistance to the affected people regardless of nationality, religion and ideology in different regions of the country and abroad (including almost two decades with ACT support).

Proposed response

- 1,050 individual unisex bedding kits (bedding, warm blanket) are distributed,
- 250 hygiene individual unisex child sanitation kits (big pack of diapers) are distributed

Does the proposed response honour ACT's commitment to Child Safeguarding? x Yes No

Problems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lack of diapers for children and bedding dramatically worsens the hygienic and sanitary situation of the most affected people and leads to increase of morbidity within the flood affected communities, also compromising their dignity. • Targeted beneficiaries don't have their own funds or the necessary external assistance from other sources. • In addition, the cold autumn comes early in the region - the heating season begins in September. 																											
Target beneficiaries	<p>ROC's target location is the flooded area of the Irkutsk region in Russia. Final selection of the project locations and the beneficiaries will be made by ROC prior to the distribution in close cooperation with local state and church authorities, other NGOs/civil society groups and target communities. The following criteria will be applied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women/single headed households, - Large households (with large numbers of children - 3 and more), - Households with at least one child below 5 years of age, - Households with children with disabilities, - Older people (+ 65), - Households with pregnant and lactating women, - People with disabilities, - Households with no or a low level of income <p>Planned target population:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="2">0-2</th> <th colspan="2">2-18</th> <th colspan="2">18-65</th> <th colspan="2">+ 65</th> <th>Totals</th> </tr> <tr> <th>M/F</th> <th>M/F</th> <th>M</th> <th>F</th> <th>M</th> <th>F</th> <th>M</th> <th>F</th> <th>M/F</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>250</td> <td>260</td> <td>75</td> <td>215</td> <td>160</td> <td>340</td> <td colspan="2"></td> <td>1,300</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	0-2		2-18		18-65		+ 65		Totals	M/F	M/F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M/F	250	260	75	215	160	340			1,300
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Main activities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Preparation activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hiring of project staff, - Orientation & capacity building sessions with project staff and volunteers, - Orientation meetings with church institutions, local authorities and communities, 2. Assessment, collection of data, validation and finalization of beneficiary list, 3. Preparation of distribution plan with target communities and authorities, 4. Procurement of items, 5. Delivery and distribution of items, 6. Consolidation of distribution data, 7. Reporting (including annual audit of the organisation) 																											

Specific objective(s)/ Outputs	Most needy flood-affected people in Irkutsk district of Russia are protected from poor individual hygiene and sanitary conditions and compromising of their dignity
Overall objective / Outcome(s)	The overall goal is to contribute to saving lives, health and dignity of the most vulnerable flood affected people in Irkutsk region of Russia

Reporting Schedule

Type of Report	Due date
Situation report	29 August 2019
Final narrative and financial report (60 days after the ending date)	28 November 2019

Monitoring and evaluation

ROC/DECR will carry out monitoring and reporting to ACT Alliance Secretariat. An emergency officer from ROC/DECR/RRT will be present in the project area and direct the project. The field and HQ staff of the project is in constant contact for feedback and advice. During the closure phase of the project, an evaluation meeting will be held in the field office. ROC representatives, project staff, local authorities and social institutions, church parishes and affected communities will participate. The meeting will provide an analysis of the project implementation and discuss lessons learned, as well as what further support may be required and rehabilitation plans.

Section 3: ACT Alliance coordination

Coordination

To avoid any duplication in the project implementation, ROC will coordinate with other organizations and NGOs providing aid to the affected population, and with EMERCOM, local authorities and social protection institutions, as well as all the church structures involved. There is no UN presence in the region.

Implementation arrangements

ROC/DECR will implement this emergency project, using its qualified and experienced staff and infrastructure, supported by its dioceses, parishes and church organizations in the project areas. ROC/DECR will be responsible for overall project implementation, management, coordination, monitoring and reporting.

ROC/DECR takes a participatory approach throughout the project cycle. ROC/DECR considers the affected and host communities as partners in the preparation and implementation of the project. Information obtained from them and their suggestions are taken into account in the design of project proposals. ROC will distribute aid items in places of mass temporary accommodation, and affected settlements. Project staff in co-operation with the local authorities will carry out the distributions. Beneficiaries will sign special relief reception forms developed by ROC/DECR. To enhance transparency local civil and church authorities will be invited to observe distributions and verify distribution documentation.

Human resources and administration of funds

ROC/DECR/RRT HQ office in Moscow will coordinate the ROC response. A field office(s) will be opened in Irkutsk region, hosted by local parishes of the Church as an in-kind contribution. Rooms for staff accommodation will be rented. The ROC emergency officer will direct the project. One logistician and one transport and monitoring officer will be hired for the proposed activities. They will oversee the technical aspect of the work. In particular, they will assess the situation, purchase relief items and organize the transport. In addition they will oversee the work of the volunteers, help to compose the relief kits and organize the distribution, coordinating with the local authorities. The ROC accountant will be responsible for finance-related issues, including reports. ROC accounts comply with national laws and regulations. Accountability and transparency will be ensured in all transactions and reporting. Purchases will be made locally depending on availability. The purchases will be made after

a detailed market assessment and collection of information from several potential suppliers. Quantity and quality of products will be controlled by ROC. Contract payments will be made by bank transfer.

Communications

Communities, local authorities, press and public will be informed in advance about the time and place of the distribution. ROC/DECR/RRT will hold meetings with beneficiaries to inform them about the plans and tasks of the project. In addition, special information sheets and ACT logo will be posted at distribution points to keep the public informed about the response and the aims of the distribution and project components. Project staff will provide photographs while ROC/DECR/RRT representatives will be responsible for reports, articles, stories and public relations in addition to their regular duties.

Section 4: Budget Summary

4.1 BUDGET

	Type of	No. of	Unit Cost	RRF	RRF
	Unit	Units	Rub	Budget	Budget
				Rub	USD
DIRECT COSTS					
1 PROGRAM STAFF					
National program staff					
1.1.	Transport monitor - 1 prs.	month	1	60,000	955
1.2.	Logistician - 1 prs.	month	2	80,000	2,547
TOTAL PROGRAM STAFF				220,000	3,502
2 PROGRAM ACTIVITIES					
2.1.	Shelter and settlement / Non-food items			2,664,900	42,415
2.1.1.	Individual unisex bedding kits (bedding, warm blanket)	kit	1,050	2,538	42,415
2.3.	Water, sanitation & hygiene (WASH)			436,000	6,939
2.3.1.	Hygiene individual unisex children kits (big pack of diapers)	pack/kit	250	1,744	6,939
TOTAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES				3,100,900	49,354
3 PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION					
3.3.	Bank fees	lumpsum	1.00	10,000	159
3.4.	Monitoring & evaluation / local travel and accomodation, fuel, meals, etc, interregional travel: air flight Moscow-Irkutsk-Moscow	month	2.00	89,500	2,849
3.5.	Audit	lumpsum	1.00	71,000	1,130
TOTAL PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION				260,000	4,138
4 PROGRAM LOGISTICS					
Transport (of relief materials)					
4.1.	Hire/ Rental of Vehicles (will be provided by ROC`s parishes for free)			0	0
Warehousing					

4.3.	Rental of warehouse / will be provided by ROC`s parishes for free				0	0
TOTAL PROGRAM LOGISTICS					0	0
TOTAL DIRECT COST					3,580,900	56,994
INDIRECT COSTS: PERSONNEL, ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT						
e.g.	<u>Staff salaries</u>					
	Salaries e. g 25 % for Programme Director)	month	2	50,000	100,000	1,592
	Salaries e. g 12.5 % for Finance Director)	month	2	25,000	50,000	796
	Salaries for accountant and other admin or secretarial staff				0	0
	<u>Office Operations</u>					
	Office Utilities stationary, supplies, electricity, maintainance etc	month	2	7,500	15,000	239
	<u>Communications</u>					
	Telephone and fax, mob, internet etc	month	2	11,500	23,000	366
	<u>Other</u>					
	Insurance				0	0
TOTAL INDIRECT COST: PERSONNEL, ADMIN. & SUPPORT					188,000	2,992
TOTAL EXPENDITURE					3,768,900	59,986

ACTION

The ACT Secretariat has approved the use of **US\$ 59,986** from its Rapid Response Fund (GRRF19) and would be grateful to receive contributions to wholly or partially replenish this payment. Should there be an appeal for this emergency, the RRF payment will be considered as an advance.

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