

**ALERT****FLOODS****actalliance****India and Myanmar: Monsoon Floods**

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**SITUATION**

Flooding caused by monsoon rains continued in India and Myanmar that increased the number people leaving their homes and moving to evacuation centers since last month. Five countries in Asia – India, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, Vietnam, and Myanmar – have experienced severe flooding from monsoon rains since July.

**India.** A total of 1.13 million people has been displaced this month because of monsoon floods. Most severe are these four states:

State	Displaced
Odisha	45,000
Maharashtra	400,000
Karnataka	400,000
Kerala	287,585

Last month, the States of Assam and Bihar have been affected as reported in the last Alert. The government has reported around 244 have died because of monsoon rains.

**Myanmar.** UN OCHA has reported a total of 105,000 displaced people since June this year. By 23 July, 40,000 people are staying at the evacuation centers in Kachin, Rakhine, Chin, and Mon states.

**NEEDS**

The floods have put the areas affected in a state of crisis. The flood affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs such as access to food, shelter and water for drinking and sanitation.

The dire situation is further compounded for the flood affected people with vulnerabilities. There is a pressing necessity to provide immediate assistance to minimize loss of life to ensure that the needs of the most vulnerable are covered first. It is also important to build the capacities of the affected people in addressing the risks that they face.

**STAKEHOLDERS**

The emergency response is currently being coordinated by the countries' respective disaster management agencies. To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the national forums have been participating in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders and establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.

**ACT Alliance**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Alliance works in areas affected by the floods, and is assessing the impact of the disaster to better understand the needs and vulnerabilities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT India Forum is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are ready/preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The ACT India forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to ensure that the floods affected persons' basic needs are met
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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.

**Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Director of Operations, Line Hempel ([Line.Hempel@actalliance.org](mailto:Line.Hempel@actalliance.org))**

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