



**PERU**

San Salvador, 9 March 2020

<b>SITUATION</b>											
<p>During the night of Tuesday the 18 February 2020, the province of Quispicanchis, Cusco and Huancané, Puno in Peru, was affected by hailstorm and heavy rains resulting in damage and loss of crops such as potatoes, corn, wheat, quinoa, fava beans, barley, edible plants that are the main sources of food and income. Additionally, houses and animal sheds have been affected in their roofs and walls, putting in danger the life and health of approximately 1,500 peasant families of Sonccamarca and Catamarca in the district of Urcos, and Kcauri, Umuto, Yuraqmayo and Sacsayhuamán in the district of Ccatca, all located in the province of Quispicanchis, Cusco región, as well as the peasant communities of Titihue in the province of Huancané, Puno region, especially the ones with children under five years-old and the elderly . The hailstorm and crops flooding have put the districts in a state of crisis as declared by the local government. The municipality of Ccatca district has already filled a Damage Assessment and Needs Analysis form and is completing the paperwork needed to call the Agricultural Department of the Regional Government of Cusco for the support with foliar fertilizers for the recovery of the crops. This situation is continuing and has caused the collapse of some house walls and animal sheds, calamines of the rooftop are broken allowing the downpour get into the houses and damaging mattresses and house stuff, and causing respiratory diseases in children and elderly people.</p>											
<b>NEEDS</b>											
<p>The floods have put the province 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:</p>											
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	sufficient food										
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe shelter and basic non-food items										
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	livelihood activities										
<p>The dire situation is further compounded for the flood affected people with vulnerabilities, more specifically for the elderly and children under five years old as they are more vulnerable to respiratory diseases. The experience of ACT Alliance in assisting communities to respond to an emergency, to build resilience and to build cooperation is important to restore their livelihoods with a disaster risk reduction approach. The CBPS approach that has been well developed and shared by ACT Alliance is an asset for sustainable development. There is a pressing need to provide immediate assistance to minimize the loss of life and ensure that the most vulnerable population is covered first.</p>											
<b>STAKEHOLDERS</b>											
<p>The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:</p>											
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The emergency response is currently being coordinated by the Municipality of Ccatca. To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT forum will take part in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (Municipality, local churches, health centres and Agriculture office) 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 has been working in rapid assessment in collaboration with relevant stakeholders since February 20th, now helping/planning to help people affected by the floods
<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 Alliance is currently monitoring the situation and is preparing rapid needs assessment to have an in-depth context analysis and better understanding of existing vulnerabilities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Alliance is monitoring the situation and emergency teams are preparing to respond according to the results of a contextual analysis and rapid needs assessment.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In collaboration with relevant stakeholders, the ACT forum has identified a gap in basic relief items and livelihood recovery and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The ACT forum is planning on submitting a funding proposal to provide housing, CBPS, livelihoods recovery and food provision to ensure that the basic needs of the affected population are met with regards to housing, food and livelihoods.

**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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