



Madagascar

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SITUATION		
<p>In the evening of Tuesday 19th January 2021, at 7.30 p.m. local time, the region of SAVA in Madagascar, was affected by an intense tropical storm from the Indian Ocean named ELOISE (source Metrological department Madagascar). Tropical storm Eloise came with winds reaching up to 100 Km/hour, touching the south of district of Antalaha, Region of SAVA. The storm has also brought heavy rains to several districts in the North West coast of Madagascar with a high possibility that flooding will occur(rains of 100mm over 24 hours), damaging homes and destroying agriculture land and possibly landslides. The intense tropical storm is foreseen to pass the Region of Analanjirofo, Sofia, Boeny, Melaky before leaving on the open Mozambique canal.</p>		
NEEDS		
<p>The cyclone has put the region in a state of crisis. The cyclone affected persons find themselves in a desperate situation, with many unmet vital humanitarian needs including unable to access shelter and safe water.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	sufficient food	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe shelter and basic non-food items	
<input type="checkbox"/>	basic health services and facilities	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	safe drinking water, as well as sanitation and hygiene infrastructure	
<input type="checkbox"/>	livelihood activities	
<input type="checkbox"/>	protection services	
<input type="checkbox"/>	adequate nutrition	
<p>The dire situation is further compounded for the cyclone affected people with vulnerabilities. More specifically for people of lower cast as the traditional accommodation are unable to withstand such destruction with storm and rain and households are living with limited food stocks. There is a pressing necessity to provide immediate assistance to minimize loss of life and to ensure that the needs of the most vulnerable are covered first.</p>		
STAKEHOLDERS		
<p>The following national and international entities are present and doing their best to respond to the crisis:</p>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National government	BNGRC National Office for Disaster Management (BNGRC) through the district leader have mobilized their local team in the region.
<input type="checkbox"/>	UN Agencies	IOM, UNICEF and UNFPA are planning to provide emergency kits to affected persons.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	INGOs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ CARE, le PAM and CRS are already present in the area. ✓ MEDAIR is working with the national emergency response team to provide emergency support for households through the distribution of WASH kits and multipurpose cash assistance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Red Cross Red Crescent Movement	Madagascar Red Cross Society volunteers are working together to respond to the emergency.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Military presence	The Madagascar military presence is supporting the emergency team in the affected areas.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	National NGOs	Civil Society Organizations and National governmental Organisations are present, but on a smaller scale.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Civil society groups	Civil Society Organizations are present, their staff are not well trained in emergency response. SAF/FJKM is the strongest civil society organisation and the chair of the National Emergency response Alliance.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Faith based groups	FJKM and FLM (ACT Alliance members), the Catholic Church are the main faith-based groups active in Madagascar with response capacities as financial resources are provided through their respective networks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Host communities	Are supporting the affected with temporary shelter.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Affected communities	There are chances of possible displacement among affected communities.

The emergency response is currently being coordinated by the National Office for Disaster Management (BNGRC). To ensure that the humanitarian response is well coordinated and complementary, the ACT Madagascar forum members will participate in meetings with all relevant sector stakeholders (especially WASH, Nutrition, Shelter, Health, and livelihoods clusters. ACT Madagascar forum members will also be involved in the Madagascar cash working group. Recently ACT Madagascar Forum members established their Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan, which will act as a guide to implementation. The forum will also establish an open line of communication with crisis affected persons and communities to ensure a humanitarian response based on participation and feedback.

ACT Alliance Madagascar

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Alliance has been working in Madagascar since 1974, and is now helping/planning to help people affected by the cyclone
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Alliance works in areas affected by the cyclone, 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 a 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 ready/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 Madagascar forum has identified a gap in access to potable water, provision of shelter, access to food and NFI through cash or commodity distribution and has resolved that if funded, it will have the capacity to properly bridge the identified gap.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The ACT Madagascar forum is planning on submit a funding proposal to enable them to support the affected population with safe water, shelter, and cash/food aid support.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ACT Madagascar forum is ready to respond, by providing basic immediate needs to the affected persons in the coming weeks.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Furthermore, ACT Madagascar forum members will engage in advocacy on the national and international level to ensure that the voices of those affected by the cyclone are amplified.

Any funding indication or pledge should be communicated to the Head of Humanitarian Affairs, Alwynn Javier (alwynn.javier@actalliance.org).

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