

Rapid Response Fund (RRF)

Section 1: Overview of response			
Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)		Response to Volcano eruption in Goma	
Summary	BOAD Ecumenical Office for Development Support (BOAD)	EELCO (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Congo (ELCCo))	
Implementation period	14 June 2021 14 September 2021 3 (months)	14 June 2021 14 September 2021 3 (months)	
Geographical area	Goma and Sake	Nyiragongo and Goma	
Sectors of response	x Shelter / NFIs WASH	/ Protection/ psychosocial Food Security	X Shelter / NFIs X WASH <input type="checkbox"/> Food Security
Targeted beneficiaries (per sector)	- 1000 people for awareness against Covid-19. - 762 beneficiaries, (282) for shelters, Unconditional cash for (480)	4,800 people including: - 600 for Income Generating Activities, - 900 for the NFI, - 2850 awareness against Covid-19, - 450 for psychosocial support.	
Requested budget (USD)	36,238	23,762	
Is there an updated ACT Forum EPRP?		No	
Section 2: Narrative Summary			
Background			
<p>Tens of thousands of people are trying to escape the city of Goma, in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) after authorities issued an evacuation order warning that Mt Nyiragongo volcano could erupt again.</p> <p>In the afternoon of Saturday the 22nd of May 2021, the town of Goma and its surroundings in North Kivu Province, experienced a sudden eruption of Nyiragongo volcano. Mount Nyiragongo is one of the world's more active volcanoes but there were concerns that its activity had not been properly observed by the Goma Volcano Observatory.</p> <p>While 32 persons are feared dead, at least 400,000 people are currently internally displaced in DRC while 7,000 persons have fled to Rwanda as refugees. Access to basic health and education services in Goma is disrupted due to destroyed roads, electricity, and water supply networks. There is a likelihood of an outbreak of water-borne disease, many are still injured/ suffering burns, while others are suffering from psychosocial stress. Supply problems and the associated price increases have had far-reaching repercussions, as Goma is one of the major supply hubs for localities in the area.</p> <p>Ten days after the eruption of the Nyiragongo volcano, the tremors, although less spaced than before, are still felt in Goma (North Kivu). In its daily report of Monday, May 31, the provincial crisis unit calls on the local population to be more careful. Nearly 400,000 displaced people have been registered following the Nyiragongo volcanic eruption on May 22 (OCHA). Many children have been separated from their parents, others are placed in transit centers and foster families, following the chaos created by the volcanic eruption and earthquakes in Goma. UNICEF and its partners are working to ensure the protection of these children and specially to spare them from the risk of cholera in the city and in Sake, where several families have found refuge. At least two hundred and fifty-two people living with</p>			

disabilities on the move in Sake due to the Nyiragongo volcano eruption are threatening to return to Goma. The alert was issued on Monday May 31 by the Association for the Social Integration of the Physically Handicapped (AISHIP).

In addition, five schools and several health infrastructure were destroyed by the lava. The volcano left a large field filled with lava approximately 1500ha (including 500ha taken from Goma Town). It is reported that at least 5,000 households have lost their homes and property.

Humanitarian Needs

Displaced people are in urgent need of shelter repair and household items like sleeping mats, blankets and kitchen utensils following the volcanic eruption. Assistance activities for displaced populations continue in various displacement locations and Goma.

Capacity

BOAD will play the main role in the implementation of the project. BOAD and EELCO will contribute by giving their respective experience to have implemented, in the past, many projects funded by Act Alliance calls. An added value is that BOAD and EELCO have constituencies spread across the province of North Kivu and have a good knowledge of the terrain and the habits of the population. They have a great capacity to draw on their technical expertise in their humanitarian and development interventions.

Similar emergency response programmes have previously successfully been implemented by DRC Forum members, the most recent one being Kasai Crisis response by BOAD, Christian Aid and ECC. Many of whom are operating in the affected areas and area of displacement. The responses have all been undertaken in partnership with government line ministries including Ministry of Health, Education, Gender and Social Affairs and Rural development, among others.

Proposed response

The project plans to build 47 temporary shelters to 47 affected households of which the following elements will be purchased: 30 sheets, 50 rafters, 2 doors, 2 windows, 6 Kg sheet metal nails, 4 kg 10 nails, 2 padlock doors, 8 shovels, handling, followed by a distribution of 150 mattresses, 150 blankets, hygiene kit, cash support to 80 families and income-generating to 100 persons who have lost their activities. Psychosocial support will also be provided, and protection of vulnerable and affected persons will be supported through information and awareness raising and referral to agencies who are supporting in family tracing. There will also be the distribution of soap and scarfs for the displaced persons.

Does the proposed response honour ACT's commitment to Child Safeguarding? Yes No
Please see the RRF Guidance Note for concrete examples; for additional guidance please refer to <http://actalliance.org/documents/act-alliance-child-safeguarding-guidance-document/>

Problems	About 400,000 people have been evacuated from "Red Zones" in the city of Goma and its surrounding areas, needing of food, household items, shelter, psychosocial support, and protection.
Target beneficiaries	The response targets 55,000 persons of which, 45% will be women.
Main activities	Shelter: Distribution of shelter and Settlement items. Cash: Distribution of multipurpose cash to affected households to cover needs not met during the distribution. Protection: Provision of protection services and psychosocial support through awareness raising and active listening. Unaccompanied children are referred to organizations conducting protection related activities like unicef of local NGOs and save the children.

Specific Outputs	<p>A total of 6,562 people will receive assistance through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3850 people have raised awareness about Covid-19 risk of infection and prevention. • 282 people will receive shelter repair kits, • 480 people will receive multipurpose cash grants • 600 people will receive income generating activities, • 900 peoples will receive household items. <p>450 people will be supported through psychosocial activities.</p>
Overall Outcome(s)	People will be able to cope with the impact of the volcanic eruption

Reporting Schedule

Type of Report	Due date
Situation report	16 July 2021
Final narrative and financial report (60 days after the ending date)	5 November 2021
Audit report (90 days after the ending date)	6 December 2021

Monitoring and evaluation

ACT members adhere to strict monitoring and evaluation methods and are committed to ensuring that all activities are implemented in a timely manner according to the plan of action and that beneficiaries receive assistance. quality in a dignified and respectful manner. ACT members ensure that the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) are strictly followed when implementing this project. Staff involved in the program will be trained on CHS and will be responsible for monitoring activities. Key personnel should also be informed at CHS. Staff hired for the program will be responsible for monitoring activities and reporting.

Section 3: ACT Alliance coordination

Coordination

As part of this response, BOAD has been designated as the Focal Point of the ACT Forum and similarly plays a leading role:

Throughout the process, BOAD will be primarily responsible for coordination, information sharing as well as quality assurance and implementation assistance.

The ACT Forum Coordinator is responsible for consolidating ongoing reports as well as the final financial and narrative report to donors.

In addition, ACT implementing members (BOAD and EELCO) will continue to participate in weekly OCHA coordination meetings and AME - Shelter, WASH and Protection Clusters meetings led by UNICEF and UNHCR respectively, where humanitarian interventions are prioritized, planned, and coordinated.

The implementing member of ACT will cooperate with NGOs active in the field of response to avoid duplication of efforts on the one hand and bring a lot of transparency on the other hand.

Implementation arrangements

The response will be implemented by BOAD in collaboration with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Congo (EELCO). While BOAD will have the role of leader in the implementation, EELCO will contribute to the effort by providing their expertise in terms of human resources and their capacity to mobilize the community through the awareness-raising activities carried out in the field of implantation. A memorandum of understanding will be developed to determine the role of each organization in implementing the response.

BOAD will oversee the AME / Shelter component and unconditional cash; EELCO will take care of the protection component (psychosocial support and IGAs) on behalf of people deeply affected by the effects of the volcanic eruption, hygiene and making non-food items available to beneficiaries.

Human resources and administration of funds

Staff members will be responsible for monitoring the construction of shelters structures, providing psychosocial support, and holding awareness talks.
Regarding the administration of funds, all funds allocated to this project will be transferred directly to BOAD's bank account and will be managed through its manual procedures which are in line with ACT procedures based on transparency and competitive price and quality. All purchases of supplies and services will be made locally.

Communications

BOAD will be responsible for the communication of the project on behalf of BOAD and EELCo. Visibility of ACT Alliance and ACT DRC members will be ensured throughout the project.

Section 4: Budget Summary

ACT RRF BUDGET TEMPLATE								
EXCHANGE RATE: local currency to 1 USD								
Budget rate		1						
Requesting ACT member:		BOAD and EELCO						
RRF Number:		RRF No. 9						
RRF Title:		Emergency Response to effects of Volcanic Eruption in Goma						
Implementing Period:		June-August 2021						
		Type of Unit	No. of Units	Unit Cost USD	RRF USD	RRF USD	EELCO	BOAD
DIRECT COSTS								
1 PROGRAM STAFF								
1.1.	Project Coordinator	month	3	500	1,500	1,500	0	1,500
1.2.	Project manager	month	3	450	1,350	1,350	675	675
1.3.	Finance Manager	month	3	400	1,200	1,200	600	600
1.4.	Cachier	month	3	350	1,050	1,050	525	525
1.5.	Psychosocial officer	month	2	350	700	700	700	0
1.6.	Communities animator	month	6	250	1,500	1,500	1,000	500
1.7.	Logistic	month	4	350	1,400	1,400	700	700
1.8.	Gurdian	month	4	100	400	400	200	200
TOTAL PROGRAM STAFF					9,100	9,100	4,400	4,700
2 PROGRAM ACTIVITIES								
2.1.	Shelter and settlement / Non-food items				32,780	32,780	5,562	27,218
2.1.1.	Mattress	Pcs	150	25	3,750	3,750	2,575	1,175
2.1.2.	blanket	Pcs	150	15	2,250	2,250	1,545	705
2.1.3.	tarpaulins	Pcs	150	14	2,100	2,100	1,442	658
2.1.4.	Shelter	Pcs	47	440	20,680	20,680		20,680
2.1.5.	Unconditional cash	person	80	50	4,000	4,000		4,000
2.3.	Water, sanitation & hygiene (WASH)				2,025	2,025	2,025	
2.3.1.	Muffler (cache - nez)	Pcs	450	1	450	450	450	
2.3.2.	bar of soaps	C/t	25	15	375	375	375	
2.3.3.	Hygienic towels	Boxes	400	3	1,200	1,200	1,200	
2.5.	Protection / Psychosocial support				7,455	7,455	7,455	
2.5.1.	Protection training sessions	Sessions	3	225	675	675	675	
2.5.2.	(Referral of complicated cases to information, awareness-raising and orientation activities	Sessions	4	245	980	980	980	
2.5.3.	Income generating activities (IGA)	Good	100	50	5,000	5,000	5,000	
TOTAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES					42,260	42,260	15,042	27,218
3 PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION								
3.2.	Communication / visibility	Kit	1	2,965	2,965	2,965	1,483	1,483
3.3.	Complaint mechanisms	Lapsun	1	340	340	340	170	170
3.4.	Monitoring & evaluation	mission	12	35	420	420	210	210
TOTAL PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION					3,725	3,725	1,863	1,863
4 PROGRAM LOGISTICS								
Transport (of relief materials)								
4.1.	Hire/ Rental of Vehicles	month	2	1,450	2,900	2,900	1,450	1,450
4.2.	Fuel	Litre	450	1	585	585	293	293
Warehousing								
4.3.	Rental of warehouse	month	1	350	350	350	175	175
TOTAL PROGRAM LOGISTICS					3,835	3,835	1,918	1,918
TOTAL DIRECT COST					58,920	58,920	23,222	35,698
INDIRECT COSTS: PERSONNEL, ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT								
<u>Office Operations</u>								
	Office Utilities	ff	30	15	450	450	225	225
<u>Communications</u>								
	Telephone and fax	month	3	210	630	630	315	315
TOTAL INDIRECT COST: PERSONNEL, ADMIN. & SUPPORT					1,080	1,080	540	540
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE					60,000	60,000	23,762	36,238

ACTION

The ACT Secretariat has approved the use of US\$ 60,000 towards the budget from its Rapid Response Fund 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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