EMERGENCY RESPONSE: COVID-19

ACT Alliance is a network of 135 faith-based actors operating in 120 countries. Our members are already engaging in the COVID-19 response at the local level to meet the specific needs in their context.

Faith-based actors are uniquely positioned to channel medical messages in the local language, fight superstitious beliefs around the epidemic, identify and support quarantined families and implement safe protocols around religious gatherings and burials. All these elements are essential to the behavioural changes needed to curb the epidemic.

ACT Alliance brings a variety of lenses to its COVID-19 response:



GENDER EQUALITY AND JUSTICE

COVID-19 will significantly impact women and girls, men and boys worldwide. This is especially true in contexts where gender inequalities are already a problem. Our humanitarian operations will be informed by a gender analysis and a gender sensitive programming will be mainstreamed throughout the response. Inclusion of women and girls will be ensured and special attention will be given to preventing Gender-based Violence (GBV).

MIGRATION AND DISPLACEMENT

People on the move, including refugees and migrants, especially those without status, are facing an increased risk of exposure and infection during the COVID-19 crisis. ACT is working to ensure all persons, especially those on the move, have access to accurate information, hygiene and health services, food and livelihoods, and psychosocial support.



Total Duration: 12 Months

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- Faith-based and locally-led
- Uniquely placed to engage with communities

"We are not just working with communities, we are the communities"