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| **Alert note** |
| *Please write country crisis and date of submission here (for example, Afghanistan Conflict, 31 December 2021)* |

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| The **alert note** is intended to alert all ACT Alliance members to an emerging emergency situation. It provides basic information to inform decision making within the Alliance regarding possible response options and it also forms the ‘immediate assessment’ of the situation and needs in the affected areas. An alert note should be completed **as soon as it becomes obvious there is a humanitarian emergency**.  The information in the alert note should be kept **short and concise**. Where you do not have information to address a question identified below simply state that the information is not currently available. You will not be expected to have all the information detailed below in the early stages of an emergency.  The alert note should be completed by the forum and sent to the Regional Humanitarian Programme Officer for review and circulation, with a copy to the Regional Representative. |

**Completed by:**

**Date completed:**

**Forum:**

**Type of emergency:**

**Date of emergency (if rapid onset):**

*Note: Please write your inputs below each section heading. Text in red guides you on the information required under each heading.*

*Note to HPOs: Please delete all text written in red when you edit this document.*

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| 1. **The nature of the emergency** *(including type of emergency, causes of the emergency, key dates)* |
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| 1. **The impact and scale of the emergency** *(please include your source of information)*    1. *Based on your organisation’s initial assessment, would this be a small, medium, or large-scale emergency?*    2. *geographical areas and characteristics*    3. *numbers and characteristics of people affected (disaggregated by gender, age, ethnicity etc where possible)*    4. *how the people have been affected (destruction, displacement, effects on homes, livelihood etc – quantitative data if possible)*    5. *short- and long-term consequences for the people (including livelihoods, protection etc)* |
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| 1. **Local and national capacity**    1. *How are people coping?*    2. *What local structures/resources are available to deal with the disaster?*    3. *What is the plan and work of local and central government (including existence of contingency plans)? Does the country have a national emergency response plan and is this being implemented?*    4. *What is the plan and work of national and international organisations, including the UN?*    5. *Has the UN cluster system including working groups being activated?* |
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| 1. **Key needs and gaps**    1. *What are the major gaps that are foreseen geographically and in sectors based on Sphere standards in addressing the needs of the affected population? Please refer to UN OCHA or government assessment if this is available.*    2. *What are the existing gaps in information and when might these be addressed?* |
| Please type your response here |
| Please indicate whether you are considering:   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | Indicate your intention with an **X** below | | Rapid Response Fund *(intended for small and medium scale emergencies)* |  | | Appeal *(intended for large scale emergencies)* |  |   If you indicate an intention to launch an appeal, the secretariat will activate an Emergency Steering Committee meeting within two working days on receipt of this alert. |
| Capacity details of forum members with the intention to respond are given below. *Please refer to your EPRP and Contingency Plan.*   |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | ACT Member | Geographical focus | Sectors of expertise | Support required | Estimated Budget range | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  | |
| 1. **Potential responses** *(please refer to your EPRP)*    1. *Which forum members operate in the affected areas? Identify their previous experience of emergency response, any specialisations/skills e.g., cash, livelihoods, shelter, health, and if inclined to respond.*    2. *What are your initial plans and options to respond? Which forum members, geographical areas, types of activities, approximate size of budget etc.*    3. *What support would forum members need to respond in this way?* |
| Please type your response here |