**ACT Alliance Humanitarian Response Decision Matrix**

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| **Response Indicator** | **Description** | **Decision Threshold** | **Determination** |
| **Nature of Emergency**  (Type of emergency, date, location, complexity) |  | **Aligned with type of humanitarian crisis that the ACT Alliance typically responds to?** | Y/N |
| **Scale of Emergency**  (number of people, homes, etc. affected) |  | **Significant Impact?** Request for international assistance? | Y/N |
| **Scale Level?** Is the emergency large scale (localised or nationwide) or mega scale (national or regional)? | Large Scale / Mega Scale / N |
| **Significant Impact?** More than a million affected? | Y/N |
| **Urgency**  (number of people displaced; crude mortality rates; critical protection risks) |  | **Significant Urgency?** High risk for affected populations if a response is not launched? | Y/N |
| **Needs**  (greatest needs as identified by the affected community, UN agencies, etc) |  | **Aligned with type of needs ACT Alliance typically addresses?** | Y/N |
| **Capacity**  (low levels of local or international response capacities, ACT Alliance Member(s) capacity and desire to respond) |  | **ACT Alliance Members have capacity to respond?** Local and international responders need additional support? | Y/N |
| **Donor Interest** |  | ACT Alliance has existing relationship with donors present in country(ies) affected? | Y/N |
| ACT Alliance has made contact with potential donors in the region? | Y/N |
| Has a donor approached ACT Alliance with interested in providing support? | Y/N |
| **Donor Funding** |  | Significant donor funds (greater than $5 million) committed to the emergency and to areas in which ACT Alliance operates? | Y/N |
| At this point in time, ACT Alliance believes it would be well positioned to receive donor funds? | Y/N |
| **ACT Alliance Funds Available & Cost of Initial Assessment/ Response** | **Available Funds:**  **Cost of Assessment:**  **Accommodations:**  **Ground Transport:**  **ACT Alliance** **Team Member Payment:** | ACT Alliance available funds can cover the costs associated with a one-week assessment? | Y/N |
| **Other Actors Involved** |  | Other actors known to be involved will support not hinder ACT Alliance’s potential operations? | Y/N |
| **ACT Alliance Team Requirements & Availability** | **Team Required for Initial Engagement:**  **ACT Alliance** **Surge Availability:**  **ACT Alliance** **Organizational Capacity to Support:** | Members of ACT Alliance surge meet requirements and are available for initial engagement? | Y/N |
| Local individuals are interested, meet requirements to support ACT Alliance and are available for initial engagement? | Y/N |
| ACT Alliance has the ability to support a new operation without sacrificing quality of existing operations? | Y/N |
| **Risk Factors** |  | Risk factors are not high enough in likelihood and severity to prohibit a ACT Alliance response? | Y/N |
| **Other Considerations** |  |  |  |

**Next Steps:**

* Based on above, the ESC team will confirm the go/no go decision for response.
* **Decision options:**
  + - No response at all.
    - Delay the decision to respond.
    - Activate an ACT Appeal response or alternatively recommend the use of an RRF response.
* Subsequent Actions Required: