



Rapid Response Fund

Approval

Project Code **RRF 18/2026**

Project Name Emergency Support for Flood-Affected Communities in Nuristan, Afghanistan

The ACT Secretariat has approved the use of **USD 50,000** from its Global Rapid Response Fund (GRRF26).

Reporting Deadlines	
SitRep (<i>one month after approval</i>)	31 Aug 2026
Final Reports (narrative and financial)	27 Nov 2026
Audit Report (<i>for projects >USD50,000</i>)	N/A

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Approved By the RRF review Panel
on **27 July 2026**

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Project Proposal

Do you have an EPRP	Yes
When was the last update?	25 Mar 2026
Assessment for this response?	Yes

Please submit this form to the Humanitarian Coordinators in your region

Date submitted to ACT Secretariat
27 Jul 2026

Section 1 Project Data

Project Information	
Project Name	Emergency Support for Flood-Affected Communities in Nuristan, Afghanistan
Project Code	RRF 18/2026
Country Forum	Afghanistan
ACT Requesting Member (if there are more than one member, please use ALT+<Enter> to add another member)	Community World Service Asia (CWSA)
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Location(s) of project (city / province)	Parun, Nuristan, Afghanistan
Project start date (dd/mm/yyyy)	29 Jul 2026
Project end date (dd/mm/yyyy)	28 Sept 2026

Which sectors your response activities most relate to (please indicate number of planned project participants per organisation in each sector where you plan to give assistance)

Sectors	Member 1 (CWSA)		Member 2 (please write the name of your organisation)		Member 3 (please write the name of your organisation)	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Cash/ Vouchers	388	452				
Food						
Health						
Household items						
Livelihood						
Psychosocial						
Shelter						
WASH						

Section 2 Project Description

2.1 Context

1. CHS Commitment 1. Summarize the crisis event and how it is likely to develop over the duration of the project (extend rows 43, 44 and 45 if more space is needed)

Heavy rainfall and flash floods affected parts of eastern Afghanistan on 20 July, with the most severe impacts reported in Parun the capital of the Nuristan Province, alongside flooding in Torkham, Nangarhar Province, and Alingar District, Laghman Province.

Parun City, Nuristan Province, was severely affected by a sudden flash flood at approximately 15:00 hrs on 20 July 2026. So far 23 people have been confirmed dead, 15 have been injured with others reported missing. Search and rescue operations are ongoing.

The flood further damaged approximately 280 orchard trees and resulted in the loss of 30 livestock, affecting the livelihoods of many households. In addition, 30 vehicles were damaged, 4 bridges were destroyed or heavily damaged, and several livelihood assets, including carpentry workshops and 2 saw machines, were affected. Public facilities also sustained significant damage, including 1 mosque, 1 private clinic, approximately 6 kilometers of road infrastructure, and 1 micro hydropower plant, limiting access to essential services, transportation, and electricity.

Damage to a water-supply network has disrupted access to safe drinking water for approximately 1,000 families. Thirty vehicles, two carpentry workshops and saw machines, one mosque and one private clinic were also damaged or destroyed.

CWSA proposes emergency multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) to provide timely support to vulnerable flood-affected households, helping them address their immediate needs with dignity while contributing to their early recovery.

2. CHS Commitment 1,2,3,4. Explain the impact of the crisis specific to the people you want to help. Why did you choose to give aid to them and what makes them vulnerable?

The flash floods on 21 July 2026 severely affected communities in Parun, the capital of Nuristan Province, causing loss of lives, damage to homes, markets, public infrastructure, and household assets. Many affected families lost their sources of income and productive assets, leaving them struggling to meet their immediate basic needs, including food, essential household items, healthcare, and other urgent expenses.

CWSA was part of the inter-agency assessment team led by IOM and ANDMA. Through joint door-to-door assessments, the teams identified and prioritized vulnerable flood-affected households who were directly impacted by the disaster, particularly those who experienced significant losses and have limited capacity to cope with the shock. These include families who lost loved ones, homes, or essential assets; female-headed households; households with older persons; persons with disabilities (PWDs); and other vulnerable groups identified through the inter-agency assessment and community-based targeting process.

As of 23 July, the inter-agency assessment team had identified 92 households as eligible for assistance. Following the completion of the assessment on 25 July, an additional 28 households were identified, bringing the total number of eligible households to 120.

These households remain highly vulnerable due to the sudden loss of assets and livelihoods, damaged infrastructure, and the remote, hard-to-reach location of the affected communities. Providing emergency multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) will enable affected families to meet their most urgent needs based on their own priorities, while promoting dignity, choice, and early recovery.

3. CHS Commitment 9. Explain the availability of funding each of your organisation can access for this crisis.

CWSA has limited internal resources available to respond to the Nuristan flood emergency. However, CWSA has mobilized its existing capacities, including staff presence on the ground, participation in the inter-agency rapid needs assessment led by IOM and ANDMA, and coordination with UN-OCHA as the lead agency for humanitarian coordination. CWSA has also actively participated in coordination meetings organized by DFA in both Kunar and Nuristan to support response planning and coordination with humanitarian partners. While these efforts have enabled CWSA to contribute to the initial response, additional funding is required to provide timely assistance to the most vulnerable flood-affected households.

CWSA is seeking external humanitarian funding support through the ACT Alliance Rapid Response Fund (RRF) to provide emergency multi-purpose cash assistance (MPCA) to 120 affected households in Parun, Nuristan Province. The requested funding will enable CWSA to deliver timely, flexible, and accountable assistance to households identified through the inter-agency assessment process, allowing affected families to address their most urgent needs with dignity.

2.2 Activity Summary

1. CHS Commitment 1, 2, 4. Explain your proposed project and why you have selected this particular response to the crisis and the length of time needed to respond. If multiple members are responding, please explain the role of each member in the coordinated response as indicated in your EPRP Contingency Plan.

As part of the inter-agency assessment team and through ongoing coordination with humanitarian stakeholders on the ground, CWSA has identified key response gaps and complementarity with other actors. IOM has been identified to address the NFI gap, while UNICEF will support WASH needs through the provision of hygiene kits and hygiene promotion sessions for affected households. As the lead agency for the assessment, IOM requested CWSA to address the remaining gap through emergency MPCA.

CWSA selected MPCA as the most appropriate response modality because it provides affected households with flexibility, dignity, and choice to address their immediate needs according to their own priorities. Each targeted household will receive a one-time cash transfer of \$ 340, for two months of \$ 170 each, provided in a single disbursement. The transfer value is based on the Afghanistan Cash Working Group (CWG) Minimum Expenditure Basket (MEB) and agreed cluster guidance for emergency MPCA responses.

The affected communities have experienced significant losses, including damage to homes, household assets, and livelihoods, leaving many families with limited capacity to cope with the shock. Timely cash assistance will enable households to meet their immediate needs while supporting their early recovery.

2. CHS Commitment 2. Explain how you will start your activities promptly. *Project implementation should start within two weeks. The project should be a maximum of 6 months.*

CWSA is ready to initiate the response immediately following approval and receipt of funding. CWSA has already established its presence and operational capacity in the affected area through participation in the inter-agency rapid needs assessment led by IOM and ANDMA, coordination with UN-OCHA, DFA, CWG and other humanitarian partners, and engagement with local stakeholders.

Within the first two weeks of project start, CWSA will finalize necessary arrangements, including project participants verification, coordination with relevant authorities and partners, preparation of cash delivery mechanisms, community communication, and safeguarding/accountability measures. MPCA will be provided to the selected 120 vulnerable flood-affected households as soon as funds are received and required arrangements are completed.

The MPCA distribution will be conducted through a Financial Service Provider (FSP). CWSA has an existing MoU and agreement with HesabPay, a registered financial service provider in Afghanistan. Based on this agreement, HesabPay will deploy its team to an agreed location in the affected area and provide MPCA directly to the selected households.

Community elders and CDC members will be engaged to support community communication and monitor the distribution process. The CWSA project team will verify the selected households, check required documentation, and ensure eligibility before HesabPay proceeds with the cash transfer. This process will help ensure transparent, accountable, and safe delivery of assistance to affected households.

The proposed two-month implementation period (29 July–28 September 2026) is appropriate for this emergency response as it allows CWSA to rapidly mobilize, deliver timely cash assistance, monitor the use and effectiveness of assistance, collect feedback from affected households, and ensure accountability to the affected population. CWSA will continue coordination with humanitarian partners throughout implementation to avoid duplication and ensure a timely and effective response.

3. CHS Commitment 6. How are you co-ordinating and with whom? *Coordination ensures complementarity of interventions within forum members and other humanitarian actors to maximise the use of our resources and will address all unmet needs*

CWSA is coordinating with IOM, OCHA, ANDMA, Directorate of Economy (DoEC) at provincial level and CWG, local partners, and other partners active in the region particularly in Nuristan province to ensure complementarity of interventions. Coordination includes regular information sharing, joint planning, and alignment of project participants selection to avoid duplication and maximize the use of available resources.

CWSA was part of the inter-agency rapid needs assessment led by IOM and ANDMA, which helped identify priority needs, gaps, and the most vulnerable households requiring assistance. Based on coordination with other actors, IOM is addressing NFI needs, UNICEF is supporting WASH interventions including hygiene kits and hygiene promotion sessions, while WFP will provide high energy biscuit other partners are addressing additional sectoral needs such as mobile clinics, and other essential services.

CWSA also has a data-sharing protocol with IOM, which enables the secure sharing and verification of project participants data, supporting effective targeting, avoidance of duplication, and efficient resource management.

4. CHS Commitment 3, 9. Where are you planning to procure your goods or services? Please tick boxes that apply. *Goods and services procured locally supports and revitalises economic activity either as livelihood for people or income for small businesses.*

Locally or within the affected areas	x	Nationally	x	Regionally or neighbouring countries		Internationally	
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Do you have a procurement policy? What factors did you consider when you made this decision?

The preferred method of cash disbursement is through FSP (HesabPay) with whom CWSA already has an MoU. Cash transfers will be conducted through list-based cash

2.3 Description of Target Population

1. CHS Commitment 1, 9. How do you calculate the participants of this project? For example, food and hygiene kits given to 2500 families, and 1 family = x project participants.

The project will provide emergency Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA) to 120 flood-affected households identified through the inter-agency rapid needs assessment conducted by IOM, ANDMA, and humanitarian partners. Household eligibility was determined using agreed vulnerability criteria, including the extent of flood-related losses, displacement, damaged or destroyed homes, loss of livelihoods or productive assets, women-headed households, households with persons with disabilities, older persons without support, and other highly vulnerable groups.

Based on the Afghanistan average household size of 7 persons, the intervention is expected to directly benefit approximately 840 individuals (120 households x 7 members per household). project participants verification will be completed prior to distribution to ensure assistance reaches the intended households.

3. CHS Commitment 4. Explain how the target population is involved in the planning of your proposed intervention? How will they be involved in the implementation and the rest of the project cycle?

The proposed intervention is designed based on the recommendations from CWSA's field team and findings from the inter-agency rapid needs assessment led by IOM and ANDMA, in which CWSA actively participated to understand the impact of the floods, identify priority needs, and assess the vulnerability of affected households. This ensured that the proposed MPCA response is based on the actual needs and priorities expressed by affected communities.

The proposed intervention is aligned with the humanitarian response priorities identified through inter-agency coordination and aims to address the immediate needs of vulnerable flood-affected households in Parun, Nuristan Province.

Community Development Council (CDC) members, community elders, and local representatives will be engaged throughout project implementation, including community communication, support during project participant verification, and monitoring of the cash assistance process, ensuring community perspectives are considered and the response remains transparent and accountable.

CWSA's Complaints and Feedback Mechanism (CFM) will remain available throughout the project cycle, allowing affected households to share feedback, raise concerns, and provide suggestions. The feedback received will be reviewed and used to improve the relevance, accountability, and quality of the intervention.

2.4 Expected Results

1. What will this project's success look like based on your time frame? *Please write your activities milestones including dates.*

The project will be implemented over approximately two months, with implementation commencing within two weeks of funding approval.

Key milestones include:

Week 1: Project registration with the Ministry of Economy, staff orientation, coordination with DoEc, ANDMA, IOM, OCHA, and local authorities.

Week 2: PPs verification of project participants lists; community sensitization, dissemination of project participants' information, activation of the Complaint and Feedback Mechanism (CFM).

Weeks 5–8: Post-distribution monitoring (PDM), PPs satisfaction survey, complaint resolution, and market monitoring.

Week 3: Distribution of Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance to 120 eligible identified affected households.

Weeks 9–12: Data analysis, final reporting, and project close-out.

Project success will be demonstrated by:

- 120 vulnerable households receiving timely MPCA.
- The majority of recipients reporting that assistance enabled them to meet their priority needs.
- High levels of project participant satisfaction with the assistance process.
- Complaints and feedback managed through an accessible and responsive CFM.
- Monitoring findings and lessons learned informing future emergency responses.

2. What are the factors that may stop you from achieving the targets of this project? How will you manage them?

1. Physical access constraints due to terrain and weather

Risk: Flood-damaged roads, landslides, debris, and difficult mountainous terrain may restrict access to target communities and delay project implementation.

Mitigation: The project will prioritize Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA), reducing the logistical challenges associated with transporting in-kind relief items. Cash distribution sites will be established at centrally located, safe, and accessible locations in coordination with community representatives, local authorities, and HesabPay, the financial service provider. Implementation schedules will remain flexible to accommodate changing access conditions.

2. Weak internet and mobile network connectivity

Risk: Limited internet and mobile network coverage in remote areas may delay communication, reporting, and the transmission of monitoring data. Community mobilizers may not be able to upload project participant registration and monitoring data to KoboToolbox while working in the field.

Mitigation: Community mobilizers will collect data offline using KoboToolbox and synchronize completed forms once they return to locations with reliable internet connectivity. Mobile phone communication will be used where network coverage is available. Trained CWSA community mobilizers will also provide continuous support to project participants throughout the registration, verification, and cash transfer process, with female mobilizers supporting women participants whenever feasible.

2.5 Monitoring, Accountability & Learning

1. CHS Commitment 7. Describe how you will monitor the project. What monitoring tools and process will you use? How will you gather lessons from the project?

CWSA will implement a comprehensive Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL) system throughout the project to ensure that assistance is delivered effectively, transparently, and in line with the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) commitments.

Monitoring activities will include project participants registration and verification, distribution monitoring, routine field supervision, and Post-Distribution Monitoring (PDM). Digital data collection tools (KoboToolbox) will be used to enhance data quality, improve data accuracy, and enable timely analysis. Given the relatively small target population of 120 households, CWSA will conduct PDM with all targeted households (100% coverage). This will assess whether assistance reached the intended recipients, the timeliness of distributions, the utilization of cash assistance, satisfaction, protection concerns, and any unintended effects of the intervention.

Market monitoring will be conducted before and after cash distributions to assess market functionality and identify any significant price fluctuations that could affect the purchasing power of project participants or the adequacy of the cash transfer value.

To ensure high-quality data, CWSA will apply data quality assurance measures throughout implementation, including spot checks, field supervision, daily data reviews, and verification calls where required.

At the conclusion of the project, CWSA will facilitate a lessons learned review involving project staff and relevant stakeholders to identify good practices, implementation challenges, and recommendations for improving future emergency responses. Key findings and lessons learned will be documented and integrated into the organization's emergency response planning and continuous learning processes.

2. CHS Commitment 8. Does your organisation have a Code of Conduct? Have all staff and volunteers signed the Code of Conduct? *We may ask you to submit copies of the signed Code of Conduct. You can use ACT Alliance's Code of Conduct if your organisation does not have one.*

CWSA has an organizational Code of Conduct that reflects humanitarian principles, ethical behavior, and protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA). All staff and volunteers involved in the project are required to sign and adhere to the Code of Conduct prior to deployment. Refresher briefings will be provided to ensure continued compliance. Copies of signed Codes of Conduct can be provided upon request.

Where required, CWSA will align with the ACT Alliance Code of Conduct.

3. How will you ensure you and all stakeholders will be accountable to the affected population? How will you share information? How will you collect and use feedback and complaints? CHS 4 and 5 □

CWSA is committed to ensuring accountability to affected populations in line with the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS). Prior to implementation, communities will receive clear information about the project objectives, project participant selection criteria, cash entitlement, distribution schedule, complaint mechanisms, and expected staff behaviour through community meetings, local leaders, and information boards at distribution sites.

An accessible and confidential Complaint and Feedback Mechanism (CFM) will be available throughout the project. Community members will be able to submit feedback, complaints, or safeguarding concerns through dedicated phone numbers, help desks at distribution sites, project staff, and community focal persons. Information on how to access the CFM will be shared with all participants before distributions.

All feedback and complaints will be recorded, categorized, and addressed according to CWSA's standard operating procedures, with appropriate referral pathways for sensitive safeguarding issues. Regular analysis of feedback will be used to improve project implementation, strengthen accountability, and ensure that community perspectives inform project decision-making.

Participation of women, older persons, persons with disabilities, and other vulnerable groups will be promoted throughout implementation to ensure that assistance remains inclusive, safe, and responsive to community needs.



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Consolidated Budget and Financial Report

Project Code RRF 18/2026

Project Name Emergency Support for Flood-Affected Communities in Nuristan, Afghanistan

Budget Exchange rate (local currency to 1 USD) 1.000000000

Exchange rate for revised budget (local currency to 1 USD)

Please use exchange rate from this site: <http://www.floatrates.com/historical-exchange->

		Approved Budget				Reported Expenses				Unspent Amount	Burn Rate
		CWSA	Member 2	Member 3	Total Budget	CWSA	Member 2	Member 3	Total Expenditure		
1	Total Project Staff Costs	1'900	-	-	1'900	-	-	-	-	1'900	0%
2	Project Activities	42'024	-	-	42'024	-	-	-	-	42'024	0%
2.1	Cash/Vouchers	42'024	-	-	42'024	-	-	-	-	42'024	0%
2.2	Food/Nutrition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.3	Household items	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.4	Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.5	Shelter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.6	Disaster Risk Reduction (Max 10% of the budget)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.7	Mental Health and Psychosocial Support	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.8		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.9		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
2.10		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
3	Project Implementation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
4	Quality and Accountability	105	-	-	105	-	-	-	-	105	0%
5	Logistics	1'425	-	-	1'425	-	-	-	-	1'425	0%
6	Assets and Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Direct Costs		45'454	-	-	45'454	-	-	-	-	45'454	0%
Overhead Costs		4'545	-	-	4'545	-	-	-	-	4'545	0%
Total Budget		50'000	-	-	50'000	-	-	-	-	50'000	0%



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Requesting Member Bank Details

ACT member organisation	Community World Service Asia		
Office Address	93/104 DS Tower 2, Sukhumvit Soi 39 Klongton, Wattana Bangkok 10110 Thailand		
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Bank details	
Registered name of the organisation	Community World Service Asia
Office Address (as registered in the bank account)	93/104 DS Tower 2, Sukhumvit Soi 39 Klongton, Wattana Bangkok 10110 Thailand
Bank Name	Bank of Ayudhya Public Company Limited
Bank address	1222 Rama III Road, Bang Phongphang, Yan Nawa, Bangkok 10120 Thailand
Account number or IBAN	594-5-01862-0
Bank BIC/Swift Code	AYUDTHBK

Please explain if the name registered in the bank is not the same as the name of your organisation

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