

Report: Emergency Disaster Response

Bara/Parsa Tornado Response Province #2, Nepal April, 2019

DEAR READERS,

It is a pleasure to provide a report to say thank you to our donors, teams, supporters and volunteers how their contributions helped to support in saving lives through Emergency Disaster Services.

Volunteer Corps Nepal (VCN) thank you all for your generosity support and to show you what you have helped us accomplished. On month of April, your support have placed us in the headlines and at the forefront of the mind of Nepalese and international networks as we work together to respond large number of people through Emergency Disaster Services (Rescue, Relief & Response).

Tornado on 31st March, 7:15pm to 7:45 pm with the speed of 90 km/hour, killed over 30 people, starting from Jagannath Village of Parsa district to Bhagewa village of Bara district of Nepal. Covering 25 km distance and displacing over 500 households in Bara and Parsa districts, province 2 of Nepal. Nepal has never experienced windstorm of such a scale in last 50 years.

The destructions resulted from the storm have been severe; especially houses and infrastructure of essential services such as electricity and water supply systems.

Tornado Emergency Response

200 People Rescued

73 people received first aid treatment

5 HHs Benefited Temporary Shelter

50 HHs Received Mosquito Net

10 HHs Received Tarpaulins

10 HHs Received Tarpaulins, Hygiene Kits & Kitchen Utensil

64 HHs Received Cloths

TOTAL BENEFICIARIES

Households Benefitted = 139

Total Individual Benefitted = 768

VCN was the first organization to stand at front liner for response immediately after the disaster through 'District Disaster Response Team (DDRT)'. As VCN's motto, 'respond within 24 hours of disaster, VCN search and rescue team rescued over 200 injured people and took immediately to hospital for treatment. First aid kits were provided to medical team for primary treatment who were injured during the disaster. Mobile health teams were mobilized from the first day of disaster starting from Feta Rural Municipality. Over 73 injured people were treated through medical mobile team.

1. Temporary Shelter

VCN responded for temporary shelter within 17 hours, through Nepal army and District Disaster Response Team. VCN built 5 temporary shelter in Feta Rural Municipality, Puraniya-3, Gachi Tole; most hit area by tornado, where 13 people were killed. Besides construction the shelter, VCN distributed 40 Tarpaulins in Futuwa-4, Parsauni, Bara, Nepal. The village has lost 2 people and every household were completely damaged.

2. Mosquito Net

As temperature was above 35 degree celsius and due to debris and garbage around the area, mosquito's problem was seen during night. Children, women and elderly people were mostly benefitted with the net that were distributed among most affected 50 households in Feta Rural Municipality, Puraniya-3, and Gachitole.

3. Households Items

VCN supported 10 HHs in Futuwa Rural Municipality, Parsauni-4, Bara with hygiene kits and kitchen items. Hygiene kits consists of basic households items including blankets. As items were distributed. Kitchen Items consists of cooking utensils and plates that are sufficient for 5 members in a family.

4. Clothes

As a relief item, VCN selected Subarna Rural Municipality, Hardiya-4, Dalit Basti, where relief was not delivered till 3rd day after disaster. The area is backward and 27 km away from the highway. The request from Chief District Office of Bara suggested to deliver the relief items to this area. Out of 64 households in the village, 384 of total population inhabitants. Among which over 120 populations were children below 12 years and other half were elderly people and 12 were pregnant. Total households was destructed and 1 dead body was found in the area. Due to low income of families, many children doesn't have cloths to put on.

sad story. 'When the windstorm hit our village, I was at home with my two children. Kids were about to sleep and suddenly a loud sound came with wind and roof was taken away. The fallen wood from roof cut my mother's in law head and injured with bleedings. And immediately she was taken to hospital through neighbor. It's been more than a week, she is still in hospital.' She elaborates, 'now I can cook food to my family and feed my two small children'. As, nobody has given her the relief items like cooking pot and hygiene materials.

Security and Coordination:

Due to fragile situation of Tornado, every people and households were on crisis in many ways. Most affected people have lost their life, families and relatives. So, to create peace during distribution, Nepal Army were on ground for support and coordination.

Hygiene Kits Distribution:

VCN distributed Hygiene Kits along with group participation of community members, local representatives and ward leaders with security. Emergency relief materials were transfer from Kathmandu to Bara and stored in policewarehouse. Next day, relief materials were taken to distribution site along with police security. Hygiene Kits were distributed to most affected areas of Bara district in 3 most affected areas where less humanitarian support has been delivered. The most affected name of the list was provided to VCN team from CDO office and local community ward representatives.

At the end of each distribution, Ward representative signed on distribution report which states the item(s) that were distributed, how much were distributed, how many households / Individuals received the items, and the date and location of the distribution.

Case Story:

A 31 years old women, Kemari Shah from Puraniya, Gachitole-3, Bara, Nepal shared her