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# RESULTS REPORT: Humanitarian response to the Pakistan floods

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## PREVIOUS APPEALS THAT CLOSED IN 2023

# PAKISTAN FLOODS 2022:

## OUR RESPONSE IN REVIEW



Starting in mid-June 2022, Pakistan experienced three times the average annual rainfall, resulting in floods throughout much of the country. The floods affected 33 million people, killed more than 1,400 people, displaced 7.9 million people, and damaged or destroyed about two million houses, 13,094 km of roads and 410 bridges. Overall, 6.4 million people were in need of humanitarian assistance.

## OVERVIEW OF OUR RESPONSE

In response to the needs of the communities affected by the flooding, and the desire of Canadians to help, the Humanitarian Coalition launched a national fundraising appeal from September 13 to September 28, 2022. Canadians responded generously, raising more than \$15 million, including a matching grant of \$7.5 million from the Government of Canada.



Using these funds, Humanitarian Coalition members planned and implemented projects to address unmet humanitarian needs in the hardest hit areas of Pakistan. These projects helped save lives, alleviate suffering and maintain dignity among vulnerable communities in flood-affected areas.

In total, Humanitarian Coalition member agencies responded to the humanitarian needs of 323,667 people in Sindh, Punjab, Baluchistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provinces.



## MEMBERS INVOLVED IN PAKISTAN FLOOD RESPONSE

9 out of 12 Humanitarian Coalition members were involved in our humanitarian response in Pakistan:



## RESULTS

A small selection of highlights of member activities include:



### HEALTH

- ▶ 545 children under age five were screened and treated for Severe Acute Malnutrition.
- ▶ 2,065 people received sessions on nutrition and infant feeding practices.
- ▶ Two flooded healthcare facilities supporting more than 60,000 people were repaired.
- ▶ 36 mobile health camps were set up to assist 11,038 people.
- ▶ 4,750 mosquito nets were distributed.
- ▶ 24,968 individuals were provided with protection from water-borne diseases.
- ▶ 22,784 people received medical consultations.



### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

- ▶ 2,000 dignity kits were given to adolescent girls (menstrual pads, bath soap, multiple pairs of underwear, detergent powder, toothpaste, a toothbrush, a comb).
- ▶ 600 households received latrine kits, benefiting 3,885 people.
- ▶ 5,000 households received emergency hygiene kits, benefiting 26,365 people.
- ▶ 4,750 households received improved access to basic hygiene, safe drinking water, and sanitation facilities.
- ▶ 43 latrines were constructed for 5,478 beneficiaries.
- ▶ 24,968 individuals from 4,750 households gained access to safe drinking water.



### PROTECTION

- ▶ 3,335 households with 20,710 individuals received winterization kits to withstand severe winter conditions (blankets, quilts, tarpaulin sheets, floor mats, shawls, socks).
- ▶ 16 child-friendly spaces were created for about 1,760 children.
- ▶ 1,677 children were trained about child protection, health and hygiene, child sexual abuse.
- ▶ Four women-child-friendly spaces were created for 1,053 children and women.
- ▶ 2,100 women and girls were engaged in different events to promote safe spaces.





## LIVELIHOODS

- ▶ 8,485 affected households received multi-purpose cash assistance.
- ▶ 2,201 people received access to basic farming livelihood packages and essential emergency items.
- ▶ 1,780 agriculture and livestock kits were provided to help households rejuvenate agricultural activities post-flood, benefitting 8,398 people.
- ▶ 2,000 households received emergency non-food item kits (water containers, kitchen supplies).
- ▶ 6,025 individuals (1,000 households) benefitted from livestock vaccination support.



## FOOD SECURITY

- ▶ 6,625 households received four rounds of cash transfers; 62% of these households were headed by women.
- ▶ 1,000 nutritional supplements/meal replacements were provided for two months.



## SHELTER AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- ▶ 3,918 shelter and winterization kits reached 21,111 individuals.
- ▶ 57 semi-permanent shelters were built in the targeted villages of Badin to house 349 individuals.

## RESTORED MOBILITY: MUHAMMAD'S STORY

After surviving devastating floods in Pakistan, Muhammad found himself stranded without his wheelchair. With assistance from **Islamic Relief**, he received a new one, restoring his mobility and independence amidst adversity.



Altogether, 5,653 people with disabilities were helped by Islamic Relief. This included providing 200 assistive devices like wheelchairs.

Now, Muhammed can get around again—something he appreciates since, after his other wheelchair was damaged in the flood, he spent all day in bed unable to move. Now he can use his new wheelchair to get around by himself or with assistance from others.



Muhammad with his siblings and cousins

## I WAS WORRIED FOR MY CHILDREN: SHAHEEN BIBI'S TESTIMONY

When catastrophic floods hit the Charsadda district in Pakistan last year, the water severely damaged Shaheen Bibi's home in the village of Kharakai.

Two rooms in the house collapsed. Two other rooms remained standing, but the family of seven—Shaheen and her husband, mother-in-law and four children—were afraid they would collapse, too. Unable to live in their house, they found shelter with another family.

"I was really worried as all four of my children became quite sick and I had no money to buy medicine for them," Shaheen said. "But then I heard that a medical team was near us and providing free check-ups and medicines. I went

there for seeking help for my children. The staff was very kind."

Humanitarian Coalition member **Doctors of the World** provided assistance to people like Shaheen in Charsadda district. Through them, Shaheen was able to visit a doctor and get medicine for her children for free and get a checkup of her own. In addition to the check-up, she was able to get birth control advice and injections for her health and the benefit of the family.



## BETTER DAYS AHEAD: SAIFOORA'S GOAT

"No matter how challenging the circumstances are, you have to fight for your living and I had to do so for my children."

That's what Safoora, 35, said about how she dealt with flooding in Pakistan that damaged her home in Pakistan in 2022.

When the water suddenly began to rise, the mother of four quickly got her family out of the house. With nowhere else to go — the entire village was flooded — they found safety on an elevated pathway. "We had to wade through the water," said Safoora, adding "they were such difficult times. We had nothing to protect ourselves with."

With her home and belongings destroyed by the water, Safoora received a cash grant of PKR 25,000 (about \$120 CAD) from **Oxfam Canada**, with support from the Humanitarian Coalition. "That money was a big support," she said, noting she spent some for medicine and the rest to buy essential items for her children.

She also bought a baby goat as an investment for the future. "My children who had lost everything to floods



play with it all the time," she said. "I plan to sell the goat when it grows older. It will give us more revenue to build on."

Safoora was one of many people in Pakistan who received assistance from Oxfam's partner-led emergency response. In addition to giving people cash, Oxfam provided winter kits, shelters, and dignity and hygiene kits.



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