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AIG Emergency Rapid Response Project Monthly Report – April 2007

### 1. Community and Government Relations:

The ERTs have continued to focus on assessments and trainings through the month of April. Visibility and awareness of government/humanitarian/earthquake-affected communities to team programs and services has been continuously raised through brochures and newspaper advertisements. Team linkages with communities through first responder trainings and information campaigns have increased incoming requests for assessments, training and emergency assistance.



Fig 8.1 ERT Neelum Valley Assessing Areas of origin for repatriation of returning IDPs

From 1 April, the government declared the return of Internally Displaced People (IDPs) from the government assisted IDP camps to areas of origin. ERTs completed the public information campaign for returnees in the camps in Bagh district. Additionally, ERTs are monitoring the movement of the IDPs throughout the affected area: both the routes and the return points.

Further, due to experience gained in last year's returns process, Kashmir ERT Operations Manager is playing an integral advisor role as part of the control room set up by the humanitarian community in the Camp Management Office, providing management input on transport processes, tracking, returns package distribution etc.

Muzaffarabad and Jhelum Valley ERTs assisted in the transportation and fitting of two prefabricated schools provided by DOW Chemicals company to high altitude (above 10,000 ft) communities in Kashmir.

ERTs continue to expand the networks of first responder community level trainings, lead assessment ventures and response to difficult emergency situations in harsh conditions.



Fig 8.2 ERT Muzaffarabad at a beneficiary distribution in IDP camp

## **2. Current Activities:**

### **(i) Emergency Intervention**

Interventions this month included: road traffic accidents, medical treatment, fire and a rescue from a collapsed cable car. Emergency shelter kits (winterized tent, 5 blankets, 2 plastic sheets) were distributed in all cases of fire. In total 12 emergencies were responded to.

Rapid Response Emergency Intervention Report							
Date	RR Team	Dist	UC	Village	Type of Intervention		
Oct to Mar	NWFP and AJK				17 Emergency Medical Treatment	BRIEF INCIDENT REPORT	
					14 Medical Evacuation		
					11 Road Accident		
					10 Fire Rescue		
					8 Landslide/Flood		
					1 Emergency Medical Screening		
					1 Electric Shock		
					1 winter Evacuation		
1	3-Apr	Kaghan Valley(Kewai)	Mansehra	Mahandri	Jared	Road Accident	In an accident in Jared both legs of a six year old girl were crushed under wheel of a truck. ERT responded quickly, after providing first aid she was referred to the hospital.
2	3-Apr	Kaghan Valley(Kewai)	Mansehra	Kaghan	Paghal	Road Accident	ERT received a call about a road accident in Paghal. Team reached at the spot . An 8 year old passenger died. After providing first aid to two serious injures ERT shifted them to Ayub Medical Hospital Abbottabad.
3	6-Apr	Neelum valley (Patika)	Muzaffarabad	Khori	Balsairi	Emergency Medical Treatment	A patient of deep laceration with piece of glass inside the wound came to the ERT .Wound explored and foreign body removed, stitching with silk 2.0, dressing with pyodine soaked gauze and crepe bandage, injection Dicloran, Syrup Velosef and Syrup Brufen given by the medic

4	10-Apr	Battal	Mansehra	Battal	Baila	Road Accident	Two people got injured in a road accident .First aid provided by ERT medic.
5	14-Apr	Kohistan	Kohistan	Sazeen	Chor Mor	Road Accident	"Karakaram Coach" fell off the road down in the valley due to unknown reasons.16 passengers died and 12 were seriously injured. ERT reached at the site and with the help of the community dead bodies were recovered and injured transported to the hospital after providing first aid.
6	15-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Bhont Kana	Bhont	Fire	ERT have been informed by a community source about the fire in tents in Bhont village. ERT with help of MWF volunteers was able to control the fire very quickly. Cattle were badly injured .ERT arranged new tents for the victims and medications for the cattle.
7	17-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Dharay	Mang Salia	Emergency Medical Treatment	A young mother got seriously sick after delivering the child .ERT medic provided first aid and shifted her to the DHQ hospital in Bagh.
8	19-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Bhont Kana	Bagh	Road Accident	NCHD Bagh team had an accident when they were coming back to Bagh from Thub. ERT rushed at the site after providing first aid the ones with serious injuries were shifted to Complex hospital Islamabad.

9	20-Apr	Battagram	Battagram	Thakot	Gunjbori	Road Accident	ERT was informed by a community source that a truck rolled down from the road at Gunjbori after hitting electric pole .Two passengers died at the spot .Dead bodies recovered by ERT.
10	20-Apr	Neelum valley (Patika)	Neelum	Blagran	Qaziabad	Road Accident	ERT Neelum responded to a call from 15 Muzaffarabad and informed Muzaffarabad ERT teams, First Aid to Patients with forearm fracture, head injury, chest trauma, lacerated wounds and foreign body (cement) in eye; in collaboration with Merlin Panjgran, then transported to AIMS Hospital Muzaffarabad in ERTs and Merlin's Vehicles.19 injured, 7 severe cases, 4 died at the spot, 1 in Pangran BHU and 1 in AIMS Muzaffarabad.
11	23-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Dharay	Chatter 2	Fire	In Chattar market there was a big fire out break. ERT coordinated with Assistant Commissioner and civil defense department. With their joint effort fire was controlled in some time.
12	27-Apr	Muzaffarabad	Muzaffarabad	Karoli	Karoli	Rescue from Cable Car	3 people got stuck in the middle of river due to rope breakage .Two of them were unconscious due to sitting in sun for many hours in this condition. ERT rescued them within an hour after receiving the call. Both unconscious were shifted to AIMS hospital Muzaffarabad.



Fig 8.3 Dr. Waheed Providing First Aid to the patient in Balgran



Fig 8.4 ERT going to help men stuck in cable car

**(ii) Training**

On the basis of assessment and call-in requests, ERTs in Kashmir and NWFP have trained 19204 first responders. Modules include: disaster management, first aid, BLS, mountaineering, survival and fire safety. A total of 32 trainings were held in April.

Rapid Response Emergency Training Report										
Dates	Rapid Response Team	Dist	UC	Village	Altitude (feet)	Type of Participants	Type of Training	Male Participants	Female Participants	Age Interval
Oct to Mar	NWFP and AJK				3000 to 7000	Community + Students + Teachers + NGO and Government Workers	BLS + Disaster Management + First Aid + Fire Fighting + Mountaineering	14373	3013	14-70
4-Apr	Battagram valley	Battagram	Piamal Sharif	Main Piamal	4312	Students + Teachers	First Aid + Fire Fighting	147	Nil	15-52
5-Apr	Battal valley (Battal)	Mansehra	Ichrian	Lami	4761	Community	First Aid	20	Nil	18-60
5-Apr	Kaghan Valley( Kewai)	Mansehra	Mahandri	Jared	5400	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	51	Nil	15-48
6-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Pathra	5685	Community	First Aid	27	Nil	20-60
6-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Rawli	Nadiola	4499	Community	First Aid	60	Nil	20-40
7-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Nakar	5096	Students + Teachers	First Aid	70	Nil	16-50
10-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Sheban	5184	Students + Teachers	First Aid	87	Nil	16-60
10-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Topi	Karli Topi	4868	Community	First Aid	60	Nil	20-40
12-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Nakarkot	4371	Community	First Aid	40	Nil	20-80

12-Apr	Jhelum valley (Hattian)	Muzaffarabad	Hattian Bala	Hattian Bala	2913	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	28	5	15-40
14-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Bandi	4098	Community	First Aid	34	Nil	20-60
14-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Islam Nagir	Qadir Abad	4022	Community	First Aid	95	Nil	20-40
16-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Topi	Chetra	6558	Community	First Aid	60	Nil	20-40
17-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Basti Phool Ban	4284	Students + Teachers	First Aid	0	47	16-40
17-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Chiroon	5750	Students + Teachers	First Aid	37	Nil	16-40
18-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Croondara	6572	Students + Teachers	First Aid + Mountaineering	0	40	16-30
18-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Rawli	Hama Mori	3372	Community	First Aid	55	Nil	15-50
19-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Khori	5368	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	27	6	20-90
20-Apr	Battal valley (Battal)	Mansehra	Ichrian	Koray	3389	Community	First Aid	50	Nil	20-60
21-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Topi	Pandi	5426	Community	First Aid	50	Nil	15-50
22-Apr	Siren valley (Jabori)	Mansehra	Shinkiari	Shinkiari	3000	Students + Teachers	First Aid + Hygiene	60	Nil	16-45
23-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Bagh	Bagh	3800	Community	First Aid	100	Nil	20-40
25-Apr	Battagram valley	Battagram	Battagram	Main Battagram	3550	Volunteers of NCHD	First Aid + Fire Fighting	54	Nil	23-48
26-Apr	Battagram valley	Battagram	Ajmaira	Shahtoot	3601	Volunteers of NCHD	Mountaineering	54	Nil	23-45
26-Apr	Kaghan Valley (Kewai)	Mansehra	Kewai	Shogran	5400	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	40	Nil	15-48



26-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Makhila	Nada Kot	4068	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	90	Nil	20-40
26-Apr	Jhelum valley (Hattian)	Muzaffarabad	Hattian Bala	Hattian Bala	2913	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	22	3	15-40
27-Apr	Battagram valley	Battagram	Battagram	Main Battagram	3445	Volunteers of NCHD	Fire Fighting	54	Nil	23-45
27-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Seediyaan	4850	Students + Teachers	First Aid + Mountaineering	43	Nil	16-50
29-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Dir Kot	Azam Nagir	5721	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	95	Nil	20-40
30-Apr	Dulli	Bagh	Sangal	Miyani Basti	4173	Students + Teachers	First Aid + Mountaineering	47	Nil	16-60
30-Apr	Bagh	Bagh	Malot	Malot	2802	Community	First Aid + Mountaineering	0	60	20-40
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Fig 8.5 ERT Hattian during NGO Training



Fig 8.6 ERT Bagh Engaging the community in training

### **Training Course with Pakistan Alpine Club:**

The remainder of ERT members who did not participate in last months mountaineering and search and rescue training completed the one week training with the Alpine Club in the first week of April.



Fig 8.7 ERT during Training with Alpine Club of Pakistan

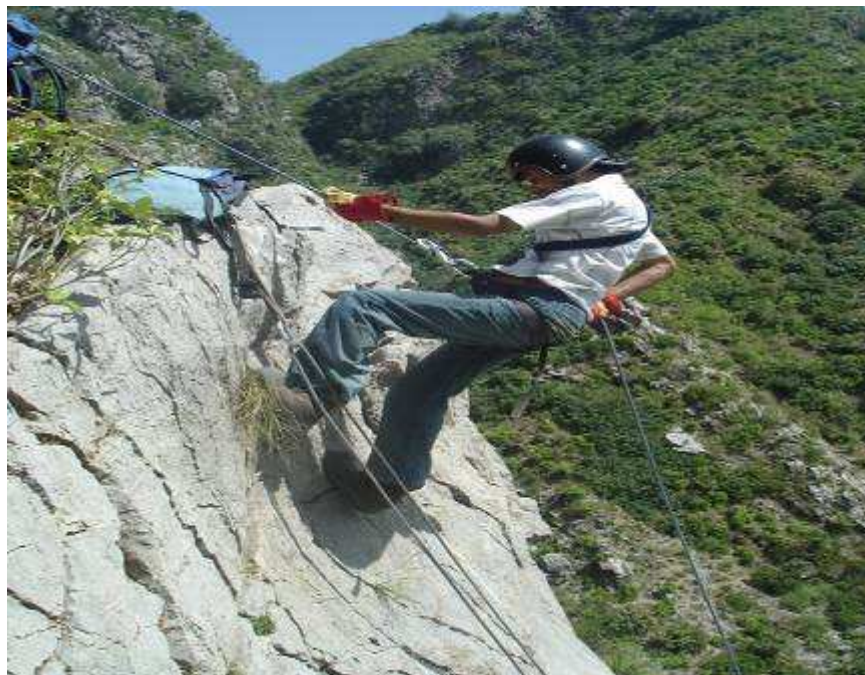


Fig 8.8 Dr. Waheed during mountaineering training

### iii) Assessment

#### DISASTER ASSESSMENT- VILLAGES AT HIGH RISK

To date ERTs have assessed 785 at-risk villages. Assessment work has successfully led to the matching of emergency needs with training modules for the training operations of the ERTs, as well as targeted winter distributions and mapping of needs passed on through the government and humanitarian community coordination and planning meetings.

As recommended to the Prime Minister and ERRa by the ERTs following the devastating heavy rains in March, the Geological Survey of Pakistan has been ordered to complete a survey of some 37 villages at risk surrounding Muzaffarabad and in the Jhelum Valley. This could be seen as a start of the ideas of hazard mapping leading to the government thinking of disaster preparedness rather than only focused efforts on response.

<b>Rapid Response Assessment Report</b>		
<b>Month</b>	<b>Rapid Response Team</b>	<b>No of Villages Assessed</b>
<b>Oct to March</b>	NWFP and AJK	703
<b>April</b>	Allai valley (Banna)	8
	Battal valley (Battal)	33
	Battagram valley	7
	Kohistan	17
	Neelum valley (Patika)	5
	Muzaffarabad	2
	Bagh	5
	Dulli	5
	<b>TOTAL</b>	



Fig 8.9 Assessment of Village Mohri UC Noraseri by Sarwar

### 3. Future planning

IOM is working closely with the National Disaster Management Authority, pointing out some observations from the ERT project, lessons learnt and best practices. This consultative process is also occurring at the provincial levels of NWFP and Kashmir. The creation of new Disaster Management Authorities is an excellent chance for a government-led systematic and sustainable approach to disaster management, preparedness and response.

Volunteer community responder groups are being strengthened and coordinated by the ERTs in planning for the upcoming monsoon season.