



# Cash and Voucher Assistance NEWS LETTER



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## Cash Support in Emergencies

### Cash Support in Bajhang Earthquake Response Operation

An earthquake of 5.3 magnitude hit western Nepal on 3 October 2023 at 14.40 PM and a strong aftershock measuring 6.3 magnitude occurred after an hour. Several aftershocks were experienced from that day terrifying local people. The epicenter was in Bajhang and the tremors were felt in six neighboring districts. Continuous aftershocks forced people to leave their houses and sheltered in open spaces.

NRCs in financial support of the IFRC, British Red Cross, American Red Cross, Danish Red Cross, Swiss Red Cross, Canadian Red Cross, and UNFPA, has been implementing Earthquake Response Operation in Bajhang and Bajura districts from October 2023 to March 2024. The core areas of the Operation were for transitional shelter, Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Health, Protection, Gender and Inclusion (PGI) and Community, Engagement and Accountability (CEA) sectors.

NRCs supported first installment cash NPR 25,000 (twenty five thousand only) to each household to construct 250 transitional shelters, NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only)



Newly constructed transitional selter & toilet through CVA modality in Bajhang district

for toilet construction and NPR 6,500 (six thousand five hundred only) to each water tank to the affected households. Likewise, NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) provided to 600 fully collapsed households as a multi-purpose cash grant. The support was provided via their own bank accounts. In total, cash support in various sectors, is presented in the table below:

S.N.	Cash Supported	District		Cash Support per Household in NPR	Total Cash Support in NPR
		Bajhang	Bajura		
1	Transition Shelter Construction for first installment	125	125	25,000	6,250,000
2	Multi-Purpose Cash Grant	300	300	15,000	9,000,000
3	Toilet Construction	125	125	15,000	3,750,000
4	Water tank	125	125	6,500	1,625,000
Total cash support					20,625,000

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### Cash Support in Dhading

After heavy rainfall in August, 53 households were affected by flood and landslides in Ward No. 1 of Ganga Jamuna Rural Municipality in Dhading district. NRCs assessed the situation and found the local market Ganga Jamuna Rural Municipality functional. Thus, responding to the affected families, NRCs with the financial support of DRC provided unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) per family to 53 flood and landslides affected families. In total NPR 795,000 (seven hundred ninety five thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. All the cash was provided through cash in hand.



Cash support to flood & landslides effected family in Dhading

## Cash Support in Dolakha

Due to massive rain, four houses were fully collapsed in September in Gaurisankhar and Biku Rural Municipalities in Dolakha district. The incidence resulted four deaths and two missing from landslides. In order to respond to the affected families, Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS) with the financial support of Danish Red Cross (DRC) provided unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) per household as humanitarian assistance provided to families of four collapsed houses. In total NPR 60,000 (sixty thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. The cash was provided via their own bank accounts.

## Cash Support in Dengue DREF Operation

NRCS, in financial support of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), implemented dengue DREF operation in 13 districts (i.e., Kathmandu, Bhaktapur, Lalitpur, Makwanpur, Dang, Rupandehi, Sankhuwasava, Jhapa, Dhankuta, Kaski, Tanahun, Sunsari and Darchula) from 1 July 2023 to 31 November 2023. NRCS provided cash NPR 3,500 (three thousand five hundred only) per patient to 12 dengue-hospitalized patients in Jhapa and 21 in Kaski districts for their treatment. In total NPR 115,500 (one hundred fifteen thousand and five hundred only) cash was supported to the affected families. The cash was provided to the affected people for their treatment after the recommendation received from the local government.

## Cash Support in Mugu

After the fire breakout in Gamgadi Bazar in Rara Chayanath Municipality Ward No. 1 of Mugu district on 22 September, 33 families were affected due to which 47 students lost their books and stationeries.

The local market at Gamgadi, the headquarters of Mugu district, was functional. NRCS, in financial support of DRC, provided unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) to each of these 33 fire affected families in October. In total NPR 495,000 (four hundred ninety five thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. All the cash was provided through cash in hand. NRCS also provided



NRCS provided cash to fire affected family in Mugu

NPR 3,000 (three thousand only) to each of the 47 students to buy stationeries, i.e. books, copies, school dress etc. In total NPR 141,000 (one hundred forty one thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. All the cash was provided through cash in hand in close coordination with District Disaster Management Committee and local government.

## Cash Support in Mustang

Heavy rainfall occurred in August 2023 that caused flood and landslides in Kagbeni village of Muktikshetra Rural Municipality of Mustang district. The incident fully damaged 20 households and affected 18 migrant labours. Additionally, 2 four-wheelers, 10 two-wheelers and 1 excavator were washed away by flood and 25 pet animals were buried in the debris. As in instant relief, NRCS in support of DRC provided unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) per family. In total NPR 300,000 (three hundred thousand only) cash was supported to the affected

families. The cash support was provided to the beneficiaries in their bank accounts.

Similarly, unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 3,000 (three thousand only) per worker was provided to 18 flood and landslides affected migrant workers. In total NPR 54,000 (fifty four thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. All the cash was provided in cash in hand in September 2023, as they did not have bank accounts in their working place.



## Cash Support in Rautahat



NRCS provided cash to flood affected family in Rautahat

25 houses were affected in Durgabhogawati Rural Municipality, Rajdevi Municipality, Rajpur Municipality, Fatuha Bijayapur Municipality and Gaur Municipality in August 2023 in Rautahat district. Detail assessment findings showed that the local markets in Rautahat district were functional. NRCS, in financial support of DRC, provided unconditional multi-purpose cash grant NPR 15,000 (fifteen thousand only) per family to 25 flood affected families in the above mentioned municipalities. In total NPR 375, 000 (three hundred seventy five thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. The support was provided through cash in hand.

## Cash Support in Karnali Earthquake Response Operation

The devastating earthquake of 6.4 magnitude struck Jajarkot on 3 November 2023 at 11:47 PM. The epicentre was at Ramidanda of the district. In total, 154 people (Jajarkot -101 and Rukum West -53) died and 366 people were injured due to collapsed houses. Due to the earthquake, 17,860 houses were fully destroyed and 37,094 houses were partially destroyed. Altogether 61,083 families were affected in 11 districts of three provinces namely Karnali, Sudur Paschim, and Lumbini provinces. After the earthquake, affected people living in open spaces and relatives' houses.

NRCS, in technical and financial support of IFRC, British Red Cross, American Red Cross, Danish Red Cross, Swiss Red Cross, Canadian Red Cross, and UNFPA, implemented Earthquake Response Operation in Jajarkot, Rukum West and Salyan districts from November 2023 to December 2024. The core areas of Operation are for transitional Shelter, WASH, Health, PGI and CEA sectors. NRCS is providing cash support to construct temporary shelter, toilet construction, buying water tank and multi- purpose cash grant to the affected families following the government procedure and in coordination with the government at all levels. Cash support in various sectors have been is listed in table below.

S.N.	Cash Supported	District		Cash Support per Household in NPR	Total Cash Support in NPR
		Rukum West	Jararkot		
1	Transition Shelter Construction for first installment	250	332	25,000	14,550,000
2	Multi-Purpose Cash Grant	250	332	15,000	8,730,000
3	Toilet Construction	250	332	15,000	8,730,000
4	Water tank	250	332	7,000	4,074,000
Total cash support					36,084,000

## Cash Support in Development Programmes Sustainable and Inclusive WASH Project

NRCS has been implementing Sustainable and Inclusive WASH Project in Sindhuli, Okhaldhunga and Ramechhap districts with financial support of the IFRC and the British Red Cross. Under this programme, conditional cash grant NPR 5,000 (five thousand only) was provided to each of 40 vulnerable households of Okhaldhunga to improve their toilets. In total NPR 200, 000 (two hundred thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. The beneficiaries were provided cash support in cheque as per the objective setup.



Cheque handover at Molung Rural Municipality Ward No. 3, Okhaldhunga

If you are interested in cash and voucher assistance programme you can learn more from:

<https://www.ifrc.org/cash-and-voucher-assistance>

<https://cash-hub.org/>

<https://www.calpnetwork.org/>

# Capacity Building Cash and Voucher Assistance (CVA) Orientation

NRCS has organized a- day- long CVA orientations in Bagmati & Sudurpaschim provinces and Lamjung & Kalikot districts in September, November and December 2023. The main objective of the orientations was to enhance knowledge and skill of volunteers and staff working in NRCS Provinces, District Chapters and their concerned Sub-Chapters on CVA.

The main topics of the orientations were importance of CVA, its modalities and delivery mechanisms, global and national scenario of CVA, response option analysis, market survey, monitoring and evaluation. The orientations were facilitated by NRCS headquarters CVA team. In total, 122 participants (male-106, female-16) participated in the orientations programme. The participants expressed their commitment to apply the knowledge and skills learned from the orientation program in the future and make the cash distribution program more effective.

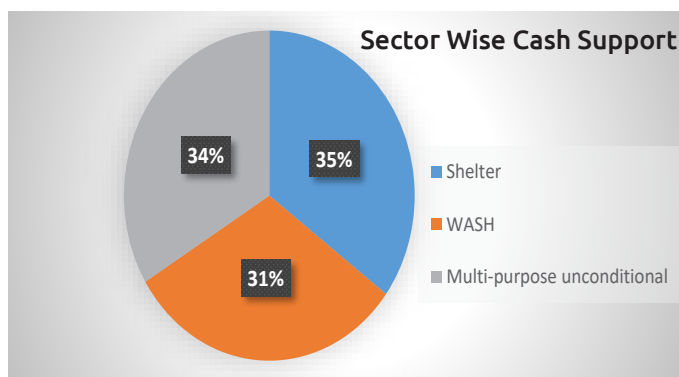
# Community Livelihood Promotion Project



Beneficiaries' bank account opening in Myagdi

NRCS in partnership with the Irish Red Cross is implementing a Community Livelihood Promotion Project in Ranghuganga Rural Municipality of Myagdi district. The first phase of the programme was successfully completed in three wards (1, 4 & 7) of the Raghuganga Rural Municipality, running from 1 March 2019 to 30 June 2022. The second phase of the programme began from 1 July 2022 and will be completed by 31 July 2025 focusing on four wards (ward number 2, 3, 5 & 6). The programme has supported NPR 15,000.00 (fifteen thousand only) to each household for 59 households to support for climate smart farming in the community. In total NPR 885, 000 (eight hundred eighty five thousand only) cash was supported to the affected families. This programme supported to enhance selected beneficiaries to promote cash crops likes kiwi fruit, orange, walnut etc. The cash support was made via bank account.

## Total Cash Distributed Amount NPR. 59,129,000



### Delivery Mechanism

Most of the cash was provided through banking system

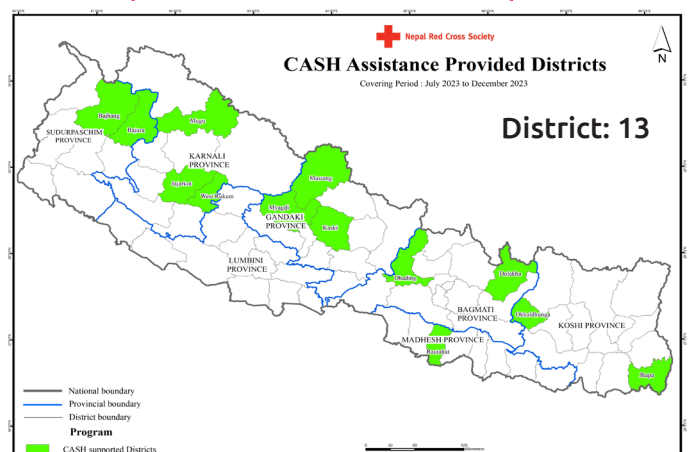
## Cash Distribution in 2023



Total Households  
**3,121**



Total Beneficiaries  
**14,358**



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