



SAVE THE CHILDREN ALLIANCE
INTERNAL SITREP # 8- 24 NOVEMBER 2007
BANGLADESH CYCLONE SIDR

I. Save the Children Response Overview

To date, Save the Children has provided emergency relief to more 130,000 families affected by cyclone Sidr, which struck the southern coast of Bangladesh on November 15, 2007.

We are working in eight districts of Barisal and Khulna divisions along the southern coast of Bangladesh (please see appendix A for details on distributions in each district). The agency has opened 36 child friendly spaces benefiting 3,400 children and is supporting Government of Bangladesh health facilities with a water ambulance to transport patients and medical staff.

To date, Save the Children has distributed:

- Food bags to 9,050 families
- Household items to 8,549 families
- High energy biscuits to 136,310 families
- Blankets to 6,777 families
- Water to 5,727 families
- Halo tabs for water purification to 9,332 families
- 28,000 oral rehydration solution packets



Unloading relief supplies at Save the Children's project site in Pathukali district, Barisal division.

II. Situation Update

UNICEF highlighted that half of the affected people are children, with up to 600,000 affected children under the age of five. In addition to vulnerability to disease caused by poor sanitation, a lack of clean drinking water and exposure, an unknown number of children have been orphaned or separated and an estimated 600,000 children are not in school as a result of the cyclone, reports UNICEF.

Official Government of Bangladesh (GoB) Ministry of Food and Disaster Management figures continue to state that 5.48 million people have been affected in 30 districts, with 2,997 people killed, 1,724 missing and 34,508 injured as a result to cyclone Sidr.

An early recovery meeting was held in Dhaka, where Save the Children and other stakeholders provided program updates and plans. It was announced that because the Government of Bangladesh has not formally asked for assistance (only welcomed it) formal UN-led clusters would not be established. However, informal clusters would continue to meet as needed.

Save the Children continues discussions with the US military regarding how their air and naval resources can support the distribution of relief items, particularly water.

III. Response by Sector

Food and NFIs

Save the Children is continuing to distribute high energy biscuits, blankets and household items (please see appendix C for a full list of NFIs) in six districts of Barisal district.

Water and Sanitation

Save the Children has installed two mobile water plants in Bhola and Jalakhathi districts, Barisal. The plants have provided a total of 61,500 liters of water to 5,727 families. An additional four water plants are expected soon.

Health

In Barisal and Bhola districts, Save the Children is operating a water ambulance to transport injured and ill people to government health facilities. Save the Children's boats are also being used to transport government medical staff to provide treatment to families in remote locations.

Save the Children has an existing network of 3,000 community health volunteers (CHVs) in Barisal division. We are in the process of mobilizing the CHVs to assist with distribution of ORS and training on its use and diarrhea prevention. The CHVs will also help monitor potential disease outbreaks.

Protection

Thirty-six child friendly spaces (previously referred to as "safe place spaces) have been opened in five districts of Barisal and Khulna divisions benefiting 3,400 children. Thirty of these spaces are operated by a local partner in Barisal district (UDDIPAN). The remaining six in Khulna division provide 1,900 children with one hot meal a day and basic medical care, in addition to play and recreational activities.

Media contact:

Kate Conradt, Director, Media and Communications

kconradt@savechildren.org

+880 171 306 4045

Appendix A

Details of Save the Children beneficiaries by district and *upazila* to date

Save the Children
Cyclone SIDR-2007 Response in Barisal Division
Distribution Status-Upazila Wise (as of November,23 2007)

District	Upazila	NFI		HEB-P1		HEB-P2		HALO TAB		Leaflet		Blanket - SC		WPP		Food	
		Allocation (Pkt)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (HH)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (HH)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (Nos)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (Nos)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (Nos)	Distributed (HH)	Plan (Litre)	Distributed (HH)	Allocation (Pkt)	Distributed (HH)
Patuakhali	Patuakhali Sadar	400	400	6000	6000	2000	2000	7600	380			400	200				
	Bauphal	0	0			4000	4000						200				
	Galachipa	800	800	10000	10000	6000	4700	8000	0			500	200				
	Kalapara	600	599	9000	9000	3000	1500	8000	200			300	300				
	Dashmina	0	0			2000	2000		50				102				
	Mirzagonj	400	400			4000	2000	7500	375			300	100				
	Dumki					1000	1000										
	6	2200	2199	25000	25000	22000	17200	31100	1005	0	0	1500	1102	0	0	0	0
Barguna	Barguna Sadar	300	500	7500	7500	8000	4500	9500	250			300	300				
	Amtali	500	500	12000	12000	8000	6200	9500	250			200	400				
	Betagi	0		0		2000	600	0	0				75				
	Patharghatha	600	500	9000	9000	8000	2000	10000	250			500	700			500	500
	Bamna	0		0		1500	0	0				400					
	5	1400	1500	28500	28500	27500	13300	29000	750	0	0	1400	1475	0	0	500	500
Barisal	Barisal Sadar																
		0	0	0		2000											
	Bakergonj	800	800	6000	6000	4000		5000	300			600	600				
	Mehendigonj	0	0	5000	5000	3000	3000	200	100								
	Hizla	0	0	3000	3000	2000											
	Muladi	600	600	0		2000	800	3000	400			500	500				
	Babugonj	400	400	0		1500	600	2000	100			100	100				

	Gaurnadi	0	0	0		1500											
	Agailjhara	0	0	0		1500											
	Banaripara	0	0	0		1500											
	Wazirpur	0	0	0		1500	1500										
	10	1800	1800	14000	14000	20500	5900	10200	900	0	0	1200	1200	0	0	0	0
Bhola	Bhola Sadar	500	600	0		0	0	3000				200	200	44600	4300		
	Daulatkan	200	200	0				1000				150	150				
	Burhanuddin	500	500	0				3000	500			350	350				
	Tazumuddin	200	100	0				1000				100	100				
	Lalmohan	300	300	0								100	100				
	Char Fassion																
		300	300	0					2000				200	200			
	Manpura	500	500	0								500	500				
	7	2500	2500	0	0	0	0	10000	500	0	0	1600	1600	44600	4300	0	0
Jhalakathi	Jhalakathi Sadar	0						0						16900	972		
	Nalchiti	0										200					
	Rajapur	200	200					3000	150			100	100				
	Kathalia	500	401	5000	5000			5000	225			200					
	4	700	601	5000	5000	0	0	8000	375	0	0	500	100	16900	972	0	0
Pirojpur	Pirojpur Sadar	300	300	3000	3000	2000	2000	3000	50			350	250				
	Bhandaria	0		2000	2000	5000	2500	2000	100			200	200				
	Mathbaria	300	300	6000	6000	6000		5000				400	500				
	Kawkhali	0				2500	860	0									
	Nesrabad	0				4000		0									
	Nazirpur	200	200	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	100			200	200				
	Zianagar	200	200	1500	1500	1500	1500	2000	100			150	150				
	7	1000	1000	14500	14500	23000	8860	14000	350	0	0	1300	1300	0	0	0	0
Grand total		9600	9600	87000	87000	93000	45260	102300	3880	0	0	7500	6777	61500	5272	500	500

Additionally, in Potuakhali, Pirajpur and Barguna, Save the Children has distributed

- Food items to 4,050 families (Per family received 5 kg. rice, ½ kg. pulses, ½ kg. oil, ½ kg. sugar, 1 kg. Suji, ½ salt, ½ kg. flatten rice, 2 kg potato, matches 3 pieces, 5 pieces candle)
- High energy biscuits to 4,050 families(Total 16,200 packets)
- Water to 4,050 families
- Halo tabs for water purification to 4,050 families(40,500 tablets)
- 20,000 oral rehydration solution(ORS) packets

Appendix BSave the Children's assessment 37 *upazilas* (out of a total of 39) in six districts of Barisal division

Description	Name of District						Total
	Barisal	Patuakhali	Bhola	Jhalakathi	Barguna	Pirojpur	
# of affected Upazila	10	6	7	4	5	7	39
# of affected Union	85	64	39	20	39	36	283
# of affected Pourashava/Ward	11	27		54	45	10	147
# of affected village	1156	821		276	573	339	3165
# of death	94	282	23	36	1125	301	1861
# of injury	1491	8365	315	119	47160	5022	62472
# of missing	61	471	2	4	1314	18	1870
# of affected population	866140	797390	88331	445500	692746	692675	3582782
# of fully damaged house	123877	98091	11488	73950	133522	100255	541183
# of Cattle	603	29267	495	545	8542	2792	42244
# of Cattle (Goat)	495	29540	-	245	11250	1495	43025
# of poultry	70500	209100	5050	6550	604818	41660	937678
Damage of crop (fully) in Acre	116387	420623	134519	41045	215783	113212	1041569
# of affected people of most risk	17,704	8,893	11,935	15,600	141,290	1,430	196,852

Appendix C

NFI kit contents

Sl.	Description of items	Quantity	Remarks
01.	Rice Cooking pot (Medium)	01 Pc.	
02.	Curry pot	01 Pc.	
03.	Rice Spoon	01 Pc.	
04.	Curry spoon	01 Pc.	
05.	Plastic Bucket	01 Pc.	
06.	Melamine Plate	02 Pc.	
07.	Melamine Glass	01 Pc.	
08.	Plastic Bowl (Medium)	01 Pc.	
09.	Plastic Bowl (Small)	01 Pc.	
10.	Rope (Plastic)	250 gms	White soft, good quality
11.	Plastic Sheet (deep blue)	01 pc/15ft	
12.	Soap (lifebuoy)	02 Pc.	
13.	Candle	06 pc.	(Medium size)
14.	Match box	02 pc.	