



Project Proposal for Relief to the Flood Victims of Nepal (Nepal Flood - 2017)
Rangeli Municipality, Morang District



Project Summary

Project title	Proposal for Immediate Relief to the Flood Victims of Nepal (Nepal Flood - 2017)
Project duration	3 days
Name of implementing agent(s)	ASK Foundation
Project location	Rangeli Municipality, Morang District
Proposed starting date	29th August, 2017 (Tentative)
Beneficiaries	1100 households
Estimated budget **	NRs. 15,38,570 (USD 15084.02 at the exchange rate of 1 USD = NRs. 102).
Locals inputs	Volunteering and coordinating

** Amounts are subject to change based on market values of relief materials and locally available resources and the cost of transport and stay of the volunteers.

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I. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

ASK foundation is a Not-for-profit organization registered in the state of Nebraska as well as the country of Nepal. Its major objective is to help support the underprivileged population residing in various parts of Nepal. ASK is a heterogeneous group of educated people (including doctors, engineers, entrepreneurs and social activists) from various aspects of life who are highly dedicated and interested in helping the people of Nepal in various fields. ASK is not affiliated to any political party and has been established by a common interest of its members to do humanitarian acts for the most needy people of Nepal. It has mainly been serving in the major sectors of providing Healthcare, Education and Disaster Relief to the underprivileged and needy people in Nepal. ASK foundation is approved by Social Welfare Council in Nepal to provide Disaster Relief and actively carried out relief activities during Nepal earthquake 2015.

After the devastating Earthquake on April 25, 2015 with multiple aftershocks for few months thereafter, taking over nearly 9,000 lives and making more than 22,000 injured and total loss of national GDP of more than USD 19.921 billion, one of the Asia's poorest country with political turmoil, finding it hard to stand again, Nepal has been hit by another major disaster of Flood and Landslides since August 11, 2017. Heavy rainfall, considered to be the worst rain in its history, since August 11, 2017 has resulted in flood and landslides affecting 30 (out of total 75) districts across the country. The disaster in Terai (Southern Plains of the country) caused huge impact on livelihoods, food security and nutrition due to the losses in lives, assets, housing, infrastructures, including water and sanitation, food stocks and agricultural production.

As per Ministry of Health, 128 deaths have been reported, 33 people are missing and 25 have already been injured (As of 16 August 2017). Initial report as per the Ministry of Agricultural Development suggests that crops worth tens of millions of dollars have been destroyed and nearly 70,000 livestock have perished. Additionally, over 500 industries, both large and small, have been shut down. Almost 3,00,000 people or 60,000 households need immediate food assistance and based on our experiences of previous disasters, it can be estimated that the larger number of population especially children aged below 5 and pregnant or lactating women are at increased risk of acute malnutrition and epidemic outbreak of flood related diseases (like cholera, dysentery, typhoid). Though Flood waters are receding, with improvement in access and a better understanding of the impact and damage caused by the floods, the overall number of affected people continues to rise.

Almost 60% of Nepal's population lives in the areas affected by the disaster (flood and landslides). Most of the districts affected by flood are relatively low as measured per Human Development Index. Almost 20% of population of these districts lives below poverty line, with around 30% with poor housing structure to withstand flooding. 40-50% of population is illiterate in these areas.

Immediately after the flood, many of the affected households initially took shelter in schools, community and government buildings located at higher altitudes with little belongings they could carry. They were supported by local agencies and their relatives, ASK Foundation being one of the non-profit organizations working from the zeroth hour itself. At present, most of the displaced families have

returned back to their homes. Households whose houses were destroyed or have become unlivable or with houses still under water remain in temporary shelters. Around 67,000 persons are still estimated to be displaced.

Our primary concern is providing immediate relief to the best we can and provide preventive and promotive health education to the flood affected areas. Almost 60,000 households need immediate food assistance and based on our experiences of previous disasters, it can be estimated that the larger number of population especially children aged below 5 and pregnant or lactating women are at increased risk of acute malnutrition and epidemic outbreak of flood related diseases (like cholera, dysentery, typhoid).

ASK Foundation has been active in helping the flood victims right from the Zeroth hour. We collaborated with Independent Human Foundation, a local agency at Biratnagar Metropolitan city, Morang District to distribute relief materials inside Biratnagar and villages of Morang District adjacent to Biratnagar. We already helped more than 1000 families in a very short span of time. Relief materials included rice, lentils, dry foods, safe drinking water/ bottled water, tarpaulins, mats, Oral Rehydration Solution, etc. Relief activities have been ongoing for the last 13 days in marginalized communities of Katari VDC- Jamtoki Ward 1, Khaptol, Santhiya, Manglu tol, Budhiganga VDC, and other parts of Biratnagar. Recently we have been alerted by our ground team about onset of skin diseases and health related issues and with the help of the local government and Mayor's office, we have been able to identify victims in Rangeli Municipality who are in acute need of relief materials as well as health awareness.

ASK Foundation also collaborated with Armed Police Force, Nepal for distribution of Relief Materials and conducting Health Campaigns in another flood affected district of Mahottari. The team distributed relief materials to more than 200 identified victimized families under the coordination of Local Authority. The team also consisted of 8 medical staffs (including 3 medical doctors, 2 pharmacist, 1 Staff Nurse and 2 Nursing Staff) and conducted medical camps at 3 different places of Mahottari Districts. The team checked around 1000 patients and provided medicines free of cost. We also promoted for sanitation and health /hygiene of the community and individuals to prevent any epidemic outbreaks that could happen.

ASK Foundation has again planned to move on to Rangeli Municipality, Morang District, and help 1100 households (6000 people) who are victimized by the flood. Rangeli Municipality is a rural market town of Morang District, and was recently established as a municipality by merging existing three villages i.e. Takuwa, Amgachhi and Rangeli itself since May 2014. Total population of Rangeli Municipality is 28516 with 6119 households (as per 2011 Census). We contacted newly elected Mayor Mr. Dilip Agrawal (Local Election : June 2017) regarding the status of municipality after the disaster. As per him, 1100 households have been displaced permanently and around 4000 households are affected by flood directly. He says, the verification of the victims is on process, and has already verified 1020 households as totally displaced victims, and worries that count may increase more after detail survey. Following proposal regarding the distribution of the relief materials has been made with his suggestion as well, and we will coordinate with him and take his support on the ground too.

II. OBJECTIVES/Vision

Immediate relief objective:

Immediate relief materials like food (rice , pulses, salt and vegetable oil) , shelter (temporary : Tarpaulin/ mats) and other basic requirements like kitchen utensils, bucket for water storage , jug are to be supplied to each household to sustain their life until long term plan has been to action by Government or any concerned authorities.

III. PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AND MANAGEMENT PLAN

A. Expected project results:

Provided that the requested funds are available, the project should be able to provide a relief materials to more than 1100 households which will help sustain their life for a minimum of 15-20 days. Affected society will benefit from health education to prevent epidemics and outbreaks.

B. Project activities and work plan:

With support, coordination and basic supervision of local authorities, relief materials will be provided to the identified victims.

C. Project Beneficiaries:

The project is expected to directly benefit more than 6000 people of Rangeli Municipality, Morang District and prevent any epidemic outbursts in the community of more than 10,000 people.

D. Implementation and management of the project

The planning and management of the project operation shall be done under the direct role and supervision of ASK Foundation. The implementation of the project activities shall be done in coordination with the local government authorities.

IV. PROJECT REPORTING, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Reporting, Monitoring and Evaluation System: Project report will be reported within a week of completion of the project (videos and/or pictures will be posted on our website and facebook page). The status of total donation accepted, expenditure done will be reported to the donor. Donor's names will be posted in the website. The funds will be collected in the Bank Account of ASK Foundation, and will be mobilized only by ASK Foundation.

V. BUDGET

The budget for the project is estimated to be approximately **NRs. 15,38,570 (USD 15084.02** at the exchange rate of 1 USD = NRs. 102).

The estimated budget allocation (amounts are subject to change based on market values of relief materials and locally available resources and the cost of transport and stay of the volunteers) under different headings is as follows:

For Immediate Relief Material :

Materials	Quantity	Unit Price (NRs.)	Total (NRs.)
Tarpaulins	1,05,600 sq. ft	2.4	2,53,440
Rice	11000 Kgs	48.33	5,31,630
Pulses	2200 Kgs	90	1,98,000
Salt	1100 Kgs	15	16,500
Vegetable oil	550 liters	150	82,500
Bucket	1100	300	3,30,000
Jug	1100	65	71,500
Total			14,83,570

Total Budget Details :

Heading	Price (NRs.)
Immediate Relief Materials	14,83,570
Transport of the Relief materials	20,000
Lodging of volunteers	15,000
Transport of Volunteers	10,000
Food for Volunteers	10,000
Total	15,38,570

Transportation:

Transportation of few volunteers will be required from Kathmandu although few local volunteers will be present. Plan is to reserve a private vehicle for transportation. Relief materials will be bought in Biratnagar or nearby markets. Unless any shortage of particular item, we will try to procure those items from local areas.

VI. PROJECT PERSONNEL

ASK Foundation will mobilize its resource personnel and volunteers free of cost. Local volunteers will also be available at free of cost. The project will also be worked upon by the people residing in the area. The mayor of the municipality and the local authority will also coordinate and support the project on ground.

VII. CONTACT

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VIII. REFERENCES

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IX. ANNEXURE

Few pictures showing status of Flood and ASK Foundation Relief Activities.



