Report

on

Emergency Relief Mission of Tornado/Windstorm Bara & Parsa, Nepal 2019



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Acknowledgement

We would like to express thanks to District Administration Office Kalaiya, Bara for providing approval to conduct health camps and distribution of relief materials. Extended sincere gratitude to Ward Chairperson of Pheta Rural Municipality of Ward No. I and 2 for their cooperation and collaboration in local level, TUTH Maharajgunj, Kathmandu, for providing psychosocial counselor and social worker Mr. Sona Lal Sah, and Women Member of Ward no. 2 for their support. Bare their cooperation, it would have been quite difficult to perform the services. Their coordination, support and volunteer services, got the mission successfully completed.

AMDA Chairperson, Prof. Dr. YP Singh had initiated the mission and set to move on ground. He is also a thankful person for initiating such noble work primarily inception by President of AMDA International. Thankful to Chief Administrator, Mr. Sudesh Regmi for his vital role in perfect management. To make the mission effectively accomplish, the team members have huge effort and dedication. In real sense, they are appreciable. Side by side, other local governments, local people and other young leaders of local level coordination unit are also person of gratitude. Much more gratitude towards Nepal Red Cross Society, Bara for the coordination and prove support to get the mission accomplish.

Background

Sudden onset of strong windstorm hit several villages of Bara and Parsa district on 31 March 2019 evening. According to the Ministry of Home Affairs, 27 people lost their lives when they buried under rubbles of houses or metal roofs that flung over the settlements. The preliminary NRCS rapid assessment report received from affected areas shows that more than 668 people have been injured, of which 342 were under treatment in different hospitals of Bara and Parsa districts as of that day. In addition, seriously injured people are airlifted to Kathmandu for further medical assistance. Nepal has never experienced windstorm of such a scale in last 50 years. The destructions resulted from the storm have been severe; especially houses and infrastructure of essential services such as electricity and water supply systems was damaged.

According to NRCS district chapters' initial report, more than 2,011 families (Approx. 12,000 people) were affected, as their houses are badly damaged by the windstorm.

From the preliminary assessment shows that there is inadequate facilities and beds available in hospitals. Likewise, many affected families are displaced and there is an urgent need for ready-to-eat food and emergency shelter. Source of drinking water is being contaminated from dust and debris and many houses also lost their toilets. So, there is high chances of open defecation which may bring water-borne diseases. District Administration Office formed a joint assessment team with the presence of representative of local government, Nepal Police and Nepal Red Cross Society to complete assessment and identify urgent unmet need on the ground. The report will assist government and humanitarian agencies for further response. In consultation with local government AMDA Nepal dispatched few medical staff to visit and support the tornado storm affected areas.

Activities

- 1.1 Mobile medical camps

 Emergency Health Clinic in Pheta rural municipality, Bara
- 1.2 Relief item distribution
 Mosquito Net, Towel, Soap (Bath & Washing) and Water Purifying Liquid Distribution for 200 Families.

Tornado Windstorm disaster situation

Sno.	Situation	Status
I	Affected Districts	2 District (Bara and Parsa)
2	People Dead	27
3	People injured	668
4	Affected Families	2,011
5	Affected Population	12,000
6	House Destroyed Completely	122

Source: NRCS, Bara.

Duration of ER Mission

- I Day (2075 Chaitra 24)

ER Site

Sno.	Site
- 1	Pheta rural municipality ward no. I
2	Pheta rural municipality ward no. 2

Summery

AMDA Nepal as of its objective had participated in the emergency relief activities. Prior to movilize the emergency team has performed the assessment. With need of medical team and relief materials, a team comprising 7 members including 1 Coordinator, 1 Medical Officer, 2 psycho social counselors, 1 paramedic, 2 support staffs moved for the mission at affected site in office vehicle. On the day of 6 April 2019, the team reached on the affected area Vhaluhi and Valbariya ward no. 2 to conduct the Emergency Relief Mission on the Bara district, severely affected by tornado/Storm. We had a coordination meeting with officers of District Administration Office, Bara and public representatives of the area on 6 April 2019 for the selection of necessity site. We acquired approval from CDO. The next day, 7 April 2019, started health camp from 8 o clock at Bualui Bhalbariya 1 of Bara district. The complete setup was done with the

support of local people. Almost 84 patients were checked. Mostly with having chief problems of cut injuries, URTI, Skin infection, Dirrahoea, Headache, anxiety etc. were observed.

We had distributed the relief materials to the mostly affected people of same area's in representation of the public representatives of the same wards. The distributed relief was of 200 numbers that had a set of kit including Mosquito net, Towel, Hand soap & clothing soap.

The team completed its mission as planned.

The detail report of the health camps has been stated as below;

Patient Description

Date	ate Clinic Site		Total Patient		
Date	Chine Site	Female	Male	Total	
- 1	Pheta rural municipality ward No. I & 2	24	60	84	

Statement of Symptomatic Diseases

Sno.	Provisional Diagnosis	Number of Patient
- 1	Cut Injury	13
2	Skin diseases	3
3	ARI/Fever	2
4	Psychosocial Problem	5
5	APD	10
6	Heart Disease	0
7	Worm Infestation	7
8	Eye infections	2
9	Ear Infection	0
10	Others	42
	Total	84

Name of Team Members/Volunteers

Sno.	Team Members	Designation	Contact No.
- 1	Mr. Achyut Sapkota	Team Coordinator, AMDA Nepal, Kathmandu	9841337011
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3	Ms. Renuka Basnet	Team Member, AMDA Nepal, Kathmandu	9849908504
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5	Ms. Jugu Maya Chaudhary	Psychosocial Counselor, TUTH, Maharajgunj, Kathmandu	9849256074
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Team Members/Volunteers Mobilization

Sno.	Medical Doctors	Logistic Arrangement	Paramedics	Support Workers	Psychosocial Counselor	Total
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Major Achievement

We observed post tornado windstorm situation (real-time observation). The windstorm causes the loss of lives and devastate the infrastructure. Most of the people are still in need of relief materials and medical support. Our existence and service, somewhat fulfill their needs. We had provided the medical services who had still need. The affected people and representatives appreciated the services that we provide. The presence of local government was remarkable. In coordination with local agencies, we completed the mission.

Our achievements;

- Distribution of relief material (Mosquito Net, Towel, Soap (Bath & Washing) and Water Purifying Liquid) to 200 highly windstorm affected families.
- Medical treatment to some 84 affected patients

Conclusion

The Windstorm was felt after 50 years in the Nepal. Government as well as other stakeholder's presence was remarkable for support of affected people. Affected families were temporary sheltered at safe places and basic support were provided.

Disaster preparedness at the community level can minimize the risk of natural disaster. Rapid response and emergency medical support can further minimize the risk of loss due the disaster. Post disaster psychological support to the affected families is necessary for the rehabilitation and resilience.

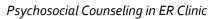
Glimpse of Mission













Psychosocial Counseling in ER Clinic



Relief material distribution at Pheta rural municipality



Relief material distribution at Pheta rural municipality



Team Members of Emergency Relief Medical Mission at Pheta Rural Municipality





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