

JAJARKOT EARTHQUAKE

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This report covers several critical issues facing the earthquake affected districts following a devastating earthquake. Firstly, it details the plight of 17-year-old children living with mental health issues exacerbated by the earthquake. Hemraj, isolated in a narrow metal-sheet shelter due to his aggressive behavior following a childhood illness, represents the struggles of families dealing with mental health challenges in disaster zones. His family, who lives next door in a tarpaulin shelter, has spent substantial resources on his care, impacting their ability to work and maintain their livelihood. The report also highlights the widespread housing crisis in the earthquake-hit area. A significant number of residents, including vulnerable groups like children, pregnant women, lactating mothers, the elderly, and those with health issues, are living in inadequate temporary shelters. Despite government promises of financial support for housing construction, delays in fund distribution have left many without proper shelter, and the lack of materials has further intensified the issue.

Addressing the issue of data management in disaster relief, DPNNet has initiated discussions to streamline the data collection process. The current system, characterized by a multitude of different data collection forms from various entities, leads to inefficiency and fatigue among humanitarian partners. Key stakeholders are advocating for a unified data collection format to improve the coordination and efficiency of aid distribution.

Furthermore, the report discusses ongoing efforts to build temporary shelters in Jajarkot and Rukum West. Local leaders, volunteers, and organizations are actively engaged in constructing shelters, and innovative approaches like the use of model houses are being employed to encourage effective building practices using local materials. These efforts are critical in providing immediate relief to those affected by the earthquake, as exemplified by the case of Dilip Shahi from Berekot-7, who lost his home in the disaster and is now receiving volunteer support to build a shelter.



A FAMILY'S STRUGGLE AGAINST MENTAL HEALTH AND EARTHQUAKE DISASTER

Many houses in the mountain part of Barekot Rural Municipality, ward no 4, Rawatgiri village damaged by Jajarkot earthquake. 17-year-old Hemraj Rawat lives in a metal-sheet shelter next to his family's tarpaulin shelter. Hemraj, the eldest son of Kali Bahadur Rawat, has been living separately in this shelter due to mental health issues for a decade. As a child, Hemraj was vibrant and talkative, but a fever at age five left him with speech difficulties. Despite treatments from several hospitals, including TU Teaching Hospital and Patan Mental Hospital, his condition deteriorated, leading to aggressive behavior. This change forced the family to isolate him.

The family, which includes Hemraj's parents and four siblings, faces immense challenges due to his condition. They cannot leave him unattended because of his unpredictable behavior, which hinders their ability to work or migrate for employment. The family has spent over 9000 USD on medical expenses, selling assets like land, livestock, jewelry, but Hemraj's mental health remains a significant concern.

DPNet member organization SOSEC brought attention to their plight while providing psycho-social counselling to the community. The family, struggling to maintain their livelihood on minimal land that sustains them for only three months a year, desperately needs support. Kali Bahadur has appealed for assistance to care for Hemraj, which would relieve some burden and allow them to focus on their other children's education and well-being. This story highlights the difficulties faced by many in earthquake-stricken areas, especially those with family members who have special needs, highlighting the urgent requirement for targeted support. Considering this precarious situation, editor of this 'situation analysis report' personally send Rs 20000 support to this family. SOSEC and DPNet request all interested to help this poor family in this difficult time.



DELAYED AID AND HOUSING CRISIS DEEPEN IN EARTHQUAKE-HIT AREA



Majority of the citizens continue to face challenges due to delayed aid and insufficient temporary housing facilities. Despite the central government's initial commitment to provide 50,000 rupees per family for temporary housing construction, the distribution has been marred by procedural delays. As a result, many earthquake-affected residents are still living under tarps, with only few temporary shelters having proper roofing. The shortage of roofing materials like corrugated metal sheets has heightened the problem, leaving many temporary shelters incomplete. Various political parties and volunteers have stepped in to build shelters, but the

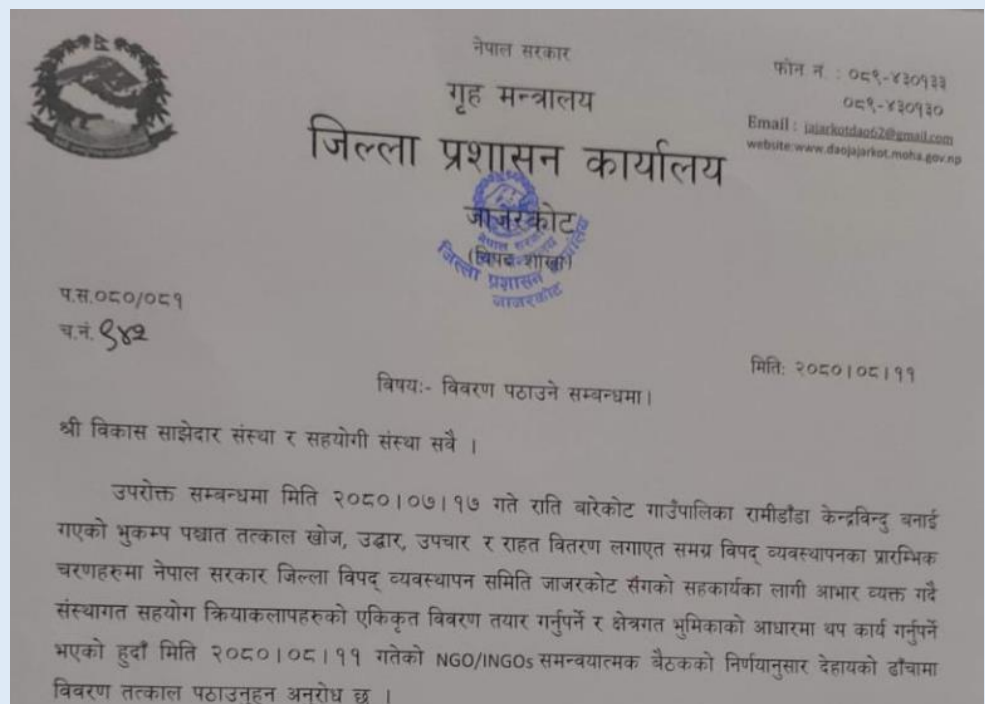
absence of adequate materials means that these structures often lack roofs, forcing residents to remain under tarps. This situation has been particularly hard on children, pregnant, lactating women, PWD, the elderly, and those with health issues.

Local youth, community members, and volunteers have reported that the cold weather is exacerbating the living conditions of those under tarps, with a lack of warm clothing and proper shelter. Although political parties claim to have built a significant number of temporary houses, there is no clear data on the exact number or the quality of these constructions. This lack of transparency and coordination has hindered the relief efforts. Government officials acknowledge the delay in fund distribution and are working to expedite the process, but many affected families continue to await aid and a transition to safer, at least temporary shelter.

UNIFIED DATA COLLECTION APPROACH FOR EFFICIENT HUMANITARIAN AID IN JAJARKOT

DPNet has initiated a discussion to streamline data collection in humanitarian efforts, especially in the aftermath of Jajarkot earthquake. In response to the complexity and redundancy encountered by various stakeholders in the current system, where multiple data collection forms are used by different agencies, leading to inefficiency and fatigue among humanitarian partners.

The current scenario involves a multitude of forms from various entities. The Health Emergency Operation Center has its unique form, as does the Association of INGOs (AIN), which has developed a form for its members and partner organizations. The Ministry for Internal Affairs and Law of Karnali Province and the District Administration Office Jajarkot district have



their respective formats. Additionally, cluster and district level mechanisms have their own versions. These forms, often detailed and time-consuming, are eventually tailored to the UNRCO standard form, aligning with the 4W (Where, Who, What, Whom) or 5W (Who, Where, What, Whom, When) framework. The redundancy and complexity of this process have led to a situation where only a few of the numerous agencies involved in humanitarian support are consistently filling out these forms.

Recognizing the need for a unified approach, DPNet initiated a dialogue with key stakeholders to address this issue. In a meeting including Former Secretary and former Head of the Disaster and Conflict Management Division of MoHA Mr. Kedar Neupane, NDRRMA Joint Secretary Jaya Narayan Acharya, Bandana KC, Head of Disaster Study and Research Section, and Rishi Raj Acharya, Head of Environment and Disaster Management Section, MoFAGA, the emphasis was placed on the importance of having a uniform data collection format. Mr. Neupane highlighted the fatigue caused by the current system and advocated for a standardized format. Joint Secretary Acharya from NDRRMA highlighted the significance of this initiative and requested DPNet to foster consensus at the provincial and district levels.

DPNet also discussed with Association of International Non-Government Organization (AIN) and the Association of INGO Task Group on Disaster Management (AINTGDM). Reshma Shrestha, who is coordinating the data gathering on 5W, pointed out the struggles faced by AIN members and partners in coping with the diverse forms, which not only consume valuable time but also create stress over potentially missing crucial data. The AINTGDM Coordinator Ms. Neelam Parajuli suggested that reaching a consensus on a unified form for the Jajarkot earthquake could set a precedent for future disaster events.



DPNet also discussed with Mr. Prem Awasthi of the UNRCO office, who highlighted the necessity of uniformity for both data submission and assessment.

Discussions were held with Minister for Internal Affairs and Law of Karnali Province Mr. Krishna Bahadur GC and other provincial government officials, including former secretary Kedar Neupane and Dr. Raju Thapa of DPNet. Minister GC acknowledged the need for a common form, which would streamline the assessment of ongoing relief efforts, future plans, and support pipelines.

This initiative by DPNet is not just about simplifying a bureaucratic process; it's about ensuring effective and timely humanitarian response in disaster-stricken areas. By establishing a standardized data collection form, the goal is to enhance the efficiency of aid distribution, minimize the administrative burden on humanitarian workers, and ensure a more coordinated response to the needs of affected communities. It's a step towards a more cohesive and integrated approach in disaster management, one that recognizes the challenges at the ground level and seeks to address them in a practical, unified manner.



JAJARKOT DISTRICT FACES WINTER HOUSING EMERGENCY POST EARTHQUAKE

Mr. Suresh Sunar, CDO of Jajarkot district stressed the need for special winterization support considering harsh winter. He said it's urgent to build permanent houses that would cost around 2 billion rupees. He also said it's important to have a place where all the information about the shelter construction is coordinated. Mr. Harischandra Sharma, an assistant CDO of Jajarkot district says that out of 128,917 effected people 22,206 people are in serious problem, including over 12,000 children under five years old and 883 pregnant women. They are all living in temporary shelters made of tarpaulin. There are also 1,776 lactating mothers and 832 people with long-term illnesses, as well as 850 people with physical disabilities, all living under these conditions.

CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY SHELTER IN PROGRESS

Temporary housing construction ongoing in different parts of Jajarkot and Rukum West. In Naule, Chaurjahari Municipality ward no 14 of Rukum West, the local leaders and organizations has showcased their initiatives of supporting the affected communities. The construction of temporary housing involves the initiative of the mayor, local representatives, volunteers, and locals. The municipality has formed a volunteer team to assist in building temporary housing. According to the procedure, beneficiaries who build temporary housing before receiving the grant amount are still eligible to receive the grant.



In Aathbiskot, Rukum West as well, a team including Mayor Rabi K.C. is engaged in constructing temporary housing like this. In Ward No. 5 of Dharma Rural Municipality, Bhalukhola Tole, the volunteer team who came from Kalikot district, has cleared the debris of 11 houses since the 15th, and they have also constructed 6 temporary shelters. This team, have been coordinating and working on the management and labour aspects of this initiative. Despite challenging weather and difficult logistics, the dedication and efficient work of all the volunteers. Few model house as Temporary house can be seen now at Nalgadh Municipality ward no. 7 Dalli Jajarkot, made by some volunteers. These sorts of model houses could set awareness and idea among the villagers in building the temporary shelter for them. The design, pattern and use of local materials exactly exhibits the possibility of the construction of good shelter that helps them to protect them from the cold. Dilip Shahi from Barekot-7 lost his father years ago due to sickness. To add the sorrow, he and his family lost their home due to earthquake. After staying in tarpaulin, some volunteers helped the family to make a shelter using the available resources.



AGENCIES PROVIDING HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT

The details of agencies that have been providing humanitarian support in Jajarkot and Rukum West so far are as follows.

Aakhil Nepal Mahila Sangh Krantikari	Himalayan Bank	Panchtara Yuba Samrakshyak Manch
Aanandit Charity Center, Lalitpur	Himalayan Reinsurance Limited	Paribartan Rural Municipality, Rolpa
Action Aid Nepal	Himalayan Yoga Academy, Kathmandu	Pashusewa Bibagh, Lalitpur
ADH	Home Ministry, Nepal Government	Patanjali Ayurveda
ADRA	HRDC	Phase Nepal
Alliance 2015 (PIN, Helvetas, WHH)	ICIMOD	PIN
ALWS	IDEA Nepal	Plan International

America Nepal Medical Foundation	IFRC	Pokhara Metropolitan City
APF Maheshori, Surkhet	Indian Air Force	Prabesh Tansen
Arju Rice Mill Pvt. Ltd.	Indian Embassy	Province Health Logistics Management Center, Surkhet
Armed Police Force	Indreni Foundation, Kathmandu	Provincial Hospital, Surkhet
Army Barrack, Jajarkot	International Nepal Fellowship Nepal	PTYSM
Asal Chhimeki Nepal	IOM	Public 4K TV
AWO International	Isha Foundation Nepal	Purple Foundation
B Group, Banke	Islamic Relief UK	Qatar Charity
Bageshori Ashal Sashan Club	Islamic Relief Worldwide	Radha Poudel Foundation
Bahu Udesya Samudiyik Bikash Sewa Kathmandu	JAFS	Rapti mining and construction
Balaji Fibres	Jagadamba Synthetics	RARA Human Entertainment Banke
Balbalika Biruddha ko sajha Abhiyan, Rukum	JS Fashion, Kathmandu	Rastriya Swatantra Party
Baptist medical and Dental Mission International	Karma Flight Foundation	RDC
Bardibas Municipality, Mohattarai	Karma Flight Foundation Nepal	RMHSF-N
BAS NEPAL Nepalgunj	Karnali and Rapti Samaj, Korea	Roadshow Securities
Bharatpur Metropolitan City	Karnali Integrated Rural Development and Research Center	Rotary Club of Kathmandu
Bhatbheteni Supermarket	Karnali Province Society, Okinawa Japan	RRN
Bheri Environmental Excellence (BEE) Group	Katahimai Rural Municipality	RSDC
Bheri Samudayik Bikas Manch (BSBM)	Kathmandu Metropolitan City	Rukum UNESCO Sanghiya Shikshya
Bheri Sitbhandar Sahakari Sanstha, Banke	KiA Netherlands	SAC Nepal
Bheriganga Municipality, Surkhet	KIRDARC	Sagarmatha Lumbini Non-Life Insurance Company (SALICO)
Bidhyut Utpadan Company, Buddhanagar, Kathmandu	KIWANIS Club, Khara, Rukum West	Sahakarmi Samaj
Binod Kumar Budha, Dailekh	Kopila Valley Sewa Samaj	Sainamaina Municipality, Rupendehi
Birendranagar Sunchadi Byabasayi, Surkhet	Kumari Trust Kathmandu	Sainamaina Yuba Redcross, Rupendehi
BlinkNow	Laxmi Sunrise Bank	Sakkal Agro Group, Lalitpur
Blue Horse Entertainment	Li- Bird Green Karnali Project	Samaj Kalyan Parishad, Lalitpur
BMZ AA	Lim Chai Lin Malaysia	Sambriddha Karnali ko hamro Chahana, Rukum West

Botechaur Bajar Byabasthapan Kendra, Surkhet	Lions Club	Sana Byabasaya Pramarsha tatha Talim Kendra
Botechaur Bajar Byabasthapan Samiti, Surkhet	Lions Club International B25N Nepalgunj	Sanakishan Bikash Bank
Butwal Sub Metropolitan City	Lions Club of Butwal Center	Sanakishan Bikash Laghubitta Sanstha Limited
Butwal Sub Municipality	Lions Club of Tulsipur Ishan	Sanga-sangai Nepal, Kanchanpur
CARE	Lumanti	Sani Bheri Water and Food Production
Caritas	Lumbini Medical College and Teaching Hospital	Sanskar Academy
CBM	Lumbini Sanskritik Municipality, Rupendehi	Sarada Municipality, Salyan
CCR-Karnali	Lutheran World Federation	Satyabachana Param Iswariya Marga Darshan, Kathmandu
CECI	Lutheran World Relief	Save the Children
Central College, Kathmandu	Luxemburg Government	SCI
CG group	Madhya Paschimanchal Truck and Tractor Byabasayi Sangh	Scout Nepal
Chandra Surya Cloth Store, Surkhet	Makawanpur Udhyog Banijya Sangh	SDG Global
Chaurjahari Hospital	Malika Rural Municipality, Gulmi	Shanti Nepal
Chemicals and Medical Suppliers, Dang	Mama Bhanja Hardware, Sanibheri, Rukum West	Shining Hospital INF Nepal
Chhitaram Smriti Pratisthan, Nalagad	Manab Adhikar Tatha Shanti Samaj, Surkhet	Siddharth Business Group
China Aid	Manab Bikash Samudayik Sewa	Siddhartha Municipality
Chitwan Automobile Association	Manab Bikash Tatha Samudayik Sewa	Siddhartha Municipality, Rupandehi
CIMOs	Marwadi Sewa Samaj	Siddhartha Premiere Insurance Limited
CMC Nepal	Medecins du Monde	Silpi Samaj Nepal, Lalitpur
CRS	Meheelkuna Bajar Byabasthapan Samiti, Surkhet	Sipradiyan Sahayata Sangh
DANIDA	Mercy Corps	Sipradiyan Sahayata Sanstha, Kathmandu
DAO, Dang, Ghorahi	Mid-West University	Siyari Rural Municipality, Rupendehi
DAO, Kaski	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Luxemberg	SOS
DCA	Ministry of Internal Affairs and Law, Surkhet	SOSEC

DDMC, Baglung	Ministry of Physical Infrastructure Development, Karnali province	SPA
DDMC, Banke	Mission East	START Fund
DDMC, Rukum East	Municipal Hospital Nalagad	Suddhadhan Municipality
DFID	Mutu Foundation	Sudur Paschim Scout Cloths Bank, Kailali
Dharmakata Byabasthapan Samiti, Hetauda	NBCC, Laitpur	Sundar Dhoka Sathi Sewa, Lalitpur
Dhorpatan Udhog Badhiya Sangh	NDRRMA	Surkhet Udhog Niresanalaya
Dhurbatara Baal Bikash Samaj	NECO Insurance	Surya Nepal Pvt. Ltd.
District Hospital, Khalanga, Jajarkot	NEEDS Nepal	Swarga Pabitra Satya Sundar Samaj Nepal, Kathmandu
District Hospital, Musikot, Rukum West	Nepal Bidhyarthi Sangh Kendriya Samiti	Swiss Embassy
DPNet Nepal	Nepal Christian Relief Fund	Tarangini Mahila Adhikar Prashikshen Kendra
Ekal Mahila Jilla Sanjal, Rukum West	Nepal Communist Party	TDH Foundation
ENRUDEC	Nepal Graman Purna Nirman Organization	Tear fund
Environment and Rural Development Center	Nepal Gramin Punarnirman Sanstha	Terms des hommes
ESCON	Nepal Jadibuti Byabasayik Sangh	Thakur Baba Rural Municipality
Everest Fuji Society	Nepal Life Insurance	The Nepal Distilleries Pvt. Ltd
Everst Club Dailekh	Nepal Najareth Society Naba Jyoti Kendra, Surkhet	Tilotama Municipality, Lumbini
Fairmade Foundation Nepal	Nepal National Engineering Union, Surkhet	TPO
FAIRMED HQ	Nepal Nijamati Karmachari Sangh, Surkhet	Transformation Nepal, Bhaktpur
FCA	Nepal Paropakari Samaj	Triangle Génération Humanitaire (TGH)
FCA Disaster Fund	Nepal Pharmacy Sangh	Tulsipur Jaycees
Federation of Nepal Gold and Silver Dealers Association	Nepal Rastriya Karmachari Sangathan, Karnali Province	Udhog Banijya Mahasangh
Feminist Dalit Organization (FEDO)	Nepal Red Cross Society (NRCS)	UML Maoist Central Valley special Task committee
FGTCHURCH Nepal	Nepal Satgun Tatha Naitik Samaj, Kathmandu	UNFAO
FHI 360 Nepal	Nepal Satgun Tatha Naitik Samaj, Tulsipur	UNHCR
Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission (FELM)	Nepal Students Union District Committee	UNICEF
Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)	Nepal Telecom	Unilever Nepal
German Embassy	Nepal Trade Union Congress	United Academy, Lalitpur

GIZ	Nepal Udhyog Baniija Mahasangh	USAID
Global Peace Foundation (GPF)	Nepal Upakar Sanstha	VG Foundation, Thapathali
Good Neighbors International Nepal	Nepalgunj Muslim Samaj Nepal	Volunteer Corps Nepal
Golden Horizon Academy, Kathmandu	Nepalgunj Neuro Hospital	Wash Nepal, Jajarkot
Green Foundation	Nestle India	Water Aid
Gulariya Municipality	NFDN	WHH
Habitat for Humanity Nepal	NLIC	WHO
Habitat Nepal	NRN	WHR Kathmandu
Hami Nepali	NRNA	Women for Human Right Single Women Group Surkhet
Handicap International	NRNA NCC Wisconsin	WOREC
HCRC Hospital	Nyayadhis Shrimati Sangh, Kathmandu	World Federation of Orthodontists (WFO)
HDC Nepal	OHW	World Food Programme (WFP)
HEAL Nepal	Omsatiya Rural Municipality	World Link Communication
Help Nepal Network	One Heart Worldwide	WVI
Helping Hand for Relief Development KTM	Oxfam	YARCN
Helping Heart	Pahadi Khsetra Bikash Abhiyaan	Yeti Brewery
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