

## Countrywide overview, 22 July 2004

### Overall situation

Floods and landslides set off by the unusual heavy rains, starting on 13 July, caused considerable damage to infrastructure and livelihoods throughout Tajikistan. The water supply system in the capital city, Dushanbe was damaged and more than 50% of the city population was left without drinking water. The only road connecting the capital with the northern city of Khujand was damaged in many parts. The government initially estimates the damages to amount to about US\$ 2.5 mln, but as this figure refers exclusively to the Varzob area, it is very likely to be understated. The government is still working on an official damage and needs assessment.

### Dushanbe water supply

Drinking water and the potential for an outbreak of infectious disease remain the key challenges in the city. See other reports on the [www.untj.org](http://www.untj.org) website for more on current needs and responses.

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### Varzob district

#### **In general:**

The rains continued on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of July, and have caused further damage to infrastructure, mainly roads, bridges, water and electricity supply systems. Badly hit areas are around Hushyori and Takob. An emergency office, headed by the Deputy Prime Minister has been established. All relevant ministries and government departments have been mobilized to deal with the effects of the disaster. Government efforts have been mainly focused on protecting the roads and bridges and re-opening the roads. Some villages have had to find alternative sources for drinking water as the Varzob river still remains muddy and polluted. The Centrospas (the specialized rescue team of MoES) were also mobilized involved in much of the recovery work.

#### **Details:**

More than 100 livestock lost in Ziddi, Takob, Dehmalik and Varzob-Qala jamoats

More than 50 ha of gardens, kitchen gardens, and cropland washed by the flows

About 10 km of roads have been damaged in total in Varzob District;

**Hushyori village:** 1 main road bridge damaged (partly restored now), water and electricity supply damaged (electricity is being restored by Barki Tojik); first aid tent by RCST from 14 until 17 July assisted 145 people;

1 bridge connecting Takob with Dehmalik village destroyed;

Dehmalik Jamoat: 6 villages affected

Varzob Kala Jamoat: 2 bridges affected

**Dehmalik village:** 600 meters of road, 1 bridge, riverbank reinforcement,

**Pichandar village:** 400 meters of road, 1 bridge, 60 meters of riverbank reinforcement

**Khoja obi Garm area:** 3 km of road, 1 bridge (bridge partly repaired now)

**Ziddi Jamoat, Kalon village:** 30 houses damaged,

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### **Sughd region**

#### **Adrasmon Jamoat, Kairokum District**

14 July, floods & mudflows in Adrasmon Jamoat. The Jamoat is located in mountainous area with the population of 12, 870 (75% are Uzbeks) that are 2, 447 households. The floods have mainly affected the Jamoat center, which has a population of over 2000 people. The list of the vulnerable families has already been provided by the chairman of the Jamoat. Overview of other damage caused by the flooding:

- 30 houses were affected;
- 12.6 km of road affected;
- nearly 2.5 km of road is completely destroyed and filled by mud stones. Another 10 km of road is partly affected;
- 6 bridges destroyed (3 of them partly affected). Three villages (2.500 people) remained cut from the center of Jamoat for the use of transport facilities, and therefore move on foot;
- 1 km of drinking water pipeline system is partly destroyed (500 families lost access to drinking water);
- 500 m of sewerage system is destroyed (all the wells are filled by mud and stones). Over 600 people lost access to the system;
- power transformer, which was not properly protected and covered, burnt out as a result of hail (5-6 streets remained without electricity for the last 3-4 days);
- the flats of a first floor and the basement of 10 blocks of flats are filled by hail and mud;
- 110 courtyards were flooded;
- 452 out of 780 existing sheep and goats were killed;
- 13 households (60 people) lost food stocks;
- over 100 gardens were affected;
- there is a high risk of infectious diseases outbreak as the drinking water is polluted by sewerage waste and remains of the killed animals;
- initial damage estimates – 331, 300 somoni.

The mainly affected streets are: Guliston, Temurmaliq, Rozi Ozod, and Gorkiy.

Emergency office established at the Jamoat building. The representatives of local SES and medical workers visit all the houses around to access the needs and to conduct preventive measures.

#### **Actions taken**

- people are making “khashars” to rehabilitate roads, cleaning wells;
- 4 trailers of killed animals is buried;
- 110 animals saved;
- the troops from the Ministry of Emergency (unit 45025 Kayrokkum) are attracted to the zone for rehabilitation and cleaning works;
- IFRC and WFP sent assessment teams. IFRC has provided 14 families with mattresses and blankets;

Jamoat provided UNDP with the list of suffered people with addresses and description of the lost.

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#### **Spitamen district (former Ghonchi)**

15 July, floods in **Uljaboev, Sattorov, Andarsoy, Ahmadaliev Jamoats:**

- 12km of road destroyed;
- Water supply partially damaged;
- Bridges partially damaged;
- 105 ha of agricultural fields affected.

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### **Bobojon Gafurov district, Kuruksoy Village, Jamoat Kholmatiyon**

17 July, floods:

- 2 years old girl have been lost during mudflow and her corps has not been found yet;
- 4 houses have been fully destroyed, 7 houses partially;
- 42 small cattle, 8 cattle were washed away;
- 2,5 km of electric lines and 27 electricity polls was damaged, 1 km of them was totally broken.
- 7 kms of road.

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18 July **in Asht district**, mudflow channel in **Kamish Kurgan Jamoat** was full of water after heavy rains and it damaged main road from Khujand to Shaydan Jamoat.

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### **Zerafshan Valley**

**Jamoat Urmetan:** Mudflow covered 4-5 ha. of agricultural land (wheat, tobacco), partially damaged the irrigation channel;

**Jamoat Khushekat:** Irrigation channel damaged, mudflow covered orchard, fields with crops, roads damaged (diesel is needed);

**Veshab:** Road damaged (diesel is needed);

**Madm:** Irrigation channel and roads damaged;  
**Pishanza:** 16 private households were affected by mudflow;  
**Darg:** Irrigation channel damaged.

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### **Penjikent**

12 July, floods in **Khurmi settlement**:

- Bridges affected, 20 ha of land destroyed;
- Zaravshan river threatens to destroy bridge linking Penjikent town with three villages.

Last month: 100 ha of area under crop in villages Surhob and Khumri were flooded; river bank constructions were damaged.

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### **Direct Rule Districts**

#### **Nurobod Rayon (former Darband)**

13-15 July, floods in **Mujikharf Jamoat**:

- 1 person died
- 2 bridges, 8km of road destroyed
- 200 livestock killed

Samsolik, Yakhakpast, Hakimi, Komsomolobod Jamoats – 17 km of road destroyed

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#### **Tavildara**

Tavildara roads partly damaged, now restored.

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### **GBAO**

#### **In general**

Strong winds swept through Khorog, the capital of Gorno Badakhshan Autonomous Oblast on the 13<sup>th</sup> damaging roofs of public and private buildings, seriously damaging electricity and communication lines. Khorog airport is temporarily closed as a result of winds severely damaging the airport communications system.

The main road connecting Dushanbe and Khorog was temporarily closed as a result of floods damaging a 0.5km stretch of the road in the Saghirdasht area.

#### **Details:**

- Roofs of public and private buildings, electricity and communication lines destroyed. Khorog airport was temporarily closed;
- Floods on 15 July - 0.5km of road Dushanbe and Khorog in the Dashti Sher location of Saghirdasht (Kalai Khumb Rayon) damaged, road temporarily closed;

- 18 houses in Khorog-city district have been seriously damaged.

**Ishkashim district, Yamg village**

12 July – Pyanj river affected:

- 8 houses partly damaged;
- 1 km irrigation channel damaged;

**Darvaz district, Poshkharf Village**

- 500 meters of road at Pachkhav (349<sup>th</sup> km of Dush- Khorog road), road was closed, but now temporarily open

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