# Overview of Disasters in Tajikistan 20-21 February 2012

# Heavy snowfalls and storm

Heavy snowfalls from 20-21 February, 2012 have resulted in snow avalanches in some districts of the country as well as snow storms damaging a number of houses and social buildings in southern parts of the country. The below information has been received from the Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense:

#### Khatlon region:

## Nosiri Khisrav district, DRS 20-21 February 2012

As a result of strong wind storms and heavy snowfalls in Jamoat of Firuza of Nosiri Khisrav district, the roofs of 70 residential houses, House of Culture and a local hospital have been blown off. 30 meters of main wall of the Committee of State Safety building has been partially damaged.

A snow storm blew off roofs of 20 residential houses and damaged in total 300 meters of walls in Istiklol Jamoat of Nosiri Khisrav district. Low temperature and severe weather conditions killed 30 cows and sheep of the local population.

Roofs of Jamoat building and 15 residential houses were blown off as a result of the strong snow storm in Jamoat Komsomol of Nosiri Khisrav district.

## GBAO:

## Dushanbe – Khorog Highway, GBAO, 20-21 February 2012

Heavy snowfalls triggered avalanches and blocked the Dushanbe – Khorog road on 567<sup>th</sup> km (Pastfuh Jamoat) and at 574<sup>th</sup> km (Sinslahi Jamoat) of Rushan district.

Khorog – Murghab Highway, GBAO, 20-21 February 2012

Heavy snowfalls limited traffic capacity of the road in jamoats of Shtam, Vuj and Vankalai of Shugnan district.

Khorog – Ishkoshim Highway, GBAO, 20-21 February 2012

Heavy snowfalls triggered avalanches and blocked the road between Khorug – Ishkoshim at 31<sup>st</sup> km. Road cleaning is in progress, heavy machinery has been deployed to the site by local authorities.

#### Sughd region:

#### Ayni district of Sughd region, 21 February 2012

Avalanches occurred as a result of heavy snowfalls trapped and killed 12 yaks (grunting ox) in Jamoat of Anzob of Ayni district.

#### **Districts of Republican Subordination:**

#### Varzob district, DRS 20-21 February 2012

As a result of heavy snowfalls on 20-21 of February 2012, an avalanche occurred and blocked the road connecting Dushanbe with the northern Sughd province at 41<sup>st</sup> -48<sup>th</sup> and 71<sup>st</sup> km. CoES has deployed four heavy machinery to clean the snow off the road.

A heavy truck "DULAN" has been trapped by the avalanche at the 71<sup>st</sup> km. of the road Dushanbe – Khujand. Body of the 46-year-old Nurali Boboev, driver of the truck, was found dead by the CoES rescuers operating on the site. The body has been handed over to the relatives.

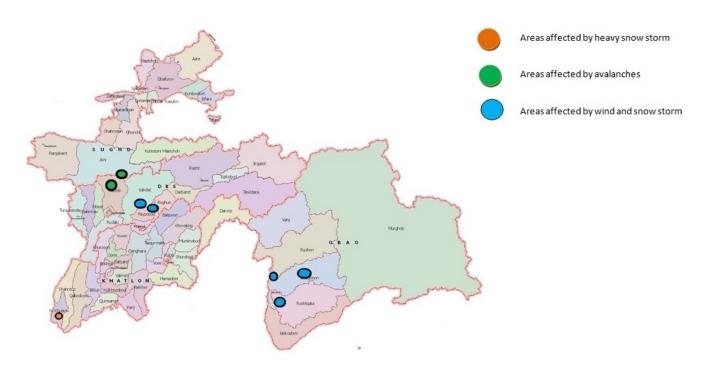
# Vahdat district, DRS 20-21 February 2012

Heavy rain and snowfalls have been observed on the roads of Vahdat, Nurek and Romit districts. CoES has deployed four units of heavy machinery to clean the highway from the snow.

#### Fayzabad district, DRS 20-21 February 2012

Heavy rain and snowfalls have been observed in Chashmazor, Qalai Dasht and Miskinobod jamoats. Presently, travelling to and between the jamoats is challenging. Four trucks were sent to the site to clean the roads from the snow.

# February 2012 Disaster Map



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