

Situation Report #1

Impact of Earthquake in Vanj district of GBAO, Tajikistan

Assessment date/time: 03 January 2010, 8:00-18:00;
Location(s) impacted/assessed: GBAO, Vanj district, Vanj and Yazgulom sub-districts
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I. Situation Overview

On January 2, 2010 at around 7:15 am there was an earthquake with the magnitude of 5.3 in GBAO. The epicenter of the earthquake was close to Vanj district of GBAO. Significantly negative has been the impact on five villages of the Vanj sub-district (Uskrogh, Paishanbeobod, Gishkhun, Dashtirogh, Rokharv) and Jamak village of Yazgulom jamoat. Additionally Andarbak, Budun, Motravn, Vishkharv, Dashti Yazgulom and Zaich villages of Yazgulom sub-district of Vanj district has also been affected by earthquake, where houses got damaged partially.

According to the preliminary data provided by the assessment team comprising of Local Authorities, Regional CoES and FOCUS around 921 houses (6145 people) have been impacted negatively. 98 household (619 people) are destroyed to the extent of being unsuitable for living. 921 houses (5526 people) are partially affected and are in need of repair. The extent of the damage to the livestock and belongings of the people is still not clear and will be determined in a day or two.

The earthquake has also partially impacted other buildings in the centre of Vanj like polyclinic, secondary school in Rog village, tax department building, the building of the department of culture, music school, building of Amonatbank and the government building.

So far, no deaths or injuries have been reported in the district.

No aid to the population, inclusive of food aid to the displaced population has been provided yet.

II. Damage Information

#	Objects affected	Quantity	Unit	Comments (location)
1	Damaged houses	98	house	Preliminary left in unlivable conditions
2	Partially damaged houses	921	house	In need of repair
3	Affected population	~6145	people	The population of impacted households of two sub districts (12 villages) affected.
4	Affected-displaced population	~619	people	Displaced temporarily to live with relatives and neighbors
5	Tax department building, polyclinic, Amonatbank, government buildings, schools	7	buildings	Damaged but operational

Immediate Needs/Support requested

Food aid	Non-Food Items and Shelter: - Family winter tents for the displaced households ;
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