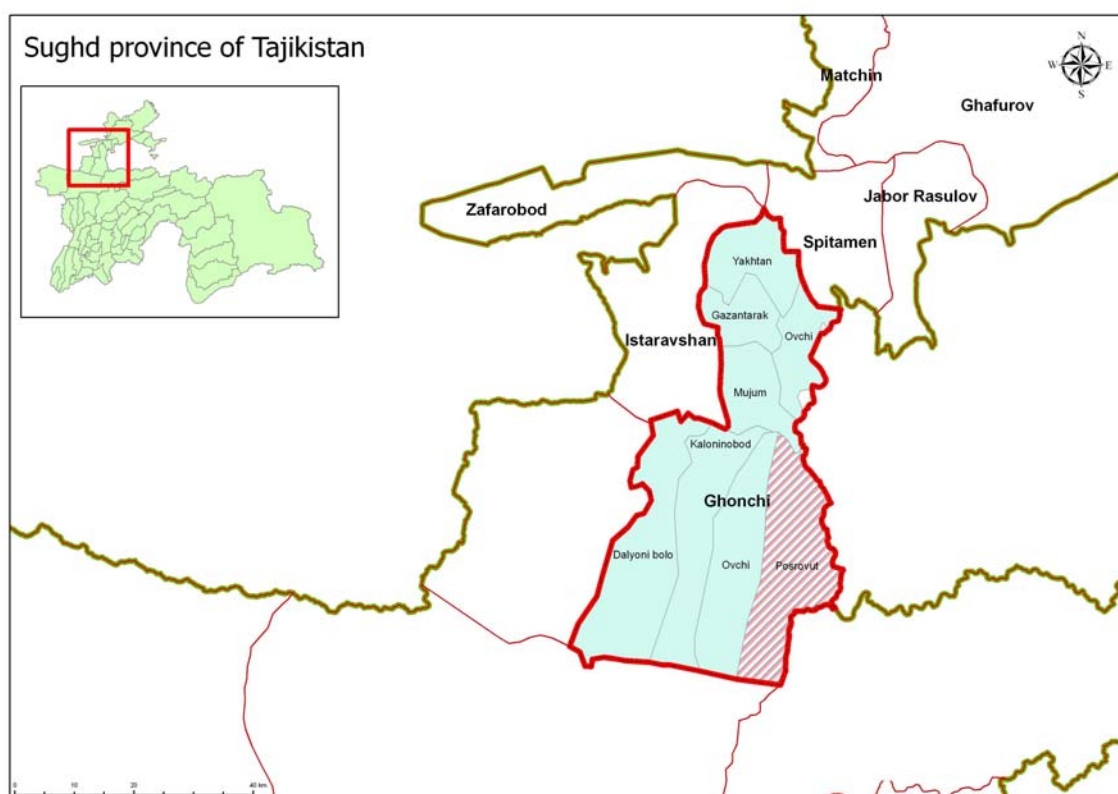


Mudflow in Ghonchi district, Sughd province Tajikistan

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Situation overview

As a result of heavy rains, at 14.15 on May 5, 2010 mudflow occurred in the village Khushekat, Jamoat Rasrovud, Ghonchi district of Sughd province with the total population of around 3000 people (~ 700 households). According to preliminary information provided by representatives of Red Crescent Society of Tajikistan (RCST) and Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence (CoES) mudflow totally destroyed 16 houses (~ 80 individuals), building of community mosque, library and partially damaged another 60 houses (~ 300 individuals). Inhabitants of the totally destroyed houses are currently hosted by relatives and neighbours. At the time of mudflow around 30 individuals were located at the mudflow origin area and were evacuated by members of Local Disaster Committee (established and trained with the support of RCST). It is currently reported that mud stream is still moving.

Mudflow damaged 3,5 km of water supply lines and currently access to clean drinking water in the village is restricted. As an alternative source of drinking water, population is using small river located 3 km away from village. In addition, electricity supply lines have been damaged and currently no electricity is available in the village. Mudflow destroyed crops on 3,5 ha of kitchen gardens and another 0,7 ha of gardens. Mudflow has flooded the basements and other subsidiary premises of the affected houses, where the main food stock of the households was stored.

The State Commission of Emergency Situations of Ghonchi district has been activated for damage assessment and coordination of response measures.

Damage information

#	Description	Quantity	Unit	Comments
1	Fully destroyed houses	16	house	~ 80 people
2	Partially damaged houses	~60	house	~ 300 people
3	Local community mosque	1	building	Fully destroyed
4	Local library	1	building	Fully destroyed
5	Water supply lines	3,5	km	No drinking water in village
6	Electricity supply lines	n/a	km	No electricity supply in village
7	Cultivated land	3,5	ha	Kitchen gardens
8	Gardens	0,7	ha	
9	Bridge	1	pcs	Connecting two parts of the village

Needs Information

According to preliminary information provided by RCST, affected population needs:

- tents (for households left homeless);
- basic households items (bed linens, clothing, kitchen sets and etc);
- hand tools (for cleaning of the houses);
- basic food items.

Response provided

Up to the present time no assistance to the population has been provided. The regional REACT Group in Sughd (Khujand) will conduct a rapid damage and needs assessment at the affected area, tomorrow on May 6, 2010.

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