

**UNDP Kenya Request for BCPR Funding  
Emergency Response to Flooding in Kenya**

**Emergency Disaster and Coordination Preparedness  
Under Trac 3 category II**

Date of Submission: 12 January 2010

Country: Kenya

Project Title: Enhanced Capacity for Recovery from Floods in Kenya.

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Linkage to UNDAF Outcome 2.2 Measurably reduced risks and consequences of conflict and natural disasters.

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Total Project Budget: USD 100,000

Amount Funded by Country Office: Non applicable

Amount Requested from BCPR: US \$ 100,000

Expected Project Duration: January to June 2010 (6 months)

Executing Agent: UNDP

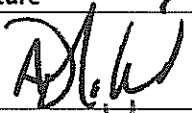


Implementing Partner(s): Ministry of State for Special Programmes, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid lands, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Livestock and Ministry of State for Provincial Administration

**Proposal Summary:  
Background and context**

Heavy rainfall between end of December 2009 and beginning of January 2010, attributed to the El Nino phenomenon has caused massive flooding in Northern, Central and Western Kenya. 20 districts in the country have been affected by the floods resulting in loss of lives and property. Thousands of people have been displaced and many more are at risk if the heavy rains continue.

Reports indicate that between December 2009 and 5 January 2010, 21 people have been confirmed dead from consequences of heavy downpour. Some 50,000 people displaced, 8,429 households destroyed and 4,838 livestock have been lost. Infrastructures including roads, bridges, schools, health facilities as well as irrigation schemes have also been damaged in the first wave of flooding. Crops in the fields have been destroyed although the full extent of this is yet to be determined. Turkana in Northern Kenya is the hardest hit district, with some 20,000 persons affected and about 10,000 left without shelter.

Weather forecasts indicate a continuation of heavy rains across Kenya and Tanzania which may exacerbate flooding conditions. Heavy rains in parts of Tanzania have been reported to cause floods in Kenya's Taveta region.

		Signature	Date
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## **Justification.**

Although the El Nino rains were predicted by the Kenya Meteorological Department in mid 2009, many households were not able to prepare adequately for the negative effects of the excess rains. The continued heavy rains which pounded parts of the country in December 2009 and January 2010 have therefore caused massive destructions and loss of lives.

Food security and livelihoods in the affected communities is compromised as farms have been submerged: rice which were about to be harvested is rotting either in the fields or in make shift stores due to heavy rains, maize fields and other crops have been destroyed and stores swept away. Pastoralist communities have lost their livestock and fishing communities their fishing equipment and means of livelihood. Irrigation schemes in Turkana district have been completely destroyed by the floods. The situation has been exacerbated by damaged roads and bridges, which have constrained access to areas needing assistance. Most of the affected communities are just coming out of a drought period which seriously impacted the household food security as well as the national grain reserve.

The floods have also heightened concerns of possible disease outbreaks. In December, Turkana district and other parts of the country faced an unprecedented cholera outbreak. With the floods and stagnant water, there might be a second wave of cholera disease and other water borne diseases. There is therefore an urgent and immediate need to respond and address the current flood situation in the country.

The intensity and amount of rains received within the last few days could be a pointer to impacts of climate variations. Many districts that are not normally impacted by floods have been affected, a situation that has been exacerbated by land degradation and deforestation.

Several agencies and partners have already started life saving humanitarian interventions. However, the impact of this disaster is widespread and hence the government has appealed for additional humanitarian support in terms of food, and non food items to support the victims. There is also need for an assessment to determine the full impact of the floods as well as map out early recovery response initiatives to restore livelihoods.

This proposal seeks US\$100,000 to allow UNDP and OCHA provide the needed support for government to effectively respond to the emergency. The proposed project seeks to:

- Strengthen the coordination role of the Government in the response initiatives across the country
- Enhance the capacity of the Government to conduct assessment on the impact of the floods and identify early recovery response activities.
- Develop a continued recovery program proposal beyond the initial 6 months period.

**RESULTS AND RESOURCE FRAMEWORK, January 2010 – June 2010**

**Project Title: Enhanced Capacity for response to Floods in Kenya.**

Expected Output	Key Activities	Timeframe				Responsible Party	Budget Description	Amount
		Q 1	Q 2	Q 3	Q 4			
1. Enhanced capacity for coordinated Early Recovery Response	1.1 Assessment	x				UNDP and OCHA in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land and Ministry of State for Provincial Administration	National consultant. Professional services including the cost for meetings, communication and local travel costs	50,000
	1.2 Coordination	x				UNDP and OCHA in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land and Ministry of State for Provincial Administration	Cost for meetings, at provincial and district level, communication and local travel.	30,000
	1.3 Proposal development for further response.	x				UNDP and OCHA in support of Ministry of Special Programme, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Northern Kenya and other Arid Land and Ministry of State for Provincial Administration	National Consultant. Cost for stakeholder consultation and communication. Cost for proposal development for early recovery and risk reduction	20,000
<b>Total</b>								<b>USD\$100,000</b>