



Rasuwa Flood Response 2026

Situation Update 13

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Situation Update

One month after the devastating flash flood, thousands of people remain displaced, and uncertainty remains about the future. The flood response has entered a longer-term relief and early recovery phase, while search and rescue efforts continue in parallel with initiatives to restore access, basic services, and support for displaced and affected families. According to the latest update from the NDRRMA, 1,455 people have lost their lives, 5,285 remain missing, 13,795 have been rescued. To date, authorities have identified and handed over 112 bodies to their families. Currently, 1,085 people are taking shelter in 17 holding centers across Rasuwa, Nuwakot, and Dhading districts, including 843 people in 9 centers in Rasuwa, 121 people in 4 centers in Nuwakot, and 121 people in 4 centers in Dhading. Recognizing the need for greater flexibility and dignity among displaced families, the Government of Nepal will provide monthly cash assistance to those who choose not to stay in holding centers. The support will help cover accommodation and livelihood expenses for up to six months, or until alternative housing is arranged. Each family who do not wish to stay in holding centers and until alternative housing arrangement will receive NPR 15,000 per month for families up to four members, with an additional NPR 2,000 per month for every family member beyond four, enabling families to make decisions that best suit their circumstances during recovery.

On 11 October 2026, a flash flood in the Budhi Gandaki River, triggered by the breach of a river blockage near Chumling, caused widespread damage in Gorkha and Dhading districts. The flood destroyed bridges, roads, hydropower facilities, and homes, displacing families, while NRCS mobilized staff and volunteers for early warning and response activities.

Key Achievements

TOTAL VOLUNTEER MOBILIZATION: 1,471 volunteers mobilized



SHELTER

Total People reached: 7,046

TARPAULIN: 1,135 pcs

MATTRESS: 962 pcs

BLANKET: 1,580 pcs

Tent: 35 pcs



CASH AND VOUCHER ASSISTANCE (CVA)

MPC: 2,173 HHs



PROTECTION, GENDER AND INCLUSION (PGI)

CFS: 33 CFS reaching 1,884 people

DIGNITY KIT: 839 kits



HEALTH

RCEC: 1,535 people reached
MHPSS/PFA: 1,782 people reached
Health awareness /ECV mobilization:
2,094 people reached



RESTORING FAMILY LINKS (RFL)

DEAD BODY BAG: 1,930 dispatched

Tracing cases registered:
2,291 cases

RFL HELP DESK: 5



WATER SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

WATER TANK /INFRASTRUCTURE INSTALLED: 23 reaching 13,907 people

EMERGENCY TOILET: 9 toilets constructed

HYGIENE KIT: 1,117 kits



FOOD ASSISTANCE

READY TO EAT FOOD (RTEF): 2,316 people reached

15,918 kg total food dispatched by Heli

**Rice: 9,725 kg, Pulses (Dal) : 450 kg
Oil: 439 Ltr, Salt: 270 kg**



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY (CEA)

1,802 feedback received and responded (through hotline, face to face, NRCS social media pages)

HELP DESK: 15 across 5 districts reaching 950 people with information

SMS to MPC Beneficiary: 830

Health

- 2,094 community people reached through health promotion/awareness through mobilization of Epidemic Control Volunteers (ECV) in Nuwakot
- Altogether, 82 people, including 43 females, were reached through ambulance services in Nuwakot from Sept 10 to Oct 10, 2026
- As reported by the District Health Office, volunteers were mobilized to conduct disease surveillance at various temporary shelter camps. Only two cases of fever and cough were reported.
- As informed by the Epidemiology and Disease Control Division (EDCD) in coordination with District Health Office, volunteers were mobilized at various temporary shelter camps to conduct disease surveillance and collect data on pregnant women, including their antenatal care (ANC) visits. Only two cases of fever and cough were reported.
- 29 staff and volunteers, FCHVs participated in self-care and stress management sessions
- **PFA/MHPSS:** 1,782 people supported across Nuwakot, Rasuwa, Chitwan and Kathmandu reported concerns include anxiety, sleep difficulty, emotional distress, substance use, guilt, and livelihood uncertainty
- Family Wellbeing and Need Assessment ongoing in holding centers at Kathmandu and Nuwakot
- **RCEC (Nuwakot):** As of 2nd October 2026, 1,535 people (628 male and 907 female) received the health services from the RCEC operating in Nuwakot. Among them 59 received the MHPSS/PFA service and till now 47 cases have been referred including the cases related to uncontrolled DM, ECG, Urine R/ME and ANC for USG
- **OCV Campaign and Surveillance:** NRCS volunteers supporting Government-led Oral Cholera Vaccination and health surveillance at holding center in Bidur, Nuwakot. Recently 1,191 students reached with OCV vaccination in Nuwakot.



Photo: Volunteers delivering MHPSS/PFA service



The Department of Urban Development and Building Construction (DUDBC) and the Nepal Red Cross Society have signed an agreement to strengthen coordination in providing safe temporary shelter and housing support to families affected and displaced by the Rasuwa Bhotekoshi floods. (left).

NRCS will facilitate the provision of **temporary shelter assistance, communal accommodation, and essential site infrastructure services** for affected households. The agreement was signed by Dilip Bhandari, Director General of the Department of Urban Development and Building Construction, and Rishiraman Khanal, Secretary General of NRCS, in the presence of NRCS chairperson Dr. Bishal Kumar Bhandari, IFRC Nepal Head David Fisher, and other officials.

NRCS and Bidur Municipality signed a partnership agreement to support communities affected by the Rasuwa–Bhotekoshi flood (right)

- Water storage tank/infrastructure installed: 23 water storage tanks installed and operational, reaching 13,283 people.
- 3 rehabilitation/support actions completed reaching 1,451 people
- A total of 118 people, including 86 women, were reached through seven hygiene promotion sessions at different temporary shelter camps jointly with the ERU team.
- 25 volunteers trained on Two-days Induction training
- 60 eco-friendly dustbins are distributed across holding centers in Dhading and Rasuwa.
- 4 hand washing station in Dhading, 4 bathing facilities
- 9 toilets constructed by NRCS that supports
 - 285 people in the Dhading holding center through 4 latrine
 - Three toilets out of 10 toilets have been installed at Kodobari temporary shelter site.
 - Two temporary toilets, a 1,000-litre water tank, and a waiting area installed at Devighat tuin management.
- Water supply scheme completed at Galaudi Holding Centre, Gajuri-5, Dhading.
- Water quality test at holding center at Gajauri-5, Galaudi and the test shows the water is safe for drinking
- Hygiene promotion: IEC materials on water purification & measles prevention displayed at holding centers, reaching 193 people
- Water tankers of NRCS distribute emergency water supply services in Nuwakot and Dhading.



Photo: NRCS supports reconstruction and repair of water supply system in flood affected area

Shelter

- To strengthen fire safety at the Ratamate and Galaudi holding centers, the NRCS Dhading District Chapter installed 10 fire extinguishers, including four for each holding center. The extinguishers were placed at visible and easily accessible locations, and residents and volunteers were oriented to their location and proper use to enhance preparedness and reduce fire risks.
- NRCS Rasuwa is regularly supporting the operation of three Tuin crossing points in Uttargaya, Gosaikunda (Syafrubesi), and Aamachhodingmo (Haku Bensi). Around 800 people were benefited daily.
- In Nuwakot: NRCS has installed a tent and provided water facilities at Gumba Dada, Bidur M-5, to support Tamang families visiting the area to perform a memorial ceremony.
- Debris Clearance: Two JCBs have been mobilized to clear drainage channels and the playground in Bidur Municipality– Gerkhutar temple debris clearance work and 64 Dham (jalpa development protection committee) debris clearance work has been initiated.
- 41 individuals have been mobilized for debris clearance activities under the Cash-for-Work activity in Thulogaun Temporary shelter camp, Kodobari Shelter camp 3.
- Debris clearance at the drainage channels and playground has been completed at Bidur Municipality–3 Jhiltung Sub-Chapter
- Debris clearance completed in 31 HHs, and a temple in Galchhi and 6 HHs and 2 public places (community building and temple) in Gajuri Rural Municipality



Photo: NRCS Dhading oriented people at holding center on Fire safety

CVA

- A total of 2,173 HHs (1,093 HHs in Nuwakot, 578 in Dhading and 508 in Rasuwa) received Multipurpose Cash support as of 15 October 2026.
- Exit survey conducted to understand the satisfaction level and feedback from beneficiaries on CVA process and sample surveyed beneficiary were found to be satisfied

RFL

- 2,291 missing person tracing requests registered through RFL; tracing ongoing across hospitals, shelters, and affected areas.
- Help Desks operational in Rasuwa, Chitwan, Nuwakot, Kaski, and Nawalparasi East supporting missing person data collection, family reconnection, phone services, and DNA sample collection.
- 16 Vulnerable Separated Children (VSCs) registered in Nuwakot



Photo: Beneficiary after receiving the cash

PGI

- 33 CFS established reaching 1,884 childrens Child-Friendly Spaces (CFS), delivering health, education, and other child-focused support holding centers.
- 839 dignity kit distributed
- Peer to peer, child to child learning session and pottery session conducted to engage the children at CFS
- Support to national Child council to establish Children temporary Centre at Thecho.
- Nepal Red Cross Society and the Ministry of Women, Children, Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities have signed an agreement under the Samunnati Programme to provide NPR 100,000 per eligible family affected by the Rasuwa-Bhotekoshi floods.
- 220 Baby Incentive Kit and 180 Bed Nets supported to local health post with an aim to promote safe motherhood practices, enhance neonatal care, and protect vulnerable mothers and newborns from vector-borne diseases, ultimately encouraging higher institutional delivery rates across the district.

CEA

- NRCS remains committed to listening to communities and turning their voices into action.
- 15 Help desk in place to provide information, collect feedback, and support referrals and community needs.
- 1,802 feedback received and responded (through hotline, face to face, NRCS social media pages)
- Health awareness messages on waterborne diseases are being disseminated through jingles to raise community awareness about safe drinking water, proper sanitation, handwashing, and the prevention of waterborne diseases.



Photo: Information dissemination through help desk



Photo: Child Friendly Space (CFS)



Photo: MPC Distribution