

Rasuwa Flood Response 2026

Situation Update 14

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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, 1,457 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, 417 people are taking shelter in 11 holding centers across Rasuwa, Nuwakot, and Dhading districts, including 229 people in 6 centers in Rasuwa, 67 people in 1 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.





A joint team from **NRCS, IFRC, and NDRRMA,** including Dr. Bishal Kumar Bhandari (NRCS Chairperson), Dr. Dharma Raj Upreti (NDRRMA Chief Executive), and David Fisher (IFRC Head of Delegation in Nepal) conducted field visits and meetings with district and local authorities in **Rasuwa and Nuwakot** to assess the flood situation, review the needs of affected communities, and strengthen response coordination. The mission monitored temporary shelters, holding centers, and community support services, while engaging with stakeholders on recovery

Health

- 2,094 community people reached through health promotion/awareness through mobilization of Epidemic Control Volunteers (ECV) in Nuwakot
- Following volunteer mobilization on disease surveillance at Bada Chautara, Post Bahadur, Chandra Jyoti, Kodobari, Baluwakhani, community building-Tupche and Colony, viral conjunctivitis cases were reported. Provided IEC materials for safety awareness at those camp sites.
- Altogether, 86 people, including 43 females, were reached through ambulance services in Nuwakot from Sept 10 to Oct 10, 2026
- 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 c oncerns include anxiety, sleep difficulty, emotional distress, substance use, guilt, and livelihood uncertainty
- Family Wellbeing and Need Assessment completed 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 collecting the data on Family Well Being and Need Assessment

WASH

- 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
- 11 toilets constructed by NRCS that support
  - 285 people in the Dhading holding center through 4 latrines
  - Five 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.
- Installed ROMA filter at Devighat Jestha nagarik protection and learning trust, ward no 5.
- One of three planned boreholes has been completed in Bidur
- Drilling at Chhabisi and Ratmate is ongoing.



Photo : Installation of ROMA filter

Shelter

- To overcome access constraints in remote flood-affected areas, NRCS utilized helicopter operations to deliver life-saving relief assistance. A total of 225 blankets and 100 kitchen utensil sets were transported to Aamachhodingmo Rural Municipality-1, Rasuwa, and handed over to local authorities for distribution to affected families.
- NRCS is undertaking a rental service provider assessment in Bidur Municipality, Nuwakot, to better understand housing availability, rental costs, living conditions, and challenges faced by flood-affected households. The assessment will generate evidence to support the planning and implementation of effective cash-for-rent assistance and housing recovery initiatives.
- Old age shelter construction is in progress in Nuwakot.
- 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 and
- 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 Municipcality



Photo: Rental Service Provider Assessment

CVA

- A total of 2,350 HHs (1,093 HHs in Nuwakot, 569 in Dhading and 688 in Rasuwa) received Multipurpose Cash support as of 28 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
- In Rasuwa with financial support from UNFPA, cash and voucher assistance was suported for 49 people: 27 pregnant women, 20 lactating mothers and 2 persons with disabilities (one male and one female). The support was intended to help meet care, maintenance, nutrition and medicine-related needs.
- An orientation on the implementation of the Housing and Livelihood Grant Distribution Procedure for Bhotekoshi Flood-Affected Households and the effective use of RMIS was conducted in Nuwakot. The session, attended by representatives from flood-affected local governments and wards, aimed to strengthen grant distribution processes and improve response data management. The program was organized by NDRRMA, coordinated by the District Administration Office, Nuwakot, with technical support from CRS Nepal and NRCS Nuwakot District Chapter.



Photo: Orientation for RMIS

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

PGI

- 32 CFS established reaching 1,537 childrens Child-Friendly Spaces (CFS), delivering health, education, and other child-focused support at various 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.
- 1,938 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.





A Mother's Hope Amid Loss

"When the Rasuwa-Bhotekoshi flood came, it took everything from us. Our home, land, and belongings were swept away within moments. But the hardest part was not knowing whether my 10-year-old daughter was alive. She was at school across the river, and I spent the entire time searching and praying for her safety. The next day, fortunately I got to reunite with my daughter with the support of local people who had rescued her and provided treatment for her injuries. Seeing her again brought me relief and strength, even though we had lost everything else.

Man Kumari Dhakal Nagarkoti, resident of Bhaise Bazar, Bidur Municipality-10 says, "With no home to return to, our family moved into temporary shelter and faced an uncertain future. The multipurpose cash assistance provided by the Nepal Red Cross Society and other organization helped us pay rent, buy food and clothing, cover transportation costs, and support my daughter's education. It gave us the flexibility to meet our most urgent needs and restored a sense of dignity during a very difficult time.

Life is still challenging, but I remain hopeful. My dream is to rebuild a safe home and create a better future for my children."

Support from the **Nepal Red Cross Society** through **multipurpose cash assistance** helped the family cover essential needs, including rent, food, clothing, transportation, and education expenses. More than financial relief, the **assistance restored a sense of dignity and hope during one of the most difficult times of their lives**.