Three months into the DEC Pakistan Floods response, members are delivering humanitarian assistance to vulnerable households, but significant needs remain.

From mid-June until the end of August 2022, Pakistan experienced record-breaking monsoon rainfall, leading to widespread and extensive flooding and landslides. The country received more than three times its usual rainfall in August, with the two most badly-affected provinces, Sindh and Balochistan, experiencing seven to eight times their usual monthly totals.

Several months on, despite the efforts of the Pakistan government and NGO responders, the situation remains desperate for millions of people. While floodwaters have started to recede, great swathes of land were still under water in December 2022, with millions of people still exposed to floodwaters or living close to flooded areas. Significant numbers of families remain displaced, most of them living with host communities, but many still in temporary shelters. Those returning to their villages find their homes damaged and their belongings destroyed, facing winter with no resources and no means of earning an income.

Operational challenges:
Access to affected communities remains a challenge, with many areas still submerged in flood water, and transport infrastructure and communication networks badly damaged. DEC member charities have adapted to the conditions: for example, severe disruption to access routes into several affected areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa meant that one member charity used boats to reach people in need. For the same reasons, affected people – particularly in remote and isolated locations – are often unable to travel to distribution points or to access health services. Member charities are using volunteers to deliver supplies direct to families who cannot reach distribution points, and set up mobile health units to take services direct to the communities that need them.
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In the first three months of the response, DEC member charities and their partners have provided the following support to flood affected households in Pakistan.

**65,500** households provided with shelter kits containing tents or tarpaulins and tools

**2,900** households provided with emergency food supplies, for example lentils, rice and cooking oil

**14,000** households provided with hygiene kits containing items such as toothbrush and toothpaste, soap, shampoo and water purification tablets

**69,500** women and girls provided with dignity kits, containing personal hygiene and sanitary items

**63,700** people benefited from healthcare services such as maternal health and nutrition services

**2,300** households provided with household kits including bedding, mosquito nets, and kitchen items

**3,700** households provided with multipurpose cash assistance to spend on meeting urgent family needs

**2,800** households provided with seeds and fertiliser for restoring agricultural livelihoods

**Overall Response**

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**Three Month Expenditure by Sector**

- 35% Water, sanitation and hygiene
- 25% Shelter
- 13% Multi-purpose Cash (MPC)
- 9% Protection
- 7% Health
- 4% Education
- 4% Livelihoods
- 3% Food

**Work with Local Partners**

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Spend by local/national partners in first three months

£678,494

Main image: The landscape of a locality in Sindh, Pakistan after severe flooding due to monsoon rains in September 2022.

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