

## THE ASIAN EARTHQUAKE CRISIS

***The earthquake which struck early on October 8th, 2005 was the most powerful in the region for 100 years and has left over 80,000 dead and 3 million homeless. Muslim Hands offices across Pakistan, including those inside Muzzaffarabad and other affected areas were mobilised immediately.***

MH has a long history of work in Pakistan and Kashmir (since 1993) and has a strong presence in affected areas (including Muzzaffarabad) with several field offices, personnel, medical clinics and ambulances already present.

Experienced teams - many of whom helped with the Bam Earthquake in 2003 - from the Quetta, Peshawar, Islamabad and other offices in the region are working

day and night to reach and assist survivors before harsh winter snows set in and make many areas inaccessible.

**MH has established a number of large camps caring for upwards of 30,000 people, providing food, shelter and medical care.** Winterised tents are also being distributed in more remote areas and work has also begun on the construction of semi permanent dwellings in preparation for winter snows.

In addition to this, teams of doctors are travelling through affected areas providing medical assistance, water storage tanks and latrines are being installed and provisions supplied to affected families.

## How your donations are already helping

Over £1,500,000 raised and allocated so far, providing shelter, hot food, clean water and medical care to tens of thousands of homeless earthquake survivors...

### Bagh

- 307 families have been provided shelter at camp Siri Avera and 200 tents were distributed amongst victims.
- Ambulance service operating since October 10th

### Balakot (NWFP)

- Shelter for 260 families has been provided at Camp Ghari Habibullah (85 families), Camp Tarrana (90 families), Camp Shawal (20 families) and Camp Mansehra (65 families). A further 500 families have been registered for the provision of shelter.
- A medical relief camp serving more than 1,500 patients is operating with 7 doctors and 1 attendant is providing emergency treatment.
- An ambulance service has been running in Balakot since October 9th.

### Muzaffarabad

- Camp Chelabandi is providing shelter to 550 families and Camp Tariqabad another 650 families.
- Food & Water: Cooked food is being supplied to over 2,600 families and 18 large water storage tanks are placed around Muzaffarabad.
- Kitchen Kits: 800 families have been provided with kitchen utensils, stoves and fuel
- Blankets: 2,600 families have been provided with quilts and mattresses.
- Medical Relief: an MH facility has provided basic medical treatment and vaccination to more than 6,000 survivors of the earthquake.

Muslim Hands providing similar aid / facilities at:

- Uri and Tangdar** (Indian-administered Kashmir)
- Mansehra** (NWFP)
- Rawalakot** (Pakistan-administered Kashmir)

### Tent Distribution

Despite shortages MH has distributed over 4,000 tents already providing shelter for **30,000** people.

UNICEF and BRITISH AIRWAYS have provided 1000's of blankets to Muslim Hands. They shall be given to the families living at camps. More blankets, quilts and mattresses are urgently being sourced.

OXFAM has provided Muslim Hands with 50 latrines that are currently being installed. REUTERS Foundation is also funding MH sanitation programmes in the disaster area.

Provision of Excavators and Dumpers: Muslim Hands is providing 5 excavators and 10 dumpers for the clearing of Muzaffarabad.



MH Camp Muzaffarabad: Children gather for school



Emergency aid leaves Islamabad: Food and tents enroute to earthquake zone



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MH Abulance Services



Muzaffarabad: MH Diggers & excavators clearing Rubble



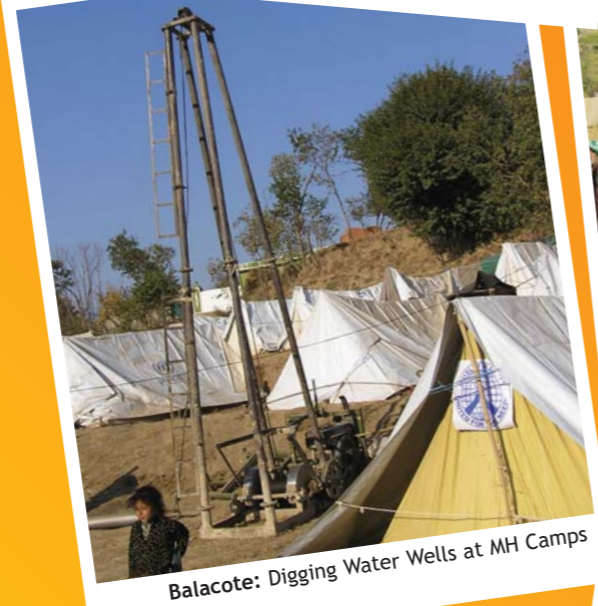
MH Camp Baag: Camps of various sizes set up



MH Camps provide cooked food daily



MH Ambulance Units already in the region operating in earthquake zone



Balacote: Digging Water Wells at MH Camps



MH Camp Mansera



Medical Aid continues



Fuel Distribution: Mansera



Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz visted and spoke at MH camp, Mzbd



Temporary Schools at MH Camps: MH camps run classes to help bring some 'normality' to their lives



Tent Distribution: Over 4000 tents already distributed



Medical Aid Tent: Field clinics running from tents at various camps



Shelter Home MH building homes from reclaimed material

# Muslim Hands Shelter Homes

Winters in this part of Kashmir and Pakistan are particularly severe. The terrain here is very harsh and demanding, making transport very difficult. The heavy snows make many areas inaccessible for months at a time, so providing shelter before the heavy snows is a major priority.

Using timber and bricks from the rubble of their existing homes, survivors are being guided by Muslim Hands staff to build Shelter Homes at or near the sites of their destroyed homes.

Each Shelter Home consists of three rooms, with mud walls in preparation for the winter. Total size of the construction is approximately 30 feet by 10 feet.

MH teams are providing advice to survivors (on how much material to reclaim, where they can build etc.) and building tools to assist the building work. Once the walls have been erected, MH teams provide metal sheeting for the roof structure.

**Remarkably these homes only cost £150 to build and are easily constructed without expert building skills.**

**Over 2000 homes have been commissioned already.**



MH Shelter Home built for only £150 each



MH Shelter Homes use reclaimed timber and any other reusable items e.g. doors & windows.



Stone and mud walls will keep homes warm



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**TOTAL £ \_\_\_\_\_**

- Shelter Homes (£150 each)
- Medical Care
- Food & Water
- Where Most Needed

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