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Bihar Flood Relief and Rehabilitation Report of Ta'awun Trust

BIHAR FLOODS (Kosi Region) AT A GLANCE:

The Kosi river eroded its embankment in Nepal about 12 k.m. upstream of the barrage as a result of which the embankment breached on the 18th of August 2008 and the river started flowing on an entirely new course. The water spread along the new course is 15 k.m. wide and is heading straight down south. More than 25 lakh people and their houses fall in the path of the new course. The people along the new course have taken shelter on whatever high ground they could find and on rooftops.



This time the flood affected 15 districts Muzaffarpur, Patna, Katihar, Nalanda, West Champaran, Khagaria Sheikhpura, Purnea, Saran, Begusarai, Bhagalpur, Supaul, Saharsa, Madhepura and Araria in the state. But Araria, Sopaul and Madhepura were worst affected. According to both official and unofficial figures, between 150 and 500 persons have so far died. Besides, about 20 mosques and innumerable houses have been swept away by the devastating floods. Over three million people in about 1000 villages, rendered homeless, are waging a grim battle against the floods which have assumed proportions of a catastrophe.



Ta'awun Trust has an exemplary background of service to the cause of humanity in the past in times of natural and other calamities like floods, earthquakes, cyclones, tsunami and communal riots irrespective of religion, caste, colour or creed. For this work, the Ta'awun Trust has constituted a number of teams of experienced people to provide relief and rehabilitation.



TA'AWUN TRUST RELIEF WORK:

The team of Ta'awun Trust reached Purnea, Araria and visited flood affected people in various camps and distressed people in other localities of both towns. The people migrated from Sahebganj, Sursar (both sides) Narpatganj, Forbisganj, Raniganj in Araria court and in Purnea the people from Madhepura, Murliganj, Kumar Khand, Bisanpur East and West, Jadia, Chatapur, Mahrampur, Bagheli Supoul districts and Forbisganj have taken shelter. The people were crying for food, cloth and medicines. In the emergency relief Ta'awun Trust distributed ready-to-eat food material among the victims in Araria, Purnea. In Purnea a victim informed us that a lot of people had taken shelter on the bank of JBC canal and Ramnagar Bazar and they were waiting for relief. The team of Ta'awun Trust urgently reached both the places and distributed relief packets. Ta'awun Trust reached also door to door in Purnea town to the affected people who were not taking shelter in the camps. About ten thousand people were benefited that time and Rs 150,000 (one lakh fifty thousand) has been spent on the relief.



Blanket distribution:

The situation in the flood-affected areas of Bihar was still grim. While victims had returned home, they were facing a lot of problems due to flood damage to houses, crops and roads. In winter season a lot of people were suffering due shortage of blankets. In this situation Ta'awun Trust distributed 800 good quality blankets among flood-affected people in Sursar, Basmatia,



Forbisganj, Raniganj in Araria district, Bisanpur, Kumar Khand, Jadia, Bagheli and Mahrampur Sopaul district, Murliganj in Madhepura district and Chainpura, Banmankhi in Purnea district. In this relief 800 families were benefited and Rs 200,000 (two lakhs) has spent.

Home Kit Distribution:

The Mohni village in the area of our flood relief operations met with another disaster in March 2009 when fifty houses were gutted in accidental fire.

It is one of the poorest villages in the district, most of the villagers being in the Below Poverty Line (BPL) official category. The Ta'awun Trust had an emergency at its hands.

Relief operations had to be brought to this village as soon as possible, right after the flood relief operations were over.

In the month of June the Trust has distributed Home Kits to fire victims of Mohni village, block Raniganj, district Araria, Bihar. The kit contained a bucket, a jug, two *degchis*, three bowls, two spoons, one lantern, a vase, lemonade set to each family.



Ta'awun Trust Begins Rehabilitation Work:

As we have described that the victims were suffering from a lot of problems due to damage of houses and roads. In this situation the people have lost hope for rehabilitation from any organization. Ta'awun Trust is the first charitable trust to start rehabilitation work in the flood affected areas. This is necessary to

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constructed 50 houses in Bihar flood affected areas in Madhubani and Darbhanga districts after flood in 2004 including distribution of general and employment relief. Now plan to rehabilitate 200 families by constructing their houses. *Insha Allah*



Rehabilitation continues:

The rehabilitation work in Bihar flood affected areas by the Trust continues. Till now 37 houses have been completed (6 houses in Bagheli, 6 in Mahrampur, 5 in Bisanpur (East), 9 in Lalpu Got, 5 in Dhulawadi (Nizam Chawk) district Supaul and Araria, and the work is going on further 50 houses (10 houses in Murliganj district Madhepura, 20 in Bisanpur/Chatapur district Supaul, 20 houses in Beerpur, Sursar and Basmatia areas district Araria. The rehabilitation work is going on but slow speed because the road communication is badly effected due to damage of roads. The suppliers are facing a lot of trouble to carry the materials. In this situation the rates of materials also highly increased.



In fact Ta'awun Trust is the organization to start and continuing rehabilitation work in this critical juncture. The trust have been spent Rs 700,000 (seven lakhs) for rehabilitation.



The Ta'awun Trust is constructing this type of houses for Bihar flood-affected families

Plan for Rehabilitation:

We plan to build 200 houses in the flood affected areas. A single abode cost approximately Rs. 12,000, equivalent to US dollar 240. We appeal to philanthropies to undertake to finance the building of at least one such housing unit each donor. (You can finance as many units as you like, of course.)

You have the option to either have your plaque (carrying the donor's name) installed on one of the pillars or prefer to remain anonymous. For future relief and rehabilitation work had done by Ta'awun Trust, please click here <http://www.taawuntrust.org>.

Work Plan for First Phase of Relief and Rehabilitation in Bihar Flood-Affected Areas

(1) New construction of houses 200	Rs. 2,400,000
(2) Distribution of food grains as per requirement	Rs. 0,150,000
(3) Distribution of blankets	Rs. 0,200,000
(4) Medical care as per requirement	Rs. 0,050,000
(5) Administrative cost	Rs. 0,300,000

Total: Rs. 3,100,000

Estimated cost of first phase rehabilitation work Rs. 3,100,000 (US\$ 65,957)

Join hands for rehabilitation of flood affected destitute:

We request you to participate in this venture of great importance to the people in distress in particular and the Muslim community in general. Your generous donation will go a long way in ameliorating the hardships of these people. The Trust gets its account audited by a competent firm of Chartered Accountants. We also publish our accounts in our annual reports.

How we can join hands?

- (1) To join with our team.
- (2) Invitation to visit you or your representatives.
- (3) Facilities for donors
 - a. All donations to the Trust are exempted under Section **80G** of the Income Tax Act 1961 for Indian donors.
 - b. It has a permanent registration under **FCRA** (Foreign Contribution Regulation Act) for foreign donors.

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