Nepal Earthquake 2072 Situation Update as of 5th May Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA/NEOC)

Major Highlights

- An earthquake of Magnitude 7.6 struck with epicenter in Barpak, Gorkha District on April 25 at 11.56 local time, creating greater impact to different villages and cities including Kathmandu. At 14.00 pm, CNDRC meeting headed by Rt'Hon Acting PM and Home Minister took place which recommend to declare of emergency and request the international support.
- Government of Nepal, cabinet declared emergency area at 16.00 local time to 14 highly affected districts and appealed to International
 Communities for assistance. Cabinet also declared the Custum exemption to relief goods and visa fee exemption to the SAR Team
 members and humanitarian actors, for custom exemption, the UN model agreement has taken as a base.
- SAR Operation: 4050 persons from 76 SAR team and 135 Canine mobilized from 34 various countries.
- Medical team: More than 87 international medical teams mobilized for the treatment of injured.
- National Emergency Operational Center operationalized.
- Clusters activated, both at Secretary level and DRR Focal Point level, from the beginning and line ministries started response.
- Adopted one door policy. Integrated coordination established with national and international communities, civil society, private sectors etc.
- High priority to Shelter, food, medicine; linking response to early recovery. (CNDRC meeting on 3 May 2015)
- Deployment of Joint Secretary to each district and Electoral Constituency of highly affected districts.
- As of 5 May evening, Ministry of Home Affairs/National Emergency Center (NEOC) reports 7557 deaths, 14536 injured; 201776 buildings fully and 189903 buildings partially damaged.
- As of 5 May, total of 1.79 billion NRs released to affected districts for the relief support

Overview

On 25 April 2015, at 11:56 local time, devastating earthquake of about 7.6 magnitudes struck in Nepal, with epicenter in Barpak VDC (15 KM depth) of Gorkha District (north-west) of Kathmandu; south of China border. This tolled thousands of death and injuries leaving millions of people displaced from rural hilly areas and Kathmandu valley. Many aftershocks were continued and majority of population remain outside the house at least for 4-5 nights. The districts of Western and Central Development Region including Kathmandu valley were highly affected by the earthquake. Most affected districts are Gorkha, Lamjung in Western Region and Kavre, Sindhupalchowk, Dhading, Nuwakot, Rasuwa, Dolakha

and Kathmandu valley in the Central Region. Several villages were collapsed in rural areas; collapsed and damage of public and historic buildings in Kathmandu valley.

Major Response Update:

- On 25 April: Meeting of Central Natural Disaster Relief Committee (CNDRC) was held just two hour after the major hit of earthquake as mandated by Disaster Relief Act 1982 and recommended to Government of Nepal to declared emergency area for 1 month to highly affected districts. The cabinet declared emergency to 14 districts: Gorkha, Sindhupalchowk, Dhading, Kavre, Dolakha, Nuwakot, Ramechhap, Sindhuli, Rasuwa, Kathmandu, Lalitpur, Bhaktapur, Makwanpur and Okhaldhunga. The meeting also decided to establish Response Coordination Center to accelerate the Search and Rescue (SAR) operation, central command post, coordinate between government and international organizations for relief support and appealed to International Communities for their assistance. Initially, total of 820 deaths reported from 24 districts. With possibility of aftershocks of several tremors, people were alerted to keep calm and requested to provide information for the assistance via contacting to security on 100 and NEOC in 01- 4200258/105/203. MOHA appealed to National, International organizations, donors and local communities to contribute in response activities.
- On 26 April: Helicopters of Nepal Army, Private Sectors, and neighbouring county India mobilized for SAR operation in highly affected districts and injured were treated in nearby hospitals. Total of 16 shelter camps were establish in Kathmandu valley for the IDPs. Relief distribution initiated. EQ of 6.9 Rector Scale at 1300hr further increased damage and loss of life. Total death increased to 2430 (Ktm valley-1152 and outside-1278) and injured-5936 people. MOHA appealed not to generate any unauthentic rumors to the public.
- On 27 April 2015: As the situation is gradually changing into normal, MOHA appealed to functionalize all the activities to provide basic services. Further expected to provide constructive support from all sectors to access market, clean water and sanitation, and creating healthy environment.
- On 28 April 2015: Total death reached to 4680 and injured-9230. Injured were treated in nearby health institutions. From the preliminary information, 1672 houses fully and 2597 houses were partially damaged. Helicopters of Nepal Amy, Private sectors and neighboring country India mobilized to provide immediate relief package to the affected districts (Ramechhap, Dolakha, Nuwakot, Rasuwa, Dhading, Okhadhunga, Solukhumbu, Kavrepalanchowk, Sindhupalanchowk, Gorkha) districts. Total of 263 million Nepalese Rupees released to affected districts for the relief support. MOHA appeals for the optimum utilization of internal and external resources to the EQ affected people.
- On 29 April 2015: Ministry of Home Affairs established information desk with focal persons in order to disseminate and publish information on response and relief status at the interval of 4 Hrs each day.
- On 1 May 2015: Search and Rescue operation, initial assessment and relief distribution have been continuing. Helicopters from Nepal Army,
 private sectors and neighboring country India have been used in Earthquake affected areas of various districts to supply relief package and

rescue operation. Total of 132427 security personals have been mobilized for search and rescue operation. Total death reached to 6260 and injured 13868 so far. Bangladesh, Algeria and India provided additional 23.6 MT of relief items. Various international communities provided medical service in the affected areas. The team from India, Russia, Thailand, Pakistan, USA, Malesiya, Singapur, China, Tarki, Isreail, Netharland, Belgium, Spain, Canada, France and UK continued SAR operation in affected areas. MOHA released total of 640 million NRs to affected districts for the relief support by this date. Local organizations and communities continue the relief collection and distribution. MOHA urged such concerned organization to coordinate and contact with local administration for the effective response.

- On 2 May 2015: Search and Rescue operation, assessment and relief distribution have been continuing. Helicopters from Nepal Army, private sectors and neighboring country India have been used in Earthquake affected areas of various districts to supply relief package and rescue operation. Total of 132754 security personals have been mobilized for search and rescue operation. Total death reached to 7040 (including foreigners-54) and injured-14100. As per the record of MOHA, total of 7812 Quintal of rice, 310 Quintal sugar, 277 Quintal salt, 94442 carton noodles, 28945 carton biscuit, bitten rice-3249 Quintal, lentil-3600 Sac, Tent-47801, water purifying tablet-18900 tablet, Soap-2520 distributed in affected districts. Total of 1.35 billion NRs released to affected districts for the relief support by this date.
- On 4 May 2015: Search and Rescue operation, assessment and relief distribution have been continuing. Helicopters from Nepal Army, private sectors and neighboring country India have been used in Earthquake affected areas of various districts (Rasuwa, Nuwakot, Kavrepalanchowk, Dhading, Gorkha, Sindhupalchowk, Dolakha, Solukhumbu) to supply relief package and rescue operation. Total of 131565 security personals (Nepal Army-65016, Nepal Police-41776, Armed Police Force-24775) have been mobilized for search and rescue operation. Total death reached to 7366 (including foreigners-57) and injured-14371 (Including foreigners-51). Relief support from various countries and organization is continuous. As of today, relief support from India, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Pakistan, China, Thailand, Shrilanka, Indonesiya, Ajabaijan, Korea, Aljeria, Oman, Sweetzerland, Singapur, Jarmany, Japan and including other countries reached to: Rice-1271 Quintal, Sugar-61Q, Salt-68 Q, Bitten rice-1580 Q, noodles-8900 cartoon, dry food-400 cartoon, water-45904 cartoon, other-11756 set, Tent-114735, Tarpaulin-34861, Blanket-149840, other-9499. As per the record of MOHA, total of 98191 Quintal of rice, 690 Quintal sugar, 573 Quintal salt, 182034 carton noodles, 57775 carton biscuit, Water-15798 case, Bitten Rice-3249 Quintal, lentil-45 Quintal, Dalmot-90 Sac, Tent-159134, Blanket-4523, water purifying tablet-213171, hygiene kits-2670, Soap-8520 distributed in affected districts. Total of 1.79 billion NRs released to affected districts for the relief support.

