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# ICRC ASIA AND THE PACIFIC COVID-19 RESPONSE



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# INTRODUCTION



The world continues to reel from the impact of novel coronavirus that has put unprecedented stress on the most advanced health-care systems and extreme strain on major economies and financial markets. As many as 890,000 people have lost their lives to COVID-19 worldwide and the confirmed cases have surpassed 27 million, as per the latest figures. With the Asia-Pacific region being home to 60 per cent of the world's population – i.e. some 4.3 billion people – an uncontrolled outbreak could be devastating.

To contain the spread of COVID-19, the countries in the Asia-Pacific are grappling with some hard choices between carefully reopening the economies and addressing the public health concerns, especially since the fear of a second wave looms large. Unlike a few countries outside the region that have been able to control the spread of COVID-19, those in South Asia continue to face a worrying situation. Some of them have an already compromised public health-care system, overcrowded detention facilities, densely populated camps of displaced populations and informal settlements, adding layers of vulnerability for populations already facing immense challenges. Additionally, the socioeconomic impact of COVID-19 on populations has been massive and appears likely to worsen over time.

With a well-coordinated and well-resourced response mechanism involving national and international actors,

the impact can be contained. The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) is appealing for USD 1.24 billion to support its global response to COVID-19 and its immediate and long-term impact.

## Our response

Like elsewhere, in the Asia-Pacific region, the ICRC has joined the massive efforts being carried out by governments, international community and humanitarian organizations to fight the spread of novel coronavirus. We have massively adjusted, and where relevant, launched new initiatives to support national authorities, health-care facilities, places of detention and local Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to respond to the pandemic.

Our operational response to COVID-19 in the region focuses on four main areas:

- Public health response
- Infection-control in detention facilities
- Humanitarian forensics (management of the dead)
- Support to National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

In the following pages, you will see a country-wise overview of the ICRC operational response so far to COVID-19 in the Asia-Pacific region.

**Cover image:** A child receives a face mask from an ICRC staff during the registration of beneficiaries for an EcoSec cash transfer programme in Maguindanao, Philippines. The community here consists of both conflict-affected population and IDPs from nearby barangays.

# ASIA-PACIFIC

5,818,336

TOTAL CASES

4,568,983

TOTAL RECOVERED

106,238

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020

## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

- 58 PRP centres supported
- 208 Hospitals supported
- 6 Prison hospitals supported
- 1 IPD camp supported
- 19,346 PPE kits distributed

## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

We are working with the government authorities, funerary services, forensic experts and NGOs to devise specific protocols related to COVID-19. This includes dignified management of the bodies and material support, including body bags. Over **8,163 body bags** have been distributed as part of the assistance.

## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

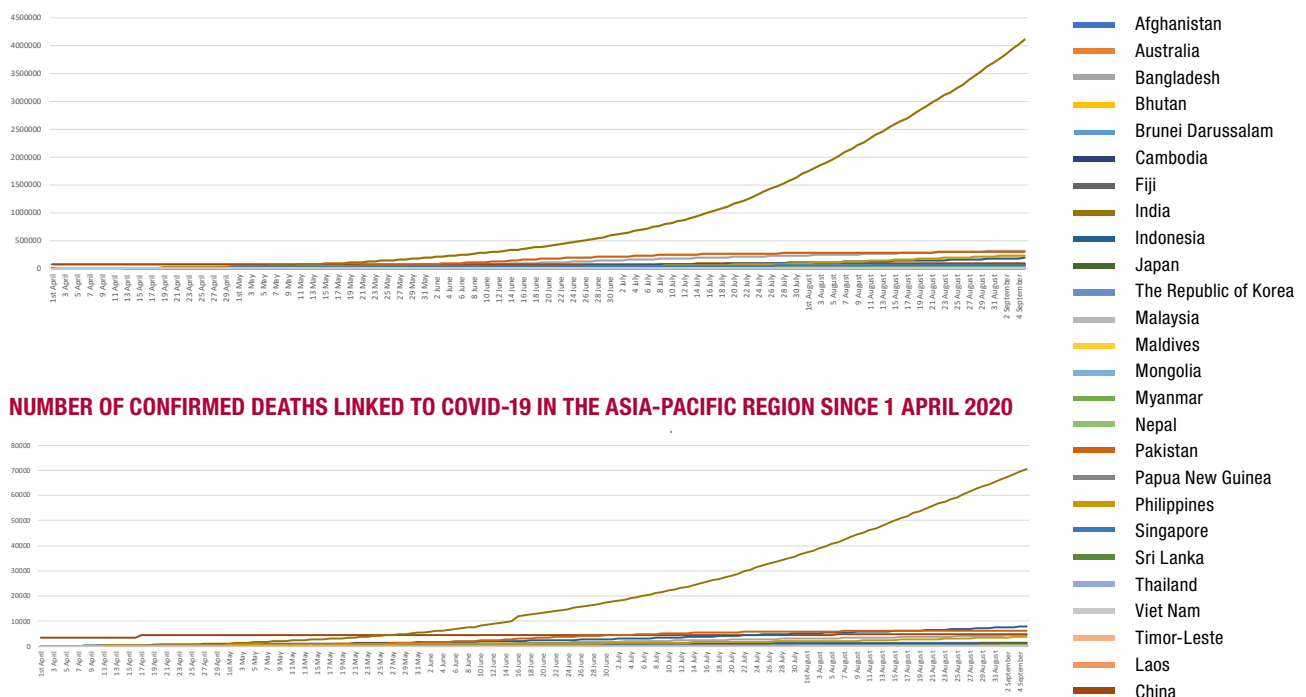
- 499,201 Beneficiaries
- 45 Police stations supported
- 446 Prisons supported
- 27 Immigration Detention Centres supported
- 253 COVID-19 isolation facilities supported

## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

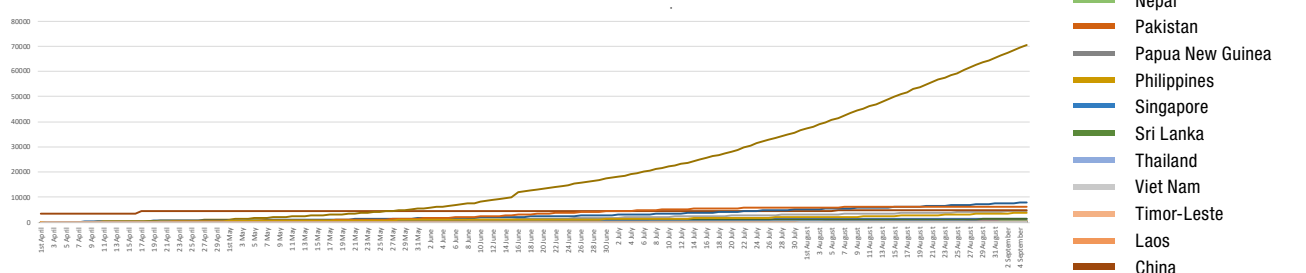
In the Asia-Pacific region, **39 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies** along with thousands of volunteers have been working tirelessly to extend the required support to multitudes of people at the grassroots. Apart from helping build capacities of the staff and volunteers, we are extending financial and material support to these National Societies.

## WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) STATISTICS ON COVID-19 FOR THE ASIA-PACIFIC

NUMBER OF CONFIRMED CASES OF COVID-19 IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION SINCE 1 APRIL 2020



NUMBER OF CONFIRMED DEATHS LINKED TO COVID-19 IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION SINCE 1 APRIL 2020



\*Source: Johns Hopkins University (Coronavirus Resource Center) <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

# AFGHANISTAN

38,544

TOTAL CASES

31,048

TOTAL RECOVERED

1,420

TOTAL DEATHS

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## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### KANDAHAR, Mirwais Hospital

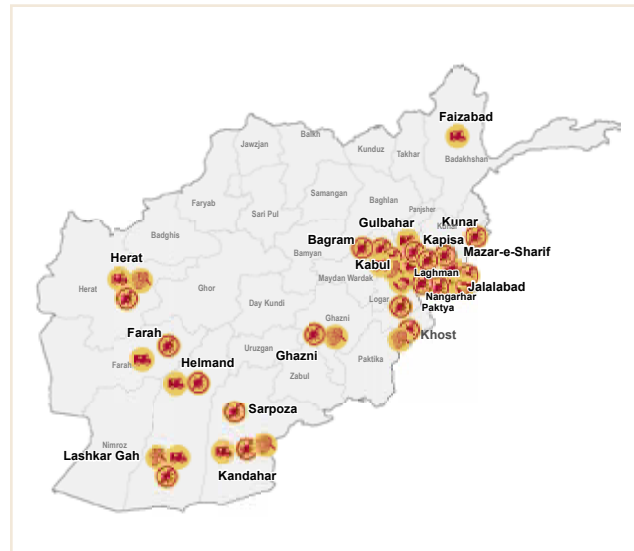
- **Provided recommendations for safe surgery**, infection control measures and disinfection
- **Provided PPE and other material for COVID-19 response** and management of suspected cases
- **Pathways organized for COVID-19 patients**, screening teams set up at gate
- **Awareness sessions** held and hand-washing points installed, including ten in the morgue
- **Emergency generator fuel tanks filled**
- Infectious diseases ward equipped with furniture, small equipment
- Financial aid to additional staff assigned to COVID-19 tasks (in MRH)
- **Supported Ministry of Public Health** with a border screening team at Spin Boldak

### 12 FIELD HOSPITALS, Kandahar, Zabul, Uruzgan, Farah, Herat, Badghis, Faryab, Laghman, Kunar and Nangarhar

- PPE distributed, guidance given on surgical safety, protective measures strengthened and hygiene items provided to Ali Abad University Hospital (556 beds) in Kabul

### SEVEN PRP CENTRES, Gulbahar, Jalalabad, Faizabad, Kabul, Lashkar Gah, Herat and Mazar

- **Hygiene items donated** to seven Physical Rehabilitation Centres



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Humanitarian forensics



Public health response



Partnering with Afghan Red Crescent Society

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## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### MATERIAL SUPPORT TO PRISONS

**PPE, hygiene and medical supplies donated to eight prisons**, including Pul-i-Charki Central Prison, Prison and Detention Facility in Parwan, National Directorate of Security, Herat Provincial Prisons and Sarpoza Provincial Prison

### Hygiene supplies donated (from January to May 2020):

- **33** Places of detention; **35,731** Beneficiaries
- **Chlorine**, soap & detergent distributed, **295** hand-washing basins installed
- **Training on preparation of chlorine** solution provided
- **Isolation ward** (199 beds) and room set up Pul-i-Charki Central Prison and Herat Provincial Prison, respectively
- **Financial incentives to 46 health staff** at Pul-i-Charki Central Prison, PDF-P ANA (Bagram Prison), Herat Provincial Prison and Sarpoza Provincial Prison to carry out COVID-19 screening and isolation activities

- **Daily surveillance, data collection related to COVID-19** and provision of PPE and other supplies to four priority places of detention
- **COVID-19 Emergency Response Committee meeting** and other relevant coordination meetings with MoPH, OPA (Office for the Prisons Administration) and other authorities






### Isolation facilities:

- **Six isolation rooms at Herat Provincial Prison** (male and female sections), Herat National Directorate of Security and Mazar Provincial Prison
- **Advice on decongestion measures** given and **31** letters with technical sent



# HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

## KABUL, Ministry of Public Health's Forensic Medicine Department

				
<b>30</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>70</b>
Body bags	Pairs of boots	Overalls	Surgical masks	Disposable aprons

- **Technical advice**
- **Consultations with Afghan government authorities** and non-State armed groups on recommendations to be dispensed to communities through their leaders on the safe management of the dead related to COVID-19

## GHAZNI, Directorate of Public Health

- **50** body bags

## LASHKAR GAH, Forensic Medicine Department

			
<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>
Pairs of reusable gloves	Pairs of reusable boots	Reusable aprons	Chlorine sprayer

		
<b>4</b>	<b>2.5 kg</b>	<b>10</b>
Goggles	Chlorine	Body bags

## KANDAHAR

### • Mirwais Regional Hospital (morgue)

- Body bags: **100**
- Chlorine sprayer: **1**
- N95 masks: **20**
- Disposable gloves: **100 pairs**
- Surgical masks: **50**
- Overalls, eyewear, masks and gloves
- **Assistance with tracing** of eight unclaimed bodies of Afghan National Security forces
- **Assessment of a morgue request** for Maywand District Community Health Centre from the Department of Public Health

### • Forensic Science Organization (FSO)

- **Online training workshop** on “Medico legal documentation of sexual violence in Afghanistan context” conducted in collaboration with FSO and Open Society Afghanistan, from 13 June till 18 June
- Hand sanitizer: **4 units**
- Masks: **100**
- Disposable gloves: **100 pairs**

## KHOST, Khost Provincial Prison

- Supported with technical advice, guidelines on handling the dead bodies and use of body bags & PPE kits
- **Info-as-aid:** Posters shared with Afghan Forensic Science Organization, the disaster unit of Agha Khan Agency for Habitat, and MSF for further dissemination
- **Support to other places of detention:**
  - **Kits provided** to Paktya Provincial Prison, Paktika Provincial Prison, Herat Provincial Prison, NDS-501 and Khost IEA detention centres
  - **Donation of management of the dead kits** to Sharpoza Provincial Prison
  - **Online meeting** done with Westex Medical Services and one with Medico Legal Directorate, Kabul

HERAT										
<b>Herat Regional Hospital</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>50</b>	
<b>Others:</b> Chlorine sprayer, cabinet and soap bars										
<b>Herat Ambulance Service</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>105</b>	
<b>Others:</b> Washing powder and soap bars										
<b>Herat Regional Hospital Morgue</b>			<b>6</b>			<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2 kg</b>
<b>Others:</b> Chlorine sprayer, washing powder and soap bars										
<b>Shindand District Hospital</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20</b>	
<b>Others:</b> Chlorine sprayer and soap bars and <b>5</b> body bags										

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## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

### Training sessions on management of the dead:

#### HERAT

**Eight training workshops conducted** for staff and volunteers of Herat Regional Hospital, Herat Ambulance Services, Herat Municipality, taxi drivers, Guzara Hospital, Shindand District Hospital and Shaidee Hospital

#### KANDAHAR

**Seven training workshops conducted** for staff and volunteers of Ainomina Hospital, Sharpoza Provincial Prison, Forensic Medicine Directorate, Mirwais Regional Hospital, taxi drivers and ARCS



## PARTNERING WITH AFGHAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

### ARCS KABUL DISTRICT HOSPITAL

- Support in establishing a **50-bed District Hospital in Kabul**
- **Technical support** in case management of COVID-19 patients with mild to severe symptoms.  
This includes **triage and screening, testing, isolation and management of clinical symptoms**
- **Technical support on PPE, infection control, hygiene and patient care protocols**
- **Training for existing staff on infection control**, use of PPE and basic nursing care
- **Infrastructural support** to strengthen existing utility services like electricity, water & sanitation and waste management facilities
- Setting up **screening / triage facility**
- Body bags donated: **30**
- **Freezer for the morgue** (under process)
- **Training in management of the dead bodies:** Sessions conducted for volunteers

### ARCS BASIC HEALTH CLINICS

- **Drugs and medical consumables donated to 46 clinics** in southern, western and central regions and ARCS Kabul District Hospital
- **Training in management of the dead** by sharing of resources like guidelines, SOPs, etc.

### PPE AND OTHER MATERIAL SUPPORT



**1,070**  
N95 masks



**2,100**  
Surgical masks



**3,500**  
Pairs of  
disposable gloves



**3,500**  
Disposable  
gowns



**26**  
Chlorine  
sprayers



**83**  
Pairs of reusable  
gloves



**51**  
Pairs of  
reusable boots



**51**  
Eyewear



**101**  
Soap bars



**26**  
Stretchers



**2.5 kg**  
Chlorine



**173**  
Body bags



**20 units**  
Hand sanitizers

- **SOPs drafted and shared** with ARCS volunteers on the management of COVID-19 deaths
- **An online training session conducted** for ARCS DM officers of seven regions
- Vehicle in Jalalabad repaired to help in Human Remains Transfer Programme (H RTP)

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- In Afghanistan, the **ICRC is part of the COVID-19 task force led by the Ministry of Public Health**, along with World Health Organization, Afghan Red Crescent, International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, and others.
- Our operational response to COVID-19 focuses on **prevention and infection-control in places of detention and supporting the health facilities**. Additionally, we are also adapting our existing water and sanitation activities.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- The **key recommendations on PoC**, safer access to health care and protection of health personnel that were developed and submitted at central level to both ANDSF and the IEA continue to be used in oral and written dialogue at field levels. Copies were shared with the ANP regional centre in Kandahar after request from the security forces.
- We contacted field commanders from ANA and ANP to share about the ICRC's response to COVID-19. The activities included seven IHL / IHRL dissemination sessions, involving 138 military, security and police personnel.
- As a part of our **War Wounded Assistance Programme (WWAP)**, we work with a network of taxi drivers who transport the war-wounded and sick from hard-to-reach places to medical facilities. As many as **109** taxi drivers **have been trained in the management of dead bodies and human remains** and provided with PPE and body bags. Till now, **270** war-wounded people have been transferred to medical facilities via this taxi service. For emergency stabilization and initial surgery of the patients, **102** dressing packs, **69** oral packs and **33** IV packs have also been supplied.
- Working along with the **IFRC and Norwegian Red Cross**, we advised **ARCS** on contingency planning for their existing **140** clinics / mobile health teams to respond to COVID-19 needs.

# PHILIPPINES

241,987

TOTAL CASES

185,178

TOTAL RECOVERED

3,916

TOTAL DEATHS

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## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE



**Donation of 10,400 PPE kits** to Davao Jubilee Foundation Rehabilitation Centre (Davao City), Sulu Provincial Hospital (Jolo City), Basilan General Hospital (Isabela City), Southern Philippines Medical Center (Davao), Amai Pakpak Medical Center (Marawi City), Northern Mindanao Medical Center (Cagayan de Oro City), Davao Regional Medical Center, Zamboanga City Medical Center and Cotabato Regional Medical Center



**Medical supplies donated** to Camp Navarro General Hospital, Camp Siongco Station Hospital and Cotabato Regional Medical Center



**Setting up of an isolation facility**, including latrines / shower, hand-washing stations and four air coolers, with the National Society and donation of medical supplies to **Cotabato Regional Medical Center**

### Sagonsongan Community Quarantine Facility (Marawi City):



- **Four tents donated by the ICRC** and installed by the Integrated Provincial Health Office, benefiting around **150 patients transiting daily** through the screening facility.



- **Financial support** for the training of health-care workers and support staff on infection prevention and control (IPC) and proper waste management



**MMHPSS training sessions** attended by **165 staff members and front-line workers** in Maguindanao Provincial Hospital, Integrated Provincial Health Office, (Maguindanao), Ministry of Health - BARMM), Cotabato City Health Office, SPMC-IPBM Hospital (Davao City), New Quezon City Jail COVID-19 Isolation Centre (NCR), Davao Region Mental Health Hotline, Marawi City Health Office, Marantao Rural Health Unit (Lanao del Sur), Northern Mindanao Medical Center and Amai Pakpak Medical Center



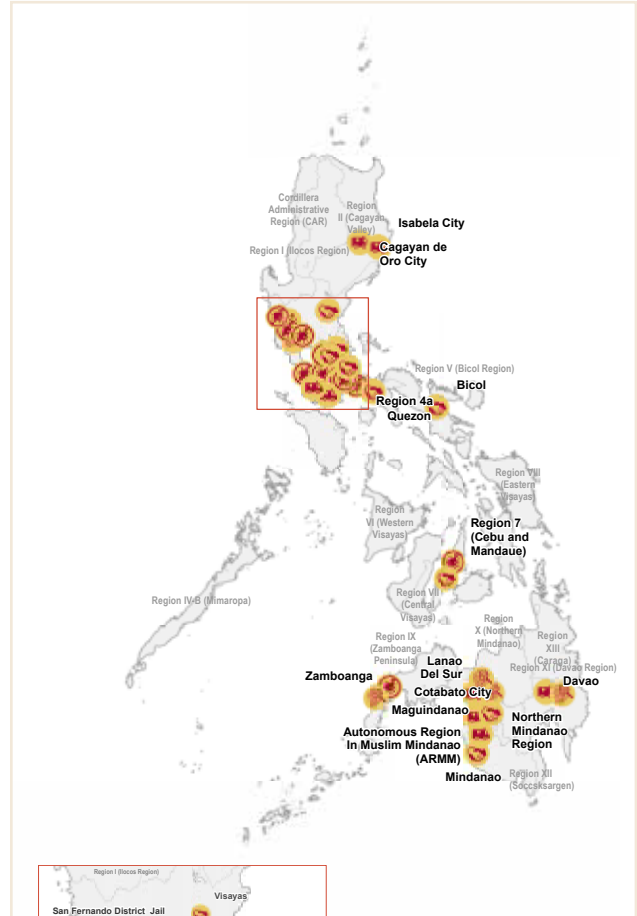
**Four sessions on self-care provided** to staff of Davao Jubilee Foundation (DJF); **16 participants** in six sessions

**Online mental health training session organized** for the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology staff; **12 participants**



### Technical assistance

Meetings with management and staff of ICRC-assisted hospitals in Mindanao to assess their situation in their ongoing response to COVID-19, particularly following additional requests for material and technical assistance



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Humanitarian forensics



Public health response



Partnering with The Philippine Red Cross

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## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### PLACES OF DETENTION

53 Facilities supported; 35,869 Beneficiaries

#### • Donation of:



3,869

Hygiene supplies for detainees



151

Hygiene supplies for jail staff



1,400

Surgical masks



5,000

Soap bars



Bleach and cleaning material



1,650

PPE kits



Material for 96,000 masks to be made by detainees



For the third month, **medical supplies were provided to ICRC-supported isolation centres** in New Bilibid Prison, Correctional Institute for Women, San Pedro City Jail, BJMP National Capital Region, BJMP Region 3, BJMP Region 4a, Cebu City Jail and Mandaue City Jail. Besides these, medical items and disinfection material was also provided to Zamboanga City Jail



Coordination meetings, monitoring and assessment visits to **ICRC-assisted places of detention and COVID-19 isolation centers**. The multidisciplinary detention team provided technical advice on contact tracing, case management and transportation of those testing positive from places of detention to the COVID-19 isolation facility



**“Training the Trainers Programme”** in infection prevention and control and isolation centre management for BJMP personnel, which resulted in graduation of 17 new trainers across BJMP offices in the National Jail Management and Penology Training Institute



Providing detention facilities with **info-as-aid posters and audio recordings** in Tagalog for the benefit of detainees in 430 operational jails (BJMP) and seven Bureau of Corrections facilities across the country



Supervised and evaluated the first training programme in MoTD that was delivered by the newly trained BJMP trainers for infection prevention and control in detention places; total participants: **202 jail officers**



**A training module was conducted for the Bureau of Immigration detention nurses** on infection prevention and control and contact tracing; **15 participants**

### POLICE STATIONS

22 Facilities supported; 3,500 Beneficiaries

#### • Type of support:

Donation of hygiene supplies & cleaning material and training of staff

### ISOLATION AREAS IN PLACES OF DETENTION

8 Facilities supported; 1,134 Beds

#### • Type of support:



**Infrastructure support** to build screening / triage / isolation facilities



**Donation of 2,300 PPE kits**, medical equipment, cleaning / disinfecting / waste management materials, hygiene supplies like soap, towels, dental hygiene material & buckets and furniture (for the isolation centres)



#### Technical advice

(Training sessions, guidelines, capacity-building of staff)



**Facilitate coordination** between LGUs, CHOs and DOH in terms of testing, contact tracing and mobilization

### 1 IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTRE (NCR)

Hygiene material and cleaning supplies donated, screening done and technical advice given on isolation quarter



## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS



### DISTRIBUTION OF BODY BAGS

(NCR, Davao Region, Northern Mindanao Region)

- Medicolegal departments in NCR, Davao Region, Northern Mindanao Region
- Isolation centres in National Capital Region



### TECHNICAL SUPPORT

(NCR)



- Technical support to government authorities to craft forensic policy and guidelines



### GUIDELINES

(Zamboanga, NCR)

**Guidelines to ensure safe and dignified funerary and burial customs** for COVID-19 patients (SOPs, training sessions, capacity-building):

- **NGOs (religious and community leaders)**  
COVID-19 guidelines on the management of dead for Christian burials prepared and distributed among various organizations. The guidelines summarize information based on references compiled from the authorities, international agencies, the Catholic Bishops Conference of the Philippines and the recommendations from the ICRC forensic unit
- **Prison staff** in five isolation facilities



### INFO-AS-AID SUPPORT

(Lanao Del Sur, BARMM, Zamboanga, NCR)

- **Posters on management of dead bodies**, translated in four languages and distributed among government authorities and medicolegal departments
- **Dissemination of inter-agency guidelines** (ICRC, IFRC, WHO, CDC) on management of the dead to Davao Del Norte Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction Management Office
- As COVID-19 related deaths increased in Zamboanga city, we **provided basic health and hygiene material, including PPE and body bags, to Mahir Foundation and other Ulama groups** in Zamboanga City, who perform the burials of Muslims who lost their lives to the disease



## PARTNERING WITH THE PHILIPPINE RED CROSS



Disinfection material worth  
**Sfr 35,000**



Volunteer welfare assistance worth  
**Sfr 70,000**



Molecular laboratory equipment for  
COVID-19 testing



**5,000**  
Hygiene kits in Mindanao

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- The past month has been characterized by a gradual transition from emergency COVID-19 response to resumption of protection and assistance activities in the conflict-affected areas of the country. The difficulties being experienced by people in conflict-affected areas are compounded by COVID-19 health concerns. In key areas of operation in Mindanao, the ICRC (in many instances, in coordination with authorities who have the main responsibility to provide assistance) strives to look into and alleviate the situation of people affected, as may be gleaned from the range of activities in this report.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **Davao, Zamboanga, Cotabato and Iligan:** To support their livelihood, cash amounting to **24,000 Swiss francs (Sfr)** was transferred to **116 families of missing people** and **198 families with people with disabilities** (in partnership with the Davao Jubilee Foundation).
- **Protection of civilian population:** Continuous dialogue with parties to the armed conflict on the health situation and relevant provisions of IHL applicable to COVID-19 pandemic has been on. To promote compliance with IHL and humanitarian norms, we have sent 11 letters with recommendations to parties to the conflict. We are **regularly monitoring the conflict-affected areas** to assess the situation with regards the **safety of civilians and health-care workers**. We are also observing the situation with respect to the conflict-affected populations to determine if they have received government assistance such as cash and relief food items, and if they have access to farms and markets.
- **Regular liaison with the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) and their Civil-Military Operations Control Centre (CMOCC).** Contacts, information and advice / recommendations shared as needed, ICRC movements notified in enhanced community quarantine areas and channels to CMOCC kept open in case use of military (air) assets as a last resort are needed for the ICRC activities.
- Re-establishing family links to **help detainees stay connected with their families; 68 tablets devices** with prepaid data distributed in **15 detention facilities and seven isolation centres**.
- **Completed the registration and pay-out to 1,032 households of UCG project** for conflict-affected communities in the municipalities of Ampatuan and Datu Hoffer, Maguindanao. Each household received approximately Sfr 94 to help cover their immediate needs.
- **Donated sets of half-month food ration to 115 IDPs** in two villages in Gingoog City, with PRC-Gingoog Chapter, Misamis Oriental.
- Delivered corn mill spare parts to Barangay Diatagon, Lianga, Surigao Del Sur, to allow the mill's full operation, which will also benefit nine neighbouring sub-villages repeatedly displaced by armed conflict.
- Donated **992 sets of half-month food ration** to PRC-Kidapawan Chapter for distribution to households that continue to be displaced from conflict-affected communities in Pikit, North Cotabato.
- **Donated two-month chlorine and fuel supply** to Marawi City Water District to cater to **8,000 residents** and **10,500 displaced people** living in Marawi.
- Awareness-generation messages spread via SMS in five languages and social media posts, reaching over **200,550 people**.
- **Community engagement:** Reaching out to past and planned beneficiaries of food, household items and cash grants, reassuring that though postponed, the projects have not been shelved.
- **Promoting mental health:** Info-as-aid messages in Tagalog promoting mental health awareness disseminated via social and audio-visual media.
- **Constant dialogue with police authorities,** coordinating donation of items in overcrowded police stations. So far, 20 police stations have received ICRC support.
- Our unit in charge of relations with weapon bearers in the Philippines are working on the long-term plan to assist the Philippine military with their modernization, which includes integrating IHL into military processes – **Transformation Roadmap set for completion by 2028**.
- A webinar on “Management of the dead and Islamic burial at times of COVID-19” was jointly organized by the BARMM, Institute of Islamic Studies of University of the Philippines and the ICRC. As many as 65 participants, including health and other government officials from BARMM, scholars, religious leaders and humanitarian workers, shared their insights on the topic.
- **Translation of COVID-19 information posters:** Info-as-aid posters were translated for detainees into the following languages - Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Vietnamese. These serve the informational needs of over **300 foreign detainees** in the Bureau of Immigration (BI).

# MYANMAR

1,807

TOTAL CASES

460

TOTAL RECOVERED

12

TOTAL DEATHS

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## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

**Nineteen people** benefited from the **transportation** provided by the ICRC after they were suspected for or confirmed with COVID-19

### KACHIN, RAKHINE, SHAN STATES



**44 Health structures supported** with PPE, infection prevention and control activities and information, education and communication materials



**PPE items supplied** to health facilities, quarantine centres and IDP camps: **51,000**



**518 handwashing stations** installed in IDP camps, health facilities, quarantine centres and township hospitals in Kachin, Rakhine and Shan states, **benefiting over 44,260 people**



Approximately **95,000 bars of soap** donated to the authorities for distribution at IDP camps and hospitals



Up to **400 staff from Ministry of Health and Sports** and **20 community health workers or auxiliary midwives trained** in infection prevention and control in Kachin, Rakhine and Shan states



Close to **24,100 COVID-19 pamphlets** and **10 billboards** used to spread prevention information in communities, and **20 tents** donated to health facilities



**51,000 items of COVID-19 protective equipment** and sanitation items supplied to **39 health facilities**, including township and general hospitals, or administrative entities and civil society organizations in Kachin, Rakhine and Shan states



**36 emergency latrines constructed** with the MRCS for quarantine centres hosting returning migrants



**194 staff from Ministry of Health and Sports** (including RCVs) and **30 community health volunteers financially supported** to conduct COVID-19 screenings for migrants returning from China at three border gates in Shan state and five screening points in Kachin state

### SHAN, KACHIN STATES

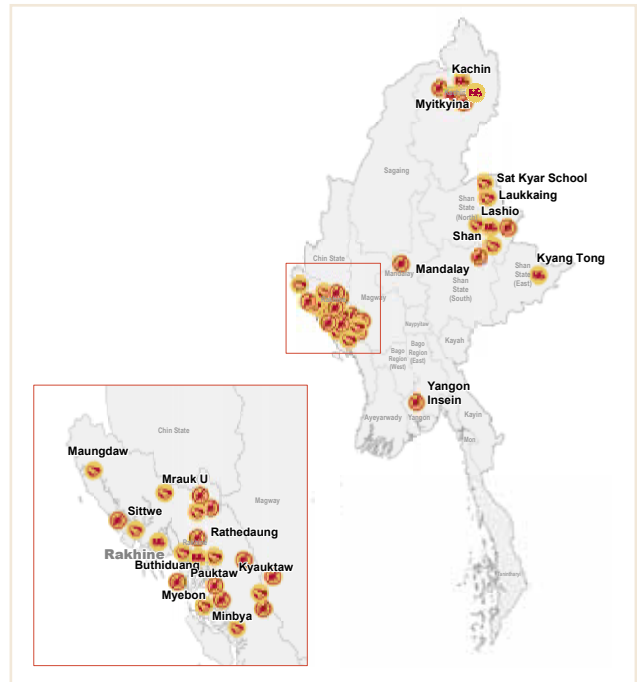


**232 quarantine centres** run by the township, district and state authorities supported with **COVID-19 prevention items**, including **soap and protective equipment**, in Myitkyina and Lashio (Kachin and Shan states), among other places

### SHAN STATE



**10 tents donated** directly to MoSWRR for isolation of suspected COVID-19 cases



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Partnering with Myanmar Red Cross Society



Public health response

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## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

- **SOPs for the prevention and control of COVID-19** in places of detention **shared with the Prisons Departments** and technical advice extended for management of detainees in context of COVID-19
- **Five training sessions on disinfection organized** in prisons, **989 posters distributed**
- **882 released detainees supported** with food, blankets, hygiene material and other essentials in 16 quarantine sites in Rakhine state. This included **31 cases of family reunification**
- Bars of soap donated to Insein, Monhyin and Mandalay, **benefiting 30,000 people**
- **Disinfection work was carried out in six prisons** (Insein, Mandalay, Lashio, Myitkyina, Sittwe and Maungdaw), benefiting close to **294,000 detainees**
- **60,000 COVID-19 posters** from Ministry of Health and Sports delivered to the Prisons Department for distribution in prisons
- **30 solar kits** donated to **25 health facilities and quarantine centres** run by the Ministry of Health and Sports in northern areas of Rakhine state
- **5,766 people** reached through technical and material upgrades of eight quarantine centres run by township, district and state authorities in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine states
- Materials for **50,000 cloth masks** donated to prisons in Insein, Mandalay, Sittwe and Lashio



## PARTNERING WITH MYANMAR RED CROSS SOCIETY



**6,000 Red Cross identification aprons** produced by MRCS with financial support from the ICRC for use with personal COVID-19 protective equipment and to reduce potential contamination of uniforms



**5,000 volunteers** provided with waistcoats and **protective helmets**



**3,600 MRCS staff and volunteers provided with COVID-19 insurance coverage** and specialized training on the use of COVID-19 PPE and masks



**In three States** (Kachin, Rakhine and Shan), MRCS was supported with **10,000 face shields, 600,000 surgical masks, 2,000 protective goggles, 100,000 latex gloves, 500 non-contact thermometers, 4,000 units of hand-gel disinfectant** for the staff and volunteers



**Seven National Red Cross Societies** including American, Danish, Finnish, German, Norwegian, Swedish and Turkish Red Crescent, together with the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the ICRC, mobilized to support the MRCS' COVID-19 response



**Cloth material for 4,500 cloth masks** was distributed to communities in Rakhine and Shan states along with the necessary equipment and material like sewing machines, textile, thread, elastic bands, etc

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- We have adapted our humanitarian response across the country to the new realities of COVID-19 while keeping our robust operations for victims of different armed conflicts and other situations of violence.
- We are maintaining essential operations in Kachin, Rakhine and Shan states, while maximizing prevention efforts for COVID-19 together with the Myanmar Red Cross Society and to support the Ministry of Health and Sports.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- At least **2,500 people** across Myanmar supported by the **"Safe Return Home"** programme after release from detention under the annual Presidential Pardon. They also received information on ways to prevent COVID-19.
- **53,650 people** from Kachin and Rakhine states assisted with **non-surgical masks** in response to COVID-19.
- **287 tailors** in IDP camps at Kachin and Rakhine benefited from payments for production of non-surgical masks.
- As many as **600 people in quarantine facilities** in Myitkyina, Kachin state and Rakhine state received **phone cards** to stay in touch with family members and loved ones during their quarantine period.
- Over **26,500 Facebook users** reached with an **#InfoAsAid digital messaging focusing on hygiene promotion and COVID-19 prevention**.
- Containing information approved by the Ministry of Health and Sport, **65,000 posters** shared with communities in **Kachin, Rakhine and Shan states**.
- An **advocacy note on "IHL and COVID-19"** shared with civilian and military authorities, ethnic armed organizations and other stakeholders.
- ICRC **guidelines on dead body management** in context of COVID-19 prepared for armed and security forces of Myanmar.
- Recommendation on **risk and prevention measures related to law enforcement operations** were shared with **Myanmar Police Force**.

# BANGLADESH

329,251

TOTAL CASES

227,809

TOTAL RECOVERED

4,552

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020

## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### COX'S BAZAR

#### Sadar District Hospital

- Set up 16 triage, 12 isolation beds, provided 200 suits / month to hospital wards, besides fully equipping the ED, shared preventive measures and providing trainings, mentored 60 staff members, installed donning doffing area to support the front-line workers, installed a screening point and OPD activity tent and made PSAs on the rules of ER department and on respecting health-care workers
- Infrastructure support for setting up 80 isolation beds in three health complexes (30 in Pekua, 30 in Chakaria and 20 in Ramu), and set up of medical waste management

### CHATTOGRAM DIVISION

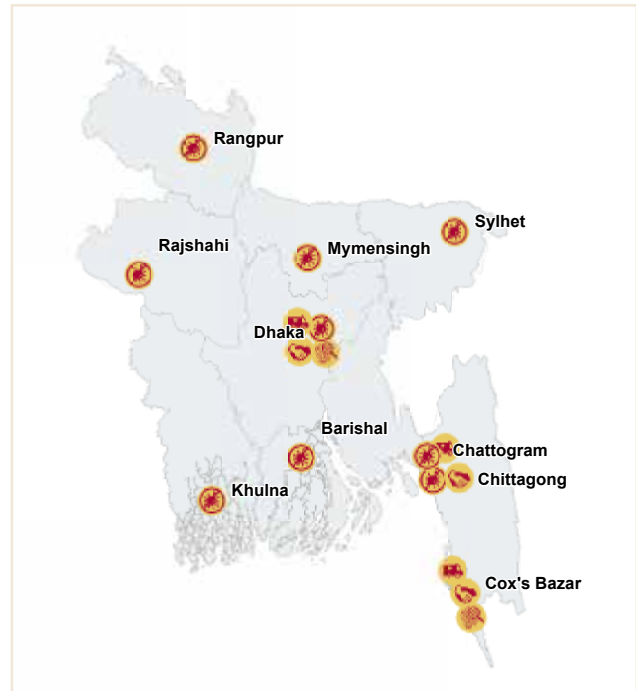
#### Feni District Prison

- Infrastructure support for setting up 41 isolation beds

### DHAKA DIVISION

#### Kishoreganj District Prison

- Infrastructure support for setting up 28 isolation beds



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES

- Infection-control in detention facilities
- Public health response
- Humanitarian forensics
- Partnering with Bangladesh Red Crescent Society

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## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

68 Prisons supported; 89,000 Total beneficiaries

Material aid distributed with support of National Society, including 8,550 sanitizers, 72 USB keys with training material for prison guards and detainees and 100 bottles of hand-rub disinfectant. Technical advice given on creation of isolation areas and 218 units of emergency material consisting of surgical masks, hand sanitizer, chlorine, information leaflet, handheld sprayer, packing material given to prison directorate and guards.

## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS



As many as 320 body bags handed over to government authorities and 735 body bags and 100 burial cloths handed over to NGOs for proper management of dead bodies in Dhaka, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar, CHT, Chattogram, a DPR camp for displaced people from Rakhine

PPE material handed over to government authorities, medicolegal departments and NGOs:



145

PPE kits



40

Face shields



1,400

Masks



2,020

Pairs of gloves



1,400

Gowns



93 units

Liquid handwash

Others: Cleaning material and Info-as-aid posters



## PARTNERING WITH BANGLADESH RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

### 64 DISTRICTS

#### Economic Security activities

- **Food distribution carried out in partnership with** the National Society in **64 districts**:
  - **150,000 beneficiaries (30,000 households)**
  - Food parcel consisted of 7.5 kg rice, 1 kg lentil, 1 litre oil, 1 kg salt, 1 kg sugar, 0.5 kg semolina
- **Unconditional cash grants given to 6,006 households** (30,030 people) in Chittagong Hill Tracts

### 68 BDRCS DISTRICTS AND DHAKA NHQ

- Donation agreement for **Sfr 500,000** between the ICRC and the National Society will cover the following kinds of assistance related to COVID-19:
  - **Public awareness and media campaign** along with production of communication material to raise awareness
  - **300,000** emergency food packets
  - **Disinfection of 16 hospitals** and public places

- **Mobilization and financial support** to volunteers involved in **Restoring Family Links (RFL) services**
- **Insurance-related assistance** for front-line staff and volunteers
- Financial aid for ambulance support to Directorate General of Health Services

#### Donation of PPE kits, hygiene material:



**780**  
PPE kits



**5,000**  
Pairs of gloves



**5,000**  
Masks



**5,000**  
Gel disinfectant

#### Other support:

- Hand-washing stations constructed, thermometers handed over and technical support provided

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- Preventive messaging on COVID-19 are being relayed for the displaced populations in Cox's Bazar and host families, as well as for people living in Chittagong Hill Tracts.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **5,550 reusable cloth masks were distributed** among displaced people from Rakhine in a camp at Cox's Bazar.
- **Info-as-aid and preventive messages relayed in 71 unions** in Cox's Bazar using tomtom (carriages) loudspeakers, and in DPR camps through mosque loudspeakers and community volunteers.
- **Phone calls made to 239 households** in Horikhola host community (Cox's Bazar) for COVID-19 awareness messages.
- **Emergency food parcels distributed to 2,120 households** (10,600 people) from host community in Tumbru.
- **Responded to shelter needs of over 600 families in DPR camp** to ensure social distancing measures during lockdown.
- Public service announcements on **de-escalation of violence and respect for health staff broadcast** at Sadar Hospital in Cox's Bazar. On an average, close to 200 patients visit the hospital every day (245 patients / day in August).

# PAKISTAN

**299,659**

TOTAL CASES

**286,506**

TOTAL RECOVERED

**6,359**

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020

## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### PESHAWAR

Lady Reading Hospital  
**3,540,000** Beneficiaries



**54,675**  
Gloves



**200**  
Face shields



**50,000**  
Pairs of  
Shoe covers



**40,100**  
Surgical caps



**500**  
Goggles



**6,500**  
Special  
masks



**250**  
Gowns



**10,500**  
Disposable  
masks

- Infrastructure support to set up screening / triage / isolation facilities
- **Other supplies:** Close to **11,000 food parcels** for COVID-19 patients, disinfectant, chlorine, sanitizers, medical equipment, waste bins, garbage bags, plastic buckets, clogs, blankets, quilts, etc.

### JAMRUD

Civil Hospital Jamrud  
**40,000** Beneficiaries



**5,185**  
Pairs of gloves



**30**  
Face shields



**30**  
Goggles



**2,000**  
Pairs of shoe covers



**2,000**  
Surgical caps



**100**  
Special masks



**300**  
Gowns

- **Infrastructure support** to set up screening / triage / isolation facilities
- **Medical supplies** like stethoscopes, **hygiene supplies** like disinfectant, chlorine, sanitizers, medical equipment, waste bins, garbage bags, etc.

### BAJAUR

DHQ Hospital Bajaur  
**1,100,000** Beneficiaries



**5,185**  
Pairs of gloves



**2,000**  
Surgical caps



**2,000**  
Pairs of shoe covers



**200**  
Special masks



**30**  
Face shields



**30**  
Goggles



**300**  
Gowns

- **Infrastructure support** to set up screening / triage / isolation facilities
- **Medical supplies** like stethoscopes, **hygiene supplies** including disinfectant, chlorine, sanitizers, medical equipment, waste bins, garbage bags, linen, mattresses, plastic buckets, blankets, etc.

### PARACHINAR

DHQ Hospital Parachinar  
**500,000** Beneficiaries



**5,185**  
Pairs of gloves



**30**  
Face shields



**2,000**  
Pairs of shoe covers



**2,000**  
Surgical caps



**30**  
Goggles



**200**  
Special masks



**300**  
Gowns

- **Infrastructure support** to set up screening / triage / isolation facilities
- **Medical supplies** like stethoscopes, **hygiene supplies** including disinfectant, chlorine, sanitizers, medical equipment, waste bins, garbage bags, etc.

### RAWALPINDI

Rescue 1122  
**301** Beneficiaries



**60**  
Sanitizers



**90**  
N95 masks



**161**  
Coveralls

### MUZZAFFARABAD

Pakistan-administered Kashmir  
Health Department



**5,300**  
Pairs of gloves



**200**  
Face shields



**210 units**  
Sanitizers



**11,000**  
Info-as-aid  
leaflets



**20,000**  
Surgical masks



**2,000**  
Special masks



**6,000**  
Gowns

- **Medical supplies:** Dressing set, thermometers, extrication collars, infusion set, injection material, linen set, splint set, suture set, dressing instrument set, drape surgical, gynaecological delivery table, oxygen concentrator, oxygen analyser, splint, boots heavy duty, surgical caps, stethoscope, FA material
- **Infrastructure support**

### ALL PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS

Pakistan-administered Kashmir,  
Gilgit-Baltistan and merged areas  
PRCS first-aiders and volunteers  
**11,769** Beneficiaries



**5,160**  
Pairs of  
disposable gloves



**232**  
Sanitizers



**50**  
Pairs of  
shoe covers



**500**  
Surgical caps



**110**  
Dettol



**5,415**  
Surgical masks



**69**  
Special masks









**221**  
Gowns



- Financial support of close to **60,000 Swiss francs (Sfr)** extended to **1,850 diabetic patients in Islamabad**, Rawalpindi and Pakistan-administered Kashmir. The monetary aid will help the patients get access to free medicines, teleconsultations and awareness material on COVID-19 safety. As many as **30,000 info-as-aid posters** also distributed

#### ATTACKS AGAINST HEALTH CARE:

- Under the Health Care in Danger (HCiD) framework, the ICRC – along with partners – **analysed emerging trends of violence against health care** in the midst of COVID-19 to tailor relevant responses. The broad HCiD community of concern **continued to advocate with authorities** in Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for approval and enactment of laws for protection of health care
- Along with the leading medical universities of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab and Sindh, a research study was launched to analyse the frequency and determinants of violence and stigma experienced by health-care workers in COVID-19 isolation units, intensive care units and laboratories in three big cities of Pakistan
- The HCiD team participated in a webinar on **“Prevention of violence against health-care workers amid COVID-10 pandemic”**, organized by the department of Emergency Medicine, Aga Khan University, in collaboration with Johns Hopkins – Afghanistan Pakistan International Collaborative Trauma and Injury Research Training Programme. The participants and audience included students, researchers and faculty members from AKU and other collaborating institutions

<b>PHYSICAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMME</b>	 Pairs of gloves	 Soap bars	 Sanitizers	 Toilet paper rolls	 Surgical masks	 Food parcels
<b>CHAL Foundation</b> <b>106</b> Beneficiaries Islamabad, Swabi, Besham, Bagh, Balakot, Quetta, Batagram, Wana	<b>2,000</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>2,000</b>	
<b>Comprehensive Health &amp; Education Forum International</b> <b>22</b> Beneficiaries Islamabad	<b>600</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>300</b>	
<b>Director General Health Services Merged Areas</b> <b>26</b> Beneficiaries Bajour, Landi Kotal	<b>1,200</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>600</b>	
<b>Paraplegic Centre Peshawar</b> <b>185</b> Beneficiaries Peshawar	<b>5,000</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>2,500</b>	
<b>Rehab Initiative</b> <b>10</b> Beneficiaries Islamabad	<b>600</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>300</b>	
<b>Pakistan Institute of Prosthetic and Orthotic Sciences</b> <b>123</b> Beneficiaries Peshawar, Swat, Bannu, Bunnir, DI Khan, Timergerah	<b>2,000</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>1,000</b>	
<b>Fauji Foundation ALC</b> <b>100</b> Beneficiaries Rawalpindi	<b>3,200</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>1,600</b>	
<b>Muzaffarabad Physical Rehabilitation Centre</b> <b>44</b> Beneficiaries Muzaffarabad	<b>2,000</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>1,000</b>	
<b>The Indus Hospital Network</b> Karachi, Lahore, Muzaffaragarh, Badin	<b>2,400</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>1,200</b>	
<b>Society for Special Persons</b> <b>500</b> Beneficiaries Multan						<b>500</b>

## TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Humanitarian forensics



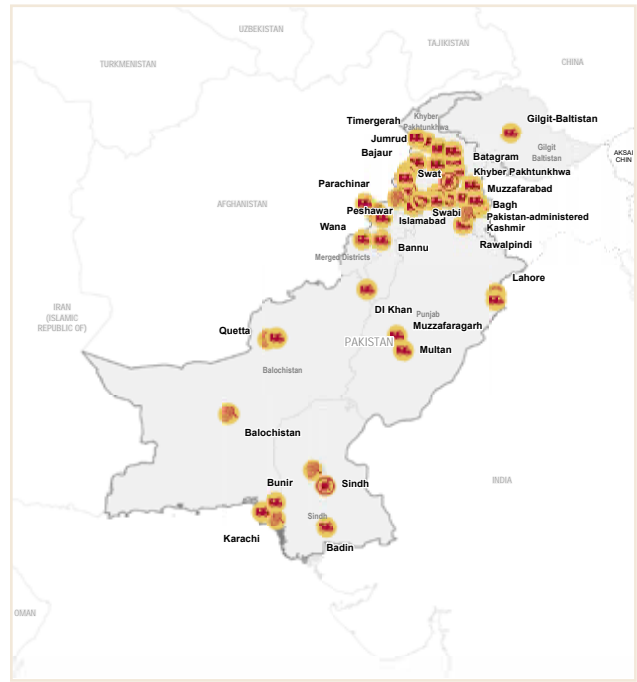
Public health response



Partnering with Pakistan Red Crescent Society

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## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### SINDH PROVINCE

26 Prisons in Sindh Province supported

17,472 Total beneficiaries

Support extended with the support of PRCS:

- **Preventive measures:** Guidelines, training sessions, capacity-building and info-as-aid material distributed
- **Hygiene material:**



616 L  
Bleach



58,500  
Hand sanitizers



52,584  
Soap bars



167 kg  
Chlorine

- **Medical supplies:** 60,700 masks, 53 contactless thermometers, 50 units of disinfectant

### KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

21 Prisons in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa supported

11,130 Total beneficiaries

Support extended with the support of PRCS:

- **Preventive measures:** Guidelines, training sessions, capacity-building, 1,095 info-as-aid posters
- **Hygiene material:**



145 kg  
Chlorine



33,408  
Soap bars



5,000 units  
Hand sanitizers



1,100 L  
Bleach

- **Info-as-aid material**
- **Cleaning material**
- **Medical supplies:** 42 contactless thermometers, 40,000 surgical masks



## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS



### DISTRIBUTION OF BODY BAGS

Peshawar, Quetta, Lahore, Karachi, Pakistan-administered Kashmir

- Government authorities
- Hospitals
- National Society
- Total: 410 body bags



### PREVENTIVE MEASURES TAKEN

Islamabad

- Guidelines, training sessions and capacity-building with respect to disaster management



### PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- 200 aprons handed over to medicolegal departments



### INFO-AS-AID DISTRIBUTED

Lahore, Peshawar

- Posters and videos shared digitally, sessions organized to support medicolegal departments and hospitals



### INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT TO HOSPITALS

Peshawar

- Provision of temporary cold storage facility for dead body management



### PPE KITS HANDED OVER TO GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES

Pakistan-administered Kashmir, Quetta, Lahore



## PARTNERING WITH PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY



- **Financial support of Sfr 162,723 to kick-start COVID-19 response** for mobilization of NS volunteers, awareness campaign on prevention, PPE kits for staff and volunteers, purchasing cleaning material and disinfectant for office spaces and increasing insurance coverage of volunteers
- **Financial support of Sfr 30,578 to provide food rations** to vulnerable families in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Merged Districts and Pakistan-administered Kashmir
- **Financial support of Sfr 3,270 to provide 1,200 vulnerable families** in Gilgit-Baltistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa with pre-paid mobile cards so that they can remain in contact with loved ones, including those in quarantine facilities or hospitals

### OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- To support the collective humanitarian response to COVID-19 in Pakistan, the ICRC has redirected a part of its annual budget towards measures and initiatives to be taken in the face of this pandemic.

### RELATED ACTIVITIES

- In collaboration with the Government of Pakistan's "We Care" campaign, the HCD and Communications departments have launched an awareness campaign titled "Bharosa Karein". The campaign aims to increase respect for health-care workers.
- A digital campaign focused on kindness and compassion towards front-line workers was launched during Ramzan engaging health-care workers, visual artists, religious scholars and journalists, to address stigma.
- Together with the Pakistan Red Crescent Society, an awareness raising campaign was conducted in major cities across Pakistan on adoption of key preventive measures.

# SRI LANKA

3,140

TOTAL CASES

2,935

TOTAL RECOVERED

12

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### DONATION OF CLEANING MATERIALS AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES:

- 24 Prisons; 25,893 Beneficiaries



55,079  
Soap bars



9,400  
Toothbrushes



9,400  
Toothpaste



12,500  
Surgical masks



17,670  
Pairs of gloves



365  
Coveralls



1,481 units  
Chlorine



620 units  
Sanitizers



230 units  
Bleach



62  
Manual sprayers



300  
Buckets



530  
Pairs of shoe covers



600  
Mats



237  
Eyewear



43  
Non-touch thermometers

- **Others:** Face shields, masks, boots, sanitary napkins, razors, detergent, masks, boots, wheelbarrow, feet sanitizing mats, toilet cleaner, toilet brush, material for toilet construction and maintenance of kitchen
- **Technical advice,** guidance and capacity-building

- **1** Quarantine prison (Bogambara, Kandy); **350** Beneficiaries Supported with 900 pairs of gloves, 800 surgical masks, 400 bars of soap, 23 pairs of eyewear, 281 buckets, 20 overalls, chlorine, face shields, boots, etc. Infrastructure support also given to set up triage / isolation facility
- **5** Police stations (Colombo, Vavuniya); **125** Beneficiaries Supported with 120 litres of chlorine, 25 sanitizers, 378 bars of soap, 150 toothbrushes & toothpastes each, 130 surgical masks, 65 mats, gloves, sprayers, etc.
- **1** Immigration detention centre (Colombo); **123** Beneficiaries Supported with 40 litres of chlorine, 10 sanitizers, 301 bars of soap, 50 toothpastes & toothbrushes each, 30 mats, gloves, eyewear, etc.



## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

- **Medicolegal departments (Western province: Colombo):**

Donation of protective equipment and medical supplies to Institute of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology:



160  
Body bags



1,800  
Masks



600  
Gowns



238  
Aprons



38  
Goggles



200  
Coveralls



38  
Face shields



1,000  
Hair mesh



1,800  
Shoe covers



720  
Body tags and cable ties



3,600  
Pairs of gloves

- **Others:** Boots, tent, biohazard labels, liquid soap, concentrated detergent, contactless thermometer, sprayers, sampling jars etc.
- **Preventive measures (Guidelines, capacity-building):**
  - **Assessment conducted on biosafety measures** that need to be developed and implemented to minimize COVID-19 transmission. Various factors that lead to cross-contamination were identified and mitigation measures proposed
  - Assessment conducted of **COVID-19 diagnostic sample collection** from remains of individuals highly suspected of COVID-19 who will need an inquest into death and autopsy

- **Government authorities (Ministry of Health in Colombo):**

Donation of protective equipment and medical supplies to benefit the morgues attached to the 35 COVID-19 treating hospitals:



400  
Body bags



2,000  
Body tags & ties



2,000  
Pairs of gloves



2,000  
Masks



1,000  
Shoe covers



300  
Gowns



200  
Hair mesh



600 kg  
Chlorine



22  
Sprayers



20  
PPE kits



150  
Coveralls



70  
Eyewear

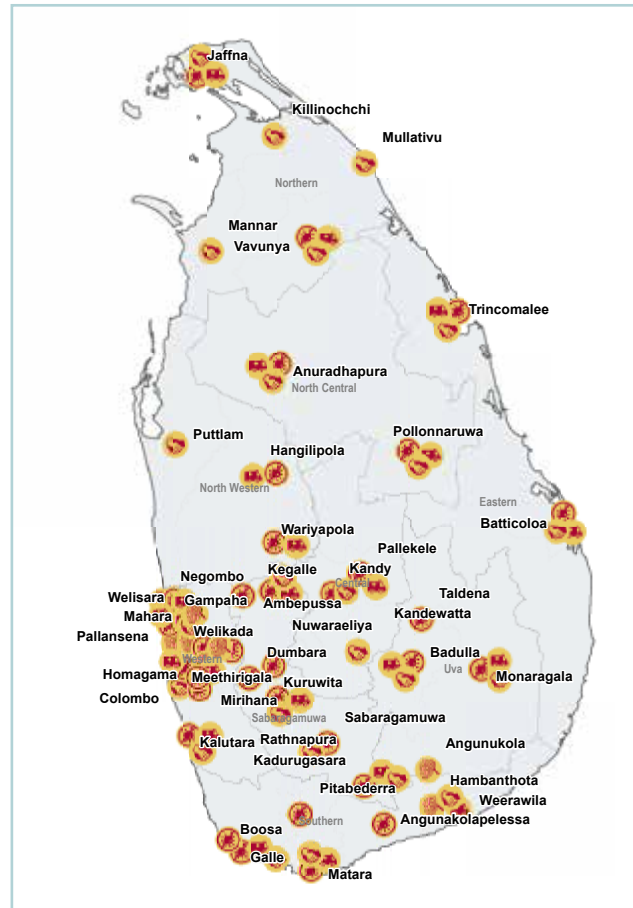
**Others:** Liquid soap, concentrated detergent

- **Prisons:** (Welikada Prison Hospital, Angunukolapelessa Prison, Negambo Prison and Mahara) **Cleaning material, protective equipment and medical supplies donated** for mortuaries and dead body holding areas. These included 300 masks, 300 pairs of gloves, 30 gowns, 40 body bags, 120 kg of chlorine, 400 pairs of shoe covers, etc.



## PARTNERING WITH THE SRI LANKA RED CROSS SOCIETY

- **Economic Security activities:**
  - **Food assistance in partnership with NS: Ration:** 1,500 households (7,500 people) (Colombo district, Puttlam, Jaffna, Mannar, Kandy, Kalutara) The nutritional value for the food packs distributed is of an average 2,100 kcal / person / day as per WFP and UNHCR food assistance guideline by the UCL Institute of Global Health. One pack of food ration will cover the requirement for one week / household with five members
  - **Food vouchers: 5,700** households (28,500 people), 3,500 Sri Lankan rupees (LKR) per household (Ampara, Anuradhapura, Badulla, Batticaloa, Galle, Hambantota, Kegalle, Killinochchi, Kurunegala, Mannar, Matale, Matara, Monaragala, Mullativu, Nuwaraeliya, Polonnaruwa, Rathnapura, Trincomalee, Vavuniya)
  - **Emergency cash assistance to meet various urgent needs:** 1,574 households (7,870 people) (Mullativu, Trincomalee, Killinochchi, Mannar, Vavuniya, Batticaloa, Jaffna, Matara, Hambantota, Monaragala, Rathnapura, Kegalle, Anuradhapura, Matale, Galle, Kalutara, Kandy, Polonnaruwa)
- **SLRCS headquarters: Donation of 500 overalls to be given to Ministry of Health (Sfr 5,160)**
- **Transmission risk reduction in public places:**
  - Gampaha, Colombo, Kalutara, Puttlam and Jaffna districts
  - Technical assistance in form of preventive measures and guidelines
  - **Sfr 36,000** Financial assistance and technical assistance for disinfection, trainings, capacity-building
  - **Sfr 2,580** Financial assistance for info-as-aid
- **Joint video produced by the ICRC and NS on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS), broadcast in Tamil, Sinhala and English on SLRCS social media platform. Viewed by almost 48,000 people**
- **Capacity-building: Technical support to produce awareness material on Restoring Family Links (RFL) services**



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Public health response



Humanitarian forensics



Partnering with The Sri Lanka Red Cross Society

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## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- The ICRC's response plan in Sri Lanka rests on three pillars – support to places of detention, support to public health structures and support to the Sri Lanka Red Cross Society – and it aims to prevent and / or mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- **100 posters** (in English & Sinhala) on RFL services handed over to Department of Prisons.
- We're supporting families of those missing by adapting our Accompaniment Programme (under MHPSS) by signing an MoU with three partner organizations. Training tools to help accompaniers provide psychosocial support remotely have been designed and translated in Tamil and Sinhala. Thirty-eight accompaniers have been trained through 23 remote sessions by three ICRC psychologists. They have conducted 2,399 sessions for families and 284 families interested in the forthcoming accompaniment programme cycles have been contacted to address any COVID-19 related questions. As many as 71 families have been provided with information on various topics.

# BANGKOK REGIONAL DELEGATION

(THAILAND, CAMBODIA, VIET NAM, LAOS)

4,797

TOTAL CASES

4,448

TOTAL RECOVERED

93

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### NORTH OF THAILAND

- **Supported community health organizations** to be trained and equipped to carry out COVID-19 prevention and screening activities in their communities along the border
- **Distributed hygiene items** to two Immigration Detention Centres in Mae Sai of Chiang Rai and Mae Sot of Tak as well as to Thai Military Task Forces in Tak, Chiang Mai and Mae Hong Son
- Supported **Mae Sam Laep and Sala Chiang Tong Sub-district Health Promotion Hospitals** in Mae Hong Son province with soaps, sanitizers, disinfectant, disposable gowns, non-contact thermometers and cotton towels
- Supported **Border Ranger Unit 36 and 17th Infantry Regiment Task Force** in Mae Hong Son Province with **protective equipment** like face shields, masks, latex gloves, disposable gowns, sanitizer, etc. The items were further distributed at its check points along the border
- **Protective equipment, soap, disinfectant, etc. provided to Non-State Armed Group (NSAG)** and community based-organization (CBO)
- **Soaps, sanitizers, disinfectant and non-touch thermometers provided to:**
  - Thai sub-district health promotion hospitals at the borders catering to the health needs of **88,000** people
  - Thai sub-district municipality offices for migrant communities under their care
- **Hand-wash facilities provided** at Mae Tao Clinic

### SOUTH THAILAND

- In South Thailand, protective equipment and hygiene material were delivered to MoJ Pattani Provincial Office. This included posters on RFL services, **45 boxes of alcohol wipes, three bottles of alcohol disinfectant, three bottles of hand sanitisers, ten face shields and two boxes of disposable face masks**

### VIET NAM

Support extended to **Orthopaedic and Rehabilitation Hospital** in **Ho Chi Minh City**

### CAMBODIA

#### Khmer-Soviet Friendship Hospital

- Coveralls for ambulance drivers and first-aid teams: **1,800**
- **Technical advice, guidelines, PPE, sanitation and hygiene materials to:**



11

Physical Rehabilitation Centres



25

Physiotherapy departments in the Provincial Referral Hospitals



40

Online training sessions for clinical staff

- **Hygiene and sanitation materials** like chemical spray sets (including protective clothing), chlorine, hand gel, soaps, electric hand dryers and cleaning alcohol
- **1,000** surgical face masks, **1,000** surgical gloves, two washbasins (including installation)
- **Supported two ICRC Physical Rehabilitation Centres (PRC)** and five Ministry of Social Affairs PRCs (**180** staff and **4,000** service users) by providing:



15,000

Surgical masks



650

Reusable fabric masks



545 litres

Cleaning alcohol



20,000

Pairs of surgical gloves



4

Non-touch thermometers



120

Face shields



200

Bottles of sanitizers

- **Fifty spinal cord injury patients were provided with food items, PPE, COVID-19 prevention information and hygiene materials**



# INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

## CAMBODIA

• 28 Prisons supported; 38,000 Detainees; 4,000 Staff



49,350  
Pairs of gloves



6,890  
Sanitizers



733  
Goggles



11,050 kg  
Chlorine



7,300  
Surgical gowns



49  
Cleaning kits\*



69,000  
Masks



1,495  
N95 masks



64  
Non-touch  
thermometers



400  
Info-as-aid  
posters



25,730  
units  
Detergent

\*Cleaning kit: Apron, goggles, heavy-duty gloves, boots, jerry can, drum, bucket and sprayer tank

### Capacity-building:

- Trained prison staff and staff from the General Directorate of Prisons (GDP) in use of chlorine and other hygiene material, benefiting 10,000 detainees at four prisons
- Trained GDP Rapid Response Unit in infection prevention & control, triaging, case management and dead body management
- Mobilized & financially supported MoH CDC to provide training to 39 prison health staff on COVID-19 prevention and patient management

### Normative guidance to the General Directorate of Prisons

## THAILAND

### Prisons

- Guidelines on controlling COVID-19 in detention facilities shared with the Department of Corrections in Thailand
- 50 RFL kits consisting of info-as-aid posters, alcohol wipes, latex gloves and hand sanitizers distributed in nine prisons to help detainees make phone calls

### 6 Immigration Detention Centres

- Donation of hygiene supplies:



235  
Face shields



800  
Masks



75  
Boxes of gloves



14  
Goggles



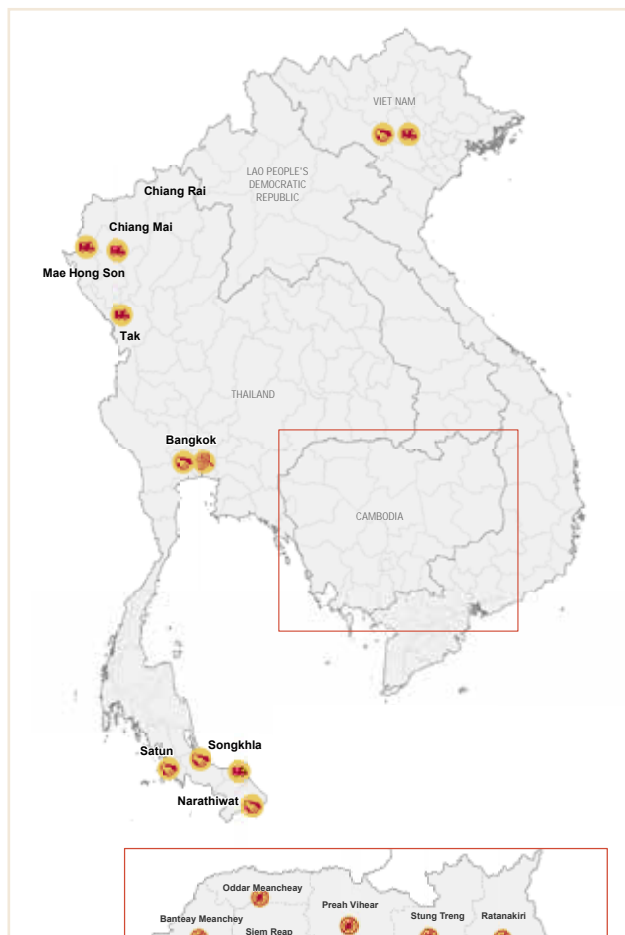
17  
Non-touch  
thermometers



120 units  
Sodium  
chloride



12 units  
Alcohol-based  
disinfectants



### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Humanitarian forensics



Public health response



Partnering with National Societies

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## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

### THAILAND

#### Central Institute of Forensic Science

- Protective gear and body bags handed over:



**500**  
Body bags



**1,000**  
Pairs of gloves



**100**  
Masks



**100**  
N95 masks



**70**  
Face shields



**70**  
Disposable gowns



**1,000**  
Pairs of shoe covers



**200**  
Info-as-aid posters

- **Guidelines on preventive measures** shared with Department of Corrections, Ministry of Public Health and Thailand Immigration Bureau
- **Guidelines on COVID-19 related measures** to be taken for proper management of dead bodies shared with government authorities:
  - The Central Institute of Forensic Science
  - The Royal Thai Police
  - Forensic science or forensic medicine departments of a few universities (Rangsit, Prince Songkhla, Mahidol Universities)
- Other than in Thailand, guidelines on COVID-19 related measures shared with the National Institute of Forensic Medicine of Viet Nam and National Institute of Forensic Medicine of Malaysia, and with the Ministry of Health in Laos



## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

### THAI RED CROSS SOCIETY

- Working with the Thai Red Cross Society (TRC), the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the Migrant Working Group (MWG) on promoting awareness and preventive measures related to COVID-19 among the migrant communities in Thailand:
  - Info-as-aid **25,000 posters** (10,000 each in Burmese and Khmer and 5,000 in Vietnamese) & **150,000 leaflets** (80,000 in Burmese, 50,000 in Khmer and 20,000 in Vietnamese)
  - **Dubbing and subtitling of ICRC video on stigmatization** into six languages - Thai, Khmer, Burmese, Vietnamese, Laotian and Bahasa Melayu
- Financial support of **12,785 Swiss francs (Sfr)** provided to TRC provincial chapters in the South of Thailand:



**341**  
**households**  
Meals for five days



**1,000**  
Bottles of  
alcohol spray



**20,500**  
Hand  
sanitizers



**1,500**  
Hygiene  
kits\*

\*Hygiene kit: Detergent, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and shampoo

- **Handed over to TRC:**



**100,000**  
Surgical masks



**Sfr 15,019**  
For making cloth masks in 76  
chapters of the National Society

- A total of **110 TRC posters** and **200 brochures** in Burmese language on COVID-19 prevention were distributed to Immigration Detention Centre TaK (Mae Sot), Mae Tao Clinic and four Sub-district Health Promotion Hospitals (Poengkloeng and Phob Phra in Tak and Mae Sam Laep and Sala Chiang Tong in Mae Hong Son)

### CAMBODIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

- Printing of **20,000 posters and leaflets each**
- Printing of **80,000 leaflets** on “migration and Restoring Family Links services” to be distributed in quarantine centres and for border crossings
- Reprinted **40,000 copies** of flyers on hygiene promotion
- Donation of hygiene items and posters in **25 NS branches**, including:



**5,000**  
Bars of soap



**614 units**  
Liquid handwash

- **Capacity-building:**
  - Trained 25 provincial staff in carrying out needs assessment
  - Supported **1,300 volunteers** carry out awareness sessions on hygiene practices
  - Supported hygiene and disease prevention dissemination activities in **13 branches** through Red Cross volunteer network
- Financial support extended to organize awareness sessions for community members. As many as **86,662 people** from **478 villages in 13 provinces** participated in these sessions

### LAO RED CROSS

- **Donation of protective equipment to NS:**



**300**  
Surgical  
face masks



**1,750**  
N95 masks

### VIET NAM RED CROSS SOCIETY

- **Financial support** for emergency cash assistance to vulnerable populations:
  - Hanoi – **225 beneficiaries** got Sfr 41 each
  - Ho Chi Minh City – **200 beneficiaries** got Sfr 41 each
- **Awareness and sensitization:** A video produced by the ICRC on “COVID-19 and stigmatization” provided to the National Society in Vietnamese



## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- Our **multidisciplinary response** aims to address the immediate humanitarian needs as well as long-term structural impacts of COVID-19 crisis, focusing on protection, including detention, health and water activities.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- In quarantine centres in the South of Thailand (Pattani, Narathiwat, Yala and Songkhla), we distributed relief items worth **Sfr 79,082, benefiting 1,950 people**. The items included **1,950 bedding sets** (mattress, pillow, pillow cover and blanket), basic hygiene material (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, mosquito repellent, etc.), snacks, **50 electric fans** and **37 water boilers**.
- Under the framework of three ICRC multidisciplinary visits carried out with DGP officials from Health Rapid Response Unit, Construction & Maintenance Office and Operations and Administration Departments, hygiene items were distributed to more than **2,500 juveniles, women and accompanying children** in three places of detention housing more than half of the country's vulnerable detainees among the total 6,000 prison population.
- **1,000 "Safe phone calls" posters** (COVID-19 context specific) co-designed by the ICRC and DGP were published and distributed to all places of detention for the **benefit of 40,000 detainees** and **4,000 prison staff**.
- As many as **10,000 pre-printed RCMs / "Family News Form"** co-developed with the CRC and printed for future use interchangeably with the RCMs in the framework of ICRC-CRC RFL services in prisons. This is crucial due to **re-introduction of the blanket ban on phone services** in prisons as of mid-August 2020.
- In five provinces of Viet Nam (Quang Ngai, Da Nang, Bing Dinh, Binh Phuoc and Can Tho), we provided **food assistance to 500 people with disabilities**.
- Communication products, animation videos and campaign were run with partners of the International Movement of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to tackle Mental Health and Psychological Support (MHPSS) needs of populations as well as to address the issue of stigmatization.
- A media campaign focused on COVID-19 in detention settings, and calling for support to tackle the issue, was launched in Cambodia.
- Donation of **50,000 masks** to the Royal Thai Police for officers involved directly in COVID-19 response operations.
- Analysis of restrictive measures and legal policies in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos and Viet Nam.
- **Donation of food items and hygiene materials** to 44 members of the Battambang and Kampong Speu Wheelchair Basketball teams.
- Presentations on hygiene measures, patient screening and disinfection done for staff of physiotherapy departments of five referral hospitals, namely Siem Reap, Svay Rieng, Trorlach, Banteay Meanchey and Korng Pisey.

# REGIONAL DELEGATION TO INDONESIA AND TIMOR-LESTE

200,062

TOTAL CASES

142,983

TOTAL RECOVERED

8,230

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### • Prison hospitals, Jakarta

Donation of medical supplies, hygiene items and awareness material on prevention:



20

Info-as-aid posters



500

Soap bars



190 L

Disinfectant



1,500

Pairs of gloves



1,500

Masks



280  
Goggles



10  
Body bags



816  
PPE kits



500  
Aprons



400  
Face shields

**Others:** Water containers, contactless thermometers, sprayers, boots, leaflets

### • Islamic boarding school, East Java

Donation of medical supplies:



600

Pairs of gloves



11

Contactless thermometers



200

Face shields



5,000  
Masks



700  
Surgical masks

**Others:** Water containers, contactless thermometers, sprayers, boots, leaflets



## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### • 57 Prisons supported, 50,000 Beneficiaries Jakarta, West Java, Banten, East Java

Donation of hygiene material, medical supplies, PPE kits:



57,372  
Soap bars



12,266 L  
Bleach



32,500  
Pairs of gloves



123  
Sprayers



1,460  
Goggles



4,220 L  
Sanitizers



180  
Contactless thermometers



1,026  
Water containers



335  
PPE kits



32,500  
Surgical masks



1,150  
Info-as-aid posters



150  
Goggles



500  
Face shields



2,016  
Soap bars



608 L  
Disinfectant



3,300  
Pairs of gloves



2,950  
Surgical masks



17  
Contactless thermometers



15  
Water containers



28  
Sprayers

### • 18 Prisons supported, 10,500 Beneficiaries Lampung, East Java, Bali

Donation of hygiene material, medical supplies, PPE kits:



8,460  
Soap bars



1,140 L  
Bleach



15,000  
Pairs of gloves



7,500  
Surgical masks



1,500  
Face shields



75  
Contactless thermometers



300  
Info-as-aid posters



1,350 L  
Sanitizers



84  
PPE kits

**Others:** Water containers, cloth masks and sprayers

## TYPE OF ACTIVITIES

-  Public health response
-  Infection-control in detention facilities
-  Humanitarian forensics
-  Partnering with National Societies



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## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

- **Online info-as-aid sessions organized** for government authorities
- At four Military Hospitals (Jakarta, West Java, East Java), protective equipment and medical supplies donated. These included **90** body bags, **1,200** masks, **150** pairs of eyewear, **500** PPE kits, **300** aprons, **600** pairs of gloves and **30** litres of sanitizer.
- **At 22 General Hospitals across Indonesia, protective equipment and medical supplies donated.** These included **770** body bags, **3,740** pairs of gloves, **500** special masks, **620** other masks, **1,316** PPE kits, **130** pairs of eyewear, **580** aprons, **100** face shields and **179** pairs of shoe covers.



## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

- **Financial aid and technical advice** provided for modification of eight ambulances to prevent infection when transferring COVID-19 patients
- **Donation of protective equipment and medical supplies for management of dead bodies** and Restoring Family Links services:



- **Sharing guidelines and SOPs:** Partnering with PMI to develop guidelines to ensure that the dead bodies recovered are identified, and, if not, transferred to the police for scientific process

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- Due to the unprecedented challenge created by COVID-19, the Jakarta delegation has reallocated 65% of its budget to pandemic response.
- As the spread of COVID-19 is yet to show any signs of slowing down, we have widened our support to include different Indonesian institutions. While the initial plans were to support prisons in three provinces and **25 hospitals**, during the first semester of 2020, we distributed PPE, hygiene and health items to **75 detention centres, 26 hospital facilities, 14 police stations** and two Islamic boarding schools in Indonesia. The plan is to keep up the distribution during the coming weeks.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- We are reaching out to our network of academics, religious and community leaders to pass appropriate messages of prevention that are adapted to specific audiences. We are also approaching various embassies to explore potential collaborations.
- As part of a refresher series, **webinars on “management of the dead during pandemics”** are being organized for volunteers and first responders from faith-based organizations. The delegation recently participated in a discussion organized by Keluarga Buddhayana Indonesia, a Buddhist community.
- We are working with the PMI on COVID-19 related communication programmes that could reach wider audience through various mediums.

# NEW DELHI REGIONAL DELEGATION

(INDIA, MALDIVES, BHUTAN, NEPAL)

4,418,500

TOTAL CASES

3,431,961

TOTAL RECOVERED

74,196

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

DONATION OF HYGIENE SUPPLIES AND PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:	Coveralls	Masks	Pairs of gloves	Sanitizer	Gowns	Aprons	Face shields	Non-touch thermometers
Director of Health Services, J&K		30,000	8,000	400 L				
Government Hospital for Bone and Joint Surgery, Srinagar			16,000	500 L				
Government Medical College, Jammu			8,000	500 L				
Office of Deputy Commissioner, Kulgam	75,000		25,000	5,000 L				
Voluntary Medicare Society, Srinagar	800		600	50 L	300		6	1
Christian Medical College, Vellore	1,200		2,500	200 L	600		25	1
Kuwait Embassy, New Delhi	400		400	10 L				
BSF Composite Hospital, Gwalior	2,000		6,000			500		4
Mobility India, Karnataka and Assam	1,600		2,300	75 L	800		32	2
BSF Chawala Camp, Delhi	2,000		6,000		500		500	4
BSF Hospital, Delhi	2,000		6,000				500	4
Physical Rehabilitation Reference Centre, Raipur	800		1,000	50 L	200		8	1
Ministry of Health Godow Sosun Magu, Maldives	60	100	100					

### NEPAL

#### Advocacy and dialogue

- Advocacy measures by apprising the authorities at Ministry of Health and Population during the COVID-19 Chief Operation Meeting
- Ongoing dialogue with DG of Prison Management Department

#### Donation of hygiene items, protective equipment:

- Donation of **25 aprons** to enable **people with disabilities** continuously and safely access rehabilitation services at Green Pastures Hospital in Pokhara, Kaski district
- **PPE material** including **20** surgical caps, **10** goggles, **20** face shields, **300** surgical masks, **20** special masks, **100 pairs** of shoe covers, **five boxes** of disposable gloves, **50 pairs** of surgical gloves, **20** gowns and **10 litres** disinfectant provided to **Army Rehabilitation Centre** (Kathmandu) for provision of rehabilitation services with COVID-19 precautionary measures in place



## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

### INDIA

**Technical support** in form of guidelines and SOPs on management of dead bodies w.r.t. COVID-19 shared with government authorities, hospitals, NGOs, National Society and other organizations, namely:

- Ministry of Home Affairs
- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
- National Disaster Management Authority
- NITI Aayog
- HoD Forensic Medicine, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi
- Indian Red Cross Society
- Coordinator - International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics at Gujarat Forensic Sciences University - Gujarat
- UNHCR

### Info-as-aid:

- The **International Centre for Humanitarian Forensics** (ICHF) – an initiative of the ICRC-GFSU Gujarat – held a webinar on “Management of the Dead – Ensuring their protection and dignity in the COVID-19 Era” for non-forensic staff handling the dead in institutions in Maharashtra, Delhi, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat. The participants included those from State Disaster Management Authorities, COVID-19 dedicated hospitals and municipal authorities dealing with the transport and / or burial of the bodies
- The ICHF also organized a webinar for the staff of “**Doctors for You**”
- A webinar was held as part of the **GFSU Webinar Series 2020: Planning for Mass Fatality Response**
- A joint session with ICHF was held on COVID-19 at the **first International Virtual Congress of Forensic Medicine**. Also provided ICHF with resources available on the management of dead bodies in context of COVID-19
- Posters on “**Hinduism and management of the dead**” shared with partner organizations and forensic practitioners
- A webinar titled “**Interfaith Dialogue - The Right to Dignified Disposal of Dead Bodies in the times of COVID-19: International Perspective**” was organized with the support of religious and community leaders

### MALDIVES

**Technical support** in form of guidelines and SOPs on management of dead bodies w.r.t. COVID-19 shared with National Society, prisons and government authorities, namely:

- Maldives Ministry of Home Affairs
- Maldives Correctional Services
- Maldives Police Services
- Maldives Controller General of Immigration
- High Commission of the Republic of the Maldives in New Delhi

### NEPAL

**Technical support** in form of guidelines and SOPs on management of dead bodies w.r.t. COVID-19 shared with:

- Government authorities
- Prisons
- National Society
- Medicolegal departments
- Hospitals
- **One-day orientation session and three-day workshop on management of the dead** organized for security personnel, health workers and staff of the municipality in Kailali district; 45 participants
- Donation of **150** masks to Department of Forensic Medicine, Patan Hospital (Kathmandu)
- **Donation of body bags:**
  - Nepal Police: **150**
  - Nepali Army: **50**
  - Dhulikhel Hospital: **60**
  - Armed Police Force Hospital: **50**
  - Koshi Zonal Hospital: **10**
  - B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Science (via NS): **10**
  - Tribhuvan University Teaching Hospital: **50**

### BHUTAN

**Technical support** in form of guidelines and SOPs on management of dead bodies w.r.t. COVID-19 shared with National Society and government authorities, namely:

- Bhutan Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs
- Royal Bhutanese Embassy in New Delhi
- Bhutan Red Cross Society



## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### NEPAL

40 Prisons; 15,883 Beneficiaries

- Donation of hygiene supplies, including **5,100** bars of soap, **1,550 pairs** of gloves and **2,020** surgical masks, in partnership with National Society
- **Other support** (some with support of NS):
  - Dili Bazar Jail (**400** bars of soap and **100 L** of chlorine)
  - District Jail, Chitwan (**250** bars of soap)
  - Central Jail Kathmandu (**1,454 L** of chlorine)
  - Nakhu Jail (**492 L** of chlorine)
  - District Jail, Mahottari (**1,000 L** of bottled drinking water and **30 kg** of bleach)



**Dialogue and advocacy efforts** during meeting with Prison Management Department - DG office regarding guidelines to control spread of COVID-19

### MALDIVES

#### Technical advice:



Shared a checklist for prison directors and guidelines on decongestion measures in places of detention with the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Commissioner of Prisons, the Inspector of Correctional Services, the Commissioner of Police and the Controller General of Immigration



## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

### INDIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

Protective equipment provided to the National Headquarters of the Indian Red Cross Society:



**1,500**  
Jackets



**10,500**  
Pairs of  
gloves



**9,500**  
Masks



**2,000**  
Body bags



**2,000**  
Coveralls



**2,000**  
ID tags &  
cable ties

- **Support for Cyclone Amphan: 50,000 tarpaulins provided** (17,000 for West Bengal and 33,000 for Assam)
- **Support extended to volunteers providing RFL services** during the pandemic by sharing guidelines and recommendations. Also engaged with the district branches of the National Society on the same
- **Supported the production of an animation video promoting** IRCS Blood Donation App
- **Produced a video highlighting importance of blood donation**, especially during COVID-19, to support NS efforts.
- **Posters describing the safety measures** to be taken by those handling dead bodies shared with the NS

### MALDIVIAN RED CRESCENT

Protective equipment provided:

- Gloves: **50 pairs**
- Masks: **100**
- Coveralls: **60**
- Body bags: **30**
- ID tags and cable ties: **60**
- Non-woven bags for making kits: **30**

### NEPAL RED CROSS SOCIETY

#### Material support provided:

- Body bags: **500**
- info-as-aid posters: **2,000**
- **PPE items given to eye hospitals** run by NS in Jankpur and Surkhet
  - Eyewear: **40 pairs**
  - Disinfectant: **90 L**
  - Face shields: **35 pieces**
  - Aprons: **75**
- **Material support** to volunteers providing Restoring Family Links (RFL) service in quarantine centres:
  - Gloves: **5,400 pairs**
  - Masks: **5,400**
  - Aprons: **440**
- As many as **28 people helped to make phone calls** as part of RFL services
- **Technical advice** in form of guidelines, SOPs, training sessions and supervision provided
- **Joint coordination with partners** of International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement to raise awareness about COVID-19
- **Production of video** to mark World Red Cross Red Crescent Day on 8 May
- **Joint visits organized to holding centres** in Kathmandu and Bhaktapur district
- **RFL services** offered in quarantine centres, three people benefit from them
- **Production of posters** (in Nepali) on management of the dead and one highlighting the stigma surrounding COVID-19

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- The ICRC regional delegation in New Delhi is closely working with the Indian Red Cross Society in its response to COVID-19. **More than 40,000 IRCS volunteers** are present on the front lines in all districts to support communities in this time of crisis.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- Physiotherapists from ICRC-assisted centres and CBM India attended a webinar on **“Role of Physiotherapist in the Management of COVID-10”**.
- Guidelines on activities related to our Physical Rehabilitation Programme were shared with the ICRC-supported centres in the Indian states of Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Assam and Jammu & Kashmir.
- Held a webinar on **“COVID-19 – Challenges and opportunities at workplace for people with disabilities”**.
- Produced an inclusive leaflet on **“COVID-19 protective measures – including for persons with disabilities and caregivers”**.
- Produced a video on **“Staying active for mental and physical well-being”** for people with disabilities.
- Led a session on “Ethics of Reporting in Situations of Emergencies such as COVID-19 pandemic” during a webinar organized by Nirmala Memorial Foundation College of Commerce and Science, Mumbai and Griffith University, Australia.
- Collaborated with the UNHCR and NITI Aayog on audiovisual content addressing stigma related to COVID-19.
- Produced poster on “stigma during COVID-19” for dissemination among public as part of Twitter series #RespectFrontlineWorkers.
- We are providing **support and guidance to the Maldivian Red Crescent** to identify needs related to RFL services among the migrants.
- The RFL guidelines and RFL call log book was shared with the IRCS NHQ and circulated among the state branches that are conducting orientation for district branches.

# KUALA LUMPUR REGIONAL DELEGATION

(MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE & BRUNEI DARUSSALAM)

**66,870**

TOTAL CASES

**65,736**

TOTAL RECOVERED

**158**

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### TELIPOK, KOTA KINABALU, KINARUT, PAPAR

Awareness on prevention - **30,000** Beneficiaries

- **Info-as-aid posters and audio messages translated** in local languages and communicated via social media channels

### KUALA LUMPUR

Ministry of Health

- Special masks donated: **8,000**

### TELIPOK, KOTA KINABALU

Infection prevention and control

- Together with the MRCS and CHV, supported DHO in polio vaccination campaign in the settlements adapted to new COVID-19 SOPs
- Beneficiaries: **886 Children** (age group of one month to 13 years)



## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

Donation of hygiene items and protective equipment:

**42** Prisons in Malaysia; **74,000** Beneficiaries



**20,792**  
Soap bars



**40,350**  
Surgical masks



**960**  
Surgical caps



**880**  
Gowns



**560**  
Special masks



**82**  
Non-touch thermometers



**5,640**  
Info-as-aid posters



**612 L**  
Sanitizers



**17**  
Face shields



**1,000**  
Pairs of gloves



**400**  
Aprons

- **Material support for Restoring Family Links (RFL) services:** Webcams and speakers to facilitate video calls between detainees and their family members: **84**
- **Dialogue & persuasion:** Note related to release of detainees sent to authorities at headquarters

**18** Immigration Detention Centres all over Malaysia; **16,000** Beneficiaries



**68,350**  
Masks



**28,546**  
Soap bars



**4,360**  
Surgical caps



**3,979**  
Gowns



**75**  
Face shields



**3,710**  
Special masks



**2,300**  
Aprons



**3,500**  
Pairs of gloves



**2,220**  
Info-as-aid posters



**216 L**  
Sanitizers



**110**  
Non-touch thermometers



**50 tins**  
Milk powder



**1,910**  
Diapers



## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

### KUALA LUMPUR

Medicolegal departments:  **200** body bags donated



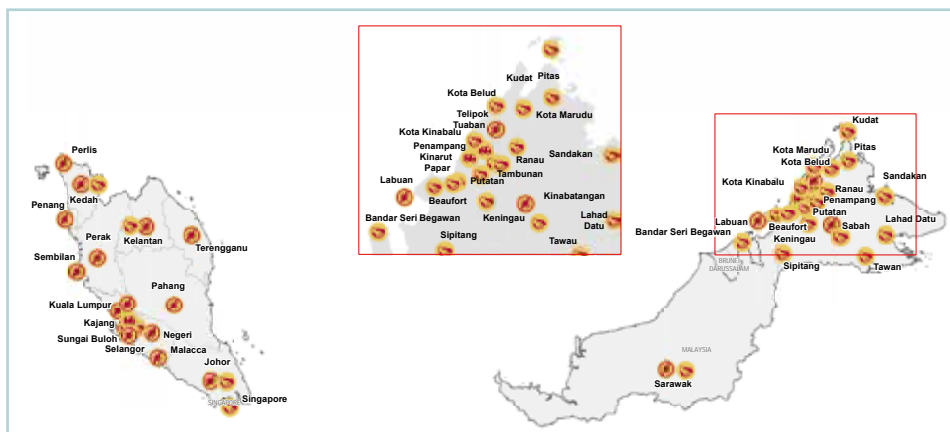
## TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



Partnering with National Societies



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## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

### SINGAPORE RED CROSS

#### Financial support:

- for setting up screening / triage / isolation facilities
- to meet the urgent needs of the most vulnerable sections of society

### BRUNEI DARUSSALAM RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

- **Financial support** to aid their COVID-19 response

### MALAYSIAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY

- **Financial support** to aid their COVID-19 response
- **Capacity-building:** supported in organizing online training sessions for branches and others
- **Infection prevention:** 50,000 masks donated for volunteers and staff
- **Mobilization:** Supported MRCS with its state COVID-19 response
- **Preventive measures:** Financial and technical support to organize COVID-19 training sessions by DHO for NS volunteers on awareness, best practices and PPE standards and procedures

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- **Malaysia:** Extended technical advice on health care in detention to authorities and continued to engage with them in a bilateral dialogue on other areas of support.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- Continued engagement with other humanitarian organizations via participation in a Risk Communication & Community Engagement Working Group (RCCE-WG). Commissioned by the MoH via the WHO, the RCCE-WG was formed among key humanitarian actors in the country at the peak of the pandemic. It continues to hold bi-weekly meetings and serves as an information exchange and coordination platform to encourage collaboration and remove duplication of efforts.
- Delivered a lecture to the armed forces and police personnel on the **“Military Involvement in Security Operations in COVID-19 Response”** at the Malaysian Armed Forces Staff College as part of the Command and Staff Diploma Course.
- Successfully organized a three-day Maritime in Security Operation seminar with the Centre for Military and International Humanitarian Law. The theme of the seminar was **“COVID-19: Balancing Border Security Needs with Humanitarian Concerns”**. As many as 58 participants from enforcement agencies, academic institutions and international organizations attended the seminar.
- Playing an **advisory role to the Joint HQ Police and Military** during the Movement Control Order. Weekly meetings being organized.
- Playing an advisory role to the National Security Council on humanitarian concerns in the development of SOPs. Daily virtual meetings being organized.

# PACIFIC ISLANDS

**28,756**

TOTAL CASES

**24,732**

TOTAL RECOVERED

**810**

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

### RURAL HEALTH CENTRES: 6

120 consultations per day; 40 staff, 180 village birth attendants

#### • Donation of hygiene supplies:



**13,326**  
Soap bars



**300**  
Aprons



**200**  
Surgical masks



**6 L**  
Bleach



**400**  
Pairs of gloves

- Info-as-aid: **4,000 leaflets** distributed
- Training sessions: **25**
- MHPSS sessions: **30**
- Hand-washing stations: **6**

### TARI PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL

- Two training sessions on MHPSS for **30 staff members**

### WABAG PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL / ENGA PROVINCIAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

- Two training sessions on MHPSS for **29 staff members**

### MT HAGEN PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL (245-bed hospital)

#### • Supported with:



**1,100**  
Pairs of gloves



**250**  
Surgical masks



**200**  
Aprons



**40 kg**  
Chlorine



**8**  
PPE kits

- Infrastructure to set up **12-bed isolation ward**
- Setting up three canopy structures for screening patients
- **Others:** Stethoscope, sphygmomanometers, IV stands and oxygen flow meters
- Technical guidance in form of SOPs, guidelines regarding disinfection
- MHPSS training session for staff

### MENDI PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL

- **34 front-line staff members attend training** sessions on MHPSS
- Training and other guidelines provided to staff to build their capacities
- Two screening facilities set up
- Two washing stations constructed



## INFECTION-CONTROL IN DETENTION FACILITIES

### PAPUA NEW GUINA, Bougainville (Arawa, Buka & Buin) and Western Highlands Province)

4 Police stations; Beneficiaries: **130** detainees, **104** staff










- **Support:** Built handwashing stations and provided **632** bars of soap

**Prisons** in Western Highlands Province, Port Moresby, Lae, Bougainville, Southern Highlands Province and Western Highlands Province

Beneficiaries: Close to **5,000** detainees, over **900** staff members

#### • Material and advisory support:

- Gloves: **1,923 pairs**
- Special masks: **240**
- Caps: **420**
- Gowns: **280**
- Surgical masks: **1,100**
- Soaps: **4,525 bars**
- Thermometers: **8**
- Overalls: **190**
- Eyewear: **19**
- Face shields: **56**
- **Other support:** Handwashing stations, disinfectant and repairs of rainwater system in quarantine facility with a capacity of **40** detainees

									
<b>SOLOMON ISLANDS</b> 6 Prisons supported; <b>483</b> Beneficiaries • Screening facilities set up at two prisons • <b>Direct support:</b> Technical advice provided in the form of SOPs, training sessions and tents donated			<b>67 units</b>	<b>41 L</b>	<b>116 cartons</b>	<b>95 L</b>			
<b>FIJI</b> 15 Prisons supported; <b>3,429</b> Beneficiaries			<b>288 units</b>	<b>24 units</b>	<b>241 cartons</b>	<b>49 units</b>	<b>100</b>		
<b>SAMOA</b> 2 Prisons supported; <b>412</b> Beneficiaries			<b>12 units</b>	<b>60 L</b>	<b>3,356</b>	<b>80 L</b>		<b>8 boxes</b>	
<b>MARSHALL ISLANDS</b> 1 Prisons supported; <b>50</b> Beneficiaries				<b>10 L</b>	<b>200</b>				
<b>VANUATU</b> 5 Prisons supported; <b>12</b> Beneficiaries • Material for 220 masks	<b>2,000</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>50 L</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>22 L</b>		<b>1,000</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>COOK ISLANDS</b> 1 Prison supported; <b>50</b> Beneficiaries			<b>10 units</b>		<b>19 packs</b>	<b>2 units</b>			

## TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Infection-control in detention facilities



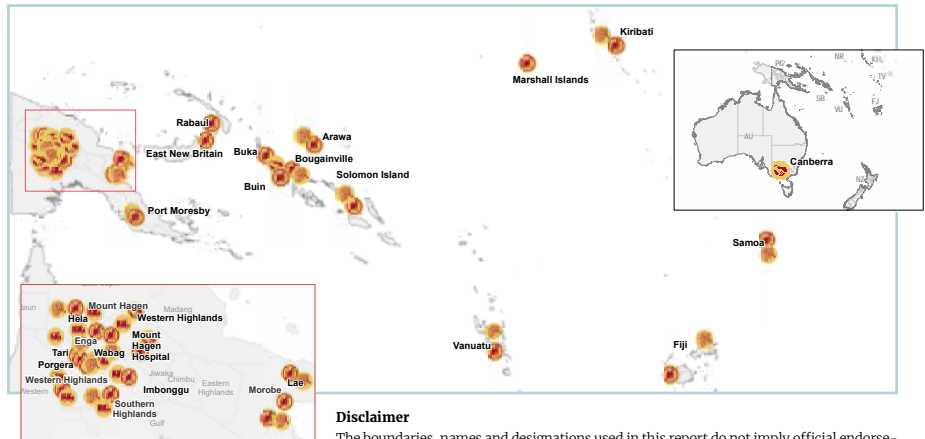
Humanitarian forensics



Public health response



Partnering with National Societies



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## HUMANITARIAN FORENSICS

**FIJI** - Guidelines shared with government authorities and NGOs in the form of SOPs, training modules and capacity-building measures



## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

**Financial support** (in Swiss francs) **Sfr 205,550** to National Societies to build their capacity in the area of awareness-generation

- Fiji Red Cross Society
- Solomon Islands Red Cross Society
- Vanuatu Red Cross Society
- Palau Red Cross Society
- Micronesia Red Cross Society
- Marshall Islands Red Cross Society
- Papua New Guinea Red Cross Society
- Tonga Red Cross Society
- Tuvalu Red Cross Society
- Samoa Red Cross Society
- Cook Islands Red Cross Society
- Kiribati Red Cross Society

### PAPUA NEW GUINEA RED CROSS SOCIETY

#### Western Highlands Province, PNG

- **4,000** info-as-aid leaflets distributed
- Four sessions each on MHPSS and preventive measures for COVID-19 organized for PNGRCS volunteers

## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- In PNG, we have stepped up our operations by providing personal protective equipment, hand-washing stations, hygiene and awareness material to various health facilities in the Highlands, as part of the capacity-building measures.
- We are also working closely with authorities to provide necessary support to detention facilities in Port Moresby, Highlands and Bougainville.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- In Australia, there is an **ongoing dialogue with government** in support of the ICRC's regional and global COVID-19 response, including partnerships with National Societies.
- **Efforts are being ramped up to engage actively with the media** and share stories of ICRC activities throughout the world with Australian audiences.
- In Mendi Province (PNG), **51 officers of the PNG Police attended a session on "COVID-19 related stress"**.
- **Using social media to relay credible information** to various nooks and corners of PNG, awareness messages on "stress related to COVID-19" were posted online in various languages – English, Pidgin, Huli and Enga.
- **An awareness campaign on COVID-19 and African swine flu** was carried out in Enga, Hela and Southern Highlands provinces and transmitted via 1,604 community leaders. Family and sexual violence-related information was also shared with the support of PNGRCS volunteers.
- **Advice / guidance on COVID-19 prevention, preparedness and response extended to Corrections Commissioners of 14 countries.** The aim is to share best practices and facilitate peer-to-peer exchange in Pacific islands.
- **Eleven mobile phones donated** to facilitate phone calls between detainees and their families / lawyer in Solomon Islands. **483 detainees can make calls on a weekly basis.**
- **Ten laptops and modems donated** to facilitate phone calls between detainees and their families / lawyers in Fiji.
- **Close to 14,000 people were reached** in Western Highlands Province through awareness campaigns being run by the PNGRCS. Topics like COVID-19 prevention, mental health and family & sexual violence were covered via these activities.

# BEIJING REGIONAL DELEGATION

(CHINA, DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, MONGOLIA)

111,985

TOTAL CASES

102,251

TOTAL RECOVERED

5,077

TOTAL DEATHS

\*Figures related to COVID-19 as on 9 September 2020



## PARTNERING WITH NATIONAL SOCIETIES

### RED CROSS SOCIETY OF CHINA

- Since the beginning of COVID-19 outbreak in China, the ICRC has remained in close contact with the Red Cross Society of China (RCSC), expressing its solidarity and support with the staff and volunteers responding to the outbreak
- In March, the ICRC made a financial contribution to the RCSC for its domestic response to COVID-19
- On 8 May, the first tripartite Movement coordination meeting between the ICRC, the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the RCSC took place, with a focus on COVID-19 response

### KOREAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

- The ICRC Mission in Seoul continues to publicly express solidarity and support for the Korean National Red Cross (KNRC), particularly towards its efforts in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic (especially during a time of unprecedented destruction caused by floods in the country, which required extended support)



### ICRC PRESENCE



Regional Delegation  
Mission

### TYPE OF ACTIVITIES



Partnering with  
National Societies

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## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- **The Republic of Korea:** On 19 August 2020, ICRC Vice-President Gilles Carbonnier conducted a telephone meeting with **Mr Ham Sang-wook**, the Deputy Minister of Multilateral and Global Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Republic of Korea (RoK). Numerous issues were discussed, including the response to the COVID-19 pandemic (RoK and the ICRC), RoK's financial support to the ICRC and cooperation with RoK's development agency KOICA.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

- The KOICA Office in Indonesia has confirmed to commit on **allocation 200,000 USD** to the ICRC for its COVID-19 response.
- We co-organized the **World Humanitarian Day 2020 event with KOICA and other humanitarian organizations** in Seoul. Numerous events were held on online platforms (YouTube, Daum online gallery) and the ICRC Mission in Seoul participated in a talk show on humanitarian issues. As part of the panel, we discussed the ICRC's global operations and activities, and our response to COVID-19, along with the challenges. An online photo exhibition, which is being organized till 15 October 2020, showcases the work done by different organizations as far as their COVID-19 response is concerned.
- **Media pitching / exposure** – A global ICRC press release on attacks against health-care workers was carried by many media outlets, including the Korean Broadcasting System.
- **Social Media** - Through ICRC's Korean Facebook page, ICRC shared various awareness-raising messages related to COVID-19 as also the KNRC's contents and posts, illustrating solidarity with the KNRC in its efforts to prevent and respond to COVID-19 in the RoK.

# JAPAN

72,978

TOTAL CASES

62,936

TOTAL RECOVERED

1,403

TOTAL DEATHS

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## ICRC PRESENCE

 Mission

## TYPE OF ACTIVITIES

 Partnering with National Societies

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## OPERATIONAL ORIENTATION

- The ICRC highly values Japan's political and financial support to our humanitarian activities globally. During COVID-19 pandemic, we continue working closely with government partners and Japanese Red Cross Society for coordination and sharing of information.

## RELATED ACTIVITIES

### Mobilizing financial support for ICRC COVID-19 response

- To demonstrate the relevance of the ICRC and gain financial support for our COVID-19 response, relevant documents and materials were shared with MoFA. Earlier, MoFA and Diet members were approached and briefed on the added value of the ICRC response, including through several high-level meetings (President - Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs, President - PM Ambassador).
- The discussion with Japan's development agency, JICA, was accelerated for cooperation in the field – either through grants or NFM.
- President Peter Maurer had a Skype meeting with MoFA on 27 April regarding continuous and additional support.

### Solidarity with the national nursing association on International Nurses Day

- The Tokyo delegation and the Japanese Nursing Association (JNA) displayed solidarity on SNS platforms to mark International Nurses Day.

### Media pitching/exposure




- A global ICRC news release highlighting that 600 incidents of attacks against health-care workers had been reported in the recent months got a lot of media traction in Japan. The Japanese translation of the news release was carried by **28 media outlets**.
- Articles on a Japanese detention doctor based at ICRC Manila and on ICRC's activities in places of detention were featured in *Mainichi Newspapers*. The former story was also published in the *International Development Journal*. Besides these, three news releases related to COVID-19 were earlier published in Japanese and got wide coverage.

### Social media

- Using social media to amplify messages about ICRC operations related to COVID-19 from across the world, we contextualized videos and articles and posted them onto our Twitter channel and Facebook page. To engage with our digital audience, we have posted **14 tweets and 16 Facebook posts** in the recent months. Earlier, the videos on hand hygiene and the situation in Syria had generated a lot of interest.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs published the ICRC detention doctor's *Mainichi* article onto their Facebook page, thus taking it to a wider audience.



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