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I. Overview

- 137,600 evacuees still in shelter
- 22,000 from Fukushima staying outside of the Prefecture
- as schools resumes, evacuees move to other shelters

With the massive earthquake and the following tsunamis happened on 11 March 2011 (14:46 JST), the death toll is still raising and reached 13,895 today. The killed and missing are expected to exceed 27,000, and after one month from the disaster, 13,864 people are missing.

There are 137,600 evacuees still staying in evacuation shelters today. Nearly 10,000 evacuation shelters are in operation in Iwate, Miyagi and Fukushima. 22,000 people from Fukushima are taking refuge in nearby Prefectures. Those who staying away from the periphery of the Nuclear Power Plant will only be able to return to their home at least 6 months later, according to the government.



SOURCE: GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION UNIT, USAID/DCHA/OFDA

In Kamaishi city, Iwate Prefecture, schools will resume from 19 April. Those who were staying at schools moved to other evacuation shelter prepared by the city. Many other will do the same in other shelters as schools resume in coming days.

The relief operations gearing up as logistics situation improves. Collaboration among operating partners have started. There are a few web-based information sharing systems launched recently. One is to show active organizations on the map and their activities and need for volunteers, launched by Japan Civil Network for Disaster Relief in East Japan (<u>http://www.jpn-civil.net/</u>). The other was launched in Minamisanriku by volunteers which shows relief items that are in short (<u>http://earth-1.org/</u>).

As part of our response to the Tohoku earthquake, SEEDS Asia is supporting the affected communities by compiling humanitarian information on the ground in the affected area to be disseminated to the greater humanitarian community.

This report will further include the following information: 1) Relief Operation by Japanese Humanitarian NGOs, 2)<Map>Active Japanese Humanitarian Organizations, and 3) <Chart> Relief Operation by Japanese Humanitarian Organizations in Major Affected Cities.

Please refer to our latest in-depth situation report by Prefecture at our website: <u>http://seedsasia.org/eng/projects-japan.html</u>

II. Relief Operation by Japanese Humanitarian Organizations*

1. Support to NGOs

- **Charity Platform** JustGiving project collected more than JPY 550mil to support **Civic Force**, launched website to collect relief items from small scale supporters for better coordination with the affected area.

- **JPF (Japan Platform)** : JPY5,073mil has been collected to support registered NGOs, coordinating JPF member organizations.

2. List of active organizations in the affected area

- **AAR (Association for Aid and Relief)**, based in Sendai, Miyagi Pref. and Morioka, Iwate Pref, supporting less accessible evacuation centers, senior and handicapped affected communities with fuel, water, food, NFIs distribution. It started distribution of relief items to those who are staying home in Ishinomaki city.

- ADRA Japan (Adventist Development and Relief Agency): food and emergency relief item distribution focusing on senior citizens in Sendai, Osaki, Higashi Matsushima city, Tome, and Watari Miyagi Pref.

- AMDA (Association of Medical Doctors of Asia): doctors, nurses, midwifes, pharmacists, psychologists and coordinators, providing medical assistance with international doctors and

distribution of basic supplies in Minamisanriku (shifted from Sendai city), Miyagi Pref and Kamaishi city and Otsuchi town, Iwate Pref. including remote districts.

- BHN (Basic Human Needs Association): temporary internet infrastructure installation and distribution of communication tools, Tono city, Iwate Pref.

- CARE: distribution of warm meal and NFI in Yamamoto town, Iwate Prefecture.

- CCP (Campaign for the Children in Palestine): water, NFI, Otsuchi town , Iwate

- **Child Fund**: distribution of hygiene products in Minami Soma City, Fukushima Pref and food in Natori, Sendai in Migayi. Sharing booklet on psychological care for children.

- **CV (Civic Force)** : Disclosed a list of 119 required relief items, started largest private regular logistics service with ten 4-ton trucks. Distribution in Kesen'numa, Minamisanriku, Ishinomaki and Ofunato and Rikuzentakata.
- FIDR (Foundation for International Development/Relief): distribution of snacks in Kesen'numa and Minamisanriku, Onagawa, Miyagi Pref., Shiogama, Yamada, and Miyako, Iwate, according to Miyagi Pref., there are many children taking refuge in Minamisanriku.
- **Good Neighbors**: food and hygiene products distribution in Kamaishi and Otsuchi, Yamada town, Iwate Pref.

- HuMA (Humanitarian Medical Assistance)* medical assistance in Minamisanriku, Miyagi

- JAFS (Japan Asian Association and Asian Friendship Society): providing food, NFI in Tome and Minamisanriku, Miyagi Pref.

- Japan Heart: sent total of 255 doctors and nurse to the affected area, disseminating psychological care information through its website

- JAR (Japan Association for Refugees): providing disaster related information in multi-language. <u>http://www.refugee.or.jp/jar/topics/other/2011/03/14-1001.shtml</u>, supporting affected foreigners in Rikuzentakata and Kesen'numa

- **JEN** : food and basic relief items distribution Sendai, Miyagi Pref., currently accepting volunteers including those who do not speak English for sludge removal and soup kitchen.

- JIFH (Japan International Food for the Hungry): distribution of food and basic supplies in Sendai city and Date city, Fukushima, and Kesen'numa, Higashimatsushima and Tagajo, Miyagi. with international aid workers joining its base camp, relief items are also collected from Western part of Japan and its US partner.

- JOICFP (Japanese Organization for International Cooperation in Family Planning)/Oxfam: providing female/children related NFI in Ofunato, Kamaishi, Miyako, Iwate Pref. and Tagajo, Shiogama, Shichigahama, and Kesen'numa in Miyagi through local midwifery networks (White Ribbon)

- **JVC (Japan Volunteer Center)**: distribution of NFIs in Natori and Higashimatsuyama and Kesen'numa city, Miyagi, relief items in Ishinomaki, Miyagi.

- **KnK**: distribution of basic relief item and baby formula milk in Kita Ibaraki city, Ibaraki Pref (finished). and childcare/education in Rikuzentakata, Iwate. Collecting of book for children.

- **MSF**: providing medical assistance and emergency relief items in Tome/Kesen'numa city, Minamisanriku cho, Miyagi Pref.

 The NGO collaboration center for HANSHIN QUAKE Rehabilitation/CODE: providing food in Natori city, Miyagi prefecture, based in Tono city, Iwate coordinating volunteer activities
NICCO : medical assistance (including psychological care), toiletries distribution, portable toilet

set-up and generator distribution in Natori and Iwanuma city, Miyagi Pref., Rikuzentakata city, Iwate Pref.

- PB (Peace Builders): providing NFI in Kita Ibaraki, Ibaraki Pref.

- **Plan Japan**: providing psychological care for children at teachers training event, toys and books in Tagajo, Miyagi. Distribution of NFI in Ishinomaki, Tagajo, Miygai.

- PWJ (Peace Winds Japan): operation in Ofunato and Rikuzentakada, Iwate Pref., Minamisanriku and Kesen'numa, Miyagi Pref.

- Rocinantes: providing medical assistance in Natori, Iwanuma city, Miyagi Pref.

- Shaplaneer: providing food and relief items in Kita Ibaraki city, Ibaraki Pref.

- **SHARE**: medical assistance in Natori and Kesen'numa city, Miyagi Pref., Rikuzentakada, Iwate, providing medical need information in English

- **SVA (Shanti Volunteer Association)**: Based in Kesen'numa, distribution of relief items and food in Miyagi Pref. supporting set-up of Kesen'numa volunteer center in align with local Social Welfare Council.

- World Vision Japan (WVJ): distribution of water, toiletries in Tome City and Minamisanriku, Kesen'numa Miyagi Pref, recently open child friendly space in Tome.

3. List of other humanitarian organizations

- Caritas Japan: planning psychological care

- FMYY: broadcasting relief information in multi-language through local radio networks

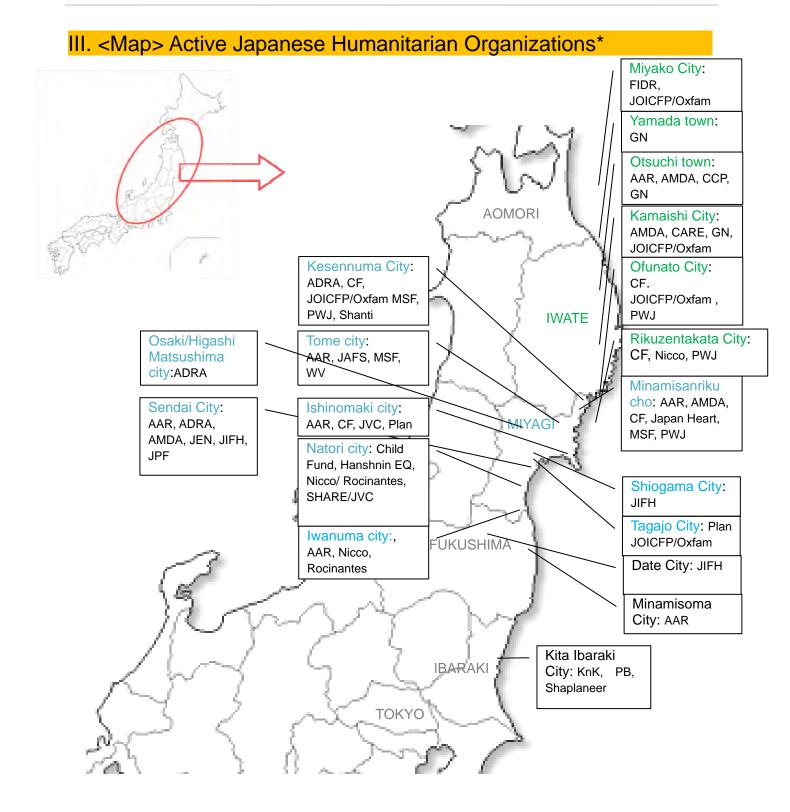
- JRA (Japan Rescue Association) : rescue activity was called off 17 March in Iwate Pref., team to return HQ.

- SEEDS Asia: information assistance and coordinating Asian Disaster Relief NGOs

- Tohoku area pacific offshore earthquake multi-language support center: providing multi-language disaster related information

There are more organizations currently consolidating their support plans and accepting donations. Some international NGOs are providing assistance through their local partners, and more are gearing up to start their operations as soon as Japanese government further clarifies its stance. SEEDS Asia will continue monitor their activities.

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IV. Relief Operation by Japanese Humanitarian Organizations in Major Affected Cities*

Prefecture (# of evacuees)			FUKUSHII	IBARAKI					
City/Town (# of evacuees)	Miyako	Yamada	Otsuchi	Kamaishi	Ofunato	Rikuzentakata	lwaki	Minamisoma	Kita Ibaraki
	(4,068)	(3,517)	(6,378)	(5,182)	(6,521)	(16,096)	man		
Food/Water	FIDR	FIDR, GN	AMDA CCP		CF, PWJ	PWJ	JIFH Shaplaneer	AAR	Shaplaneer
NFI	JOICFP/Oxfam	FIDR, GN	AAR, AMDA, CCP,GN	AMDA, CARE, GN JOICFP/Oxfam	JOICFP/Oxfam, PWJ	CF, KnK, PWJ	JIFH	AAR	PB, Shaplaneer, KnK
Health			AMDA	AMDA					
Psychological Care									
Sanitation						Nicco			
Communication									
Education						KnK			
Protection						JAR			

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Prefecture (# of evacuees)	MIYAGI (65,693)													
City/Town (# of evacuees)	Sendai	lshinomak i	Shiogama	Kesen'numa	Natori	Tagajo	Iwanuma	Tome	Higashi Matsushima	Watari	Yamamoto	Shichigahama	Onagawa	Minamisanriku
	<u>(</u> 2.533 <u>)</u>	(12,406)	(618)	(6,751)	<u>(1,301)</u>	<u>(1,013)</u>	(513)	(<u>816</u>)	(3,581)	(1,479)	<u>(1,780)</u>	(755)	(1,974)	(6,424)
Food/Water	AAR, ADRA, JEN, JIFH	AAR, JVC	FIDR	AAR, CF, Shanti, FIDR, JIFH, PWJ	ChildFund, Hanshin		AAR	AAR, JAFS, WV	AAR, JIFH		AAR		FIDR	AAR, FIDR, JAFS
NFI	AAR, ADRA, JIFH	AAR, CFJVC, Plan	JOICFP/O xfam	AAR, CF, JVC, JOICFP/Oxf am, PWJ, Shanti, WV	Nicco JVC	JOICFP/ Oxfam	AAR, Nicco	AAR, JAFS, WV	AAR, JVC		AAR	JOICFP/Oxfa m		AAR, AMDA, CF, PWJ, WV
Health				MSF	Nicco, SHARE, Rocinantes, JVC		Nicco, Rocinant es	MSF						AMDA, HuMA, Japan Heart, MSF
Psychological Care														
Sanitation					Nicco		Nicco							
Communicati on				PWJ										
Education Protection								WV						JAR

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-Organization names colored in light grey = finished operation

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