



Save the Children

CAMBODIA HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Save the Children is the world's leading independent organisation for children. We work in over 120 countries.

We are committed to reducing children's vulnerability to humanitarian crises, ensuring their right to survival and development after an emergency and providing the support they and their families need to quickly recover and re-establish their lives, dignity and livelihoods.



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REDUCING RISKS AND RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES

The most vulnerable are often the hardest hit during disasters and this includes children. Cambodia is susceptible to natural disasters such as flooding and drought. Since 2009, we have helped Cambodian children, families and communities to prepare for, reduce the risks of, and recover from disasters by building their capacity for emergency preparedness and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR). When necessary, we also initiate relief operations and rehabilitation activities to support affected children and their families.

PROGRAMME GOAL

We aim to strengthen our capacity and that of our partners to respond to major disasters at all levels through effective preparedness and contingency planning, training, simulation and deployment. Working with our partners we aim to implement an agenda of actions in DRR and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) integrated in all thematic programmes and informed by the lessons learned from emergency response and recovery.

OBJECTIVES

Respond to emergencies when they occur under guidance from an Emergency Preparedness Plan enhanced by experiences from previous emergency operations.

Ensure that at least 25% of disaster affected children have their basic needs met by Save the Children's humanitarian response.

Ensure that DRR and CCA are incorporated into all our programme areas to reduce vulnerability of communities to disaster.

Strengthen staff and partner organisations' capacity for emergency preparedness, risk reduction, response and recovery.

ACHIEVEMENTS

We have worked in close partnership with the Royal Government of Cambodia to strengthen the capacity of education and health staff at sub-national, school and health centre level to develop contingency plans.

In 2013 we reached over 99,000 children and their families:

- By working with key ministries, the programme reached 31% of the total flood affected population in our target areas.
- Temporary Learning Space (TLS) National Guidelines (developed during floods) have been disseminated nationwide and four provinces applied the TLS guidelines when flooding occurred.
- With the help of the Prudence Foundation, we provided TLS education materials to 8,897 affected children, who were able to continue their schooling during flooding.

WHERE WE WORK



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| 1. Pursat | 5. Koh Kong | 9. Kampong Cham |
| 2. Siem Reap | 6. Kratié | 10. Kampong Chhnang |
| 3. Preah Vihear | 7. Prey Veng | |
| 4. Stung Treng | 8. Phnom Penh | |



HUMANITARIAN

Save the Children helps communities to recover from emergencies, working in the sectors of sanitation and hygiene, education, child protection, livelihood and health. In close collaboration with partners we re-establish access to education as quickly as possible, by setting up temporary learning spaces, distributing learning and teaching materials, and training teachers on how to support children. In schools and communities, we improve sanitation, repair water points and latrines, and restore damaged structures. For health care needs and awareness we establish temporary mobile clinics.

Through cash transfer programmes, community members are able to meet their basic needs. Save the Children has made important progress in advocating for government and community preparedness and contingency plans to take into account the needs of children, and provide opportunities for children to raise their views and concerns.

RISK REDUCTION AND CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION

Our emergency response and preparedness activities link closely to our DRR and CCA agenda, through strengthening existing DRR and CCA activities and identifying opportunities to further develop them during disaster recovery. Save the Children and partners' recovery approach focuses on building back better to reduce vulnerability, with recovery actions integrated into Save the Children's existing programmes. We use a holistic approach to mainstream DRR and CCA through institutionalising DRR in education and health sectors. As education cluster co-lead we work closely with UNICEF and technical working groups to advocate and support national level stakeholders for policies and procedures on mainstreaming DRR and CCA.

We have been working closely with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, UNICEF and technical working groups

to develop Education Emergency Preparedness and Response Plan guidelines; education sector contingency planning guidelines; and formats and tools for needs assessment in emergencies. Together with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, we are developing a DRR curriculum for grades four to nine and teacher training modules to institutionalise DRR in the education sector. Capacity building activities for staff, partners, volunteers, teachers, school support committees and children on integrating DRR and CCA in education, child protection and health sectors are also being undertaken.

PARTNERS

Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Environment, National Committee for Disaster Management, members of Joint Action Group, Humanitarian Response Forum, DIPECHO IX Consortium, UNICEF, People in Need Cambodia.

DONORS

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