

Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) – Weekly Updates

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Analysis

Government of Pakistan Please Stand-Up!

Pakistan has been long into denial mode when we have been pointing to others for all the wrong doing that have ever happened to us, just conveniently forgetting that four fingers have been towards us all along. It is high time that we as a nation and Government start introspecting truthfully and read the writing on the wall that its internal malaise that has led us to where we are. The issue of extremism and IDP is an out come of governance failure and inequitable economic empowerment in the society which has turned into a menace.

The socio-political impact of the IDP and its long term repercussions are yet to be registered by the Government and that needs to be beyond ongoing photo–op trips of the elected representative of all levels to the camps in pure disregard of the cultural norms and tradition of the Pakhtuns. Showing solidarity has to come from deeds and delivery system then ongoing political rhetoric as it will only add discontent.

Unfortunately Government is not realizing or recognizing the fact that it has to start NOW for a “social re-engineering strategy” to not only to inculcate attitudinal shift in the affected people to be able to differentiate and realize the justified need of current military aggression as oppose to Extremist led aggression. Conflict zones are known to be promote frustration and discontentment which can take any direction. Clichés remain that Bullet has no eyes, ears, voice and morals but the fact remains that it KILLS; So be it collateral damage or extremist killing, families are in despair and that will add more vulnerable women and children at our hand. The psycho-social impact of that group on society will take decades to die down.

Government has failed to show its advance preparedness to handle the issue on short to long term basis and even now it is failing on many accounts, such as:

- § Come up with an IDP policy with an integrated strategy for its management, operationalization and rehabilitation
- § Come up with an IDP management plans that can hold IDP at appropriate places, in close vicinity to their home i.e. union councils, despite clear information on the geographic spread of the Armed operation
- § To designate a coordinating agency that links down to the union council. It started with NDMA and now its Cabinet Division’s Emergency Response Unit
- § No public information on needs and receipt of contributions, cash and kind, from international and national sources
- § No camp based disaggregated data and their categorized needs
- § No strategy for the mega social protection programme, e.g. BISP, Bait-ul-Mal, PPAF, to gear towards a unified and coordinated response
- § NADRA response mechanism to register remains slow
- § Weak security for the camps
- § “A begging bowl model” public service message rather than nation focused strong help and rebuild campaign
- § Off camp IDP and their host families are being ignored

No attempt to date has been made to genuinely involve Local Government which remains to be the most direct conduit to coordinate, collate and support. Special Services Group has been created as a parallel structure yet again short circuiting the government mechanism and system. Irrespective of its capabilities and efficiencies to deliver it would remain to be outside the system thus further weakling the governmental writ and channel that will compromise long term sustainability in the long run.

No politicians have been designated leave alone MNA & MPA of the area instructed to be there and available to people? as VIP security takes importance on need of humanity and fellow citizen. Elected representatives and Ministers are asking for Bullet Proof cars!! Imagine the cost of one and how much we can manage with that cost? Its not rocket science

No efforts have been undertaken to show transparency and accountability of governmental ground work as no public information is either being displayed or disseminated whatever media is sharing is being generated by their own resources. The debrief by ISPR can not be substituted for the same but since there is no one in-charge hence no communication strategy.

Media is yet to take the role of a productive opinion maker and agent of change. The repeated faces of panelist from one channel to the other approach need to change to investigative need identification and solution sharing. The government representative and others need to stop bragging and dragging approach in prime time national sitcoms and be rather faced with hard core issues asking for quantifiable results. Media should change towards productive messages and solutions and not promoting panelist who are spinning the theories from 7 till 11 pm from one channel to the other. Lets focus programs on needs and bring the to accountability – share camps and areas among channel pick up one and list all problems from A to Z and suggest recommendation, its not difficult but lets get out of this usual lecturing approach.

International community is not coming out to support Pakistan to the tune UN wants. The question is why should they do it? Where is the government of Pakistan's own need assessment and linked strategy to budget the required \$543m. It is reported that only 1/5th of that has been committed, as per another news only \$118m has been provided and \$23m committed. There is no "one window" that can tell us if it include the kind contributions by international community and project based assistance announced by Bilateral donors?

Government unfortunately has not adopted a mechanism to consolidate and share this information despite being a month into this crisis. If a Government can not specify its needs then why should another foreign government help it and for what? The humanitarian crisis is of Pakistan and is prime responsibility of Pakistan government. The responsibility can not be pushed to the UN system which is much bigger a bureaucracy then GOP; it has higher compound administrative costs with a potential to consume substantive donations into administrative costs and security covers; and who in Pakistan are in midst of One UN Reform process and at loss on internal coordination.

The national NGO, corporate sector and philanthropic work also remains largely unacknowledged at the government level as they are undocumented. There are scores of these help/support organizations and individuals which can do much more only if Government is able to give direction and lead to rebuild a stronger Pakistan.

Number of IDPs

IDPs Number 3.4 Million: NWFP Minister for Information Iftikhar Hussain said the total number of IDPs currently stands at 3.4 million, as of 31st May 2009 which includes people displaced from the Bajaur and Mohmand tribal agencies. Whereas, the UN Secretary General stated the same number to be 2.4m in UNGA. The Provincial Minister said the number of registered IDPs from Malakand division staying in relief camps had reached 115,166 while the number of those living with relatives and host communities had swelled to 2,678,695.

In-Camps IDPs as per Emergency Response Unit, NWFP website

Population in New Camps			
S. No.	Camp	Families	Individuals
1	Mazdoorabad Mardan	976	5372
2	Jalala Mardan	1164	7500
3	Sheikh Yasin Mardan	1704	10226
4	Sheikh Shahzad Mardan	1354	8079
5	Shah Mansoor Swabi	1998	12754
6	Chota Lahore Swabi (Yar Hussain)	2932	14729
7	Jalozai Nowshera	8563	50209
8	Palosa Nowshera	593	3640
9	Rangmala Camp	702	4517
10	Palai Camp	200	1617
	TOTAL	20186	118643

*The camp is a Transit camp and people usually stay one night before moving to down districts.

Population in Old Camps			
S. No.	Camp	Families	Individuals
1	Kacha Garhi-1	1519	8880
2	Kacha Garhi-2	1084	6466
3	Jalozai-1	10228	62766
4	Jalozai-2		
5	Benazir	400	2503
6	Palosa	489	2976
7	Sakhakot	538	3187
	TOTAL	14258	86778

Source: Data Management Unit ERU-PRC. (Figures are updated continuously) As of 31 May, 2009

Off-Camp IDPs

S. NO	District	Families	Individuals
1	Swabi	72963	510741
2	Mardan	194228	1553824
3	Charsadda	25899	155394
4	Kohat	3169	42758
5	Nowshera	17490	115434
6	Peshawar	58283	373011
	TOTAL	372032	2751162

District-wise Update of IDPs for Hazara Division

S.No	District	Families	Members
1	Abbottabad	4121	23398
2	Haripur	2321	18128
3	Mansehra	1821	10853
4	Battagram	248	1532
	TOTAL	8511	53911

Source: Data Management Unit ERU-PRC. (As of 31 May, 2009)

Camp-Based Needs

The information is as collated from different sources. However, it is fascinating to note that female specific sanitary requirements are not being recognized and stated as needs despite the fact that over 60,000 pregnant women are estimated in these camps.

Urgent Needs:

1. Electric Fans = 10,500
2. Water Coolers = 10,000
3. Plastic Sheets = 20,000
4. Mospel = 50,000
5. Baby Formula Milk = 15,000 bags of 1 Kg each

General Requirements:

Food items: Such as Flour, Sugar, Pulses, Rice, Edible Oil, Tea, Dry Milk (or Tetra Pak), Nutritional Supplements for children, Biscuits.

Misc. Items: Such as Tents, Water Coolers, Soaps, Caps for children, Summer Clothes (Preferably Cotton and full sleeves), Mosquito Nets, Toys for Children.

Medicines: ORS, IV Fluids, Septran, Amoxil, Paracetamol (Tabs and Syrups), Flagyl, Mosquito Repellents, Anti Scabies Creams, For Pregnant Women - Iron, Folic Acid & Multi Vitamin Supplements.

Camp-wise Needs:

Jalala Camp (Mardan) requires kitchen sets (per family complete set). While the requirement of displaced persons at Sheikh Yasin Camp (Mardan) include: Water Tanks (1000 cooler mix), Kitchen Sets (cups 107 cottons), 2000 Sleepers/Chappals, 1000 Mats, 1000 Pillows, 100 Fans, Mix food 2000 bags, Dates (Arba) 200 dry packs, Dry Milk, Biscuits, 1000 Suits Mix, 10 Tarpal Large.

Off camp & On camp issues & impact

Issues of the Off-Camp IDPs

- § **IDPs in Mansehra Eye-Up Government Relief:** About **100 internally displaced families** lodged at various schools in Mansehra are yet to receive relief goods and financial assistance on the part of the government, it was learnt. According to figures gathered from different sources, about 100 displaced families of Buner and Swat are temporarily settled in 15 vacant schools in Mansehra town and its suburbs. **Social Welfare Officer** Abdul Rasheed said the process of the IDPs registration started by May 16 and so far about 1,475 families, comprising 8,540 individuals, had been registered with the department. Heads of dozens of the IDPs families told that the registration process was running smoothly and the district administration had not provided them the relief and financial package. They said whenever they went to District Revenue Office for relief goods, they were sent back empty-handed. When contacted, **District Nazim** Sardar Mohammad Yousaf said it was an honour for the district administration to settle the IDPs in the district. “The nation helped our people in the wake of the October 2005 earthquake and now it is our turn to help and serve the IDPs from Swat and Buner,” he added. He said the food items, available in stores, had already been distributed among the IDPs and the district administration was now waiting for relief goods from the provincial government. He said the UNHCR had been requested repeatedly to either register the data collected by the Social Welfare Department or set up a counter, but to no avail.
- § **IDPs Lodged at Schools Demand Food, Medical Care:** Hundreds of IDPs from Malakand accommodated in government schools of the provincial metropolis are living a miserable life, as the government is yet to provide them with food and other necessities of life. Dozens of IDPs complained that though the government had provided them with shelter, it was not supplying them food and other necessities of life thus making their life miserable. They said instead of the government the people living in the environs of government schools were providing them with cooked food, water and other items.
- § **IDPs Facing Problems in Rawalpindi:** IDPs, who have arrived in Rawalpindi along with their families and settled in different parts of the city, are facing problems due to non-cooperative and indifferent attitude of concerned authorities. Like other parts of the city, dozens of affected families are settled in **Dhoke Piracha** at their own. Their names are registered with the government as IDPs but they are still waiting for basic facilities. Residents of Buner, Aqil Zada and Wazir Zada, instead of living in camps preferred to come to Rawalpindi along with their family a month ago after the start of the military operation. They said that dozens of displaced families are living in Dhoke Piracha. Aqil said that he was a teacher at the Government Primary School in Swat and drew a salary of Rs7,000 per month. He said after the military operation started in his hometown, they run for their lives leaving all things behind. He said that his family managed to reach Rawalpindi where they hired a three-room house in Dhok Piracha on a monthly rent of Rs7,000. In three rooms, 30 persons belonging to six families are living. However, their financial position is very poor, he said. He said that he, along with other displaced people, went to relevant officials of the district government and donor agencies. According to him, they also met political figures, including parliamentarians, but none of them responded positively. “We were asked to go to Mardan to get help in the form of goods, medicines and foodstuff,” he said.

Security Issues

- § **50 Suspects Arrested from IDP Camps: NWFP IGP:** NWFP Inspector General of Police (IGP) Naveed Khan said on May 27 that 50 suspects had been arrested from the relief camps set up for people displaced from Malakand division. The IGP urged people in the province to cooperate with law enforcement agencies to apprehend extremist elements. Khan said 50 extremists had been arrested from the relief camps with the assistance of the displaced people and expressed hope that such cooperation from the general public would continue in future.

Social Impact

§ **First IDP Enters into Wedlock:** Amid all the mayhem and news about the plight of IDPs, a young female from Swat tied a marriage bond at Sheikh Shahzad Relief Camp in Mardan. A simple wedding ceremony was held to fulfill the religious and traditional obligations of the marriage in this part of the region. Commissioner Mardan Khalid Umerzai, administration of the camp and members of various social welfare organizations attended the nuptial ceremony. The daughter of Fazal ur Rehman resident of Shamoza Swat was engaged to Muhammad Luqman Son of Abdul Qadar resident of Kalo Khan (Swabi) one year back. When the family of the would-be-bride was displaced due to military operation in the area and started living in Sheikh Shahzad Relief Camp, the male's family contacted them and insisted on early marriage. The family of the bride had to make arrangements for the wedding ceremony in the prevailing state of helplessness. Social welfare organizations also helped the family in this regard. The first IDP from Swat entered into the wedlock on May 29.

Impacts on Children

§ **According to report by OCHA, the number of separated children has reached 1,216, as 75 new separated children were identified in Jalala, Sheikh Shehzad, Sheikh Yasin and Yar Hussain camps.**

§ **4 Polio Cases Reported in IDPs' Kids: Jakhrani:** Minister for Health Mir Aijaz Hussain Jakhrani said that four polio cases have been reported among children living in relief camps, set up for IDPs in NWFP. The Minister said that the main cause behind the increasing polio cases in children of the affected areas is no access of health teams in affected areas for the last two years in Swat and adjacent areas. He, however, said that teams of all national programmes are ready to rush to the affected areas after completion of the on-going operation to start routine health services for the population. He said the teams would not only administer polio drops but also start other national level health programmes including TB control programme, mother and child healthcare programme and vaccination against diseases.

- **NWFP to Promote Students of Conflict-Hit Areas to Next Levels:** The NWFP government has decided to promote the students of Swat and other parts of Malakand division to their next respective levels. The students of matriculation, FA and FSc will be promoted to the next grade. Students of FA and FSc Part II will be given same marks that they acquired in Part I. Similarly students of class 10th would be promoted by providing same marks that they acquired in class 9th.

Political Impacts

§ **Sindh High Court Issues Notices to Centre, Sindh Govt in Petitions on movement of Swat IDPs to anywhere in Pakistan:** Notices were issued to the Federal Government, Sindh Government, Interior Ministry, Sindh Chief Secretary and other respondents by a division bench of the Sindh High Court (SHC) that was hearing three identical petitions. The bench, comprising Justice Mushir Alam and Justice Safdar Ali Bhutto, heard social worker Iqbal Kazmi who said that his only prayer is that the respondents be directed to act strictly according to Article 15 of the Constitution. "I pray for a declaration or even an observation by the bench that under Article 15, there is no restriction upon movement of IDPs from one part of this country to another," said Kazmi. Advocates Abdul Wahab Ansari and Amjad Ali Shah, appearing for an NGO True Line International, submitted that it was a matter involving the lives of IDPs who were forced to leave their homes as a result of operation Rah-e-Raast against terrorists. The petitioners prayed the court to take care of IDPs, allow their entry into Sindh province and register them and keep them limited to designated camps to eradicate any mixing of terrorists with poor IDPs of Swat. The bench, after hearing the respective counsels for petitioners, clubbed all the three petitions and ordered issuance of notice to the respondents for a date to be fixed later by the office of the court.

- **CM Orders Formation of Task Force to Register IDPs:** Sindh Chief Minister Qaim Ali Shah has directed the provincial home department to constitute a task force for ensuring the registration of IDPs arriving in the province. The task force will include Provincial Ministers, MPAs, senior officers of the Sindh government and representatives from NGOs, NADRA and others. The task force would ensure registration of the IDPs, and provision of facilities including food and water at camps. Issues related to the well being of the IDPs, registration of affected people and other matters were discussed in detail in the meeting. Shah informed the UNHCR representative that the provincial government has set up camps at Kandhkot, Ubauro and also at Hyderabad and Karachi. He said that as per policy and programme, the displaced persons are being registered while the food, water, medicines and other relief goods are being supplied to them.
- **No Camps for IDPs to be Set-Up in Punjab:** The provincial government has now decided to continue extending help to the IDPs at their camps in the NWFP instead of setting up temporary settlements for them in Punjab. The PML-N government had to give a second thought to its earlier decision, reportedly on the NWFP authorities' request. The NWFP government has asked us to continue facilitating the IDPs stay there and not to initiate the step (of setting up camps in Punjab) unless the need arises. The Punjab Government also directed all the members of provincial cabinet to visit the camps in the NWFP and give suggestions after monitoring the process of provision of aid to the IDPs.

Major Appeals for support to IDPs

United Nations Pleads for More Cash for IDPs

BAN ki Moon, Secretary General UN informs UNGA that he will be with no option but to withdraw if he did not get At least \$500 m more for carrying out the IDP assistance in Pakistan. As per him only 1/5th has been received for 2.4m IDPs since 2 May out of which only 10% of people in camps.

United Nations (UN) officials in Pakistan warned, on May 28, that a fund to help the people displaced by an anti-Taliban offensive remained woefully short, with medical supplies running low. According to the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), about 10 percent of the IDPs are living in camps while the rest stayed with friends or in communal buildings. On May 22, the UN had appealed for \$543 million to provide the IDPs with food, medicine, shelter and other assistance, but so far the response has been lackluster. Donors had already committed that \$88 million before the fresh appeal and since then only \$100 million more had been promised – money that had not yet reached the UN.

UNICEF Runs Out of Relief Supplies, Appeals for Funds

The UNICEF Pakistan has almost exhausted its contingency funds and stocks of relief goods and has appealed for an additional \$41.4 million for providing immediate assistance to people displaced by fighting in parts of the NWFP. The \$41.4 million request is part of the global appeal for \$543.2 million for major humanitarian efforts.

Pakistan Seeks US Corporate Sector's Support on IDPs

Pakistan has sought American entrepreneurs' support in carrying out the mammoth humanitarian relief effort underway for more than two million displaced people. Islamabad's ambassador to the United States Husain Haqqani interacted with members of Pakistan-US Business Council at the US Chamber of Commerce on May 27 to inform them about the scale of the massive ongoing task to look after the internally displaced persons. He also looked forward to inflow of American investment in the reconstruction phase to help rebuild tourism facilities in the picturesque Swat valley, an internationally famed tourist resort until a few years ago.

The envoy briefed the business representatives about the assistance needed for the immediate humanitarian relief operations as well as long-term support in the rehabilitation phase. Haqqani said the country needs around \$600 million for the relief operations and particularly drew attention of the American pharmaceutical companies to the

urgent needs like medicines and basic requirements for healthcare of women and children. The American businesses, he said, can contribute to Prime Minister special fund set up for victims of terrorism. Besides, he said, the average Americans are being encouraged to contribute through a text messaging initiative by sending word SWAT to number 20222 from their cell phones.

Appeal for Blood Donations

Executive Director Federal Government Services Hospital (Poly Clinic) Dr Shaukat Hamid Kiani appealed for blood donations for the IDPs. He said the doctors in field hospitals in the IDPs camps frequently require blood on urgent basis, particularly during major operations. He added that blood could be donated both at the Federal Government Services Hospital as well as Satellite Hospital, Pabbi that has been established by Poly Clinic on the directive of the federal government.

Miscellaneous Appeals for Assistance to IDPs

Many citizen activist group and NGOs are continuing with collection of funds and in kind support to IDP. Several school children have also joined hands here. Media is also issuing public service messages and SMS based donations are being encouraged through advertisements and telethons.. Despite the efforts of many organizations, the provision of relief items and services fails to match the influx of displaced people. The majority of IDPs, more than 80 percent, choose to live in host communities, either in rented houses or with relatives. This puts additional pressure on these communities whose resources and coping mechanisms are also limited.

Responses

Government

Federal Government	<p>President announces a fund for PKR 500m which will be enhanced</p> <p>15,000 Desert Coolers to be Provided to IDPs Camps -: Minister for Information and Broadcasting Qamar Zaman Kaira said that Government will provide about 15,000 desert coolers for IDPs as per the directives of the President</p> <p>Disbursement of Rs. 25,000 Cash Grant to IDPs: Minister for Information and Broadcasting Qamar Zaman Kaira on May 30 said that the disbursement process of Rs. 25,000 cash grant to dislocated families of Swat and other areas would start from first week of June. Addressing a joint press conference with Director General ISPR, Maj General Athar Abbas, he said National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) would hand over the data of IDPs families to Special Support Group (SSG) on June 1 with the aim to initiate cash grant disbursement process among the displaced families inside and outside of camps. Kaira said the data of IDPs would prove to be very helpful in provision of cash grant, relief goods and return package to the affectees. He said transparency in disbursement of cash grant would be ensured and in this regard all dislocated families have been asked to open bank accounts so that they could be given the grant as early as possible.</p>
NWFP Government	<p>Emergency Response Unit (ERU)/Provincial Relief Commission (PRC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> § 19 Electric Water Chillers dispatched to Jalozi camp. § 34 trucks carrying food items for 5000 families dispatched by ERU reached Swat. § Food items for 5000 families dispatched to Bunir from PRC-ERU Warehouse. § Provincial Relief Commissionerate handed over medicines worth 5 Lac (500,000) to PPHI, which includes ORS, Anti diarrhea, Antibiotics etc. These medicines will be distributed in IDPs Camps. § ERU has arranged the payment of salary for the teachers of the affected areas of Swat and Bunir at EDO(education) office , Mardan and Swabi respectively. § In order to provide relief to the students of the affected areas , ERU has established camp office of Swat Board of Secondary and Intermediate Education at Mardan. § Laptops with Internet and USBs provided to all camp incharges for efficient communication and speedy operations with ERU.

<p>Punjab Government</p>	<p><i>Punjab to Provide 28,000 Flour Bags to IDPs Every Week, says PML-N:</i> The Punjab government led by PML-N will provide free wheat flour to IDPs in NWFP camps and it would dispatch 28,000 wheat flour bags of 20-kg each on weekly basis, said PML-N Chairman Raja Zafarul Haq. He was talking to media persons at provincial government's godowns of wheat flour near Railways Carriage Factory while dispatching 28,000 wheat flour bags worth of Rs 14.5 million. This consignment will be handed over to World Food Programme for IDPs in Nowshera, NWFP.</p>
<p>District Government Rawalpindi</p>	<p>Taking advantage of summer vacation in academic institutions, the <i>City District Government has planned to accommodate IDPs in school buildings as a temporary arrangement to protect them from scorching heat and monsoon rains.</i> Local government officials are holding meetings with the executive district officer (education) in this regard. IDPs Monitoring Cell In-charge Chaudhry Amir Abbas told that the number of IDPs is increasing in Rawalpindi. He said that the City District Government, with the help of locals, is providing food and other necessary relief goods to IDPs, but it could not provide shelter to them. He said that the city administration could take full advantage of vacant school buildings during summer vacation to provide temporary shelter to IDPs.</p>
<p>National Vocational and Technical Education Commission (NAVTEC)</p>	<p><i>Training Units for IDPs Set-Up:</i> NAVTEC Chairman Adnan A Khwaja told that he had inaugurated mobile training units at IDP camps of Shah Mansoor, Sheikh Shazad and Jaloza. The training for IDPs has been launched under the Wazir-e-Azam Ka Hunar Mand Pakistan (Prime Minister's vocational programme) programme in collaboration with NAVTEC and Small Industries Development Board (SIDB). Explaining the objectives of the training programme, Khwaja remarked that the training courses have been designed according to the market demand for skilled workers. He said mobile training units have been launched at IDP camps under the specific directives of the Prime Minister to provide skill enhancement opportunities and dignified employment to the youth in IDP camps.</p>
<p>Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal</p>	<p><i>Benazir Bhutto Complex to be Set-Up for IDPs:</i> Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Managing Director Zamurd Khan has announced to set up Benazir Bhutto Complex for IDPs at the Jaloza Camp. He made an announcement to this effect during his visit to the Jaloza Camp on May 28. He said the complex will be set up for the welfare and restoration of traumatized children and women. Zamurd Khan also announced free transport facility for students, doctors and philanthropists who want to distribute relief goods among IDPs.</p>
<p>Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP)</p>	<p><i>BISP registration centers for IDPs have enlisted more than 50,000 dislocated families for their relief and rehabilitation.</i> According to the official data, around 15 registration centers were established initially in Mardan, Swabi, Peshawar, Nowshera and Malakand, and the number of these centres has been doubled to facilitate more displaced families. Chairperson BISP, Farzana Raja told that all the IDPs will receive financial assistance through the newly launched Benazir Smart Cards initiated by Federal Government in collaboration with NADRA. She said that the newly announced assistance package of Rs. 25,000 for the IDPs of Swat, Dir and Buner or any other future assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the IDPs will be given only through Benazir Smart Cards. The Chairperson urged all the displaced families to register themselves as soon as possible with the NADRA authorities. She said that the Benazir Cards will be given to all IDPs free of cost. She distributed <i>Benazir Smart Cards among 539 women from the IDPs families</i> during the launching ceremony of Benazir Smart Card in Peshawar last week.</p>

<p>Lady Health Workers (LHWs)</p>	<p><i>13,000 LHWs Serving Displaced Women in Relief Camps:</i> Over 13,000 LHWs are serving internally displaced women staying in relief camps and other parts of the province, said LHWs Programme Provincial Coordinator Dr Ehsanullah. Addressing a meeting of the health department officials, he said the LHWs had also registered over 9,000 pregnant women and were inquiring after them. He said a number of pregnant women were also referred to specialist gynecologists for their further treatment. He urged the LHWs to work dedicatedly for the displaced women's proper treatment.</p>
<p>Donors/International Organisations</p>	
<p>US Embassy</p>	<p>US Ambassador to Pakistan Anne W Patterson announced a \$26.6 million award to the UN's World Food Programme (WFP) funding urgent humanitarian relief efforts. The donations is for the local purchase and distribution of food commodities. It includes one month's supply of tea and sugar for IDPs in the camps.</p>
<p>Turkish Embassy</p>	<p>Turkish Ambassador R Engin Soysal called on Foreign Minister Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Qureshi on May 29 and presented a cheque for \$10 million out of the amount of \$100 million pledged by Turkey at the Donors' Conference held in Tokyo on April 17, 2009.</p>
<p>Jordan</p>	<p>The Government of Jordan has sent a special plane carrying relief goods to Pakistan for the assistance of IDPs. The Ambassador said <u>the relief goods included bed sheets, mosquito nets, medicines, dry food, clothes and other daily use items.</u></p>
<p>World Food Programme (WFP)</p>	<p><i>WFP to Buy 30,000 tonnes of Wheat from Punjab for IDPs:</i> Punjab Food Department would give 30,000 tonnes of wheat to World Food Programme (WFP) and a summary in this regard has been moved to the Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif. Punjab Food department in its report said that there is enough wheat to be given to the IDPs. The WFP would pay for wheat to the Punjab. An official of WFP said that the payment for wheat would be made within two weeks. The WFP would pay market price to the Punjab government.</p>
<p>United Nations Children Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<p>UNICEF is supporting <u>29 Child Friendly Spaces (CFSs)</u> which are functional and effectively engaging children in different learning, creative and recreational activities in 13 IDP camps including four new camps since last week in Mardan (Sheikh Shehzad, Sheikh Yasin and Jalala) and one in Swabi (Yar Hussain). A total of 9,696 children are regularly participating in different indoor and outdoor learning and recreational activities. 4 additional CFSs are being set up in the new camps of Mardan and Swabi.</p>
<p>Muslim Aid</p>	<p>The Muslim Aid, a UK-based charity organization has distributed <u>relief items to 400 families</u> hosting the IDPs in Mardan district. The relief items containing 20 kilogram flour, milk packets, 5 kg pulses, 5 kg rice, 5 kg ghee, and sugar were distributed for each family hosting IDPs of Swat, Buner and Dir. The Muslim Aid has already distributed hygiene kits and utensils in Mardan and Swabi districts as a part of its ongoing support for IDPs.</p>

CSOs/Private Sector

Al-Khidmat School System	<p>The Al-Khidmat School System on May 30 announced to open <i>25 schools for IDPs</i> of Malakand division. Director of the Al-Khidmat School System Syed Haleem Badshah said that 25 schools would be opened in Mardan, Timergara, Batkhela, Nowshera, Peshawar, Abbottabad, Swabi and Charsadda districts. He said there were 500,000 students out of three million IDPs and the Al-Khidmat School System would provide free education to them to save their academic year. He said the Al-Khidmat Foundation, Iqra Education System, Islami Nizam-e-Taleem, Islami Jamiat-e-Talaba, Ghazali Education Trust and Hira Education had already opened schools for IDPs where about 2,000 students had been enrolled.</p>
Jahandad Society for Community Development (JSCD)	<p><i>Rs 4m Relief Goods Sent to IDPs:</i> The Jahandad Society for Community Development (JSCD) dispatched six truckloads of ration and medicine worth Rs 4 million for the relief camps established at Hatian, Jalala, Risalpur and Attock on May 29. The JSCD said that the society was supporting more than 10,000 IDPs of Swat and was planning to continue its support until their repatriation. A medical team consisting paramedical staff led by Dr Tasnim Raza will offer medical services to all the affectees in these camps. The society further said that a number of organisations like Al-Huda, Lahore Grammar School, FOG, PMA and Hum Pakistani had helped the JSCD in collecting the donations for the IDPs.</p>
Hashoo Foundation and Hashoo Group	<p>Hashoo Foundation and Hashoo Group has joined hands to help the displaced people of Swat, Buner and Dir. Keeping in view health related problems being faced by IDPs. The Group has established a <i>small medical camp in Palosa camp</i>, Charsadda to provide the displaced people residing in the camp. The Foundation has also provided the required equipments and medicines in the camp. Apart from medical facility, Hashoo Foundation and Hashoo Group have also taken the initiatives to provide IDPs other <i>essential items like mineral water, mattresses, pillows, bed sheets, blankets and grocery</i>. Moreover, Hashoo Foundation schools in Rashakai and Nowshera Kalan have also started the provision of <i>free education</i> to more than 170 displaced children and have arranged free books, notebooks, bags and other educational material.</p>
Pakistan Telecommunication Company Limited (PTCL)	<p><i>PTCL to donate Rs. 30 million for IDPs:</i> Pakistan Telecommunication Company Limited (PTCL) has decided to donate one-day salary of its employees that amounts to Rs. 20 million for the relief efforts being carried out for the IDPs from Malakand division. Moreover, Rs. 10 million would be contributed by PTCL corporate account from which the relief goods will be purchased and distributed among the IDPs. According to PTCL spokesperson, PTCL is undertaking extensive steps to ease the situation of the people suffering and to provide them relief. PTCL has decided to increase the number of V fones/ PCOs, improved medical facilities along with providing more staff and establishment of collection camps in all regions, where goods deposited will be distributed among IDPs with the initiative taken by PTCL itself by ensuring the provision of relief goods worth Rs. 50,000 at each collection camp from the PTCL side. In addition to many actions already have been taken by the PTCL, like allocation of Rs 3 million for PTCL displaced staff families along with providing them accommodation at PTCL staff colonies.</p>
Citizens of Islamabad	<p><i>Capital Residents Send 25 Trucks of Goods for IDPs:</i> The residents of Islamabad on May 30 dispatched 25 trucks of food items and relief goods valuing Rs15 million for the IDPs of Malakand. The relief goods have been despatched under the supervision of Islamabad administration. Deputy Commissioner Asadullah Faiz said that Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) administration has collected these donations from the residents of Islamabad for the IDPs of Malakand. Food items including 'atta', ghee, rice, dal, sugar, mineral water, dry milk, cloths, pedestal fans, sewing machines and other essential goods are included in the supply to cater to the needs of 5,000 families.</p>

<p>PM's Daughter Collects 23.5m for IDPs</p>	<p><i>Fund raising through concerts, dinner, etc:</i> :An amount of Rs 23.5 million was collected for the IDPs of Swat and Malakand at a fund raising dinner hosted by the Prime Minister's daughter, Syeda Fizza Batool Gilani at the Royal Palm Golf and Country Club. The fund raising dinner was hosted to collect donations for the Prime Minister's relief fund for the displaced persons. The club members and industrialists donated generously for the relief efforts made for IDPs of Swat and Malakand.</p>
<p>Media</p>	
<p>Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA)</p>	<p>PEMRA on May 28 granted a non-commercial <i>FM radio station license to the NWFP Information Department at Mardan so that the IDPs could access useful information through FM radios.</i> The decision was taken at a meeting presided over by PEMRA Chairman Mushtaq Malik. Members of the authority, including Chairman Federal Bureau of Revenue (FBR) Sohail Ahmed, Prof Dr Najma Najam, Prof Dr Seemi Naghmana, Samar Minallah, Kaiser Bengali, Asad Jehangir Khan and Umer Aziz Khan were also present on the occasion. The members were also informed about PEMRA's donation of five multimedia screens for IDPs. These screens will be utilised for disseminating pertinent information to the IDPs living in the camps in Mardan, Nowshera and elsewhere. They were told that the PEMRA had a resolve to extend all-out support to IDPs and ensure relaying of public service messages through private broadcast media to help out homeless people in times of crises.</p>
<p>Geo , Express and Duniya TV Telethon</p>	<p>In an unprecedented outpouring of people's generosity, an estimated Rs50 <i>million was pledged for the displaced persons</i> of the Malakand Division by people belonging to different walks of life during the 'Pukar' campaign of the Mir Khalilur Rehman Foundation (MKRF).</p>
<p>All Pakistan Newspapers Society (APNS)</p>	<p>The All Pakistan Newspapers Society (APNS) donated <i>Rs1.66 million for journalists displaced</i> from the restive Malakand division. President of the APNS Mujeebur Rehman Shami handed over a cheque to Khyber Union of Journalists (KhUJ) during a function at Peshawar Press Club. KhUJ has opened a Journalist Relief Account in the Bank of Khyber for assistance of the needy journalists. All donations and support for the displaced journalists is deposited in the account - 8477-0 - and then disbursed to the affected journalists. A total of 166 journalists from the three districts of Swat, Dir Lower and Buner have been displaced and migrated to the provincial metropolis.</p>

Humanitarian Hubs Serving IDPs Residing in Host Communities

MARDAN

Established

Humanitarian Hub	Address	Contact Person	Phone No	Status
Mardan – I	Duranabad, Baghdada Road	Aftab Shah	0333-5354241	Operational
Mardan – II	Sange Marmar, Mardan-Swabi Road	Haider Jahan	0343-9238676	Operational
Mardan – III	Mardan Flour Mills, Near Shankar Police Choki, Katlang Road	Rashid Gul	0301-5135771	Operational
Mardan – IV	Near Shoaib Nursery Farm, Rashakai	Aftab Afridi	0300-9597918	Operational
Mardan – V	Govt. High School, Rustam	Jamshed Iqbal	0333-9163479	Operational
Mardan – VI	Hoti Flour Mills Baiboney Rd	Saifullah	0333-9004792	Operational
Mardan – VII	Near Union Council, Jandar Par Gujjar Garhi	Nasir Malik	0300-9157532	Operational
Mardan – VIII	Takht-Bhai. Government Degree College for Boys. Operational from Today 21st May, 2009	Inam	0300-5733891	Operational
Mardan – IX	Hujra Shah Wazir Khan, Ziarat Khan Colony, Lackson Tobacco Purchase Center # 1, Opposite Admore Pump Shergarh, Operational from Today 21st May, 2009	Sajid Ullah	0307-7100607	Operational
Mardan – X	Government Degree College for Boys, Katlang. Food can be delivered on Friday, 22nd May, 2009 and can be Operational on Saturday, 23rd May 2009.	Rizwan	0333-9357450	Will be Operational on 23rd May, 2009
SWABI				
Swabi – I	Khunda More, Near Motorway Interchange	Hafizullah	0313-9204262	Operational
Swabi – II	Aurangabad, Swabi-Mardan road, Swabi	Tariq Salam	0345-9428700	Operational
Swabi – III	Chowki Azam, Doubla Khapa, Mardan –Swabi Road, Swabi	Haji Aurangzeb	0301-8034330	Operational
Swabi – IV	Government middle school Lalo Dheri Bamkhel, Swabi.. Food delivered on 21st May, 2009	M.Tariq	0345-9332023	Operational on 22nd May, 2009

Other Established Humanitarian Hubs in NWFP				
Peshawar – I	Haji Camp, Peshawar,	Qaim Ali Shah	0300-5309600	Operational
Peshawar – II	Food Deptt. Kohat Rd	Atiq Hussain	0321-9125455	Operational
Peshawar – III	Tamash Stadium, Peshawar. Will be functional on 22 May, 2009.	Riaz Mahmood	0333-9121704	Operational
Peshawar – IV	Agriculture Center, University Road Peshawar.	Bakht Jamal	0300-8111720	Operational
Peshawar – V	Old Nazim Office, near Swan restaurant..Hayatabad.	Zegar Sher	0345-9523399	Operational
Nowshera	Near Social Welfare office, Nowshera	Riaz Ali	0344-9181676	Operational
Charsadda – I	Mushtarika Flour Mills, Rajjar by-pass road, Charsadda	Sajjad Ahmad	0301-8390216	Operational
Charsadda – II	Opposite DPO office Mardan- Charsadda.	Muhammad Ali	0333-9195263	Operational
Malakand	Civil Secretariat, Batkhela, Malakand	Javaid ul Haq	0345-9514517	Operational
Bajaur	Political Agent (P.A.) Colony, Khar Bajaur	TBN	TBN	Standby
Kohat	Near Malik Fuel station, Bannu Road, Kohat	Gul Muhammad	0333-9620608	Operational