



Research and resources for humanitarian response in real time

Research and resources to guide humanitarian response are not always at our fingertips at the moment we need them most – when a crisis hits. Working with our partners, we want to support the sector with at-a-glance information and links that can play a small part in ‘closing the loop’ between research and practice in real time.

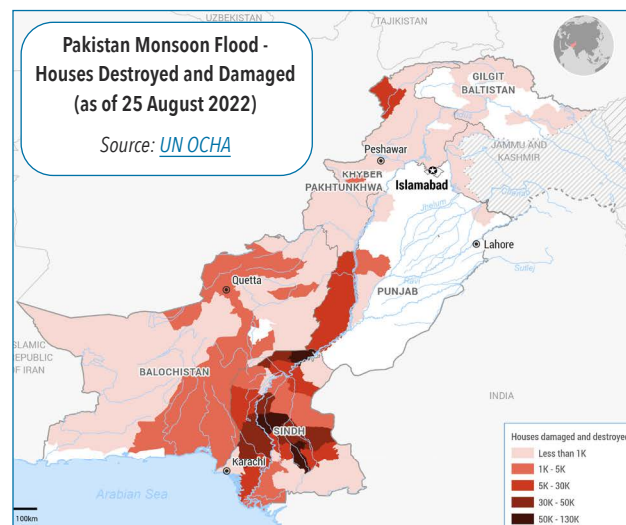
QUICK SNAPSHOT

- ▶ Since mid-June, historic monsoonal rains, flooding and landslides have **affected 33 million people in Pakistan, killing more than 1000, leaving 3 million displaced, and damaging or destroying almost 1 million homes**
- ▶ **Much of the country is under water** – 116 districts have been affected, with 66 officially declared by the Government of Pakistan as ‘calamity hit’
- ▶ The **situation is expected to worsen** in September with unrelenting heavy rains and flooding forecast to continue

Source: <https://reliefweb.int/disaster/fl-2022-000254-pak>
(Accessed 31 Aug 2022)

Pakistan is awash in suffering. The Pakistani people are facing a monsoon on steroids – the relentless impact of epochal levels of rain and flooding... millions are homeless, schools and health facilities have been destroyed, livelihoods are shattered, critical infrastructure wiped out, and people's hopes and dreams have been washed away.

UN Secretary-General António Guterres,
30 August 2022



HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT

Flash Appeal: [Joint Government of Pakistan and United Nations Pakistan Floods Response Plan](#) calls for \$USD160m in emergency funds

Government of Pakistan: [Prime Minister's Flood Relief Fund](#)

Hands (National NGO): [Urgent Flood Appeal](#)

Muslim Hands Pakistan (Intl. NGO): [Flood Emergency Appeal](#)

Islamic Relief (Intl. INGO): [Pakistan Floods Appeal](#)

Edhi Foundation (National NGO): [Flood Relief Campaign](#)

RESEARCH & RESOURCES

Lessons learned from the 2010 Pakistan flood crisis:

- ▶ **Government of Pakistan, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA):**
[Pakistan 2010 Flood Relief - Learning from Experience](#) provides a series of high-level recommendations related to crisis coordination, clarity of leadership and decision-making, improved accountability at all levels and effective contingency planning
- ▶ **Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) and United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UN OCHA):**
[Real Time Evaluation of the Humanitarian Response to Pakistan's 2010 Flood Crisis](#) finds that the initial response had many positive aspects (despite significant access issues) but relief and recovery efforts using international guidelines were often not adapted to context and conditions on the ground
- ▶ **Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), United Kingdom:**
[Pakistan Floods 2010: DEC Real-Time Evaluation Report](#) noted that the most serious risks in the early aid effort arose from the mismatch between the massive scale of the disaster and the relative paucity of global funding available in the early stages of the response

Other relevant sector-level research and resources:

- ▶ HAG and [Glow Consultants](#) (Pakistan): [Doing More for Less – Covid-19 and Localisation in Afghanistan and Pakistan](#) finds that as more local actors are being recognised as frontline humanitarian responders, often in challenging security environments, they are taking on increased risks without the funding and support to match
- ▶ HAG and [Ground Truth Solutions](#): [Accountability to Affected People - Stuck in the Weeds](#) suggests that agencies avoid setting up lots of new feedback mechanisms and instead focus on identifying locally-trusted systems
- ▶ HAG, [CSFT](#), [MORDI](#): [Treading Gently: Building on Positive Environmental Practice in the Tonga Volcano Response](#) focuses on the experience in Tonga but the lessons are broadly applicable and highlight the importance of using sustainable alternatives for supplies such as hygiene and water
- ▶ HAG: [Cash at a Crossroads - Getting it Right for Affected Communities](#) explores the opportunity for radical reform in cash coordination, proposing a framework of opportunities to make it more effective and accountable

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