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1. Flood and Storm Reports

Reports received by the Department of Disaster Management Affairs (DoDMA) on households affected by heavy storms and strong winds and floods as at 21st January 2008 are as follows:

District	Hhs affected (house collapse d/ roof blown off)	No. of hhs affected (crops)
Balaka	332	
Blantyre	431	
Karonga	100	
Lilongwe	189	
Machinga	129	
Mangochi	69	
Mzimba	97	603
Neno	65	
Nkhatabay	42	
Nsanje	176	2100
Phalombe	192	
Zomba	250	2400
Chikwawa	477	1573

DoDMA continues to provide food and non food items to households whose houses have collapsed. For households whose crops were affected, DoDMA submitted reports to the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security for an appropriate response.

2. Early Recovery (ER) Project

District Assemblies will complete implementation of ER activities in January 2009, while NGOs completed their ER quick impact projects in December 2008. They

are now in the process of finalising their end of projects reports. The different interventions implemented in the various districts will be communicated as soon as the reports are submitted to the department.

Using ER funds, the districts of Nsanje, Chikwawa and Machinga have reviewed their Flood Contingency Plans, while Nkhatabay is preparing one.

3. Maize Distribution

In response to the Malawi Vulnerability Assessment Committee Annual Assessment Report of 2008/09, DoDMA is coordinating a maize distribution programme. Districts being targeted are: Balaka, Blantyre, Chikwawa, Chiradzulu, Dedza, Machinga, Mangochi, Mulanje, Mzimba, Neno, Nsanje, Phalombe, Salima, Thyolo and Zomba. A total of 673,498 people will be targeted from December 2008 to March 2009.

4. Cholera Reports

The Ministry of Health has in the period 12th - 18th January 2009 reported a cumulative total of 684 cases with 26 deaths since November 15, 2008. Out of these, 676 cases with 25 deaths have been reported from Lilongwe.

The Ministry has organised an emergency meeting for cholera control and prevention for stakeholders on Friday, 23rd January 2009.

Contacts

Ministries, Departments, UN agencies, Red Cross, NGOs and other partners are invited



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