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Nepal Earthquake 2015 Update: Day 7

Date: May 1, 2015

Last Update: 22:00 hrs

Human Casualties (Source: Ministry of Home Affairs)

Death: 6,266

Injured: 13,861

Conflict Victims Yet to Receive Relief

INSEC representatives from various districts have reported that families of dead, injured and displaced by the devastating earthquake that struck Nepal at the midday on April 25 are yet to receive relief support. Earthquake victims in some districts complained that they were subjected to political discrimination during the distribution of relief materials. They said that leaders of some political parties are involved in providing more relief materials to their cadres. The dispute between the political parties has also resulted in delay of relief distribution in some places. Only few victims have received tarps in the places where they are being distributed for those displaced by the earthquake. The relief materials have not reached to earthquake victims in remote parts even in those districts where relief distribution has been carried out. Victims in southern VDCs of Lalitpur district are facing lack of food as well as shelter. Monitoring conducted by INSEC in Sankhu area of Kathmandu has found that less than 10 per cent of the needy have received the tarpaulin. The rescue teams are yet to reach Chipling, Ri, Lapa and Satyadevi VDCs in Dhading. Eight VDCs across the Roshi River in Kavre, 10 VDCs across Dandapari, eight vdc's in Timal and some VDCs adjoining the municipalities have not received relief yet.

Highlights

- The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has started work by setting up temporary office after its building sustained damage in the earthquake.
- According to data collected by the District Natural Disaster Relief Committee of Okhaldhunga, the April 25 earthquake has left 17,884 families in the district homeless.
- The workers and professionals based in Dang observed the 126th International Labor Day on May 1 by collecting the fund for the earthquake victims.
- A joint team of INSEC Western Regional Office, Women and Children Office and CWIN Pokhara monitored the situation of quake victims undergoing treatment at different hospitals in Pokhara on May 1.
- INSEC monitored Sankarapur (Sankhu) Municipality, one of the worst hit municipalities by the April 25 quake, on May 1. It is found that 90 per cent of the houses of mud and bricks have fallen.
- In Dolakha, 390 people have been rescued through helicopter.

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- The dead bodies that are still to be taken out from the rubble of the houses that were destroyed by the earthquake have started causing stench in the alleys of Bhaktapur.
- Rescue and relief distribution have not taken places in Rasuwa as most of the roads are obstructed by landslides.
- INSEC Kavre representative reports that need of psycho-social counselling has been felt as those who were traumatized by the aftershocks of the earthquake are not ready to leave the tents and get inside their houses.

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