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**Situation Report  
West Sumatra Earthquake  
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As reported by the National Disaster Management Agency (BNPB) in general coordination meeting on 7 October 2009, a total of 102,046 houses in West Sumatra province are destroyed, 49,864 houses are moderately damaged and 54,606 houses are slightly damaged by the 7.6 RS earthquake that struck West Sumatra on September 30, 2009. As of today the number of the death toll keeps increasing as the Search and Rescue team is still trying to find missing people.

In health sector, West Sumatra earthquake command post reported that there is no occurrence of new illnesses found after the earthquake. There is sufficient numbers of doctor and medicine. However, more nurses are needed. Some nurses have been dispatched to West Sumatra from Central Java on 11 October 2009. Tetanus Toxoid (TT) vaccines have been provided to the vulnerable groups, especially under five children. Fogging has also been carried out. All community health center have started to run.

Electricity is running. Fuels and gas services have also run normally. Clean water is being distributed to the community. Currently, 28 mobile of water tanks are being operated in West Sumatra: 23 units in Padang city; 4 units in Padang Pariaman district; and 1 unit in Agam district. In addition, there are 58 units public hydrants, 5 units of Alkon pump and 2 units of mobile water purifier are operating. However, it is not sufficient to provide clean water supply to all affected communities.

Access to water supply and sanitation, as well as hygiene and sanitation education are therefore still urgently needed.

**Church World Service Response**

CWS is currently focusing its emergency response in Sungai Limau sub-district, Padang Pariaman district of West Sumatra. Responses that are being conducted are distribution of non-food items (NFIs), provision of clean water supply, waste management and psychosocial first aid.

Another twelve tents, nine mats, one mosquito net and one blanket have been distributed in CWS response area. In addition, CWS has distributed 362 baby-kits in several villages as under five children would be the most vulnerable in disaster setting.

CWS has begun water trucking activities in Padang Pariaman district. Three bladders with a capacity of 5000 liter each have been set up on 7 October 2009 to provide people in three villages in Sungai Limau sub-district with water. More eight bladders have been set up in four villages in Sungai Limau sub-district. Community members are actively contributing to the activities by providing labor and locally available materials such as coconut wood for platform support. CWS coordinates the provision of clean water with the local water utility (PDAM) in order to fill the bladders and coordinate distribution. CWS also provided technical assistance to PDAM in setting up one bladder for volunteers post in Padang Pariaman district. In collaboration with French Army, packages of one liter water will be delivered to Pinjauwan village.

CWS will help the community to clean their contaminated wells. As pilot project CWS has cleaned two wells in Sibaruas village. In the implementation, CWS will involve the community by forming working groups to clean their wells. The quality of water has been tested in French Army's post in Padang with a good result, yet the water still needs to be boiled for drinking.

In collaboration with the Psychosocial Crisis Center of the University of Indonesia CWS have conducted psychosocial first aid training for 15 volunteers from local medical schools on October 9 and 10, 2009. The volunteers will then deliver psychosocial first aid and to run activities in the Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) set up by CWS, a place where children and youth can meet other children to play, learn other skill to deal with the risk they face, be involved in some educational activities and relax. Tents will be erected in eight villages to function as CFS. The CFSs are expected to start running on 13 October 2009.

## **Coordination**

CWS has maintained coordination with other ACT International members: CWS, YEU, and YTBI. CWS also maintains coordination with government, UN agencies, and other I/NGOs through clusters and sub-cluster meeting: shelter, food and nutrition, health, psychosocial and water and sanitation.

CWS maintains coordination with Sungai Limau community health center to access available information on the nutritional needs of under five children. CWS, together with YEU, also coordinates with midwives in eight villages in Sungai Limau sub-district.

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