



**Peru – Earthquake**

Fact Sheet #3, Fiscal Year (FY) 2007

August 27, 2007

*Note: The last fact sheet was dated August 21, 2007.*

**KEY DEVELOPMENTS**

- On August 22, the Government of Peru (GOP) announced a forthcoming population census to register the earthquake-affected population. The census, which will occur from August 29 to 31, will help the GOP more effectively distribute humanitarian aid. The National Institute of Statistics and Information (INEI) will implement the census in Cañete, Pisco, Chincha, and Ica provinces.
- The U.N. approved an allocation of nearly \$9.6 million from the Central Emergency Response Fund, to address the humanitarian needs of earthquake-affected populations. The U.N. also plans to issue a Flash Appeal for \$37 million during the week of August 27.
- On August 27, USAID/OFDA provided an additional \$500,000 to support shelter, water, and other emergency activities through humanitarian organizations. On August 26, USAID/OFDA airlifted 300 rolls of plastic sheeting, which will be distributed by CARE International, Caritas, and World Vision to help meet emergency shelter needs. The total value of the plastic sheeting, including transport, is \$219,500.

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE*		SOURCE
<b>Total Affected Population</b>	514 killed, 1,090 injured	INDECI <sup>1</sup> , August 24, 2007
<b>Houses Destroyed</b>	37,599 houses	INDECI, August 24, 2007
<b>Houses Damaged</b>	12,781 houses	INDECI, August 24, 2007

\*Based on preliminary estimates. Assessments to determine precise damage and affected population figures are ongoing.

**FY 2007 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING PROVIDED TO DATE**

<b>USAID/OFDA Assistance to Peru .....</b>	<b>\$2,014,220</b>
<b>Total USAID Humanitarian Assistance to Peru .....</b>	<b>\$2,014,220</b>
<b>Total Department of Defense Humanitarian Assistance to Peru .....</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>
<b>Total USG Humanitarian Assistance to Peru .....</b>	<b>\$2,614,220</b>

**CURRENT SITUATION**

- The GOP has extended the state of emergency to Yauyos Province in Lima in order to conduct immediate relief activities for the affected population. An emergency situation remains in effect for the Department of Ica, Cañete Province in the Department of Lima, Castrovirreina and Huaytará provinces, Acobambilla District in the Department of Huancavelica, and Huañec and Tupe districts in Yauyos Province. On August 23, President Alan Garcia submitted draft legislation to the Peruvian Congress for the creation of the Fund for the Reconstruction of the South.
- According to OCHA, INDECI and other Peruvian ministries are receiving support from numerous U.N. agencies including the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), the U.N. World Health Organization, the U.N. Children’s Fund (UNICEF), the U.N. World Food Program, and a U.N. Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC) team. The UNDAC team has conducted assessments in Cañete, San Luis, Chincha, Ica, and Pisco primarily to look at the shelter situation.
- An inter-agency mission traveled to Pisco on August 23. The mission assessed coordination mechanisms in Pisco and determined that the U.N. should continue to assist the GOP with coordination and information management systems for up to six months. Since August 19, the UNDAC team has been in Pisco supporting the GOP and humanitarian coordination through several activities, including the establishment of an emergency operations center. UNDAC's support has included organizing inter-agency assessment missions, facilitating daily general and sectoral coordination meetings, assisting information sharing among relief agencies, and helping to manage geographic information.
- Beginning on August 24, strong winds expected to last until at least August 27 began to impact earthquake-affected areas, causing a drop in temperature, according to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

<sup>1</sup> Peruvian National Institute of Civil Defense (INDECI)

### ***Emergency Needs***

- The USAID emergency assessment team, comprised of USAID/Peru and USAID/OFDA staff, has conducted assessments throughout the affected areas. According to USAID field staff, the main needs of the affected population are shelter, and water and sanitation services.
- Ongoing inter-agency assessment missions, led by UNDAC, have concluded that the food and water and sanitation situations are stabilizing, although needs in these areas remain. The teams have identified the following key issues as crucial during the current response: up-to-date information for decision-making; management of displaced persons camps; and evaluation and delivery of humanitarian assistance in rural areas.
- INDECI has delivered 800 metric tons of humanitarian aid to affected populations in Pisco, according to the OCHA. INDECI has 250 personnel in the Pisco area supporting recovery activities and has also sent 6 trucks of humanitarian aid from two INDECI warehouses.

### ***Shelter***

- According to the USAID emergency assessment team in Peru, precise numbers of affected persons are still being determined, and some of those impacted by the earthquake have departed from the region to make alternative living arrangements. Of those who have stayed in affected areas, the U.N. estimates that approximately 60,000 people will seek assistance in displaced persons camps established by the GOP in or near urban centers. Assessments are ongoing to determine the numbers of people in outlying rural areas who may also require humanitarian assistance.
- The GOP has designated the National Program for Food Assistance (PRONAA), with support from the Ministry of Women and Social Development, as the government's coordinating agency for the shelter and camp management sector. PRONAA plans to name a coordinator for each temporary displaced persons camp to ensure governmental presence in the camps and liaise with local authorities.
- INDECI has established 13 temporary camps for displaced residents in Pisco Province, which also serve as both temporary camps for displaced residents and distribution centers. On August 23, INDECI announced plans to install 500 temporary housing units in Pisco.
- As part of the USAID-supported shelter program, CARE, Caritas, and World Vision will distribute 13,000 blankets donated by USAID/OFDA. USAID/OFDA provided an additional 2,000 blankets to Samaritan's Purse for distribution in San Clemente District, an area that has received limited assistance to date.

### ***Water and Sanitation***

- According to OCHA, UNICEF has focused its initial intervention in the water and sanitation sector, but will now begin to address needs for latrines and water supplies for schools and shelters. To date, UNICEF has delivered chlorine, water containers and tanks, and water-purification tablets to affected communities in the earthquake zone. In addition, UNICEF plans to provide another 500,000 chlorine tablets and 3,000 water containers for distribution through the GOP Ministry of Health.
- USAID/OFDA is coordinating with INDECI and the GOP's Ministry of Health (MOH) to distribute four 10,000-liter water bladders and 7,800 10-liter water containers provided by USAID/OFDA to areas with outstanding needs. The MOH placed one 10,000-liter water bladder in Nueva Alameda, Pisco Province, which has an improvised displaced persons camp with a mostly Afro-Peruvian population. INDECI placed another bladder in an established displaced persons camp in Pisco District.

### **USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE**

- Following the August 16 U.S. Ambassador's disaster declaration for Peru, and within 16 hours of the earthquake, the U.S. Embassy in Lima deployed a team that included representatives from the Department of State, USAID/Peru, USAID/OFDA, and the Department of Defense (DOD)'s Military Assistance Advisory Group (MAAG). In total, more than 50 USG personnel have been in the affected areas, conducting assessments, coordinating with the GOP, providing emergency medical treatment and relief supplies, and assisting American citizens.
- USAID/OFDA initially provided \$100,000, through USAID/Peru to the Peruvian Red Cross, for the purchase of relief commodities in affected areas not served by INDECI's distribution centers.
- USAID/OFDA is also supporting non-governmental organization (NGO) partners to provide assistance in Cañete, Chincha provinces, and Ica Department. The NGOs will provide immediate relief assistance including the provision of temporary shelter materials, potable water and water purification supplies, blankets, and hygiene kits.
- USAID/OFDA's support to NGOs also includes collaboration with the Peruvian Corps of Voluntary Firefighters. USAID/OFDA has had a long-time technical assistance and training relationship with this organization to provide support for program implementation.
- In addition to financial assistance, USAID/OFDA has delivered emergency relief commodities via three airlifts to Peru. The commodities included four 10,000-liter water bladders, 7,800 ten-liter water containers, 500 body bags, 300 rolls of plastic sheeting, and 15,000 blankets. USAID/OFDA has also provided an office support module for the UNDAC team.

- USAID’s five-person emergency team continues to assess damages, identify needs, and deliver emergency assistance, in collaboration with USAID/Peru, the U.S. Embassy, and MAAG.
- To date, DOD has provided approximately \$600,000 in technical and financial assistance in response to the earthquake. DOD medical teams are providing critical health services in the affected areas as well supplies and air support.

### USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PERU

<i>Implementing Partner</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<b>USAID/OFDA ASSISTANCE<sup>1</sup></b>			
USAID/Peru	Emergency Relief Activities through NGOs	Affected Areas	\$515,000
Peruvian Red Cross	Local Procurement of Emergency Relief Supplies	Affected Areas	\$100,000
CARE	Shelter, Emergency Relief Supplies, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	Chincha Province	\$267,500
Caritas	Shelter, Emergency Relief Supplies, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	Cañete Province	\$267,500
World Vision	Shelter, Emergency Relief Supplies, Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene	Ica Department	\$150,000
CARE, Caritas, World Vision	Emergency Relief Supplies from USAID/OFDA's Miami Warehouse, including transport to Lima	Cañete and Chincha provinces, and Ica Department	\$714,220
<b>TOTAL USAID/OFDA</b>			<b>\$2,014,220</b>
<b>TOTAL USAID HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PERU IN FY 2007</b>			<b>\$2,014,220</b>
<b>U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ASSISTANCE</b>			
U.S. medical team of eight doctors and ten medical students from the Naval Medical Research Center Detachment (NMRCD) with a portable laboratory			
Local procurement of medical and other relief supplies through NMRCD			
27-member Field Surgical Team			
13-person Medical Readiness Exercise Team and supplies			
Surgical operating room package and medical supplies and a C-130 plane to transport relief supplies and affected residents			
<b>TOTAL DOD</b>			<b>\$600,000</b>
<b>TOTAL DOD HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PERU IN FY 2007</b>			<b>\$600,000</b>
<b>TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE TO PERU IN FY 2007</b>			<b>\$2,614,220</b>

<sup>1</sup> USAID/OFDA funding represents anticipated or actual obligated amounts as of August 27, 2007

## **PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION**

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for their earthquake response efforts in Peru can be found in the “How Can I Help” section of [http://www.usaid.gov/locations/latin\\_america\\_caribbean/perueq/](http://www.usaid.gov/locations/latin_america_caribbean/perueq/) or by calling the Center for International Disaster Information (CIDI) at 703-276-1914. USAID encourages cash donations because they: allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, warehouse space, etc); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information on making donations and volunteering services can be found at:
  - USAID: [www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov) – Keyword: Peru
  - The Center for International Disaster Information: [www.cidi.org](http://www.cidi.org) or (703) 276-1914
  - InterAction: [www.interaction.org](http://www.interaction.org) → “Guide to Appropriate Giving”
  - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at [www.reliefweb.int](http://www.reliefweb.int).