

Dear praying and supporting friends,

Greetings from Rukkum,

Rukkum:

Yesterday, we reached Athbishkot Rural Municipality and started relief supply distribution in Wards 11 and 12. The wards are widely spread, and people have to walk a long way. Due to landslides and road obstructions, taking vehicles is impossible. They were invited to the ward office to receive the supplies. Rain has been low yesterday and today; therefore, the distribution has been easier as people can gather easily. Since we already knew most of the people and the ward chairperson, there was a sense of connection and acceptance. It was obvious that the ward chairpersons were recalling the early days of the earthquake and how ACN/PCC started supporting them. They both said that we were the first to come on the ground by coordinating with them. New mothers were very happy to receive their packages and said they were also remembered and appreciated greatly. Rukkum Christian Community and the local people are engaged in coordination, and they are recognized by the communities.

The beneficiaries were categorized into two groups: families with fully damaged or partially damaged items, and these families received a full package of food and non-food supplies. Households at high risk receive tarps and mattresses to protect vulnerable parts of the house or land. Then pregnant and new mothers received their packs.

Today, we have a plan to cover Ward 9 and start our journey back home by afternoon, and tomorrow we will reach home. Pray that there will not be any obstacles along the way.

Myagdi:

The team in Maydi completed all distributions yesterday and returned to Beni for the night. Raghuganga Rural Municipality takes. Raghuganga 7 ward (40 families), 4 ward (9 families), Annapurna Rural Municipality ward 3 (36 families), and tarps to the school (Janata Secondary School). The family received food packages, blankets, tarps, and a health kit. No one and no organization have reached it, and ACN/PCC are the first to reach it. Myagdi Christian Community has been engaged from the beginning and is thankful for the opportunity to be mean in such a way. Prakash Baniya, our former staff member, worked out all local coordination. The team is traveling back to Pokhara this morning.

Supplies distributed:

SI #	Location	Food	Sutkeri	Hygiene Kit	Blankets		P Foam	Tarps	Tin Sheet (bundle)	HDPE pipe(M)	Polar Blanket Pic	Gavion Box	Waater Filter
					Small	Heavy							
1	Aathbiskot - 12	45	44	45	35	35	104	114	60	900	30	0	25
2	Raghuganga - 4, Dugnam	10	0	10	10	10	10	5	54			0	
3	Raghuganga - 7, Chimkhola	40	0	40	40	40	40	22	0			0	
4	Annapurna - 2	35	0	35	35	35	35	10	0			0	
5	Pokhara - 19	3	0	3	3	3	3	3	0			0	
6	Pokhara - 14 & Others	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	75			50	
	Total	88	0	88	88	88	88	40	129	0	0	50	25
7	Baglung	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0	
8	Madi	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2			0	
		221	44	133	123	123	192	154	75			0	

In Baglung, a church has been affected by the landslide, and support is still to be decided.

Pokhara Group:

ACN/PCC and church leaders in Pokhara sent messages with words of encouragement. The ACN team will provide support and work on the procurement, packaging, and dispatching of supplies. Dinesh and his team work hard with finance to prepare budgets, SWC proposals, and get approval from the local government and SWC. Dinesh is flying to Kathmandu to get SWC approval. We have had a talk with them; however, I pray all will go well.

Next: There is an immediate need for temporary shelters, and families always need to move away from their tents. We will start the tin-sheet procurement process and hope to reach beneficiaries. We will connect this with the EQ recovery part and plan to select the houses to be reconstructed out of these beneficiaries. Pray that this be done as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support. Thank you for making the funds available immediately, and that will help us move quickly to the field.

The monsoon is still severe and will continue, and there may be more needs in the days ahead. Pray for safety for people and also for resources if we need to respond further.

Raju Adhikari for PCC/ACN.

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Photo Story:

This little boy was buried in the landslide rubble. His aunts died, but he was fortunate to be rescued. The landslide occurred at around 12 am at night. He lost everything in the mud. He had nice clothes and all swallowed in the mud. He has nothing, only what he is wearing in the body. He asks everyone outsider who comes to the village if they have brought clothes for him. Nobody would care about him; he would get annoyed and show resentment. He did the same to me, and I realized all when one of the aunts survived told me the story. Even though he had nothing in hand, his aunt was trying to convince him, she would buy clothes soon.

After receiving some money for clothes, he changed bright and so loving and was willing to talk and smile at me. I am deeply touched by his emotion. We rarely have attention on those little voices and silent cries.

Photos from Rukkum:

Final meeting with the Deputy-Mayor of Athbishkot Rural Municipality.



Galaxy M62

ACN team with beneficiaries:



This is one of the landslides where through houses were swept away and 3 people died.



This young boy lost his parents and is under mourning period as per Hindu ritual.



Due to weather and distance, it was not possible for the mothers to come to receive monther's package, their young husband came to receive it.



Ward 12, Chairman and Deependra from Rukkum Christian Community handover supplies.



Ward 11 - Chair handing over the supplies.



30 households lost their regular water supplies due to landslide, receiving pipes to resume it. They will do the fitting work themselves.



Three families lost their family members in the landslide, receiving water filters besides other supplies.



New mothers, receiving mother's pack.



Unpacking supplies from the truck.



Road damages on the way to Rukkum.



Photos from Myagdi:

Landslide survivors taking their relief supplies home.



Ps. Surya Tilija, a leader of Myagdi Christian community engaged in the work:



Mukti Dhakal, ACN's vice Chair shares about the programme and PCC/ACN.

