



Source : Al Jazeera

Help Arrives in Haiti

Rescue teams and emergency supplies are slowly getting on the ground in Haiti as the Caribbean nation begins burying thousands killed in Tuesday's devastating earthquake.

Nations around the world pledged millions in aid and sent rescue teams, doctors and relief supplies.

Haiti earthquake: anger mounts as aid effort is hit by delays

Anger is mounting in Haiti over the long delays that have slowed the flow of aid into the country following the massive earthquake which struck on Tuesday.

In some parts of Port-au-Prince, the Haitian capital, angry locals piled up dead bodies into roadblocks to protest at the delays, while others screamed at the passing convoys for help.

Source- The telegraph

Social networkers use web, phones to raise funds for Haitians affected by earthquake

A chorus of tweets requesting aid and donations for those worst hit by the January 12 earthquake in Haiti have been spreading across the web in the days following the devastating event.

Social networking sites such as Twitter and Facebook have quickly grown to become an integral part of aid organizations' fund-raising campaigns over the last two days. A host of 140-character messages have spread over the internet to reach thousands of eyes in

the space of seconds.

Aid agencies are using Skype for communications purposes since communication lines are not working

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- Haiti faces dangerous vacuum in security and government.
- Many people believed still trapped alive in the rubble.
- Haitians wander streets of Port-au-Prince searching for water, food and medical help.
- Looters swarm a collapsed supermarket in the Delmas area of Port-au-Prince, carrying out electronics and bags of rice.

Source – Reuters

- (AlertNet) - Relief workers, vital aid supplies and equipment are being rushed to Haiti after a massive earthquake that killed thousands, but collapsed infrastructure is hampering the international aid effort.
- Aid workers and reporters on the ground say supplies so far have only been trickling in.
- Finding and helping survivors is the first priority, but Haitians are having to dig through the rubble with their hands, with little help from specialist teams.
- Food stocks reported looted in Haiti, WFP says
- GENEVA, Jan 15 (Reuters) - U.N. aid agencies will launch an emergency appeal for approximately \$550 million on Friday to help survivors of the earthquake in Haiti, a U.N. spokeswoman said.



Oxfam has a staff of about 200 people on the ground in Haiti and a team of 15 highly-experienced emergency specialists based in the capital will be responding with public health, water and sanitation services to prevent the spread of waterborne disease.

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We have dispatched a six-strong team of emergency specialists to Haiti from the UK to bolster our response to the devastation wrought by the earthquake.

'Oxfam's teams have now started to assess the scale of the disaster, across the different parts of Port au Prince, as some have been more severely affected than

others. The epicentre was near the slum of Carrefour, where people were living in flimsy shacks. There are reports that over 90% of its buildings are in ruins.

Our immediate priorities will be providing safe water and shelter material for the people who have lost their homes. Many people have lost their homes and were sleeping out in the open last night.'

Cedric Perus, Oxfam's Humanitarian Co-ordinator in Port-au-Prince

Images from the disaster scene



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