



MANIPUR EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE

30 JANUARY – 4 FEBRUARY, 2016



Background

An earthquake measuring 6.8 magnitude hit northeast India on 4 January 2016. The quake hit at 04:35 am (Indian Standard Time), about 29km (18 miles) northwest of Imphal, the capital of Manipur state, according to the US Geological Survey (USGS). The epicentre of the earthquake is Kabui Khullen village in Tamenglong District. Strong tremors were felt across whole North East of India, and other states of Jharkhand, Bihar and West Bengal. The quake was also felt in neighbouring countries Myanmar, Bhutan and Bangladesh.

The death toll from the earthquake stands at 10 persons, and 308 persons injured, (as per government data). 2500 houses and other buildings have been damaged in the state, and 1 bridge damaged. The worst affected districts, in terms of infrastructure damage and death toll, include: Tamenglong (epicentre of the earthquake), Senapati, Imphal (West), and Imphal (East).



Map 1: Earthquake epicentre in Manipur (<http://images.skymetweather.com/content/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Earthquake-04-01-2016-700.jpg>)

OXFAM India, along with the ongoing European Commission Humanitarian Aid & Civil Protection (ECHO) project consortia partner ADRA India, undertook Rapid Needs Assessment on 5th – 6th January, 2016, a day after the earthquake hit Manipur. OXFAM India and ADRA India team jointly assessed the situation and needs in the following worst affected districts:

1. Imphal (East)

2. Imphal (West)
3. Tamenglong District
4. Senapati District

Response

With houses completely damaged or unsafe for use, and temperatures dropping up to 8 degrees at night, people were in urgent need of shelter Non-Food Items (NFIs) such as tarpaulins and blankets. OXFAM India, in partnership with Integrated Rural Management Association (IRMA), identified 300 earthquake affected households from 19¹ villages in Tamenglong, Senapati and Imphal (West) districts combined.

Based on the findings of the rapid needs assessment, OXFAM India procured shelter (NFIs). OXFAM India started its earthquake response in Manipur on 30th January, 2016. 52 households were provided shelter NFI kits in Kabui Khullen 1 village of Tamenglong district. Kabui Khullen 1 village is located at the 4th January's earthquake epicentre zone. The remaining 18 villages were covered in the next few days and OXFAM India concluded the NFI distribution on 4th January, 2016. The response has been funded by ECHO.



Photo 1: Contents of OXFAM's NFI Kit (1 tarpaulin, 1 ground sheet, 1 solar lamp and 2 fleece blankets)

In addition to the NFI kits, OXFAM also provided 5 community filters where the affected people did not have access to safe drinking water. The following villages received the community filters:

S.No.	District	Sub-Division	Name of Village	No. of Filters Received
1	Tamenglong	Noney	Kabui Khullen	02
2	Senapati	Saitu	Chalbung	02
3	Senapati	Saitu	Gougaiphai	01

¹ Refer to Annexure 1: List of Beneficiary Villages

Photographs



Photo 2: A beneficiary signing the muster roll before receiving the NFI kit in Kabui Khullen 1 village (Tamenglong District)



Photo 3: A beneficiary receiving the OXFAM NFI Kit at Kabui Khullen 1 village (Tamenglong District)



Photo 4: Demonstration of community water filter by OXFAM staff at Kabui Khullen 1 village (Tamenglong District)



Photo 5: A beneficiary receiving the NFI Kit at Chalbung village (Senapati District)

Annexure 1: List of Beneficiary Villages

S.No.	District	Sub-Division	Name of Village	Total Targeted Fully or Severely Damaged HHs
1	Tamenglong	Noney	Kabui Khullen	52
2	Senapati	Saitu	Chalbung	40
3	Senapati	Saitu	Gougaiphai	11
4	Senapati	Saitu	W. Buning	12
5	Senapati	Saitu	S.Buning	8
6	Senapati	Saitu	S. Bollen	5
7	Senapati	Saikul	Maibung Likli	18
8	Senapati	Saikul	Khokon	4
9	Senapati	Saikul	Makokching	8
10	Imphal (West)	Saikul	Sadhu Lamphak	2
11	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Chandraman	6
12	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Gopibung	18
13	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Setikhola	20
14	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Amaledara	12
15	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Tokpa	4
16	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Santolabari	28
17	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Parsian	30
18	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Kharkhola	7
19	Senapati	Kangpokpi AC	Songpehjang	15
Total				300

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