

Humanitarian Aid

Small Projects – Humanitarian Assistance



Background

As a result of the conflicts in South Ossetia and in Abkhazia there are some 250,000 Internally Displaced Person (IDPs) in Georgia. The social and economic conditions of both the IDPs and a sizeable number of the native population are dire, to say the least. After more than 13 years of displacement, approximately 40% of the IDPs live in collective centres (CCs), while the majority of the remaining IDPs continue to live in crowded conditions with host families, or in rented apartments. The majority of IDPs still continue to be jobless, have high health risks, and are isolated from the local population.

General Information

Project region:
South Caucasus

Project duration:
2005-2006

Total budget:
CHF 200'000

Various partners

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Objectives

- To assure the survival and to improve the living conditions of the displaced and vulnerable members of the population whenever a disaster strikes.
- To support the countries in their efforts to return or integrate the IDPs and other refugees back to their homelands.
- To assist relevant governmental partners in the field of Natural Disaster Preparedness and Response.

Expected results and activities

1 Emergency aid and survival assistance

Disaster aid in the cases of natural or man made disasters through the provisions of basic assistance for survival and towards the shelter of the affected. Support to vulnerable segments of society: to the most vulnerable within the community of displaced people and refugees, as well as to elderly and disabled people.

2 Reintegration and rehabilitation

Support for small community based initiatives to assist in the reintegration and rehabilitation projects specially designed for the victims of the various conflicts in the region.

3 Natural Disaster preparedness and response

Support to several local initiatives in the field of natural disaster and response. This includes pilot projects which could, at a later stage, become programs on their own.

4 Strengthening Civil Society

Projects to build up the institutional capacities of NGOs working in the above-mentioned sectors. This includes the funding of training projects (seminars, workshops, etc.) for NGO staffs and volunteers, to be aimed at strengthening the capacity of the organization.