

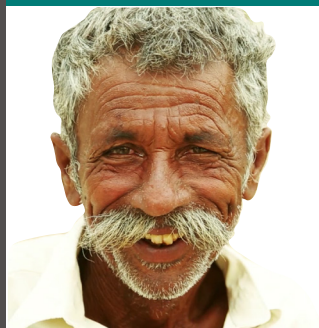


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# RAPID Fund



# About RAPID

Concern Worldwide is an international humanitarian organization working in Pakistan since 2001. Concern is implementing the RAPID Fund program (RAPID) with the support of USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID-OFDA). Its objective is to assist the affected population in the aftermath of any natural or human induced disaster across the country. In close coordination with the Provincial Disaster Management Authorities (PDMAs) and humanitarian stakeholders, RAPID provides needs-based, small sub-grants of short duration (3-6 months) and valued between PKR 6,000,000 (six million) to PKR 60,000,000 (sixty million) to national and international NGOs through a systematic mechanism. RAPID also includes a capacity building component with targeted support activities for both national NGOs and Disaster Management Authorities (DMAs).



*Consultation with the earthquake affected community in Chitral district, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.*





*Beneficiaries of flood response in Thatta district, Sindh province.*

## Our Work

RAPID focuses on supporting interventions that address humanitarian needs in areas declared by PDMA to be severely affected by disaster. Once triggers for response are met, priority sectors are identified and RAPID, in consultation with OFDA and relevant PDMA, includes priority sectors in the Call for Proposals based on the criteria mentioned in sub-grant process document available on Concern RAPID web page (<https://www.concern.net/where-we-work/pakistan>).

All proposals submitted to RAPID must be in response to humanitarian needs as a result of disasters in Pakistan and aimed at addressing needs in any of the sectors mentioned below. The eligible sub-sectors and interventions are clearly described in the document Sectoral Guidelines (Available on Concern RAPID web page).



Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH)



Shelter and Settlement



Multipurpose Cash Assistance (MPCA)



Protection



Nutrition



Health



Agriculture & Food Security



Economic Recovery & Market Systems (ERMS)



Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management (HCIM)

## Where We Work

RAPID can respond to critical humanitarian needs across the country in response to any disaster or emergency. After consultation with USAID/OFDA and in coordination with relevant PDMA and other stakeholders, RAPID identifies priority geographic areas. This is followed by a quick assessment, including review of existing multi-sectoral assessments conducted by PDMA, I/NGOs or UN to validate the needs in the proposed target areas and a justification and response plan is submitted to USAID/ODFA for review and consent. The target areas (districts) are included in the Call for Proposals based on the over-arching criteria mentioned in sub-grant process document available on Concern RAPID web page.

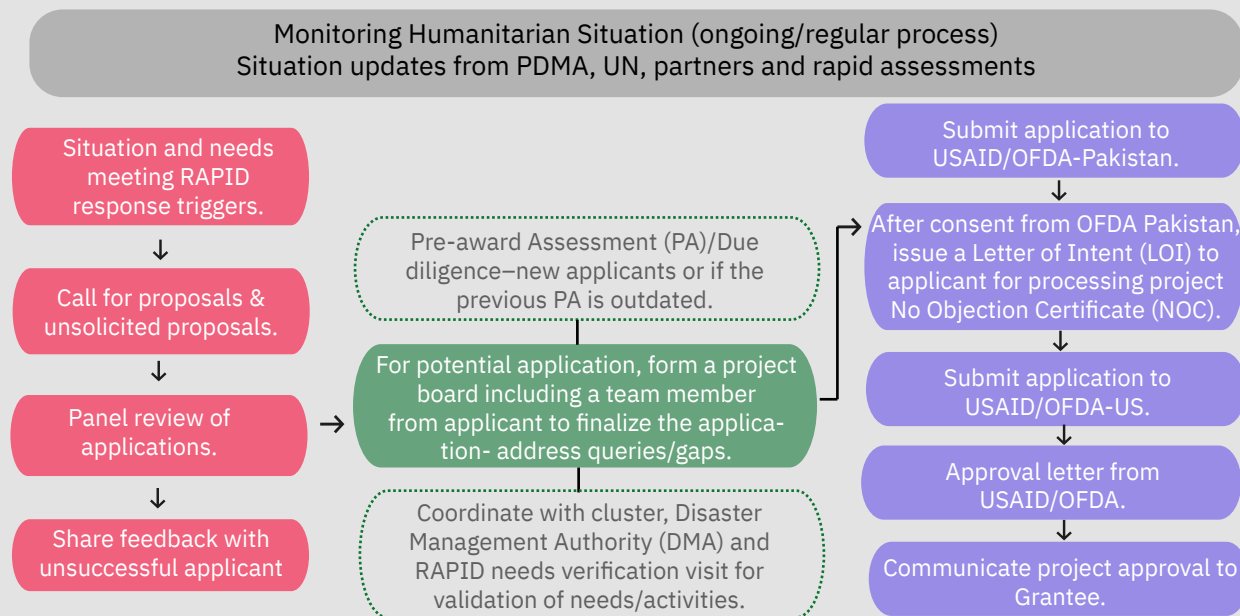


*Flood affected family that received shelter assistance in Rajanpur district, Punjab province.*



# RAPID Relief and Recovery Response

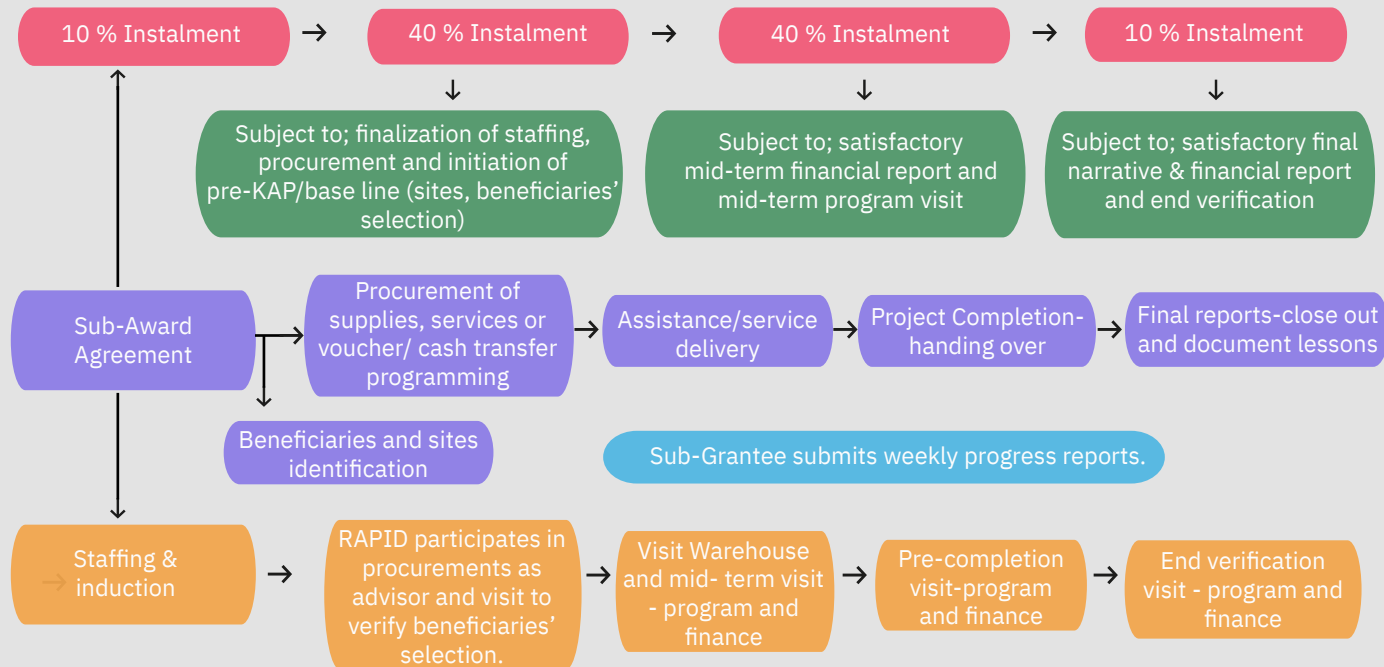
## Sub Grant Selection Process - Flow Chart



This approach varies for sudden and slow onset emergencies and RAPID also follows a different approach to sub-grants for relief and recovery phases of any emergency.

# RAPID Relief and Recovery Response

## Sub Grant Management Process



Duration of project depends on nature of response, mode of assistance (in-kind or cash/voucher programing), project activities and the response area. Concern support and number of visits depends on pre-award assessment's finding, type of project and response area.



# RAPID - Capacity Building Component

## Process and Potential Activities

Identify/select NGOs and DMAs

Conduct capacity building needs assessment/Identify opportunities

Get commitment and sign MoU

Develop capacity building plans/Solutions

Implement the plan

Follow up and monitor the actions

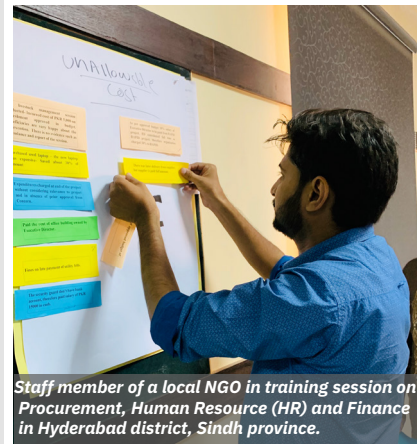
Assess performance improvement

### Support for Disaster Management Authorities (DMAs):

Concern mainly works with provincial DMAs and selected district level DMAs in disaster prone districts. RAPID signs MoU with DMA, conducts joint assessment (capacity gaps/needs) and co-develops capacity building plans. As part of institutional capacity building, RAPID provides tangible resources supporting the development of Management Information System (MIS), M&E manual, Emergency Response SOPs, necessary communication tools and human resource (need-based) to coordinate and monitor disaster response. The staff skill development module includes formal trainings and online courses on humanitarian standards, needs assessment, coordination, and monitoring of the response.

**Support for National NGOs:** RAPID identifies local NGOs through expression of interest (EOI) and in consultation with PDMA, NGOs' forum and other humanitarian actors. The targeted NGOs submit their proposal/interest, a panel conducts a review and selects eligible NGOs for capacity building component. RAPID signs MoU, conducts assessment (capacity gaps) of eligible NGOs and co-develops a capacity plan. Based on assessed needs, the activities focus on institutional support such as development of organizational system, manuals and human resource skills development through trainings, exposure visits and practical simulations.

NGOs will be linked with DMAs to assist them in conducting needs assessment in the immediate aftermath of any disaster and also support immediate rescue and relief efforts.



Staff member of a local NGO in training session on Procurement, Human Resource (HR) and Finance in Hyderabad district, Sindh province.



Local NGOs participate in a needs assessment and proposal development training in Peshawar district, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.

The logo for Concern Worldwide is displayed in a white, rounded, hand-drawn style font. To its right, the organization's mission statement is presented in a white, bold, sans-serif font, arranged in four lines and enclosed within a white graphic that resembles a cross or a plus sign.

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