On 5 August 2018, an earthquake measuring 6.9 magnitude struck West Nusa Tenggara Province, Indonesia, a mere one week after another magnitude 6.4 earthquake struck the same area. Shakes could be felt in Lombok, Bali and Sumbawa Island, and was followed by more than 1,000 powerful aftershocks. For North Lombok alone, it resulted in 469 fatalities, 906 injuries, and hundreds of thousands of people displaced.

Mercy Relief was engaged by our local partner, YEU (YAKKUM Emergency Unit), to work alongside the village government and community representatives for a sustainable rebuilding project to aid one of the worst-hit villages, Desa Bayan.

Keeping in mind the health protocol for COVID-19, the project modified the implementation strategy for some activities, and hence necessitated the proposed no-cost extension until October 2020. Adapting to these new changes and the inability to conduct mass gatherings, Mercy Relief consulted with the local government and a local health service provider on new strategies and are able to complete the planned activities earlier in September 2020.
Upon confirmation from government authorities in Indonesia that foreign NGOs can work on the ground, Mercy Relief worked with our local partner, YEU (YAKKUM Emergency Unit) to provide important relief services and goods to the affected communities, with a focus on vital humanitarian needs: safe water and sanitation, shelter and energy kits, and mobile health and nutrition services.

### RELIEF ACTIVITIES

5,179 (6,095)
Beneficiaries reached

07 - 27 August 2018
Duration

**MOBILE CLINIC SERVICES**
- 1000 people
- 12 sub-villages
- Top five ailments: Acute respiratory infection, headaches, muscle pains, allergies, and diarrhoea.

**SAFE DRINKING WATER**
- Initial 5,000L of mineral water.
- 10 storage tanks (1,100L each) for water dropping programme for 500 households.
- 4 water tank lorry trucks (20,000L) of clean water to villages excluded from programme.

**GENERATOR SETS**
- 5 units
- Contents include: cable, light system, and petrol
- 5 camps in 5 villages

**SUPPLEMENTARY FEEDING SERVICE**
- 728 children under 5 years old
- 592 elders, people with disabilities and sick people
- 8 villages and 3 sub-districts

**Province of West Nusa Tenggara:**
- Bayan Sub-district
- Tanjung Sub-district
- Kayangan Sub-district
- North Lombok District
Mercy Relief focused on immediate safe and sustainable rebuilding through training and supply-distribution after the response phase. We identified people with disabilities and older people as some of the most vulnerable groups. As such, our toilet and house rehabilitations are ensured to cater to their needs in the long-term. We also held certification training from the public works department to ensure safe reconstruction process and the imparting of profitable skills.

After the workshops, Mercy Relief distributed carpentry tools to the villagers. There were a total of 60 working groups, which received construction tools and equipment, including wheelbarrows, helmet, gloves, mini chainsaw, drill, saw etc.

Duration
18 - 28 November 2019

Local NGOs engaged
YAKKUM Rehabilitation Centre
YAKKUM Emergency Unit (YEU)

13 Sub-villages reached
56 Men
2 Women
Construction certified
CONSTRUCTING WASH FACILITIES AND HEALTHY HOUSING

At central locations, Mercy Relief constructed clean water storage and distribution channels, which yielded long-term results beyond the earthquake rehabilitation programme, because the communities have historically had difficulty accessing clean water due to the hilly geographical location. Additionally, we also constructed hygiene facilities, including communal toilets and washing stations. Upon assessment, we expanded our project from 4 sub-villages to all 13-subvillages, to prevent social problems of jealousy, distrust and resentment.

While the construction of toilet and housing facilities target people with disabilities, their communal nature allow them to be accessed by their families, close neighbours and other surrounding communities.

Village: Desa Bayan

4 WASH facilities, including
- Dusun Montong Baru
- Dusun Bayan Barat
- Dusun Karang Salah
- Dusun Bayan Timor

From RIKO to RISHA
REHABILITATING LIVING SPACES

Traditional housing construction, RIKO (Conventional House), have a few capacity gaps. They lack a concrete bonding system, the use of mortar and cast mixture, and most importantly, they have no plans regarding waste disposal and damage. Therefore, we needed to raise awareness on healthy housing, with toilet as an important component.

Mercy Relief and YEU constructed new quake resistant houses, RISHA (Healthy Modest Instantaneous House), which also focused on accessible toilets and WASH facilities for the communities.

Families benefitted from construction of communal toilet and clean water centres

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People with disabilities aided

30
Post-Response

Socialization and Protection of Vulnerable Groups

Mercy Relief focused on protection issues, with emphasis on basic rights, nutrition, managing COVID-19, and vulnerable groups including women, children, elderly and people with disabilities. The training process is supported by village cadres - many of whom are women - and by the local community health centre, Puskesmas Senaru. Teaching materials are checked to meet local context to maximise applicability.

34 men and 223 women
Total participants

8 - 25 August 2020
Duration

Total discussions
15

“One of the benefits that I received besides new skill and knowledge in the issue of protection for vulnerable groups, is confidence and courage to perform in front of public or audiences. That is important for us. Now, we are ready to transfer our knowledge and skill, when needed.”
-- Ramianti, one of the health cadres

Package contents:
- 10 packages, consisting 6 posters and 1 book.
- Issues including legal rights, healthcare and social welfare.

Project learning workshops and disaster management

Beneficiaries are trained in immediate response, but many of the skills and knowledge learnt could easily be adapted into other uses, including tourism and construction expertise for better-paying skilled work.

24 Aug - 29 Sep 2020
Duration

Immediate Respondants
- Establishing disaster task force and frontline responders, by engaging facilitators from PSC 119 Mataram and YEU.
- Formation of Tim Siaga Bencana Desa (TSBD) Bayan, or Bayan village disaster preparedness task force.
- Training non-medical personnel in basic first aid and inclusive camp management.

Local Leadership
- Joint coordination mechanism with relevant stakeholders, including the BPBD (provincial disaster management agency), and Puskesmas.
- Engaging community leaders including faith-based leader, cultural leader, youth representative etc.

Emergency Equipment
- Distribution of emergency equipment, to be stored as public good at community centres.

FOUR OBJECTIVES

Four Objectives

Action Plans
- Integrating village-level with DDR risk mapping, action planning, and contingency planning to maximise comprehensiveness.
- Holding of PVCA assessment and action plan workshops to transfer knowledge.
- Developing village evacuation route map and evacuation point.
- Successful dry run of Disaster Preparedness Simulation using tabletop exercise (TTX).

Socialization and Protection of Vulnerable Groups

24 Aug - 29 Sep 2020
Duration

“...that were distributed to village and sub villages became the asset for local village/sub village and enrich our library. The village will promote awareness for reading habit among community.”
-- Hasan, Bayan village secretary
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