

Pakistan is prone to natural and manmade disasters, including flooding. Severe flooding resulted in the displacement of over 600 000 people and caused significant damage to houses and infrastructure, as well as 2 000 health facilities - 13% of all health facilities in the country. Three million acres of crops and over 1.2 million livestock were destroyed, thereby gravely affecting food supplies. As a result, at least 6.4 million people are in need of humanitarian assistance in flood-affected areas, access to health care is severely impeded and medicine stocks need to be entirely replenished. As water levels are receding, about 50% of the displaced population have returned to their places of origin but continue to suffer from poor access to safe water and sanitation, which exposes them to the risk of disease outbreaks.



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