



Pakistan Floods - Emergency  
Project Fact Sheet 2022

# Helping the helpless in Pakistan's Flood Catastrophe

## Overview

Heavy monsoon rainfall and floods have affected 33 million people in Pakistan since mid-June 2022, with a third of the country underwater.

On 25 August, Pakistan declared a state of emergency because of the flooding. Bible Society Pakistan are working to reach the helpless affected by the floods, and supply both practical needs and Scriptures for Christians.

## The Need

This is the most severe flooding in Pakistan's recent history, which has resulted in 1,569 deaths, over 12,000 injured, and hundreds of thousands of homes damaged or destroyed. Close to a million livestock have been killed, and agricultural fields inundated, with crops and stored supplies of food destroyed. This is not the kind of flood that causes weeks of havoc and then leaves behind fertile lands. Six months from now, flooded fields still may not be ready for cultivation. Most people affected by the floods live off the land, from crop to crop.

As floodwaters slowly recede, the sheer scale of damage is being revealed. Many public health facilities, water systems and schools have been destroyed or damaged. Over 500,000 people are living in temporary camps because of the floods, with no drinking water, no food, and no livelihood, exposed to a wide range of new flood-related risks and hazards. The people are desperately in need of assistance and are at increased risk of waterborne diseases, drowning and malnutrition due to food shortages.

## Project Goals

Bible Society Pakistan plan to demonstrate Christian love in action, reaching those who are suffering with the help of local Christian leaders, pastors, the army and volunteers. In the first week of September, Bible Society staff visited the affected areas to determine specific needs and have proceeded with purchasing supplies to distribute.

Bible Society are providing victims with basic needs including food, water and water containers, medicine, shelter, toiletries, bedding and milk for children. They are also providing Bibles and New Testaments to the approximately 2,000 Christian families affected.

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## Impact

Bible Society Pakistan are hoping to reach 50,000 people affected by the flood emergency - saving lives, meeting practical needs, and demonstrating the love of Christ.

The impact of this project will be holistic; the physical needs of the people will be addressed and the Scriptures supplied will provide them with spiritual support from God's word.

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## Testimony

*"The flood water has swept away home, cattle, and crops. Hotels, roads, bridges, factories and dams have vanished. People are forced to move to find the safe places to escape to. They shelter on high banks under the open sky even in rains. They have nothing to eat and drink at moment."*

Justus, Bible Society Pakistan staff member,  
30th August.

## Prayer Needs

- Pray for the flood victims, that God may keep them and their families safe from further harm
- Pray that the basic needs of those suffering would be met
- Pray for Bible Society teams and volunteers as they work to help, that God would protect them from danger and disease.