



SITUATION

- The death toll resulting from the earthquake which affected central Nepal on 25 April has now increased to 7 759 and the number of injured has reached 16 434, according to the Government of Nepal. The highest number of deaths has been recorded in the district of Sindhupalchowk (2 991). A further increase of these figures is still expected as access to remote areas is improving.
- Almost 300 000 houses have reportedly been destroyed, with 270 000 damaged and in need of repair. In Sindhupalchowk, up to 96% of houses are reported destroyed in many villages. This level of damage has been confirmed by ECHO experts on the ground.
- There are major challenges in optimising the use of foreign military assets, particularly airlift, which seem to remain under-utilised. This is affecting the transport of relief items and aid workers to remote communities which cannot be reached by road or path. Efforts are needed to gain clearance for maximising flying times to priority areas.
- Immediate priority needs remain emergency shelter, emergency health care, and logistics. Where markets are functioning, cash transfers are recommended over in-kind distributions.

Sources: ECHO, Gov. Nepal

Weather Forecast

Over the next 24h, rain and thunderstorms may locally affect some areas of the hilly region during the afternoon of 7 May and light snowfall may affect some mountainous areas of the Western and Eastern Regions.

Sources: NOAA, MFD