Planning, preparation, coordination of emergency evacuation in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina - experiences and practices

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BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA


Administrative division:
- Two Entities (Federation of BiH and RS) and District of Brčko BiH
- 10 cantons in Federation of BiH
- 143 municipalities / cities (79 in FBiH and 64 in RS)
- 3.5 million inhabitants
Legal Framework in Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Framework law on protection and rescue of people and material goods from natural and other disasters in Bosnia and Herzegovina (2008.)
- Law on protection and rescue of people and material goods from natural and other disasters in Federation BH (2003.)
- Law on protection and rescue in emergency situations in Republic of Srpska (2012.)
- Law on protection and rescue of people and material goods from natural and other disasters in BD BH (2016)
- Other laws which regulate eg. forest fires, floods, demining....

Prevention
Operational
Recovery

Harmonization
PROTECTION AND RESCUE (P&R) SYSTEM IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS BiH
Coordination body for P&R

Ministry of security BiH (MoS)
Protection and rescue sector
OKC BH -112

GOVERNMENT BiH
Federal headquarter CP
FACP
OC CZ 121

GOVERNMENT RS
Republic headquarter CP
RACP RS
OC CP 121

GOVERNMENT BD BiH
Headquarter CP BD BiH
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
OC CP 121

CANTONAL GOVERNMENT MUNICIPAL MAYOR
Cantonal / Municipal HQ CP
KACP / Municipal SERVICES CP
Cantonal / Municipal OC CP 121

MUNICIPAL MAYOR
Municipal HQ CP
Municipal SERVICES CP
Regional / Municipal OC CP 121
ENGAGING THE ARMED FORCES OF BOSNIA AND HERCEGOVINA (AF BiH)

- Law on defense of Bosnia and Herzegovina (2005.)
  - Agreement on cooperation of the Ministry of Defense of BiH (MoD) and Ministry of security BiH (MoS) authorities in response to natural and other disasters (2009)
  - Standard Operational Procedure (SOP) of the AF BiH engagement in providing assistance to civilian authorities in responding to natural and other disasters (2010)
  - Regulations for medical evacuation by air (2018.)
INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

- Framework law on protection and rescue of people and material goods from natural and other disasters in BH (2008.)
- Instructions on the manner and procedure for crossing the state border when receiving and / or sending international assistance in protection and rescue (2009);
- Instructions for inter-ministerial coordination in receiving, sending and transiting international assistance in protection and rescue
COORDINATION FOR ENGAGING AF BH AND INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE
PART II:

Planning, preparation and coordination of emergency evacuation in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

EXPERIENCES AND PRACTICES
PLANNING, PREPARATION AND COORDINATION

Implemented on the basis of:
- legislation,
- planning documents.
The competent authority of each level of government shall adopt three planning documents:
- **Risk assessment** of people and material goods from natural and other disasters,
- **Protection and rescue plan** of people and material goods from natural and other disasters
- **The program of the development** of P&R of people and material goods from natural and other disasters

Content of planning documents:
- Risks / causes / which can cause accidents and disasters,
- Potential consequences for people and property,
- Measures P&R to be implemented in phases:
  - preventive protection,
  - rescue and
  - recovery.
- Assessment of needs and capacities for an appropriate structure and forces
- Cooperation and coordination of protagonists,..
FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. – COORDINATION IN THE FEDERATION OF BiH

- Catastrophic floods in May and August 2014.
- Affected: **45 Municipalities** in 7 cantons
- Number of fatalities (drowning): **3 persons**
- Temporarily evacuated: **29,131 persons**
- Decision to declare a state of natural disaster was done by: **Government FBiH, three cantonal governments (ZDK, TK i PK) and mayors 34 Municipalities**
- Total economic losses: **11.04 billion euros**

FHCP in accordance with the **P&R Plan FBiH continuously directed, coordinated and managed the P&R actions.**

FHCP in coordination with:
- Cantonal and Municipal HQ CP, ordered measures and managed the P&R actions in the areas of municipalities and cantons,
- MoS referred requests for engagement of the AF BH and international assistance.
FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. IN FBiH – ENGAGED FORCES AND MTM

FHCP activated:
- Specialized unit P&R /teams FACP
- 5 federal services P&R

OC FACP 24 hours at full capacity at the disposal of FHCP

All available MTM FACP / FBiH (vehicles, machines, equipment and assets), as well as legal entities (30) and other subjects of the P&R were used.
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT / TEAMS FACP

Rescue and evacuation of the population
(factory Natron Maglaj and Domaljevac Šamac)
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT / TEAMS FACP

Making embankments in affected areas and pumping out water
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT / TEAMS FACP

Removal of dead animals from the Vidovica area in the municipality of Orašje, PK (Approximately 24 tons, including 2,500 chicks and chickens, have died in the floods)
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT / TEAMS FACP

Pulling out the carcases of dead animals from the village Vidovic, Kopanice, Lepunica and Jenjic in PK, (using boats, with machines and manually, loading and transport for safe disposal in rednering plant in Energozeleno Indija, R Srbija)
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT/ TEAMS FACP

In cooperation with the Federal Office of Public Health were conducted disinfection and disinfestation of land us ULV generator thereby prevented transmission and spread of infectious diseases in flooded areas of FBiH
ACTIVITIES OF SPECIALIZED UNIT/ TEAMS FACP

The FACP teams for EOD operations removed and destroyed about 5,000 pieces of various UXOs during the course of a natural disaster.
FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. - COORDINATION OF FACP AND MoS BH
ENGAGEMENT OF AF BH AND INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Period: 15.5. until 26.6.2014.

Total: 122 requests for assistance
- 112 for engagement of AF BiH,
- 10 for international aid.

Requests received by the Operations center
121 FACP:
- Cantonal and municipal Operations centers 121 from the affected areas,
- Red Cross of Federation BH,
- Federal Ministries (FM Environment and Tourism, FM Health).

- Engaging AF BiH was required in terms of:
  - Helicopter Transport (44 requests),
  - Mechanization / Engineering (24 applications)
  - Vehicle transport (22 requests),
  - Labor Force (5 requests),
  - People accommodation and warehousing of goods (3 requests),
  - Engagement of atomic-biological chemical specialty units (6 applications).

- Requesting for international assistance related to various forms of aid and assistance in material and technical means and equipment (food, water, medicines, helicopteres, high capacity pumps, ...)

FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. – COORDINATION ACTIVITIES FROM MoS BiH

- Supporting affected areas
- Internation assistance
- Host country support for internation teams
- Coordination
  MoS BiH - OKC 112
- Evacuation and rescue
FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. –COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES FROM MoS BIH-OKC 112

Liaison Officers:

- Armed Forces of BiH,
- Red Cross Society BiH,
- Indirect Taxation Authority of BiH,
- Entity Civil Protection Administrations (FACP, RACP RS)
- Directorate for Coordination of Police Bodies of BiH,
- Police of Slovenia,
- Armed Forces of Croatia,
- EUFOR,

The Civil Protection Team of the European Union:
Field Operations Center in Orašje - coordination of activities of international teams on the field

Media:
Permanent media coverage of the coordinating activities of the OKC BiH -112
FLOODS RESPONSE IN 2014. –COORDINATION OF MoS BiH and MoD BiH

Activities of AF BiH:

- Field reconnaissance
- Rescue and recovery (by air and land)
- Prevention of disaster escalation
- Accommodation and medical care of civilians
- Humanitarian aid transport
- Reconstruction of flooded areas
  - Cleaning, demining and DDD measures
Request for engagement of AF BiH in order to:
- Extract,
- Provide emergency medical assistance,
- Evacuation.

Event:
- Severely injured skier (29.3.2017),
- Severely injured hiker Czech citizen (12.8.2017.),
- Severely injured person in critical condition (23.4.2018).

Location - unavailable mountain terrain:
- Bjelasnica, municipality of Hadžići
- Čvrsnica, municipality of Posušje
- Prenj, municipality of Konjic.

Other protagonists in the field:
- GSS Sarajevo, Konjic, Mostar
- Emergency Medical Services,
- Operational forces from FACP,
Good coordination between the state, federal, cantonal and municipal levels of government has been achieved.

FHCP /FACP cooperated and coordinated activities P&R with:
- P&R subjects on federal level,
- Cantonal and municipal headquarters CP on affected areas,
- RACP RS and Department of public safety BD BH,
- MoS BH (Sector P&R, OKC – 112) – liaison officer representing FACP,
- MoD BH – AF BiH through MoS BiH,
- the relevant authorities of the neighboring countries (R Serbia, R Croatia) and the EU state, through MoS BiH.

Inadequate prevention,
Insufficient preparedness (capacity to respond to crises, early warning system, citizen awareness, implementation of P&R plans in a coordinated manner - testing, implementation of plans, etc.)
Complex administrative procedures for requesting assistance,
Mechanism of coordination among key protagonists,
Laws and draft documents (non-compliance with EU regulations),
Exchange of data on the available response response capacities,
Financial resources, ....,
WORK IN PROGRESS IN THE FEDERATION BIH

- The preliminary draft of the new Law on the system of the P&R and CP Federation of BiH (in accordance with EU regulations),
- Development of a new risk assessment methodology in the Federation of BH and introduction of the Desinventar Sendai database in BH and risk mapping through regional risk atlas (under the IPA DRAM PROGRAM “Disaster Risk Assessment and mapping in the Western Balkans and Turkey”),
- Response capacity building relating to accidents and disasters in accordance with the Disaster Response Assessment and Road Map Reports for Bosnia and Herzegovina (prepared under the IDRM UNDP Project),
- The Government of the Federation of BH adopted the new Regulation on the Organization of Federal Specialized Units (2018.),

Federation BH has all the established specialized response units, therefore there is no missing units.

Federation BH/FACP continues to build and develop its response and disaster response capacities (education and training of specialized units) in accordance with general requirements for the EU Civil Protection Modules.
QUESTIONS ???
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