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Video News Release
Ziarat district, Quetta, Pakistan
TRT 01:46
Shot 5 November 2008**

- 00:00-00:06 Wide of frontier corps relief camp in route to Ziarat
- 00:06-00:10 Damaged house
- 00:10-00:29 Group of children playing near the rubble
- 00:29-00:47 Wide of damaged house
- 00:47-00:54 Children
- 00:54-01:34 SOT Noor Muhammad His ouse was destroyed by the eathquake.

“ We have lost everything our houses have been destroyed, fortunately there's was no death in village . We live in a joint family system and in this compound alone we have 60 family members in tents. Our major worry is the hard weather coming ahead.

- 01:34-01:42 WFP food distribution, people off loading truck
- 01:42-01:46 Wide shot of people blocking the road

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WFP operation update

WFP is distributing fortified ready-to-eat biscuits to the worst-affected District of Ziarat from WFP warehouses in Quetta.

In addition to biscuits, WFP has started distributing wheat flour, pulses, vegetable oil and salt in ration packets in the worst-affected villages. Initially, nearly 400 tonnes of food will be dispatched as a one month emergency ration for up to 20,000 persons in the most affected areas – 15,000 in Ziarat and an additional 5,000 in Pishin District, both on the outskirts of Quetta.



UN agencies have carried out a rapid assessment of the earthquake impact to determine the humanitarian response. Six teams from WFP, UNICEF, WHO and IOM have been visiting 63 villages in three districts over the past four days to obtain a deeper understanding on how the earthquake affected the already poor and vulnerable population in these areas.

With temperatures already very low in the high altitude region and likely to get lower as winter approaches, the UN inter-agency needs assessment determined that the urgent needs of the most affected populations include winterised tents, blankets and warm clothing, food, provision of health services and restoration of local drinking water supplies.

The Pakistan military Frontier Corps has set up camps in Wam and Kawas in Ziarat district which are currently being used as storage depots. Four additional camps are proposed in Ahmadon, Jangle Banda, Zanbra and Panian in the district. Additional soldiers, vehicles and 10 Pakistan Air Force helicopters are also part of the overall relief effort.