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Pakistan - Kashmore

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Heavy rainfall in the summer of 2010 in the north of Pakistan caused the worst flooding in the country for 80 years. More than 20 million people were affected, and large parts of the infrastructure was destroyed. In many locations, water systems sustained such damage that, a year later, the inhabitants still lack access to clean drinking water.

Repair work and new drillings

Water shortage was not the only huge problem – the poor quality of the available drinking water meant that hygiene conditions were poor. In the second phase of reconstruction aid after the catastrophe, Clean Water financed the repair work and expansion of the water systems, as well as the repair of water pumps, water pipes and water tanks in Kashmore. In addition,

61 boreholes were drilled for new deep wells in villages that previously had no access to drinking water. The project was carried out by Caritas Switzerland that also trained the people in matters of hygiene, building latrines and maintaining the water systems.

Disease incidence rate in decline

Thanks to this project, 6,720 people now have secure access to water. The situation of Kashmore's inhabitants has been sustainably improved, and water-borne diseases have declined since then.



Facts

- Repair and maintenance of water systems, water pipes, pumps and water tanks after the devastating floods in Kashmore
- Drilling of 61 boreholes in villages with no access to drinking water
- Access to clean drinking water for 6,720 people
- Improvement in hygiene conditions
- Prevention of diseases
- Cooperation with Caritas Switzerland
- Construction period: 2 years
- Clean Water Project: 108

"The people of Kashmore now have new hope for the future thanks to having secure access to drinking water."

Arlette T. Bernasconi, foundations manager, Caritas Switzerland

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