



Seventy-seventh session

Agenda item 69 (a)

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations**Resolution adopted by the General Assembly
on 7 October 2022***[without reference to a Main Committee (A/77/L.3)]***77/1. Solidarity with and support for the Government and people of Pakistan and strengthening of emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the wake of the recent devastating floods***The General Assembly,**Guided* by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,*Reaffirming* its resolution [46/182](#) of 19 December 1991, the annex to which contains the guiding principles for the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations system, as well as all its resolutions on international cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development, and recalling the resolutions of the humanitarian segments of the sessions of the Economic and Social Council,*Recalling* the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,¹ the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development,² the Paris Agreement³ and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015–2030,⁴*Reaffirming* the principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence for the provision of humanitarian assistance,

¹ Resolution [70/1](#).² Resolution [69/313](#), annex.³ See [FCCC/CP/2015/10/Add.1](#), decision 1/CP.21, annex.⁴ Resolution [69/283](#), annex II.

Noting that the massive scale of destruction and loss of life caused by unprecedented floods, triggered by the melting of glaciers and heavy monsoon rains, in an otherwise arid region, reflects the adverse impact of climate change and the growing vulnerability of countries to climate change,

Underlining the need to address the economic, social and environmental impacts of climate change, and emphasizing the need for action at all levels to enhance efforts to build resilience through, inter alia, the sustainable management of ecosystems, adaptation plans and mitigation strategies, in order to reduce the impacts and costs of natural disasters for the countries that are particularly vulnerable to climate change, including Pakistan,

Deeply concerned about the devastating effects of the unprecedented floods that have resulted in significant loss of life, damage to property, displacement of residents and the loss of livelihoods, food security and nutrition, health security and access to social infrastructure, and about the urgent need to restore normal conditions for the population,

Recognizing the urgency of undertaking a massive rescue and relief operation, and supporting the efforts for rehabilitation and reconstruction,

Reiterating the need for a continued high level of support for and commitment to the immediate humanitarian relief phase, early recovery, rehabilitation, reconstruction and development efforts, including in the medium and long terms, that reflect the spirit of international solidarity and cooperation in addressing the natural disaster,

Welcoming the assistance and contributions of the international community, including Governments, international organizations, civil society and the private sector, in the relief and rehabilitation efforts, which reflect the spirit of international solidarity and cooperation, to address and meet the challenges of the disaster, and in this context also appreciating the role of the people and Government of Pakistan,

Welcoming also the joint launch by the United Nations and the Government of Pakistan on 30 August 2022 of the Pakistan 2022 Floods Response Plan and the continuous engagement of the Secretary-General in the intensification of global relief efforts to meet the urgent and immediate needs of the affected people,

Noting the Secretary-General's call, during and after his visit to Pakistan, for massive assistance to Pakistan both as a gesture of humanitarian solidarity and as what Pakistan has called for as "climate justice",

Reiterating the need for the United Nations system to ensure that the humanitarian, early recovery and reconstruction assistance provided is timely, adequate, effective and coherent and coordinated among all humanitarian and development actors, in coordination with and in support of the Government of Pakistan,

1. *Expresses full solidarity and sympathy* with the people of Pakistan affected by the floods, and support for the Government of Pakistan;

2. *Welcomes* the effective cooperation between the Government of Pakistan and the relevant organizations and agencies of the United Nations system, donor countries, regional and international financial institutions, relevant international organizations and civil society, as well as national and local relief organizations, in the coordination and delivery of emergency relief, and stresses the need to continue such cooperation and delivery throughout the ongoing relief operations and rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts, in a manner that enhances resilience and reduces vulnerability to future natural hazards;

3. *Stresses* the urgent need to enhance adaptive capacity, strengthen resilience and reduce vulnerability to climate change and extreme weather events, and in this regard urges Member States to continue to engage in adaptation planning processes and to enhance cooperation in disaster risk reduction;

4. *Urges* the international community, in particular donor countries, international financial institutions and relevant international organizations, as well as the private sector and civil society, to extend full support and assistance to the Government of Pakistan in its efforts to mitigate the adverse impacts of the floods and to meet the medium- and long-term rehabilitation and reconstruction needs;

5. *Recognizes* that enhanced access to international climate finance is important to support mitigation and adaptation efforts in developing countries, especially those that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change, and also recognizes the ongoing efforts in this regard;

6. *Calls upon* the international community to scale up its humanitarian assistance and rehabilitation of Pakistan, in order to repair and strengthen the country's prospects for achieving sustainable development, and encourages Member States, the United Nations and humanitarian organizations to continue to work together to address the different needs of affected populations, particularly the most vulnerable;

7. *Emphasizes* the need for the international community to maintain its focus beyond the present emergency relief, in order to sustain the political will to support the medium- and long-term rehabilitation, reconstruction and risk reduction efforts as well as the adaptation plan led by the Government of Pakistan at all levels;

8. *Welcomes* the proposed convening of a pledging conference to generate assistance and commitments for the long-term rehabilitation and reconstruction phases in the disaster-stricken areas, to be held at the earliest opportunity, and calls upon all Member States to participate at the highest level;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General and the entities of the United Nations system, in accordance with their respective mandates, to continue to support the Government of Pakistan in the preparation of a climate-resilient reconstruction plan responding to national priorities and development needs and aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement, to be presented at the pledging conference;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General and the entities of the United Nations system to further intensify their efforts to sensitize the international community to the humanitarian, recovery and reconstruction needs of Pakistan and to mobilize effective, immediate and adequate international support and assistance to Pakistan;

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General and relevant United Nations agencies, funds and programmes to support the relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts that are being made by the Government of Pakistan;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure regular follow-up under the Sustainable Development Goals and to provide an update on the implementation of the present resolution to the General Assembly in the second quarter of 2023 and a full report, within existing resources, at its seventy-eighth session under the item entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance".

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