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Volunteers provide rescue and first aid to people affected by earthquake in Iran and Iraq

Red Crescent volunteers in northern Iraq and Iran are providing urgent search and rescue and first aid to victims of the devastating 7.3 magnitude earthquake that shook the region on 12 November 2017.

According to Iran Red Crescent, at least 328 people have been killed and 3,950 injured. In Iraq, the Iraqi Red Crescent report that nine people have been killed and more than 425 injured.

“The Iranian Red Crescent Society has deployed response teams which include equipment for shelter, first aid, and search and rescue in the aftermath of the earthquake to the affected cities of Qasre-Shirin, Gilane-Garb, Kermanshah, Sare-PuleZahab, Salase-Babajani, Dalahoo, Islamabad- E- Gharb, and Javanrood,” said Ms. Mansoureh Bagheri, Iran Red

Crescent Society's Director for international Operations.

“Immediately after the earthquake, we have deployed our teams to evacuate the injured and provide first aid to the affected communities. Our team are working around the clock in the affected areas,” said Mohamad Khosaii, Spokesperson of Iraq Red Crescent Society.

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