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# SUPPORT PAKISTAN TO RESPOND TO 2022 MONSOON FLOODS

"Pakistan needs help at this difficult time. With many local volunteers working on the frontlines to conduct rescue operations and deliver emergency assistance, UN Volunteers in Pakistan is gearing up to mobilize even more volunteers to assist those in need." *Toily Kurbanov, UNV Executive Coordinator*

## Background

The United Nations Volunteers (UNV) programme is administered by the United Nations Development Programme and contributes to peace and development through volunteerism worldwide. We work with partners to integrate qualified, highly motivated, and well supported UN Volunteers into development programmes and promote the value and global recognition of volunteerism. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development explicitly recognizes volunteers as stakeholders to achieve the 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

In 2021, the UN Volunteers deployed 1,671 UN Volunteers to serve with 32 UN partners in 34 countries in Asia-Pacific where they contributed to humanitarian assistance, development cooperation and peacebuilding. In efforts to leave no one behind, among the deployed UN Volunteers 44 persons with disabilities, while the proportion of female UN Volunteers in Asia and the Pacific was 47.7 per cent in 2021.

## UN Volunteers' response to floods in Pakistan

During this time of uncertainty caused by the recent monsoon floods, UN Volunteers is working with partners in Pakistan for emergency response.

- 480 candidates on crisis and emergency response are deployed in Pakistan
- 900 national candidates are available in UNV talent pool ready to serve with UN partners to respond to crisis and emergency
- 40,000+ international candidates are available to support crisis and emergency response
- More than 250,000 candidates with global expertise to emergency response are available to provide online services

## Flood Situation overview in Pakistan – as of 09 September 2022

- Over 1.5 million houses in Sindh damaged or destroyed – nearly 88 percent of the total nationwide.
- Education and learning interrupted for an estimated 3.5 million children, including in at least 61 refugee schools.
- Nearly 800,000 refugees live in districts officially notified as 'calamity hit', over a quarter in Peshawar district in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- Over 1.2 million hectares of agricultural land has reportedly been damaged in Sindh alone.
- Multisector rapid needs assessments are rolling out in Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Punjab

Source: UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs report - [Read more](#)

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## UN Volunteers intervention



UN Volunteers is working with partners on the ground to respond to the crisis during this uncertain time. Most requested profiles include:

- Enumerators,
- Monitoring

## Deployment average time



Speed of recruitment and deployment is one of the key features that make UN Volunteers attractive compared to other UN personnel modalities. The fast-track deployment under emergency circumstances takes 14 days

## Why recruiting UN Volunteers?



- Cost effective
- Speedy deployment
- Flexibility (possibility of direct recruitment, onsite and online assignments)
- Diverse duration of assignments (6 – 48 months)
- No breaks between other staff and non-staff contractual modalities and UN Volunteer assignments
- Recognition of UN Volunteer assignments as a professional experience in the UN system
- Opportunities for young people and persons with disabilities
- Attractive package of UN Volunteer allowances
- High safety and security standards for UN Volunteers

## UN Volunteer Modalities

### UN Expert Volunteers



- 35+ years old
- 15+ years of professional experience
- 3 – 48 months assignment duration

### UN Specialist Volunteers



- 27 – 35 years old
- 3 – 15 years of professional experience
- 3 – 48 months assignment duration

### UN Youth Volunteers



- 18 – 26 years old
- 0 – 3 years of professional experience
- 6 – 24 months assignment duration

### UN Community Volunteers



- 18+ years old
- Basic education maximum
- 3 – 48 months assignment duration

### UN University Volunteers



- 18 – 26 years old
- 0 – 3 years (should be students or recent graduates) of professional experience
- 3 – 6 months assignment duration

### UN Online Volunteers



- Global
- 18+ years old
- Opportunity specific
- 1 – 26 weeks assignment duration

## Procedures to recruit UN Volunteers

**Contact UNV** - Contact your closest Field Unit/Regional Office to discuss your needs

1

Start

**Define your needs** - Decide on UNV category, develop the description of Assignment (DoA) and confirm funding

2

**Candidates' selection** - UNV provides a shortlist of 3-5 qualified candidates to host entity to confirm the selection

3

**Candidates' recruitment** - UNV issues offer and complete the recruitment (medical, contracts, entitlements, security clearance, travel)

4

**Arrival to the duty station** - Host entity prepares the arrival (workspace, supervision, workplan, visa support, technical induction)

5

Finish

## Success stories

“I am humbled to have been able to share information that is critical in humanitarian crisis response to save lives and restore dignity, and support the communities at the centre of the crisis”  
- *Suleiman Okoth, Communication and Programme Support Specialist with UNFPA Timor Leste*

“Giving a voice to the many victims of the flash floods disaster in Timor-Leste, while capturing their experiences and needs, goes a long way in mobilizing effective support from governments, humanitarian organizations and audiences to help displaced families to restore their lives.” - *Mr Ronny Lindstrom, UNFPA Resident Representative in Timor-Leste* - [Read more](#)

## Proforma cost (budget estimates)

- A list of all proformas for National UN Volunteers is available [here](#)
- A list of all proformas for International UN Volunteers is available [here](#)
- ‘[Host a UN Volunteer](#)’ page of the UNV website
- Overview of [UN Volunteer categories](#)
- Information for the Host Agency on [responsibilities when hosting a UN Volunteer](#)

## More stories

- [How one HRD-UN Volunteer mobilized US \\$900k to help flood-affected communities build back better.](#)
- [Enabling improved management of migration through data collection and analysis](#)
- [UN Volunteer with UNICEF works with drones on emergency flood response in Malawi](#)

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