

Asian Preparedness Partnership Humanitarian Standard (APP HS) Tools 2021

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Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS)



The Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) facilitates the improvement of the quality and effectiveness of humanitarian response by organizations and individuals to prevent and alleviate human suffering during emergencies.

The CHS Tools examine and ensures that the communities and affected by crisis can expect:

1. Assistance appropriate and relevant to their needs;
2. Access to the humanitarian assistance they need at the right time;
3. That they are not negatively affected and are more prepared, resilient and less at-risk as a result of humanitarian action;
4. To know their rights and entitlements, have access to information and participate in decisions that affect them;
5. Access to safe and responsive mechanisms to handle complaints;
6. Coordinated, complementary assistance;
7. Delivery of improved assistance as organizations learn from experience and reflection;
8. Assistance from competent and well-managed staff and volunteers; and
9. That the organizations assisting them are managing resources effectively, efficiently and ethically.

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- ❑ **Core Humanitarian Standard Assessment Tool (CHSAT)**
- ❑ **Institutional Capacity Assessment Tool (ICAT)**
- ❑ **Self-Assessment Tool for Institutional Engagement (TIE)**

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Core Humanitarian Standard Assessment Tool (CHSAT)

- ❑ The tool endeavors to assist in the self-evaluation of the status of the institutionalization of the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) into organizations involved in humanitarian assistance for people affected by disasters.
- ❑ The tool has segments that represent the nine commitments of the CHS.

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Institutional Capacity Assessment Tool (ICAT)

- ❑ The tool endeavors to assist in the self-evaluation of the status of the institutional capacity of local humanitarian organizations in adherence to the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS).
- ❑ The ICAT has segments on institutional policy, plans, and guidelines; financial management; human resource development; project formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation; knowledge management; communication strategy; and external relations.

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Self-Assessment Tool for Institutional Engagement (TIE)

- ❑ The tool was developed to support local humanitarian organizations in assessing their institutional engagement in the various phases of the disaster risk management (DRM) process – before, during, and after disasters.
- ❑ The tool will enable organizations operating in national humanitarian ecosystems to evaluate and review the level of their organizational contribution in the different phases of the DRM continuum.

APP HS Tools: General Info



- ❑ As self-assessment tools, the results are to be used primarily by local humanitarian organizations to identify gaps and help improve their own institutions. A template for key highlights and action plan may help in designing capacity-building and organizational development interventions.
- ❑ The first assessment serves to provide baseline information or status quo. Subsequent assessments may be used to track improvements.
- ❑ The tools may be locally adapted to suit the local context.
- ❑ The tools may also be translated into local languages.

APP HS Tools: Rollout

- April to June 2021
- Pen-and-paper version in Nepali
- 9 local humanitarian organizations to use each tool
- Template for key insights and action plan provided
 - **Applied in Melamchi Flood afterwards**
 - **Findings to share**

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