

BRAZIL
TECHNICAL COOPERATION FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR NATURAL DISASTERS
PLAN OF OPERATIONS

I. General Information

Country:	BRAZIL
TC Name:	Emergency support to the states of Bahia and Minas Gerais in Brazil for the massive flooding in late 2021
TC Number:	BR-T1517
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Date of Request:	January 28, 2021
Beneficiaries:	Brazil. Citizens affected by floods in the states of Bahia and Minas Gerais
Executing Agency:	Fundacao Banco Do Brasil
Special Conditions:	None
IDB Funding Requested (Amount and Fund's name):	OC SDP Window 1 - Emergency Assistance for Natural Disasters (W1G): US\$200,000.00
Local counterpart funding, if any:	US\$0
Disbursement period (which includes Execution period):	6 months
Prepared by Unit:	CSC-Southern Cone
Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:	CSC/CBR-Country Office Brazil

II. Background

- 2.1 Heavy rainfall continues to affect the States of Bahia and Minas Gerais (eastern Brazil) since mid-November 2021, causing widespread floods and resulting in an increasing number of casualties. The damage continued until around mid-January, but as of January 31, the torrential rains have ceased. According to the ECHO Daily Flash of 12 January 2022, at least 45 people have died, of which 26 in Bahia and 19 in Minas Gerais. In addition, 517 people have been injured, more than 100,000 have been displaced, and approximately 850,000 affected in 328 Municipalities (<https://erccportal.jrc.ec.europa.eu/ECHO-Products/Echo-Flash#/daily-flash-archive/4390>).

2.2 PAHO also reports that 40 highways have been destroyed or damaged as of December 31, 2022 due to this bad weather (<https://www.paho.org/en/natural-hazards-monitoring/natural-disasters-monitoring-29-december-2021>).

2.3 Localized heavy rains are still continuing as of January 12, 2022, and heavy rains can be expected in the future in much of central and western Bahia and Minas Gerais.

III. State of Emergency Declaration

3.1 On December 26, 2021, the Governor of the State of Bahia declared a state of emergency effective for the next 90 days for the 47 most affected municipalities in the state (see attached Decree No. 20.993 dated December 26, 2021 for the names of these 47 municipalities). On December 13, 2021, the Governor of the State of Minas Gerais declared a state of emergency for the 27 most affected municipalities in the state (see attached Decree No. 518, dated December 13, 2021 for the names of these 27 municipalities).

IV. Request for Bank Assistance

4.1 On January 28, 2022, the Executive Director of the Brazilian National Program for the Promotion of Volunteerism ("Programa Pátria Voluntária"), which has the authority to act as an interlocutor with national and international organizations volunteering in response to the disaster, in coordination with the Federal Government, and with the mandate of the Chief Minister of the House of Citizens, submitted a formal request to the IDB to prepare and approve this technical cooperation operation (TC) in order to mobilize the TC emergency funds. The National Program for the Promotion of Volunteerism, which was created within the structure of the Brazilian Ministry of Citizenship, is responsible for the Brazilian Federal Government response and interventions in emergency situations.

V. Objectives

5.1 The objective of the proposed TC is to support the efforts of the Brazilian Government in the provision of humanitarian assistance to the affected population by the heavy floods in the states of Bahia y Minas Gerais.

VI. Estimated Budget

6.1 The total amount of this non-reimbursable TC (US\$200,000) will be financed with resources from the Ordinary Capital the Strategic Development Program – Window 1– Emergency Assistance for Natural Disasters. The resources will be used according to the estimated budget and within the framework of eligible expenses, that will provide support to minimizing human losses as consequence of the heavy floods in the Brazilian states of Bahia and Minas Gerais, as detailed as following:

Activity/Component	Expense Descriptions	Amount	Counterpart Funding	Total Funding
Humanitarian Assistance	Food supplies, potable water, equipment, fuel, temporary shelter,	US\$200,000	0	US\$200,000

	materials and transportation needed as a result of natural disaster (heavy floods).			
Total				US\$200,000

- 6.2 The assistance requested and the administration by the Executing Agency are consistent with Section B.3 of the Policy on Disaster Risk Management (GN-2354-5).

VII. Executing Agency

- 7.1 The executing agency for this TC is Fundação Banco do Brasil, established in 1985 by the Banco do Brasil S.A. Fundação Banco do Brasil is a private non-profit legal entity based in Brasília. This Foundation intends to promote, support, encourage and sponsor activities in education, culture, health, social assistance, recreation, sports science and technology, and support for urban and rural communities.
- 7.2 Fundação Banco do Brasil established the Humanitarian Assistance Program titled: Structured Humanitarian Assistance Program in December 2019. The objective of this program is to support actions to assist affected people during disasters, especially those who are vulnerable. The program has previously helped people affected by heavy rains in the states of Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo in 2020 (see the Foundation's Annual Report available at: <https://api.mziq.com/mzfilemanager/v2/d/5760dff3-15e1-4962-9e81-322a0b3d0bbd/22f3f814-cc25-4b66-d8ef-2c17811ade81?origin=1>). The Foundation publishes how funds are spent through this program on its website (see <https://enchentes.fbb.org.br/> for past examples). Therefore, the TC will provide emergency support resources to Fundação Banco do Brasil, which will use these funds through this Structured Humanitarian Assistance Program.

VIII. Disbursement and Execution

- 8.1 The resources of this TC will be disbursed in United States dollars in one single disbursement to the executing agency.
- 8.2 The goods and services acquired with the resources of this TC will originate from member countries of the Bank. Given that the proposed executing agency is a private sector entity, the Policies for the Procurement in Loans to the Private Sector (Appendices 4 of both GN-2349-15 and GN-2350-15) will be applicable.
- 8.3 For purposes of the disbursement of the proceeds of this TC, the Executing Agency shall provide the Bank in writing, through its representative authorized to request the disbursement, information on the bank account in which the disbursement proceeds will be deposited.
- 8.4 The activities considered in this TC must be carried out within a period of 6 months from the signature date of the Agreement between the Bank and the Executing Agency. The resources of the contribution must be committed within a period not to exceed three months from the signature date.

- 8.5 The Bank (CSC/CBR) will be responsible for supervising the implementation of this TC and for disbursing the resources of the contribution.

IX. Reporting

- 9.1 Fundação Banco do Brasil as executing agency for this TC will submit to the Bank within 180 days from the date of disbursement, a report on the use of resources provided under this operation. Retroactive expenses starting from the date of declaration of a State of Emergency will be eligible. No external audit will be required for this TC.
- 9.2 The executing agency will also submit an inventory of goods, equipment, and assets acquired through this TC that will be used to respond to future emergencies.
- 9.3 The CSC/CBR will manage the disbursements and the CSD/RND will provide technical supervision of this TC

X. Approval

- 10.1 In view of the natural disaster emergency situation of the states of Bahia and Minas Gerais in Brazil, and pursuant to the provisions set forth in Resolution DE-103/14, as amended by Resolution DE-34/16, and the delegation of authority granted by the President of the Bank to the Managers of the Vice-Presidency for Countries on December 16, 2014, the General Manager for the Country Department Southern Cone authorizes a non-reimbursable technical cooperation project in the amount of US\$200,000 from the Ordinary Capital resources of the Strategic Development Program Window 1 - Emergency Assistance for Natural Disasters (as per document GN-2819-14).

Annexes:

[Letter of Request - BR-T1517](#)

[Declaration of Emergency - BR-T1517](#)

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