Improving Humanitarian Access

Managed by the World Food Programme, the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) seeks to provide the entire humanitarian community with timely access to hard-to-reach locations and to deliver urgent humanitarian supplies, thus facilitating the implementation and monitoring of life-saving projects. Using a fleet of passenger and cargo helicopters, UNHAS Nepal started its service delivery on 28 April 2015. So far, UNHAS has transported more than 1,900 passengers and over 958 mt of cargo to 119 locations for 101 organizations.

UNHAS Nepal at a Glance
- With a fleet of four Mi-8 and two AS350 helicopters, UNHAS provides services to more than 100 user organizations comprising NGOs, UN agencies, donors, the diplomatic community and humanitarian implementing partners.
- Air services provided include:
  - Passenger Service
  - Dedicated Flights for assessments or monitoring and evaluation missions requiring time on ground at destination
  - Medical Evacuations
  - Cargo Service
- Budget requirements: US$ 13.1 million
- Shortfall as of 3 July 2015: US$ 4.3 million

UNHAS Nepal is a fully donor-funded service. The transportation of staff and cargo of the humanitarian community responding to the Nepal earthquakes is offered free of charge.

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Provision of Humanitarian Air Services in Nepal