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Mongolian herders desperate to save their animals

Thousands of herder families are losing their only livelihood on the Mongolian grasslands this year as an unusually severe winter (a disaster known locally as dzud) decimates their flocks.

In response to the rapidly deteriorating situation, the IFRC has launched an emergency appeal to support the Mongolian Red Cross Society (MRCS) in providing food and cash to 5,100 vulnerable herder families, including the elderly and handicapped who are losing most or all of their animals and have no other means of survival.

Read more inside.



Red Cross responds swiftly after earthquake in Tainan

The Red Cross participated in rescue efforts and provided monetary support to affected populations following a 6.4-magnitude earthquake in February.

Read more on page 6.



(Top) Bayankhand Myagmar brings the most vulnerable goats inside her ger every afternoon, trying to keep them alive during extreme cold nights. Photo by Benjamin Suomela/Finnish Red Cross. (Bottom) Red Cross delivers cash assistance to the earthquake victims at an elementary school. Photo by TRCO.