

# *250 Feared Missing in Nepal Mudslide and Avalanche*

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Kathmandu, April 28 (RHC)-- At least 250 villagers are feared missing in a new mudslide and avalanche days after a deadly 7.8-magnitude earthquake hit the South Asian country of Nepal. On Tuesday, officials said the mudslide and avalanche took place in the isolated Ghodatabela village in rural regions near Gorkha district, about 100 kilometers northwest of the capital, Kathmandu, the epicenter of the April 25th earthquake.

Reports indicate that there had been heavy snowfall near the village and the ground may have been loosened after the quake. Many roads have been blocked as a result of landslides, making it difficult for rescue teams and aid deliveries.

According to the United Nations, some 8 million people across Nepal have been affected by the incident and that more than 1.4 million people are in need of food assistance.

The World Food Program (WFP) said that in addition to its aid operations, it was providing logistics, telecommunications, and air transport, which would cost \$34 million over the next three months.



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