Community Donations

Earthquake, Croatia – Dechra provided vermin control products to support public health in
affected areas

On 29 December 2020, an earthquake of magnitude 6.4 Mw hit central Croatia, with an epicenter located roughly 3 km (1.9 mi) west-south west of Petrinja – the strongest recorded in the region in 140 years. The earthquake was also felt in the Croatian capital, Zagreb, as well as in neighbouring Bosnia and Serbia and as far away as Italy.

In Petrinja and neighbouring towns, there were unfortunately seven deaths and many more injured and left homeless due to structural damage with the loss of electricity and water supply.

One of the key challenges post an earthquake is vermin control. This is to ensure public health is not adversely affected through the use of contaminated water supplies. In response, our Croatian team submitted a suggested list of products to donate to the Croatian Government’s department of agriculture, who coordinated the crisis response by reviewing suggested donations, letting each donor know what would be beneficial and which recipients would benefit.

The net result was a Dechra donation of 38 pallets of stock, the majority of which was Brodolin Blok, a vermin control product, between the months of March and June. We hope our contribution in this significant crisis helped in a small way to support a return to normal life for the affected population.



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