**DISASTER AID/EMERGENCY PACKAGING**

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**Introduction**

Record numbers of people are being displaced by disasters and conflicts. Population increases and the impact of climate change intensify the risk of humanitarian crises on food, water and security. Earthquakes, floods, droughts and conflicts affect many innocent children and adults where homes are destroyed and day to day basic care and nutritional needs are suddenly withdrawn.

**The Brief**

To create an innovative and flexible solution to the containment of disaster aid products that delivers protection and preservation as well as security and durability.

Design a flexible, durable packaging solution for containing a selection of survival items necessary for immediate use in disaster zones and situations. You may choose either basic food items or basic medical products. These items must be the essentials that victims would require in the first few days following a disaster situation.

**Points to consider**

- Climatic conditions
- Flexibility of size
- Accessibility
- Secondary use
- Packaging may be dropped by air into disaster zones or delivered by sea or land craft
- The graphics used need to inform recipients of contents, therefore symbols or images used need to have global interpretation.

**Materials to be used**

Polythene 80% and rigid plastic/card/board 20%

Can be used for inserts to separate or form part of the outer packaging

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**Prize**

BPI will award £500 to the student who has provided the best entry.

**Helpline**

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