

# Contributing to a Global School infrastructure baseline

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# History and timeline of School Safety focus

**2009** – Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, requirements to governments:

**2011** - National assessments of existing education and health facilities

**2015** - National action plans for safer schools and hospitals

A [mapping of disaster risk reduction integration in the school curricula](#) in 30 countries (UNESCO- UNICEF)

A [global baseline study on school safety](#) providing guidance and recommendations to Governments for school safety implementation, including successful school safety assessment methodologies in 10 countries (UNISDR)

A [Comprehensive School Safety Framework](#) developed by Save the Children in coordination with the Global Alliance for DRR and Resilience Education

A [One Million Safe Schools and Hospitals Initiative](#) that promoted a pledging system for safer schools and health infrastructures and reached 138,000 pledges. (UNISDR)

# Sendai Framework



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## Chart of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030

### Scope and purpose

The present framework will apply to the risk of small-scale and large-scale, frequent and infrequent, sudden and slow-onset disasters, caused by natural or manmade hazards as well as related environmental, technological and biological hazards and risks. It aims to guide the multi-hazard management of disaster risk in development at all levels as well as within and across all sectors.

### Expected outcome

The substantial reduction of disaster risk and losses in lives, livelihoods and health and in the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of persons, businesses, communities and countries

### Goal

Prevent new and reduce existing disaster risk through the implementation of integrated and inclusive economic, structural, legal, social, health, cultural, educational, environmental, technological, political and institutional measures that prevent and reduce hazard exposure and vulnerability to disaster, increase preparedness for response and recovery, and thus strengthen resilience

### Targets

Substantially reduce global disaster mortality by 2030, aiming to lower average per 100,000 global mortality between 2020-2030 compared to 2005-2015

Substantially reduce the number of affected people globally by 2030, aiming to lower the average global figure per 100,000 between 2020-2030 compared to 2005-2015

Reduce direct disaster economic loss in relation to global gross domestic product (GDP) by 2030

Substantially reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services, among them health and educational facilities, including through developing their resilience by 2030

Substantially increase the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies by 2020

Substantially enhance international cooperation to developing countries through adequate and sustainable support to complement their national actions for implementation of this framework by 2030

Substantially increase the availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning systems and disaster risk information and assessments to people by 2030

### Priorities for Action

There is a need for focused action within and across sectors by States at local, national, regional and global levels in the following four priority areas.

#### Priority 1

Understanding disaster risk

#### Priority 2

Strengthening disaster risk governance to manage disaster risk

#### Priority 3

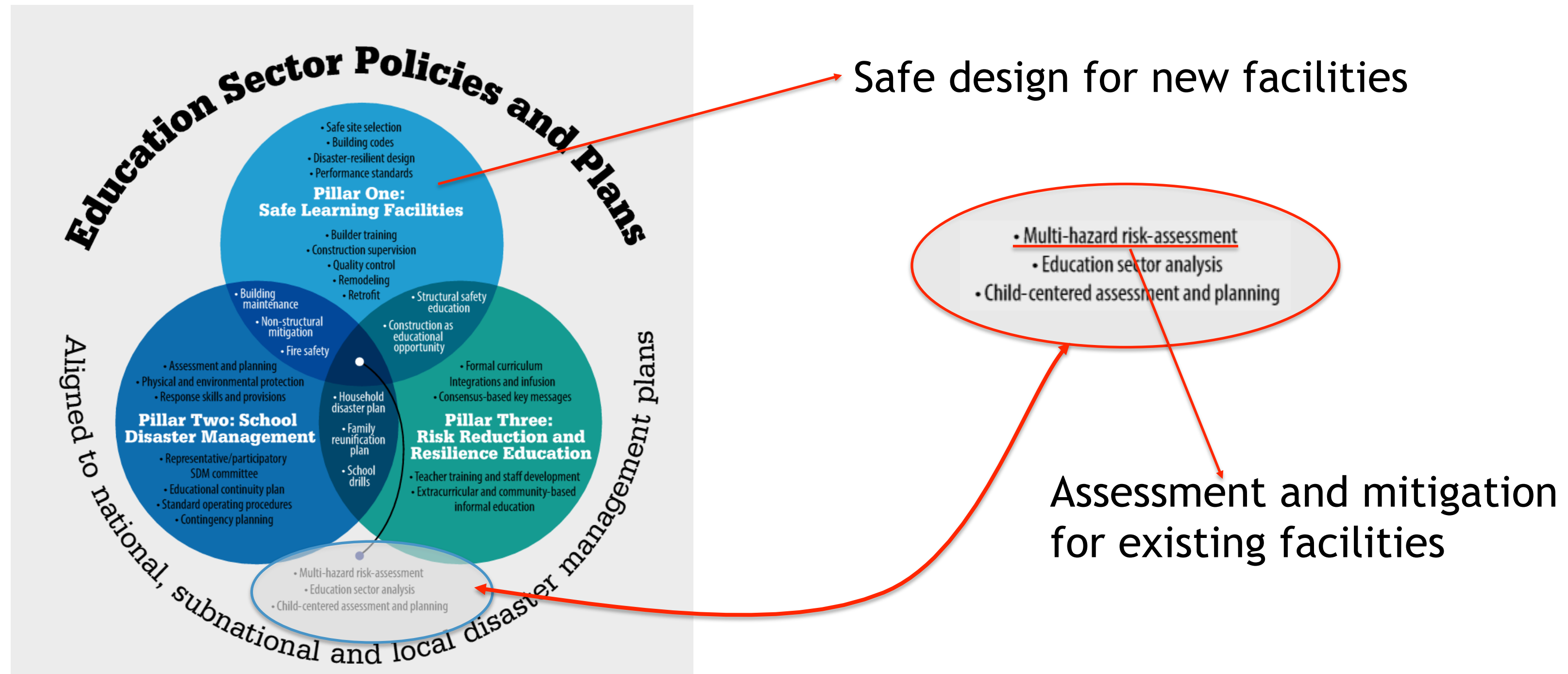
Investing in disaster risk reduction for resilience

#### Priority 4

Enhancing disaster preparedness for effective response, and to «Build Back Better» in recovery, rehabilitation and reconstruction

# Comprehensive School Safety Framework, 2017

Global Alliance for Disaster Risk Reduction and Resilience in the Education Sector and World Wide Initiative for safer Schools





# Global Program for Safer School Facilities (GPSS)

Collaboration platform to establish a baseline for school safety

- ❑ Ensure Disaster Risk assessment for new school facilities, proportional to the expected hazards, and producing actionable recommendations
- ❑ Build communities of engineers and contractors, nationally or locally, experienced in appropriate construction techniques;
- ❑ Ensure adequate funding and establish appropriate incentives for school maintenance and repair;
- ❑ Develop a framework to better measure the benefits of safe construction;
- ❑ Support government agencies to strength their capacity to enforce the building code for the construction of public assets, in particular schools.



**Peru'**

**Salvador**

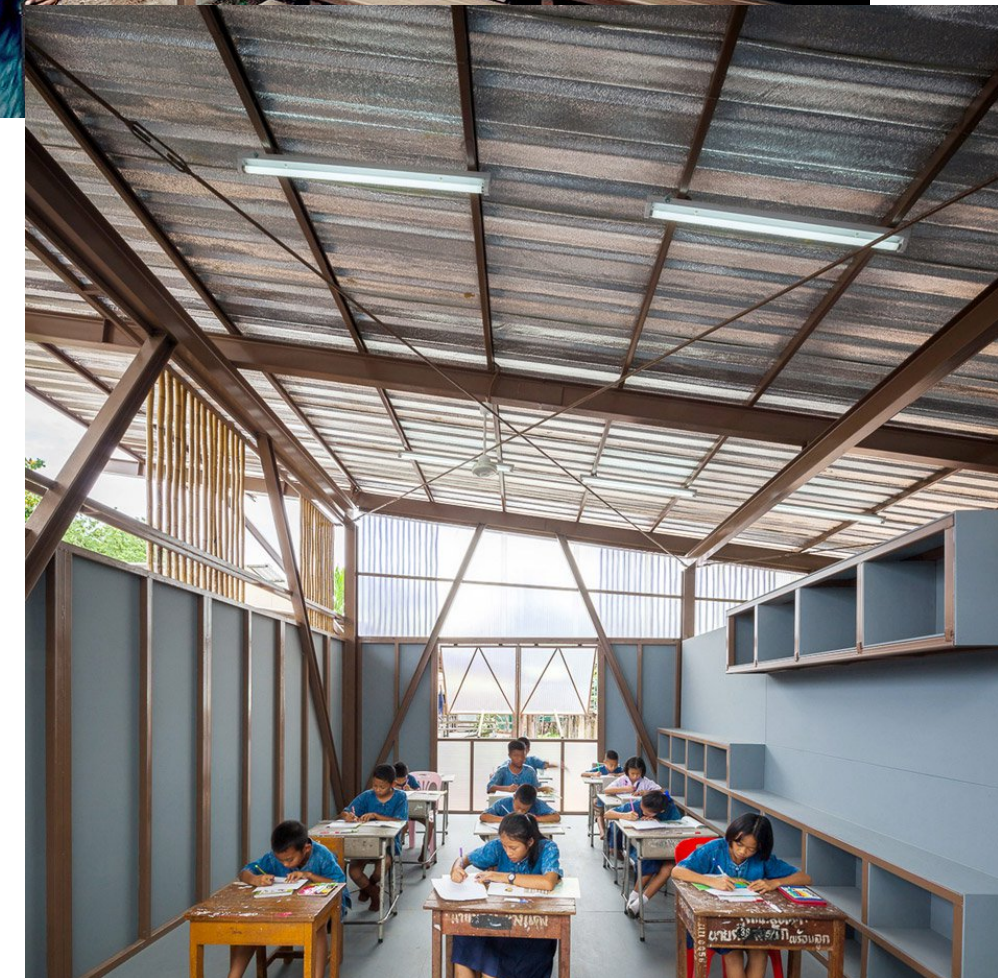
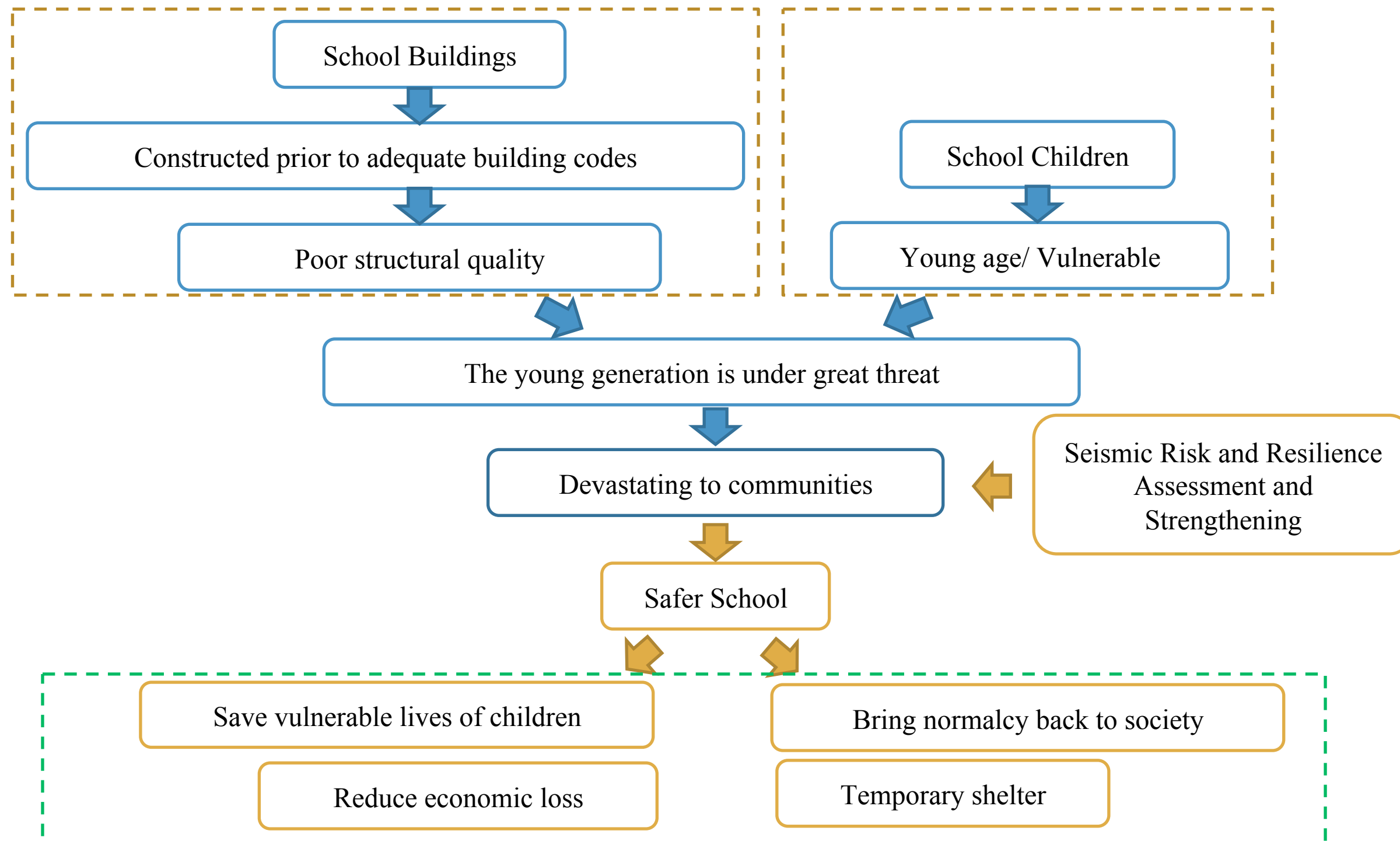
**Nepal**

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**China**



# Why it makes sense investing in school infrastructure





# Global Baseline for Safer Schools Project

## ❑ Objective : Global Masonry Buildings Classification

**Available information on school infrastructure at national level :**

Peru: National Inventory of School Buildings (~50000 schools)

National Probabilistic Seismic Risk Assessment Report 2015, Photographs

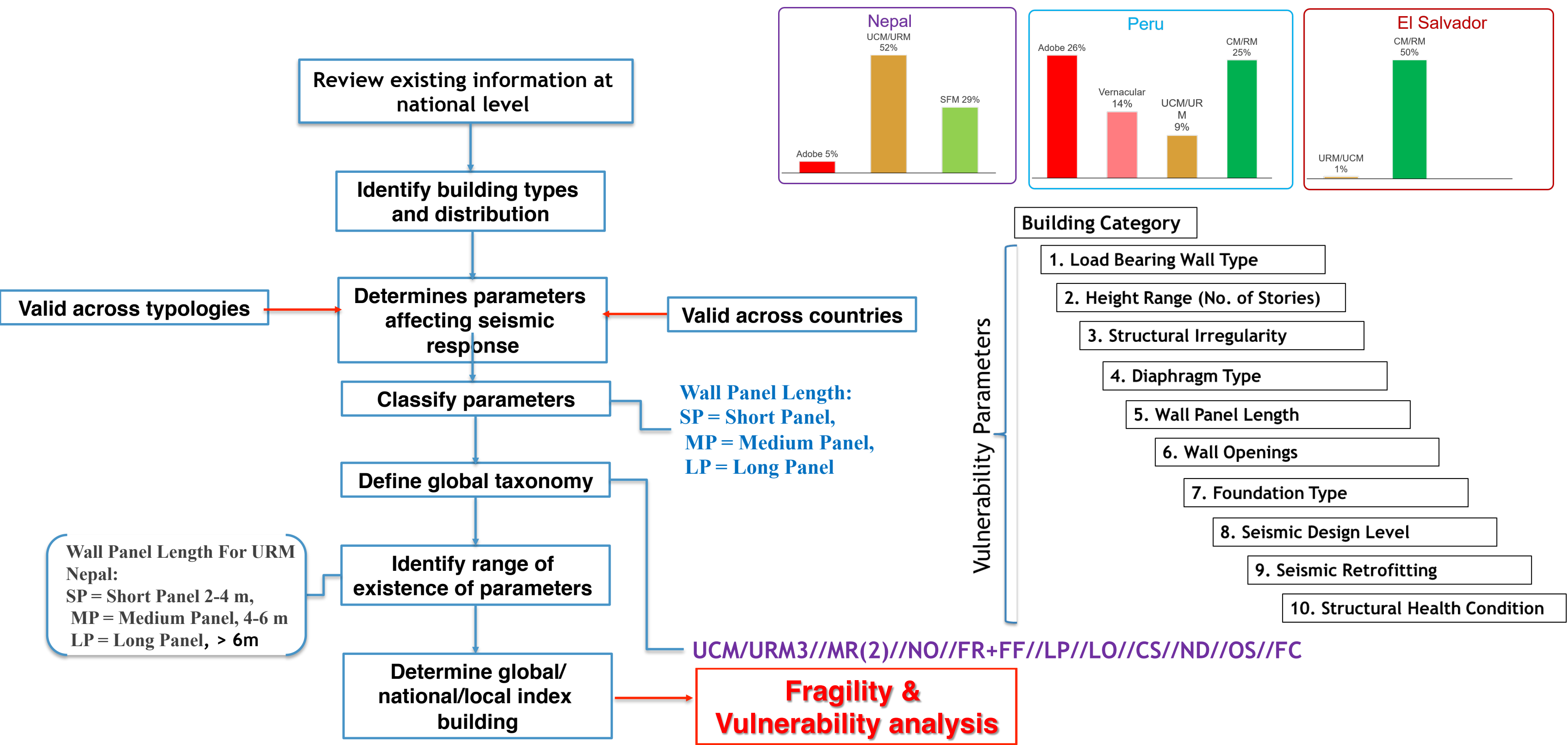
Nepal: Schools in 8 most earthquake damage affected districts (~3115 schools), can represent national level

Structural Integrity and Damage Assessment Report 2016, Arup Structural Typologies Report 2015, Photographs

El Salvador: 20% of the schools in San Salvador city (~200 schools)

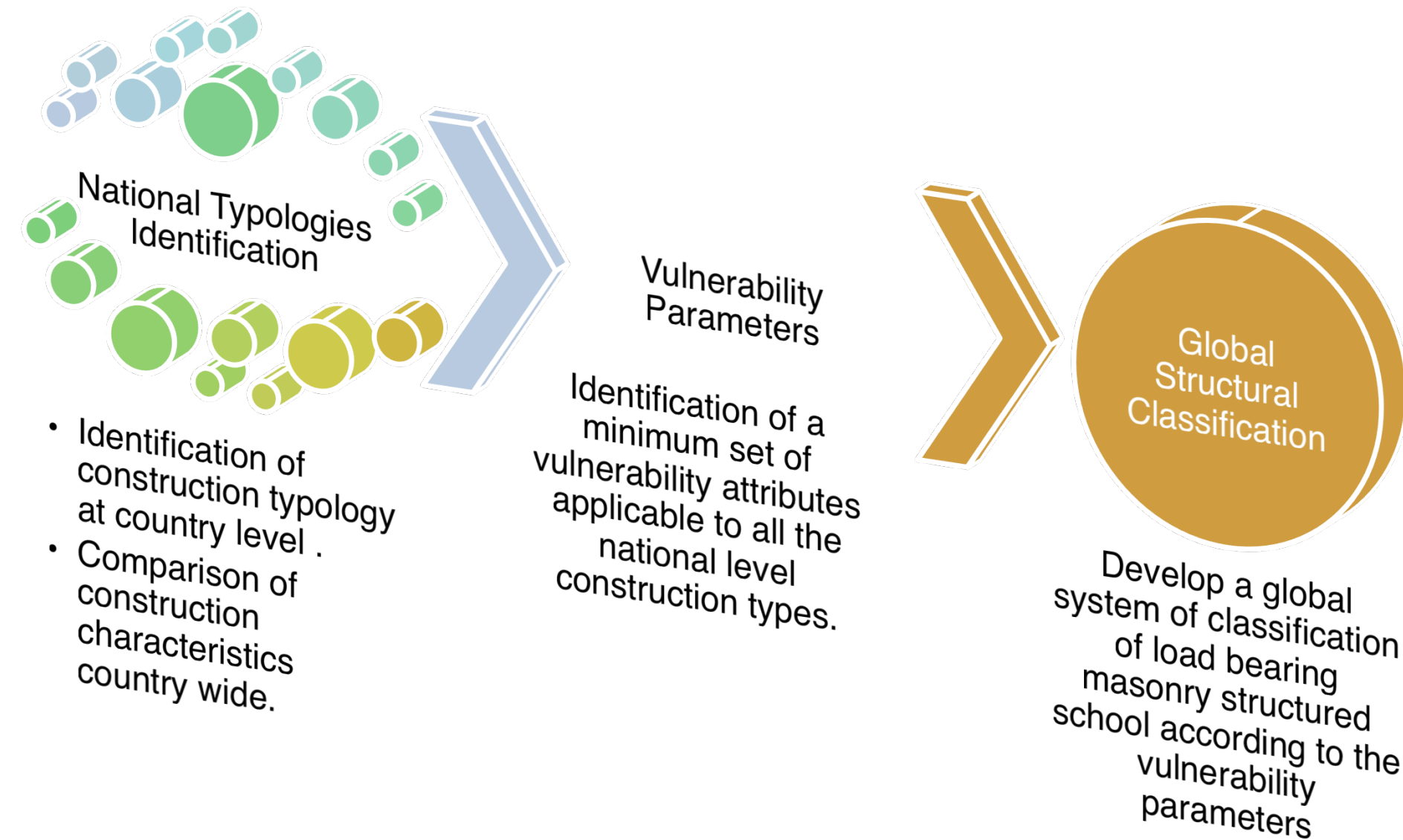
Probabilistic Seismic Risk Assessment Report 2012, Photographs

# GBSS project method





# GBSS project output



- Up to 3 stories in height but generally single storied. The story height is generally low, varying from 1.8 m to 2.4 m.
- Wall thickness varying from 450 mm to 600 mm. Bond between walling units in each wythe and between wythes is poor. Through stones seldom used. In general, the external walls are constructed first and then the internal ones.
- Generally, these buildings are rectangular plan buildings.
- Room size (i.e. wall panels) is small and openings are fewer in number and smaller in size.
- Floors are mud laid on wooden planks or firewood, supported by wooden joists. Roofs are light, sloped, CGI roofing supported on unbraced timber structure.
- No proper structural connection (anchorage, ties, pegs etc.) for integrity between walls, floors or the roof



# GBSS project challenges

- ❑ Disparity in country wide survey data to characterise exposure
  - ❑ Primary basic vulnerability indicator can be mapped
  - ❑ Statistical distribution are not always available
  - ❑ Secondary vulnerability qualifiers are rarely identified and quantified
  - ❑ Country wide data is collected for purposes different than structural assessment and mitigation, except in post event survey





# GBSS project future developments

- ❑ Inventory of vulnerability function for identified building types
  - ❑ GEM Open Quake Vulnerability database
  - ❑ Consider other countries
  - ❑ Review literature for existing vulnerability functions for schools
- ❑ Define Index buildings for each typology
  - ❑ Derive typology specific vulnerability function
  - ❑ Identify strengthening strategies
  - ❑ Determine resilience improvement



# Other UCL projects on school infrastructure resilience

## SCOSSO : Safer Communities through Safer SchOols

Multi hazard

Rapid survey:

Structural

Non structural



SAFER COMMUNITIES THROUGH SAFER SCHOOLS  
RAPID VISUAL SURVEY (v.1)

Surveyor Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Building: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

School Compound Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

GPS Coordinate → Lat: \_\_\_\_\_ Lon: \_\_\_\_\_

Position → ☐ Corner ☐ Mid-block ☐ End-block ☐ Isolated ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Confidence: ☐ H ☐ M ☐ L

Construction Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Availability of Building's Drawing, Documentation & Detailing → ☐ NO ☐ YES

Any nearby Rivers → ☐ NO ☐ YES Distance: \_\_\_\_\_

Any nearby Coasts → ☐ NO ☐ YES Distance: \_\_\_\_\_

Any nearby Faults → ☐ NO ☐ YES Distance: \_\_\_\_\_

Storey Height (m): \_\_\_\_\_

No. Storey: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Length X (m): \_\_\_\_\_

Total Length Y (m): \_\_\_\_\_

Average Classroom Dimensions (m) → X: \_\_\_\_\_ Y: \_\_\_\_\_

Average Classroom Dimensions (m) → X: \_\_\_\_\_ Y: \_\_\_\_\_

No. Rooms → Classroom: \_\_\_\_\_ Library: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_ IT Hub: \_\_\_\_\_ Hall: \_\_\_\_\_ Services: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Dimensions of Largest Room (m) → X: \_\_\_\_\_ Y: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Structural System: ☐ Masonry ☐ RC frame ☐ Steel ☐ Timber ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Material: ☐ RC Slab ☐ Reinforced Brick Concrete ☐ Timber Joists + Wooden Floor ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Roof Structure: ☐ RC Slab ☐ Reinforced Brick Concrete ☐ Timber Frame ☐ Steel Truss ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Roof Pitch: ☐ Tiles ☐ Metal Sheet ☐ Multi Pitch → No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Roof Condition: ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Fair ☐ Excellent (Brand New)

Roof Connection: ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Fair ☐ Excellent (Brand New)

Lateral Load Resisting System: ☐ Frame ☐ Load Bearing Walls ☐ RC Shear Wall ☐ Combined ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Structural Condition: ☐ Deteriorated ☐ Fair ☐ Excellent (Brand New)

Connection Quality: ☐ Low ☐ Medium ☐ High

No. openings per storey: ☐ None ☐ Low ☐ Medium ☐ High

Retrofitting: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Seismic Devices: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Modifications: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Vulnerability Factors (Indicate Confidence): ☐ H ☐ M ☐ L

If MASONRY: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Mortar Type: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Reinforcement: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Confinement: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Wall Thickness (m): ☐ Solid ☐ Multi Leaf ☐ Cavity Walls

Wall Layer: ☐ No ☐ Yes

If FRAME [RC, Timber, Steel]: ☐ No ☐ Yes

Beam Dimensions (m): \_\_\_\_\_

Column Dimensions (m): \_\_\_\_\_

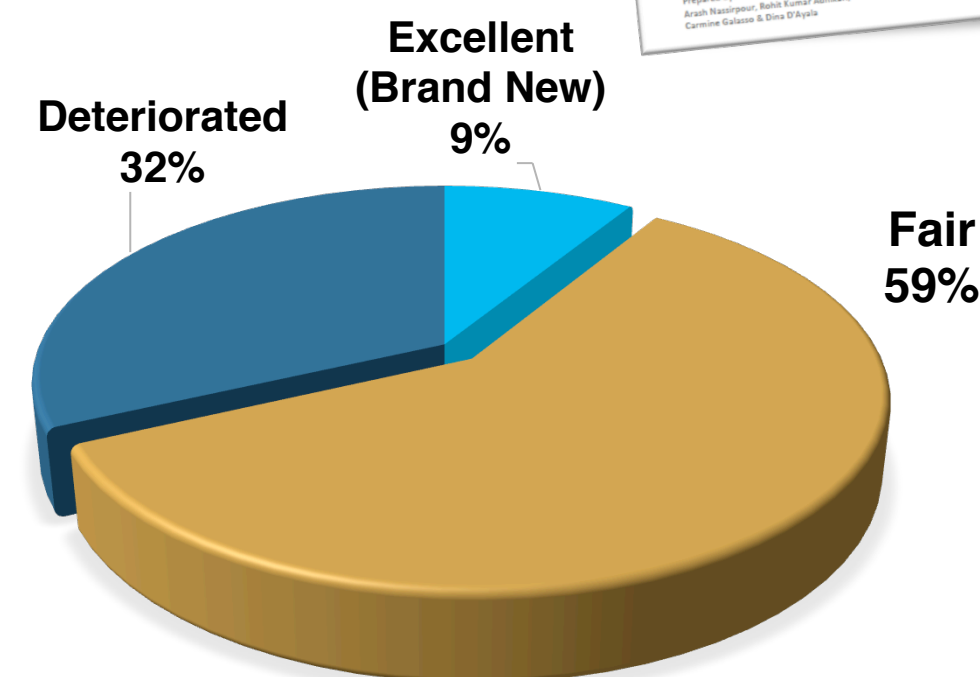
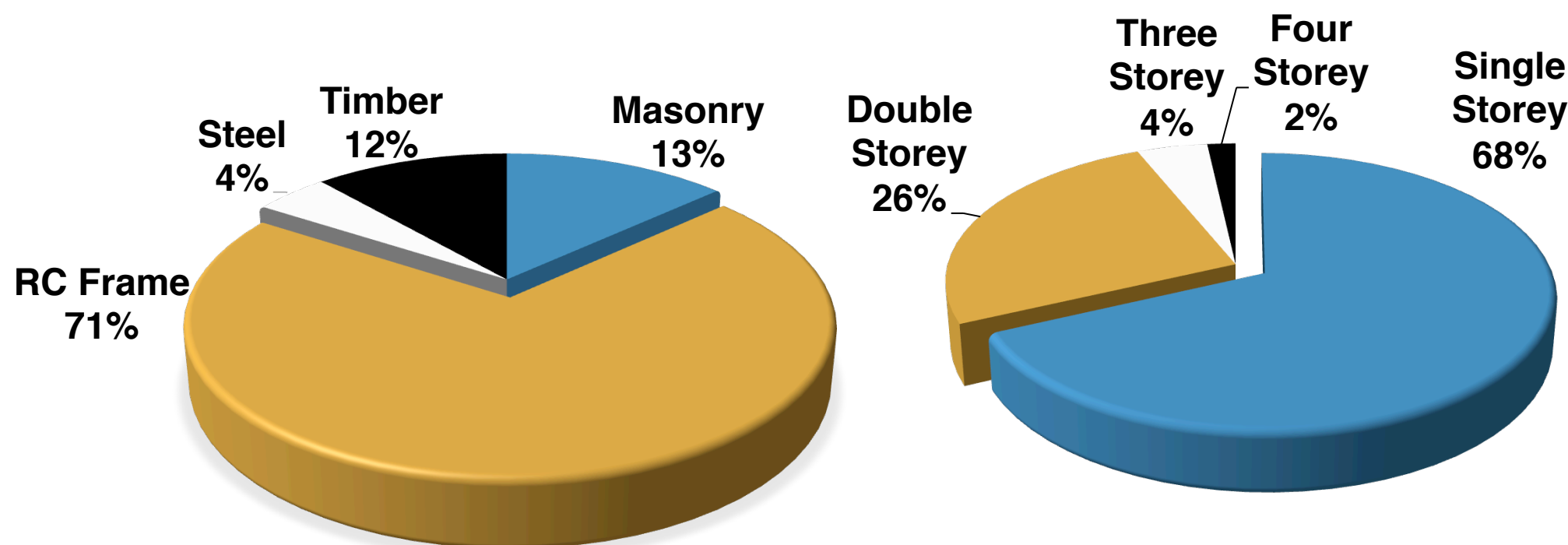
Infill Wall Material: ☐ Brick ☐ Concrete Block ☐ Adobe ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Unknown: H = high, M = medium, L = low

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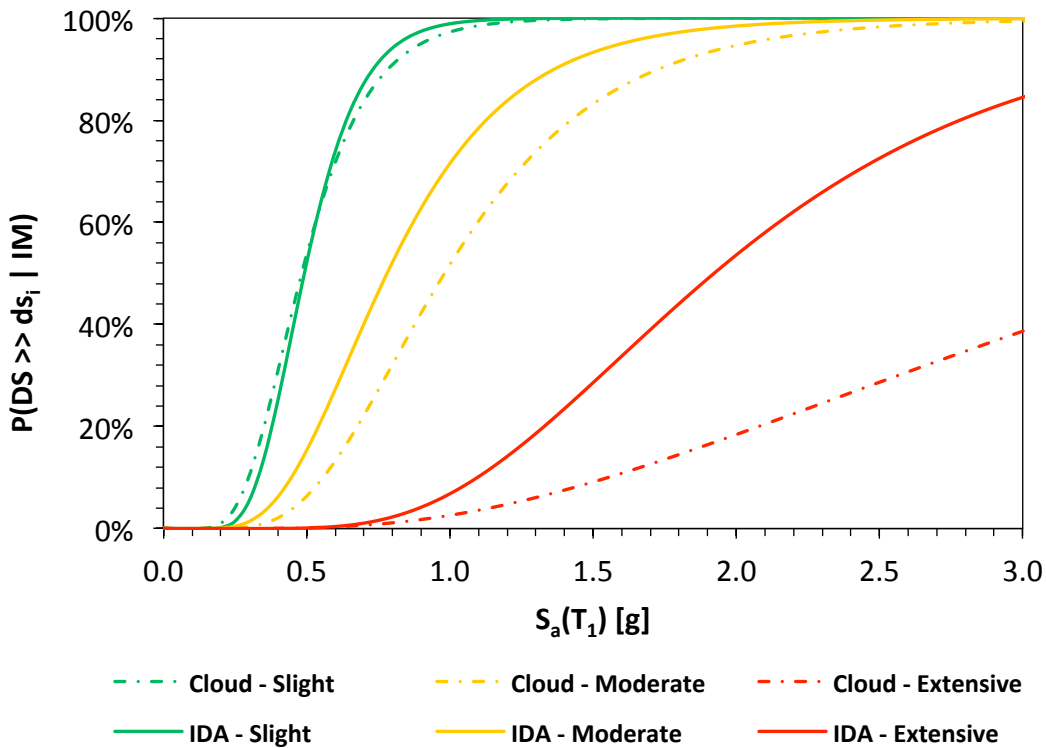
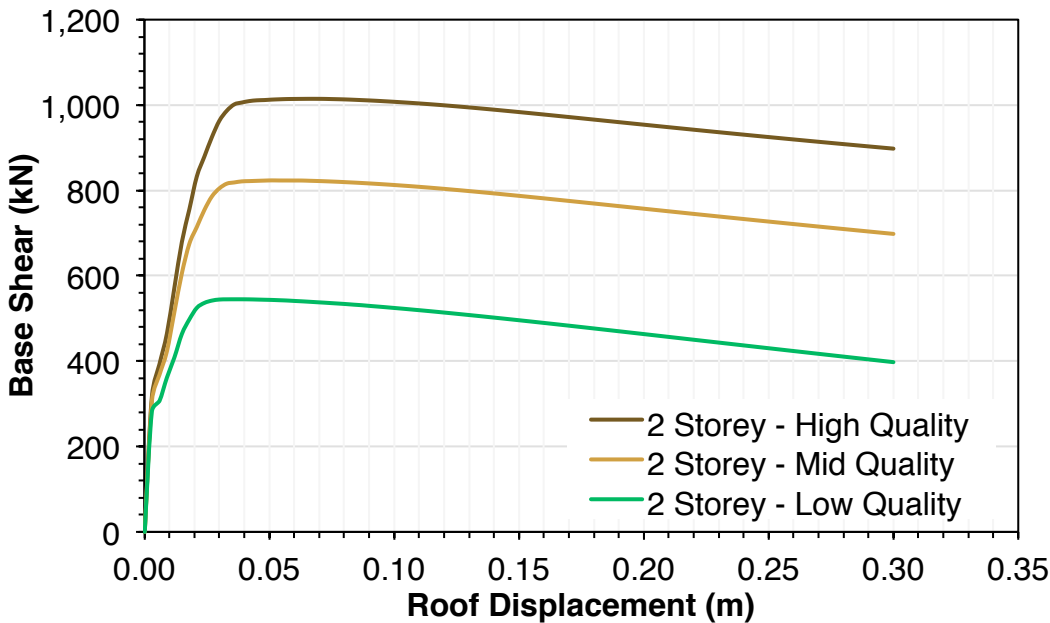
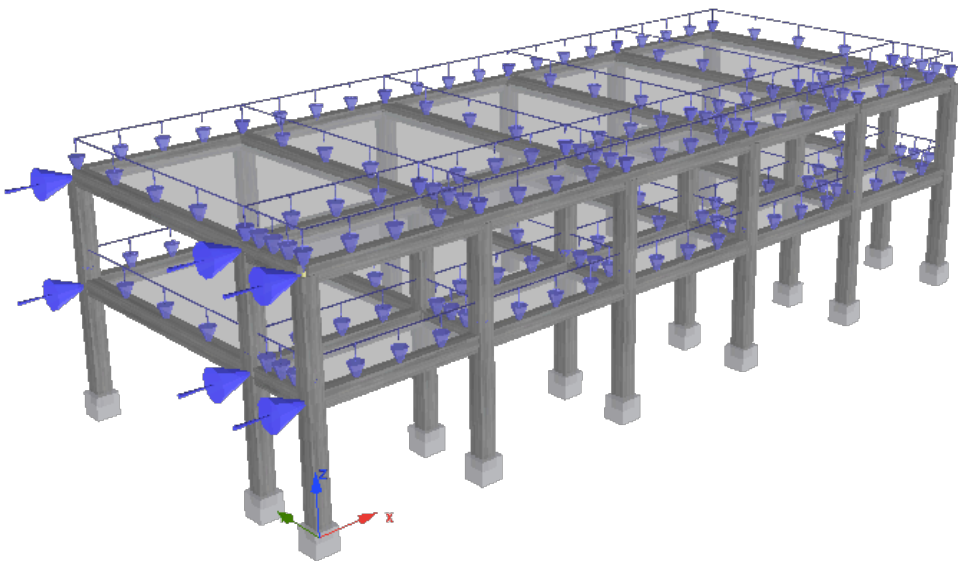
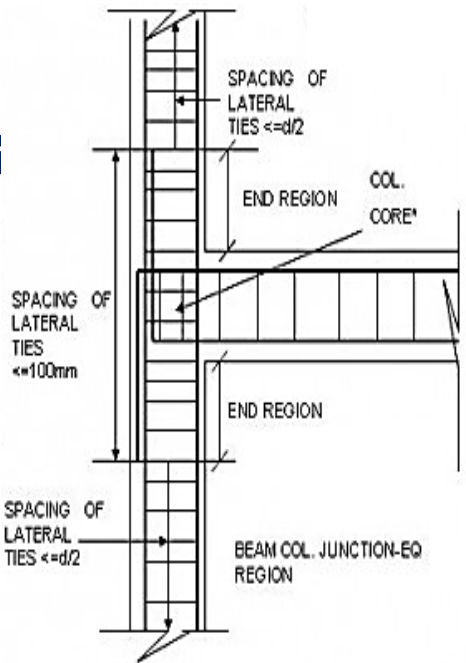
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SCOSSO: Safer Communities through Safer SchOols

- Detailed Survey:
  - Design documents and structural drawings
  - High Detailed numerical analysis
  - Derivation of fragility and vulnerability functions

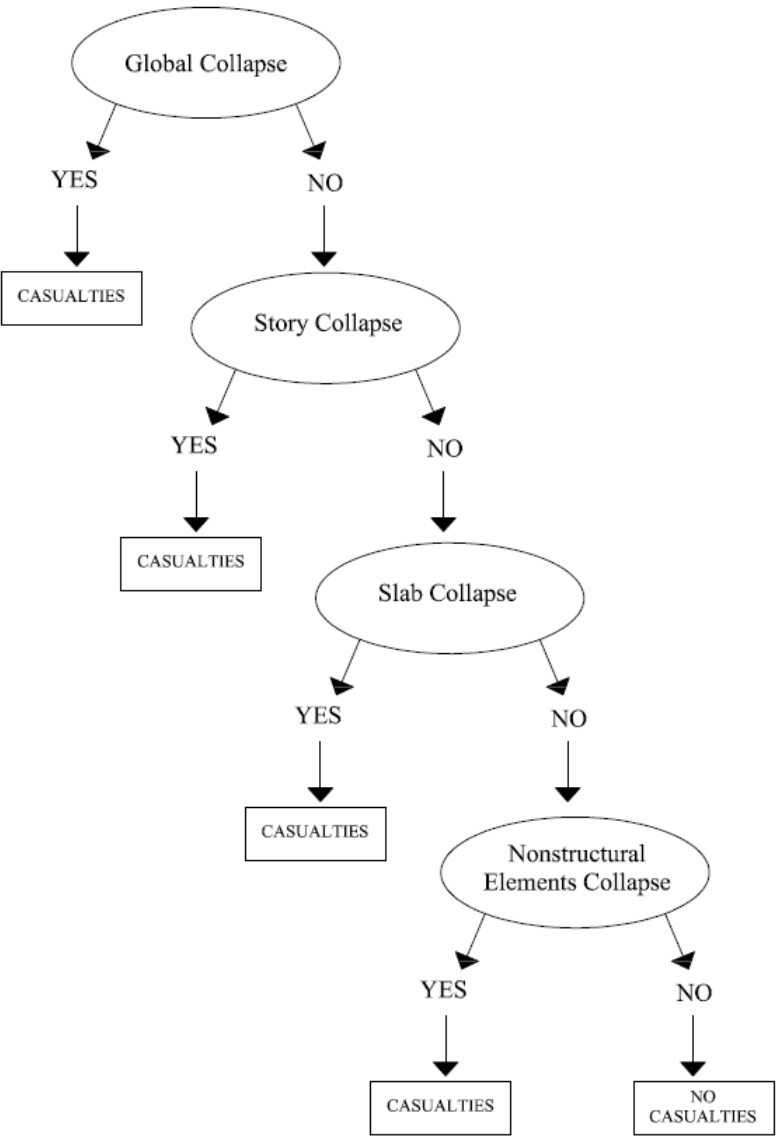
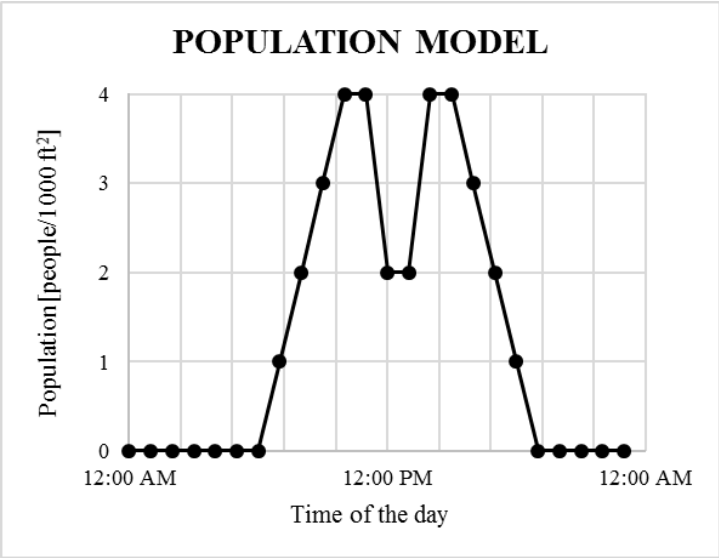


Risk	48	Value of the institution	£650'000
	49	Overall level of safety	Low
	50	Structural safety level	Low
	51	Groundwater level	+2cm
	52	Flood control activities	No
	53	Category of soil by seismic properties according to ASCE 97	E+
Other Risks (H, M, L)	54	Estimated seismicity rate of area (current)	High - Moderate
	55	Is reinforcement & retrofitting necessary	Yes
	56	Mudflow risk	High
	57	Floodwater/stream rise risk (height, flow)	Mid
	58	Risk of dam, embankments, flood gates, sluices breakage/high-altitude lake outburst	Low
	59	Avalanche risk	Low
	60	Landslide risk	High
	61	Rockfall risk	High
	62	Rockslide risk	Mid
	63	Risk of Waterlogging/rise of underground water	Low
	64	Strong wind risk (speed)	Low
	65	Long lasting precipitations risk	Mid
	66	Heavy rains, showers risk (rain with snow, sleet)	High
	67	Heavy snowfall risk	High
	68	Fire risk (mountain, steppe, corn fields)	Low
	69	Risk of accidents with emission [Radioactive substances (RS)/BioHazard/Chemically Hazard Substances (CHS)]	Low

# Other UCL projects on school infrastructure resilience

## School specific seismic fatality estimate

DS0	No fatalities or injuries. Eventually slight injuries that could be self treated.
DS1	Injuries requiring basic medical aid that could be administered by paraprofessionals.
DS2	Injuries requiring a greater degree of medical care and use of medical technology such as x-rays or surgery, but not expected to progress to a life threatening status.
DS3	Injuries that pose an immediate life threatening condition if not treated adequately and expeditiously.
DS4	Instantaneously killed or mortally injured



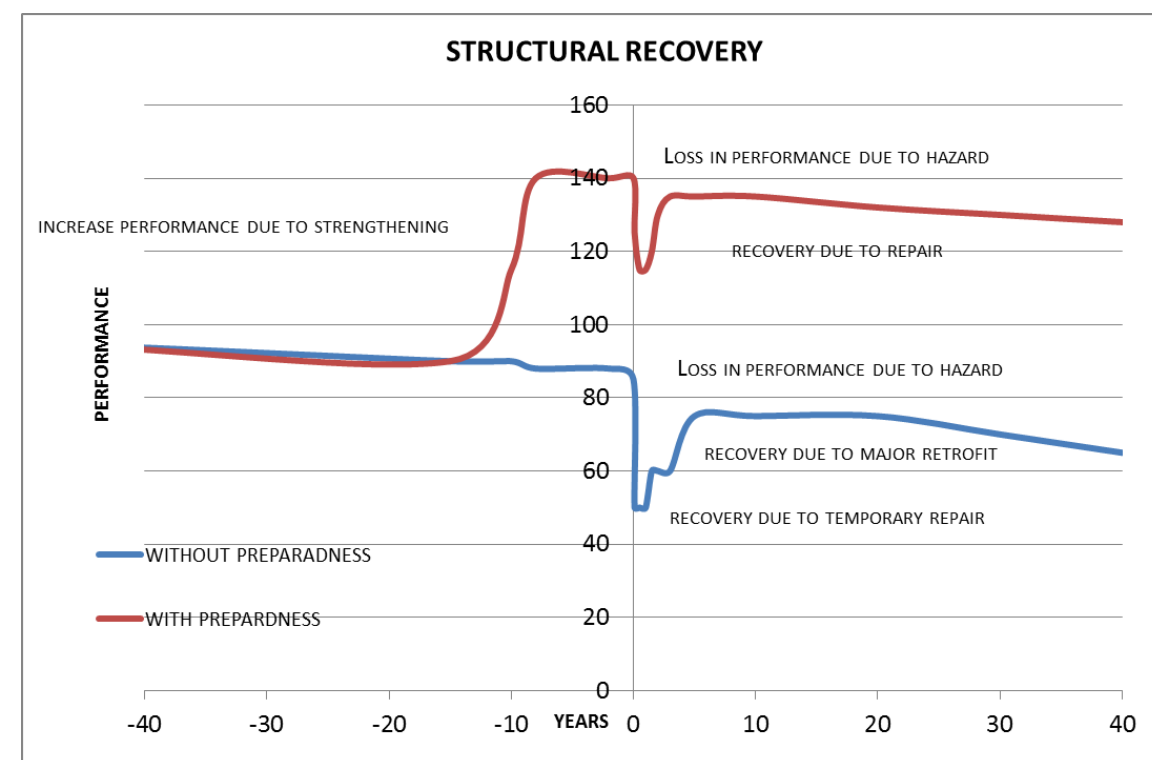
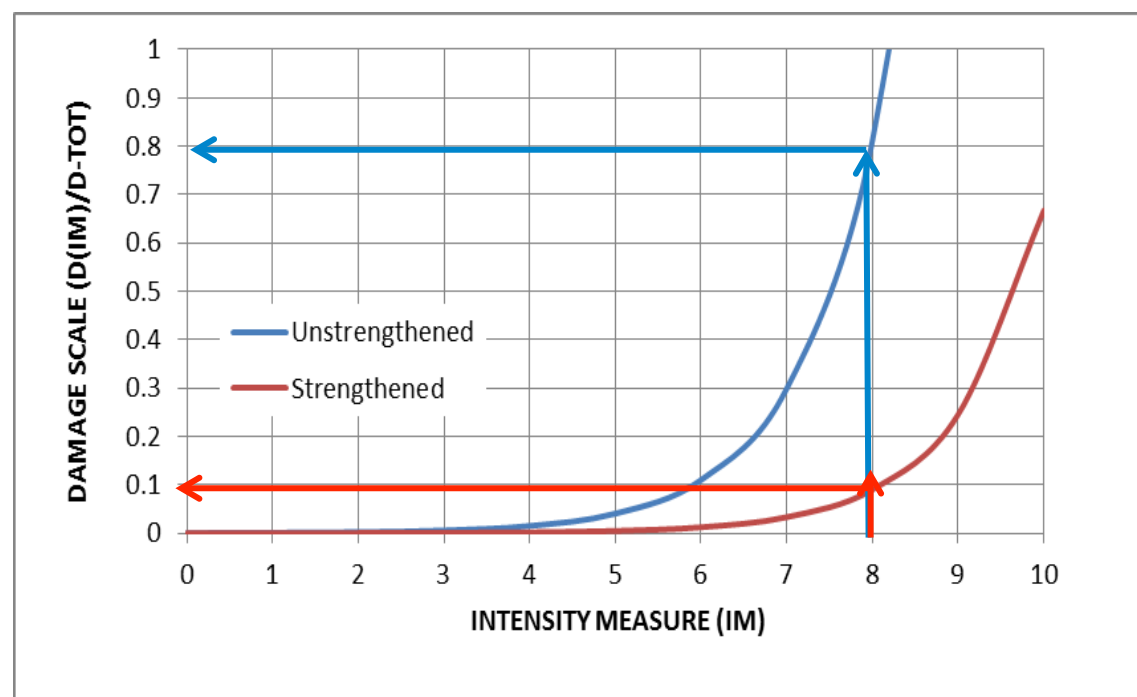
## Training





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- ❑ **PRISMH: Philippines Resilience Of School Infrastructure To Multi Hazard**
  - ❑ Measure potential resilience improvements obtained by retrofitting school buildings and promoting a disaster risk reduction culture;
  - ❑ Escalate safer schools culture to safer community by evaluating the role of school infrastructure in post disaster recovery;
  - ❑ Develop practical tools for multi-hazards impact assessment and resilience improvement and demonstrate their capabilities in the case study of Cagayan de Oro (CdeO)1, Philippines.



# Other UCL projects on school infrastructure resilience

## ❑ CROSSH: China Resilience Of Schools to Seismic Hazard

- ❑ Focus on school damage after the Wenchuan earthquake
- ❑ Look at the path to recovery
- ❑ Determine earthquake risk and resilience assessment framework
- ❑ Disseminate the culture of safe schools and safe communities through demonstrations



Losses in Wenchuan Earthquake		
Casualties		78,000+
Injuries		374,176
School Buildings /number		7,444
Medical Buildings /number		11,028
Rural Residential Buildings	Collapsed / $\times 10^4 \text{m}^2$	10,709.6
	Severely Damaged / $\times 10^4 \text{m}^2$	9,432.2
Urban Residential Buildings	Collapsed / $\times 10^4 \text{m}^2$	1,887.9
	Severely Damaged / $\times 10^4 \text{m}^2$	5,836.2



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