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The Jamaican Context



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- ❑ **Jamaica is classified as a Small Island Developing State (SIDS)**
- ❑ **Estimated Population – 2.7 M (2017), (GDP) – US \$14.8B**
- ❑ **Jamaica is vulnerable to Natural Disasters (Hurricanes, Tropical Storms, Floods, Storm Surges and Earthquakes).**
- ❑ **Jamaica has been impacted by some 8 hurricanes between 1988 and 2012**
In 2008, 2 major Tropical Storms (Nicole and Gustav) left hundreds homeless (Nicole -Approximately 132 communities were impacted and 184 road infrastructure damaged) Source: ODPEM Report)
- ❑ **[Hurricane Gilbert – 1988 – 45 deaths, Hurricane Ivan – 2004 – 17 deaths]**



Jamaica's Perspective on Mainstreaming DRM and CCA



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- 1. National development priority**
- 2. Developed policy, planning and legislative frameworks to promote responsive development planning and to build resilience:-**
 - ✓ **Planning Institute of Jamaica Vision (PIOJ) 2030 – National Development Plan**
 - ✓ **The Disaster Risk Management Act (2015) [the primary policy tool for DRM in the country]**
 - ✓ **Coastal Management and Beach Restoration Guidelines (2017) [NEPA]**
 - ✓ **The National Building Code Act (2018)**



Challenges for Mainstreaming DRM and CCA

- ❑ **Lack of adequate funding**
- ❑ **Inadequate building capacity measures for vulnerable communities as well as at the national level**
- ❑ **Limited resources and equipment**
- ❑ **Inadequate institutional frameworks**
- ❑ **Inconsistent data collection and analysis of environmental-related projects**



Strengthening DRM and CCA

The WB-funded, JSIF-implemented Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (DVRP) 2016-2023 will enhance national resilience to disaster and climate risk. DVRP interventions include:-

- The development of a national risk information platform
- Upgrading of the national seismography network infrastructure
- Implementation of National Building Code
- Repair/reconstruction of key public infrastructure (bridges, schools)
- Coastal protection
- Construction of 3 fire stations
- Training and public education around DRR/CCA, new policies
- Contingent Emergency Response (CERC) - financing for post-disaster critical emergency/recovery, goods and associated services
- Provision of post-disaster Social Safety Net (SSN) support to affected communities and individuals





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- ▶ **The Technical Assistance provided through the ACP-EU Trust Fund grants managed by the World Bank also support the activities of the DVRP**
- ▶ **Who implements:** Relevant Government Ministries/Agencies along with the World Bank
- ▶ **How will activities result in desired outcome:** The interventions strengthen the overall national Disaster Risk Management Framework, support the DVRP activities, and provide secondary benefits to the Social Inclusion programme, particularly understanding risk in designing safety nets.



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What is being done in Jamaica:



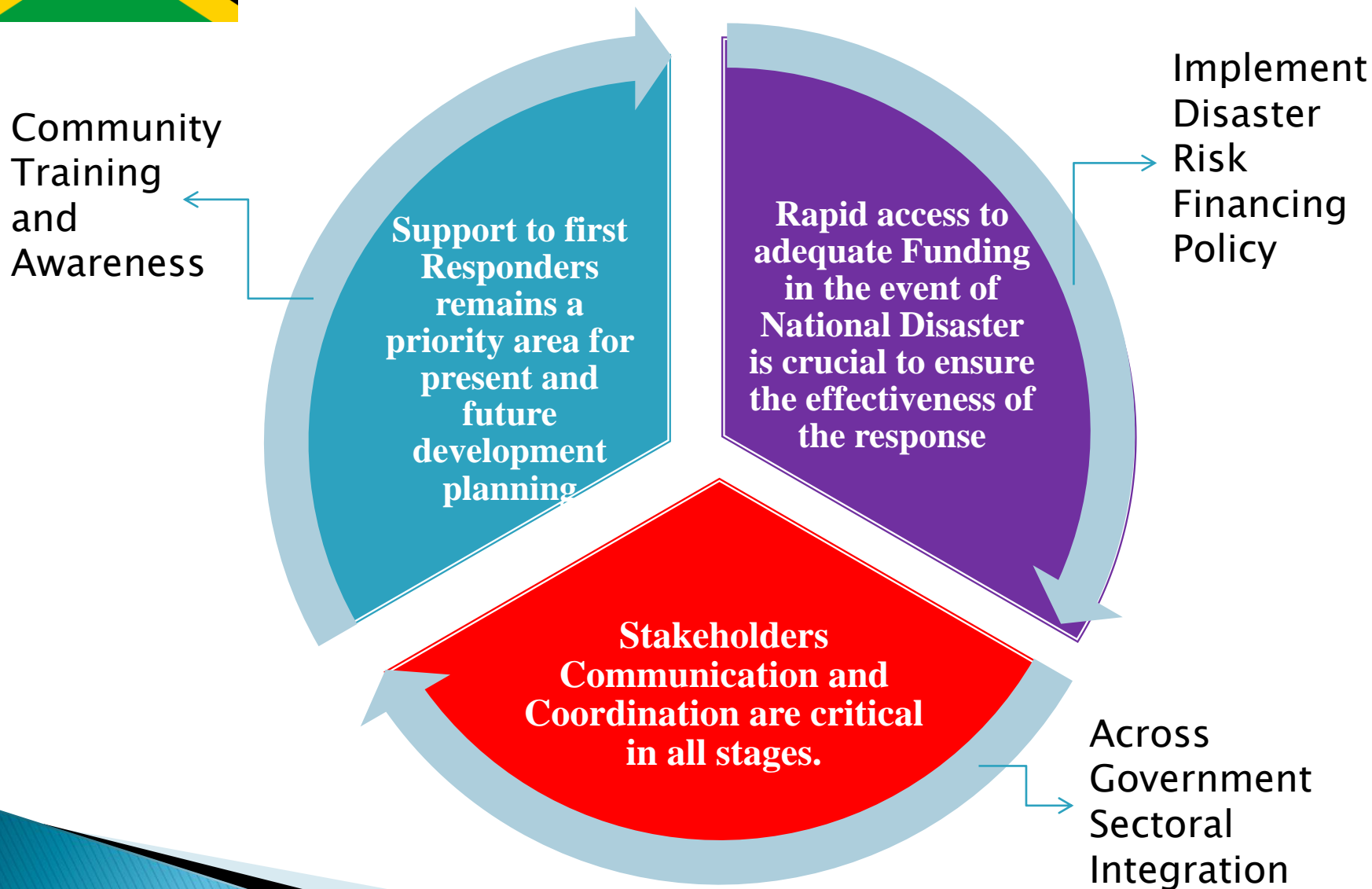
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- ❖ **Transport Sector Infrastructure Disaster Risk Analysis**
 - Developed a model for understanding landslide and flood related risk to transport network (*Model testing now ongoing with the NWA*)
- ❖ **Guidelines for Coastal Management & Beach Restoration**
 - Incorporated the use of nature-based infrastructure and non-structural solutions for making coastal areas more resilient (*Completed October 2017*)
- ❖ **National Strategy for Resettlement Related to Disaster Risk Management (preventive and post-event)** (*Completed February 2018*)
 - Developed clear guidance for resettlement support and modalities following a natural disaster
- ❖ **Gap Analysis and Capacity Building for Emergency Preparedness**
 - Clearly identified strengths and weaknesses in Jamaica's existing emergency response system at the national, provincial (parish) and local level. (*Target Completion – November 2018*)
- ❖ **Safe Schools:** Mainstream disaster risk management in the regulation, planning, designing, construction and management of school infrastructure along with the national education sector development plan. (*Scope Agreed – Target Completion 2019*)



Lessons Learned





The Way Forward

- **Identify long-term funding (Climate Financing as well as recurrent budget support) for Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change Adaptation initiatives**
- **Encourage high-level Stakeholder Groups involvement underpinned by principles of inclusiveness**
- **Implement measures to enhance Jamaica's resilience to Disaster and Climate Risk (eg; critical infrastructure developments)**
- **Engage community based organisations and provide technical assistance**
- **Improve data collection, coordination, analysis and application**



Thank You



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