

Bureau for Crisis Prevention and Recovery

Disaster Reduction Unit (DRU)



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Global Analysis of National Disaster Risk Management and Reduction Institutions

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General Background:

The UNDP global report Reducing Disaster Risk: A Challenge for Development has highlighted governance as a key unresolved issue in both the configuration as well as the reduction of disaster risk. The need to further strengthen institutional capacities for disaster risk management remains as topical and needed as ever, if lasting and profound improvements are to be achieved in reducing the level of disaster risk to which the majority of poor and marginalized populations are still exposed.

Project Summary:

Over recent years many countries globally have developed systems for disaster risk management and reduction. UNDP played a significant part in encouraging this process. In order to review the effectiveness of these systems in allowing for a more efficient management of disaster risk and in creating opportunities for genuine risk reduction, this project aims to conduct a global analysis of institution and legislative systems and frameworks in UNDP programme countries. The consolidated results of the analysis will provide opportunities of identifying how UNDP can strengthen its future support to national disaster risk reduction and management systems. The preparatory assistance project allows for the preparation of projects to pilot some of the innovations emanating from the analysis as well as some practical guidelines for country offices.

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Overall and Specific Objectives:

To improve UNDP's performance in supporting national institutional and legislative systems and frameworks for disaster risk management, through a global analysis of the status and effectiveness of relevant national institutional structures in UNDP programme countries.

Expected Results:

- The status and effectiveness of national institutional and legislative systems and frameworks for disaster risk management in UNDP programme countries across countries and regions analyzed.
- New strategies for strengthening or improving national disaster risk reduction and management institutions identified and pilot projects formulated for selected countries.

Activities:

- Developing and completing a draft methodology for information collection and analysis in consultation with country offices and participating national institutions.
- Collecting data on key characteristics of national institutional frameworks for disaster risk reduction and management from different regions through desk studies and country visits.
- Consulting extensively with selected national disaster risk reduction and management institutions and UNDP country offices on the priorities for institutional capacity building programmes, and for the formulation of pilot projects for funding.
- Formulating, finalizing and circulating policy document, guidelines, training on best practices throughout UNDP and other agencies, on institutional capacity building programmes and mainstreaming disaster risk into national planning.
- Designing a training module for DMTP on institutional capacity building in disaster risk management