



CB Country Weekly Highlights

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HONDURAS

Hurricane ETA Response

Category 4 Hurricane ETA entered Nicaragua on November 3rd and moved slowly over eastern Honduras as tropical storm. During its passage, it drenched vulnerable communities across the region causing flooding and landslides. In Honduras, the National Disaster Management Agency (COPECO) reported that 1.8 million persons were affected, with 45,000 in shelters and 64 deaths (Sit Rep 03 HND 14/11); the government requested international support in response and recovery. Infrastructure damage has been widespread; 32 bridges have been destroyed (Sit Rep 03 HND 14/11), 12 damaged and 51 roads affected, altering supply and logistic flows to the affected zones. UNDP is working actively in the early recovery sector working group and will focus its interventions in assessing damage to bridge infrastructure and impact to livelihood flows. These assessments will feed into the development of investment and recovery plans for road networks, temporary bridges, and utility services, and action plans for climate resilience working on hydrological monitoring networks, early warning systems and land use planning to reduce climate vulnerability. Crisis Bureau is supporting these activities through \$100,000 USD TRAC 1.1.3 coordination, assessments and recovery funding; Regional Hub technical teams will be instrumental in the development of action plans.

Key action points and follow-up

- Technical support to assessment methodology
- Technical support to investment and recovery action plans

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