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Enhanced Community Disaster Resilience through improved water resource management, and integrated gender and social inclusion awareness

- Provide Solar System power for three schools in Sonsorol, Pulu Anna and Hatobobei.
- Restoration and protection of cultural heritage sites in coastal communities rated high risk (Palau Historical Preservation Office, Vulnerability Assessment).
- Procurement of an Elliptical Tanker
- Purchase of Search and Rescue Equipment which have been delivered.



- Procurement of critical transportation.
- Conduct PDNA and DRF Training of Trainers to key government sectors



In partnership with the National Emergency Management Office (NEMO), and Palau State Governments, the project is implemented by the UNDP Pacific in Fiji under the UNDP Direct Implementation Modality (DIM) and as part of the Resilient and Sustainable Development team. The EDCR Project is financed by the Government of Japan.

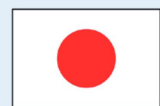
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Enhancing Disaster and Climate Resilience in Palau (EDCR) Project

The EDCR project in Palau was initiated in March 2019. The project aims to improve the capacity for preparedness and mitigation of Palau's resilience to man-made, geo-physical, climate and different types of related hazards and enhancing resilience to climate change impact.

The project responds to Outcome 1 of the UN Pacific Strategy 2018 – 2022: By 2022, people and ecosystems in the Pacific are more resilient to the impacts of climate change, climate variability and disasters; and environmental protection is strengthened.

The cooperation with the Government of Japan will contribute to achieving the goals of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, elimination of threat to human security and protect gains of sustainable development and inclusive of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Palau DRR project is consistent with 2020

Palau National Master Development Plan priority of mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and aligned with the National Disaster Risk Management Framework (NDRMF) vision of "safe, resilient and prepared communities in Palau".



Photo: NEMO

Kayangel State in Palau destroyed by Typhoon Haiyan in 2013.

The Project Output

Concerted efforts will be devoted to responding to urgent and unpredicted needs arising out of slow/sudden onset of natural hazards impacting livelihoods, economy and persistent inequalities.

The outcome will be achieved through 3 expected outputs:

1 Strengthened gender-sensitive Disaster Communication and Climate Monitoring Systems

- Installation of VHF and HF radio in key emergency operations facilities
- Installation of sirens in key vulnerable locations
- Installation of 4 automated weather stations
- Installation of 2 wave riders buoys in the West, South and East sides of the country.
- AM Broadcast System Rehabilitation
- Training course for young technicians on how to maintain the current communications Infrastructure
- Conduct Protection, Gender and Social Inclusion in Disaster Risk Management training

2 Enhanced gender sensitive National and State Disaster Responders readiness capacity

- Provide appropriate and improved disaster preparedness and response equipment to NEMO
- Retrofit the National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) facility to meet international and functional standards.
- Conduct LIDAR Imagery remote sensing mapping over key and vulnerable locations. High Resolution Digital Elevation Models (DEM) for Inhabited Coastal Areas developed
- Provide key strategic islands with mobile storage facilities to store emergency stockpiles/supplies, emergency equipment.
- Procurement of Rescue Pumper Tanker
- Provide 2 portable man packs HF radio.



Appropriate and improved equipment.



National Emergency Operations Centre.