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THE CARIBBEAN DISASTER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CDEMA): A LOOK INTO RISK MANAGEMENT AND HUMANITARIAN SUPPLY CHAINS

Abstract: The Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) does not have a clear picture of the state of preparedness in terms of logistics capacities for its participating states which challenges their ability to assist in coordinating International and Regional Humanitarian Aid. Ultimately, when faced with increased material flow, they are limited in providing assistance to the National Disaster Offices to focus and prioritize tasks to alleviate the severity of bottlenecks. CDEMA is limited in its ability to get the understanding of the supply chain network of each of its participating states because the information is not communicated and readily available. Therefore, there is a need to at least identify what needs to be measured, how it can be measured and where to find the information needed to provide the tools to the participating states for them to identify potential bottlenecks. The research mandate of this project is to analyze the supply chain logistics capacities elements for the CDEMA's participating states of the Bahamas and Jamaica and develop a framework in order to identify areas where potential material flow bottlenecks may occur to make recommendations to improve material flow and response effectiveness.

Moreover, there is no standardized, user friendly, risk assessment framework currently being promoted throughout CDEMA Participating States. Also, the risk factors associated with the actual response capabilities within the Caribbean region have not been mapped. While there are multiple national and regional level policies and guidelines on disaster emergency management, some areas of these policies require more robust definitions, flexibility and integration to ensure national level governments are able to take decisive action both pre- and post-disaster. Due to the current definition of a disaster and the associates levels of response, national level governments are hesitant to declare an event an official "disaster". While this may seem trivial to most, a national government must declare an event a "disaster" before they are able to receive official international and regional assistants from CDEMA and their partners. This project, also, aims to develop an integrated, Caribbean specific, risk assessment and mapping framework to provide CDEMA and its participating States a uniformed structure to facilitate risk and hazard assessments of disaster response capacities.

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