HAITI EARTHQUAKE
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Death toll continues to rise post Earthquake impact on Haiti

A 7.2 magnitude earthquake was recorded on Saturday 14 August at around 0830h, in the southern region of the country. The epicenter was located 13 km to the South-South-East of Petit Trou de Nippes, in the departments of Nippes, Grand'Anse and Sud, at a depth of 10 km.

The Departments of Nippes, Grand'Anse and Sud have a combined population representing around 16% of the country's total population, which is estimated at 11.4 million.

Prime Minister Ariel Henry declared a one-month National State of Emergency.

Tropical Depression Grace passed over Haiti on Monday 16 August 2021 resulting in flooding and landslides.
The Emergency Operations Centre (EOC), led by Prime Minister, remains fully activated. A multidisciplinary team was formed to ensure the rapid assessment of the damage.

**HUMAN TOLL**

- **1,941 dead** to date (1,597 in the South, 205 in Grand’Anse, 137 in Nippes and 2 in the North-West). Nearly **9900** listed injured people and treated in several hospitals.
- At least **34** people have been extracted alive from the rubble in the past 48 hours (as at 17 August 2021).
- **684,400** people are in need of emergency humanitarian assistance in the 3 departments most affected by the earthquake. This represents about **40%** of the population of these 3 departments, which is **1.6 million** people.
- More than **136,800** affected families have already registered in the 3 most affected departments, while assessments continue.

**SHELTER**

- **IOM** has begun to lead the shelter and NFI working group and has already started work using the displacement tracking matrix. Additionally, IOM will be distributing key messages on COVID-19 and preparing to provide psychosocial support.
- The **USAID/BHA** DART is coordinating with relief actors to facilitate the distribution of shelter commodities prepositioned in Haiti, including blankets, hygiene kits, kitchen kits, and shelter repair kits to support nearly **50,000** people.
**INFRASTRUCTURE**

- **60,759** houses were destroyed and **76,121** houses damaged in the 3 most affected departments (South, Grand’Anse and Nippes).
- Initial damage assessment of buildings in the affected areas reveal:
  - **30,122** destroyed and **28,593** damaged in the South department
  - **14,348** destroyed and **14,898** houses damaged in the department of Nippes
  - **16,289** destroyed and **32,630** houses damaged in the department of Grand’Anse
- The water problem in Pestel persists. Nearly **1,810** tanks are cracked or destroyed in the town. Water needs, both for drinking and for other uses, are as urgent as ever.
- The roadway Le Morne Rampe towards Marceline, was temporarily cleared by the MTPTC. However, due to the cyclone causing heavy rains, landslides again blocked this section of road.
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COORDINATION

- **UNOCHA Haiti** has enhanced capacities with the UNDAC team to support the Humanitarian Country Team in coordination, needs assessment, and information management. There will be 10 UNDAC members working with two operational partners, AST and Atlas Logistics. 4 UNDAC members arrived yesterday and are working with the OCHA Haiti team in the Emergency Operations Center, closely coordinating with the Civil Protection General Directorate (DGCP). Joint planning is ongoing for a Flash Appeal and to mobilize CERF funds for initial activities.

- The Haitian Government has been requested the **ITU** to provide telecommunications assets.

- **DG ECHO** - The Copernicus Satellite Mapping has been activated and several maps have been produced. The Government of Haiti (GoH) has requested the activation of the Union Civil Protection Mechanism. Four members of the EU Civil Protection Teams are expected to arrive today in Haiti and the rest of the team (18 experts) expected tomorrow the 19th. The mobilization of additional EU EMTs is still ongoing.

SEARCH & RESCUE

- At least **34** people have been extracted alive from the rubble in the past 48 hours (as at 17 August 2021).

- **USAID/BHA** - A USAR team from Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department, including 65 search-and-rescue personnel and four canines, subsequently deployed alongside DART members, arriving in Haiti on August 15. The USAR team traveled with 52,000 pounds of specialized tools and equipment, such as hydraulic concrete breaking equipment, saws, torches, and drills, along with advanced medical equipment for search-and rescue operations. Additional USAR supplies arrived in Haiti on August 17.
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RELIEF SUPPORT

- **CCRIF SPC** to make a payout of approximately US$40 million to the Government of Haiti following the devastating magnitude 7.2 earthquake that struck Haiti on August 14th, 2021, significantly impacting the city of Les Cayes.

- **DG ECHO** has allocated an amount of EUR 3 000 000 to respond to the first needs. The priority sectors to be covered are: Emergency Shelter; Non-food items; Water, sanitation and hygiene; Provision of medical assistance; Multipurpose cash-based assistance; Logistics and coordination.

- **RRM surge support deployments** into Haiti will be financed by the United Kingdom Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office (UKFCDO)

- The Government of Guyana has established a humanitarian account with the Republic Bank (Guyana) Limited, in the name of the Civil Defence Commission in response to the recent devastating earthquake in Haiti. Further information or queries should be directed to the Civil Defence Commission. Tel: 592-226-1114 or 592-600-7500 (call or whatsapp), Email: finance@cdc.gy

HEALTH

- As of August 16, the GoH had deployed engineers to assess structural damage at health facilities and deployed 15 trucks carrying medical supplies to earthquake-affected areas.

- On August 15, the USCG deployed two helicopters with medical staff and supplies to Haiti. Alongside supporting USAR and logistics efforts, the helicopters are also transferring critically injured patients from affected areas to Port-au-Prince, as available. As of August 17, the USCG had flown 72 sorties, saved 67 people, and assisted 89 people, while transporting 143 medical and USAR staff—including members of the DART—and 5,500 pounds of medical supplies to affected areas.

- The PAHO country office in Haiti has activated its emergency plan, while PAHO and the UN World Health Organization (WHO) declared an emergency for Haiti and neighboring Dominican Republic for the duration of 2021.
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HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- The French Red Cross PIRAC is deploying 15 tons of emergency stock from warehouse in Martinique with the support of the French Navy (FS LE Germinal). The ship will reach Haiti, Miragoâne, on Saturday August 21st.

- On August 16, USAID/BHA released 10 MT of food—including beans, rice, and vegetable oil—from its contingency stock managed by WFP to distribute hot meals to more than 3,000 people at hospitals in Jérémie and Les Cayes. In the meantime, WFP is procuring 3 MT of ready-to-eat meals to support the hospitals until the UN agency is able to distribute hot meals. WFP will continue to provide food at hospitals in affected areas as the UN agency’s primary food response; as of August 16, WFP had not identified other major food needs resulting from the earthquake.

- On August 17, USAID/BHA partner the International Organization for Migration (IOM) distributed 2,000 hygiene kits, 2,000 jerry cans, and 600 shelter repair kits to affected populations in Les Cayes and across Nippes. USAID/BHA funds IOM to maintain pre-positioned emergency relief supplies in Haiti for distribution in response to sudden-onset disasters such as earthquakes and other shocks.

- UNICEF deployed a truck containing medicines and nutritional kits to serve 30,000 people in the departments of South and Grand’Anse

- Samaritan’s Purse sent 2 containers carrying water purification systems and sanitary supplies.

ENVIRONMENT

Tropical Depression Grace

- The center of Tropical Storm GRACE moved away from the southern region on Tuesday August 17. The system caused some rainy activities and gusts of wind over the country, in particular over the West, the South, east, Nippes, South and Grand’Anse during this morning.

- The Tropical Storm alert issued for the country and the vigilance bulletins have been suspended.
DONATIONS  *(monetary donations rather than relief supplies are encouraged at this time)*

Donations to the Haiti Relief Fund may be given via the banking details below:

**Company Name and Address**
CARIBBEAN DISASTER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CDEMA)
Address: Resilience Way, Lower Estate, St. Michael, Barbados, West Indies

**Bank Details - Barbados Dollars**
**Beneficiary Bank:** CIBC FirstCaribbean International Bank  
**Bank Address:** Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados  
**Swift Code:** FCIBBBBB  
**Name of Beneficiary:** CDEMA Haiti Relief 2021  
**Account Number:** 1001210490  
**Currency of Account:** BARBADOS DOLLARS

For persons donating outside of Barbados, please see the banking details below:

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CARIBBEAN DISASTER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CDEMA)
Address: Resilience Way, Lower Estate, St. Michael, Barbados, West Indies

**Bank Details - US Dollars**
**Intermediary Bank:** Wells Fargo Bank, NA  
**SWIFT Code:** PNBPUS3NNYC  
**ABA Routing #:** 026 005 092  
**Account Number:** 2000192003913  
**Bank Address:** 11 Penn Plaza, 4th Floor, New York, NY

**Beneficiary Bank:** CIBC FirstCaribbean International Bank  
**Bank Address:** Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados  
**Swift Code:** FCIBBBBB  
**Name of Beneficiary:** CDEMA Haiti Relief 2021  
**Account Number:** 1001210491  
**Currency of Account:** UNITED STATES DOLLARS
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RESCUE OPERATIONS
The Government of Haiti has requested the CDEMA CU to provide operational support for Coordination at the National Emergency Operations Centre in Port-Au-Prince. An Advanced Party/COST team will be deployed to Haiti later this week, financed by the UK FCDO.

- The CDEMA Regional Coordination Plan (RCP) remains activated
- The CARICOM Disaster Relief Unit (CDRU) remains on Alert
- The CDEMA Regional Coordination Centre (RCC) remains activated
- The CDEMA CU maintains contact with the North-Western Sub-Region Focal Point (Jamaica)
- The CDEMA CU has briefed the CARICOM Secretary General and the Chairman of CDEMA
- Fourth (4th) Meeting of the Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) was convened on 18 August 2021
- One (1) CDEMA Information Note and three (3) Situation Reports have been disseminated
- CDEMA held a press conference on 16 August 2021
- The CDEMA CU reached out to RRM colleagues for their support (French Creole Speaking an asset): TCI, SLU, DOM, JCA
- The Multi National Civil Military Coordination Cell (MNCCC) (B) has been activated. CDEMA is attending daily MNCCC (B) Meetings with Civ-Mil partners
- The CDEMA CU issued a SAVINGRAM to the CARICOM providing a synopsis of the situation and guidance on actions which could be taken noting that Haiti indicated that there was no requirement for Relief Drives at this time
- The CDEMA CU received a request from CPD to set up a bank account to receive financial donations on Haiti’s behalf. Account details are provided on page 7.
- The CDEMA CU recognises the multi-hazard environment in which this earthquake impact has occurred and will continue to monitor the situation and is ready to provide support where requested