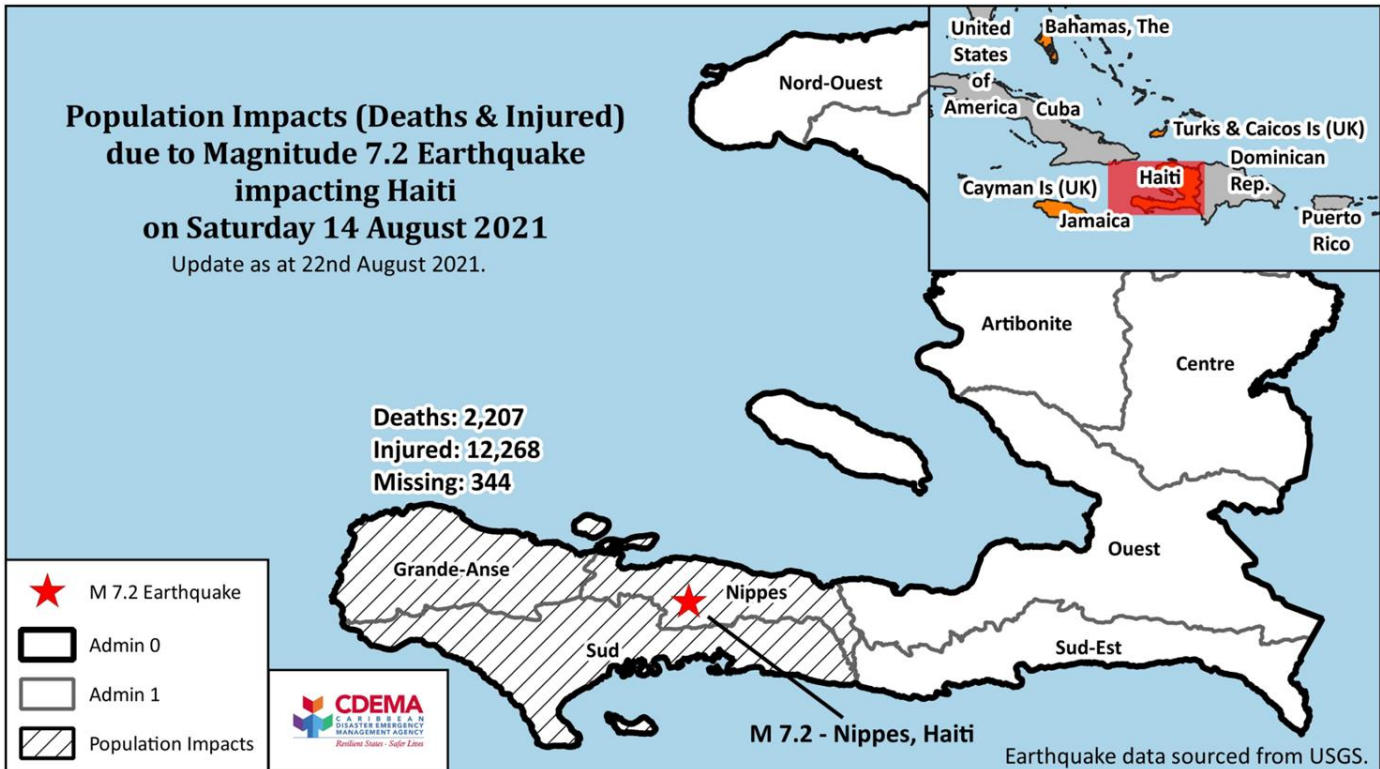


# HAITI EARTHQUAKE SITUATION REPORT No. 6

AS OF 5:00 PM ON 23 AUGUST, 2021

## Coordination of relief efforts continue in order to deliver relief to impacted areas



## SITUATION

- 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.

## Updates from Impacted CDEMA Participating State



### HAITI

The following report was provided by the Civil Protection General Directorate, Haiti as at August 23, 2021:

- **2,207** deceased persons; **12,268** persons injured; **344** missing persons. Search and Rescue operations will wind down this week.
- The Directorate General of Civil Protection is speeding up the process of delivery of aid to areas affected by the earthquake, as well as distribution within the communities. Priority humanitarian needs are shelter, health care, water and food. The next operations will be conducted with significant support from the US Army.
- Two teams are conducting a more detailed damage assessment process to assist in streamlining relief effort in the impacted zones. Additionally, the Director General of Civil Protection, Dr Jerry Chandler, accompanied by Tim Callaghan - Humanitarian Advisor USAID Principal for Latin America and the Caribbean, once again visited several municipalities in the departments of the South, Nippes and Grand'Anse, in order to strengthen the emergency response strategy.
- In an effort to improve coordination related to relief supplies from donors, the NEOC is working to map the work of humanitarian organisations in the impacted areas. Partners are requested to register with the government of Haiti prior to their arrival, communicate their response activities in country to the NEOC, and contact the NEOC 48 hours in advance of relief distribution to facilitate the organisation of security for convoys into the affected areas.
- The NEOC in Port-au-Prince is working closely with district EOCs to ensure local needs are being met.
- A structural assessment is being implemented in the South department with support from the Swiss Embassy in Haiti. In addition, the Education sector continues assessment of affected schools.
- In Grand'Anse, the problem of damaged bridges slows down the delivery of aid from the center of Jérémie to the other municipalities. Storage alternatives outside the of the capital are being considered. Areas restricted by damage and flooding will be accessed by foot and air.
- Temporary shelters (tents) will be provided to individual families to set up on their home lots, which is preferred in the wake of the COVID-19 environment.

## Updates from Impacted CDEMA Participating State



### INFRASTRUCTURE

- **52,953** houses destroyed; **77,006** houses damaged in the 3 most affected departments (South, Grand'Anse and Nippes).
- The Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Communication confirmed the ban on Friday to cross the Dumarsais Estimé bridge over the Grand'Anse river. The day before, the National Police of Haiti had closed the circulation of cars, and especially heavy goods vehicles, after having noted a significant deformation of the deck. A detour and a temporary road should allow the crossing of the river to be completely re-established.



### 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.



### COORDINATION

- The National EOC continues to strengthen its aid delivery strategy to the South in order to speed up the distribution of assistance to the population. Aid is being dispatched by sea, air and land.



### SEARCH & RESCUE

- The national rescue teams, considerably reinforced by other foreign SAR team members, are concluding their operations week, with recovery operations commencing this week.

## Updates from Impacted CDEMA Participating State



### RELIEF SUPPORT

- As of August 20, partner aid agencies made distributions in the three most affected Departments:
  - 600 food kits and 300 kits
  - 3,15 tonnes rice and 790 kilogrammes peas
  - 3,000 hygiene kits
  - 2,500 blankets
  - 400 repair kits
  - 500 tarpaulins



### HEALTH

- The Ministry of Public Health and Population (MSPP) has made a call for medical supplies to care for the injured, patients and patients with surgeries and other patients. Aid agents wishing to assist should contact the MSPP before sending medical donations to avoid any issues.
- In the affected departments, health sector evaluators are in the process of finalising lists of hospitalized patients, types of injuries contracted and data patient demographics. These assessments will also take into account the level of damage suffered by health establishments and their needs.
- The MSPP has set up a 27 m<sup>2</sup> tent at Les Cayes airport for the triage of the wounded received. The seriously injured are transported to the university hospital of Mirebalais (Center) by Haiti Ambulance.
- There were urgent requirements for blood.

## Updates from Impacted CDEMA Participating State



### HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

- The **World Food Programme (WFP)** has provided 3.15 tonnes of rice and 790 kilograms of peas.
- On Friday 20 August, the **International Organization for Migration (IOM)** has provided 5,000 hygiene kits in Cayes (South), 200 jerry cans, woolen blankets and tarpaulins in the Nippes, benefiting 1,186 families.
- **The National Center for Emergency Operations (COUN)** distributed 600 food kits and 300 kits distributed to the populations of Aquin, Saint Louis du Sud and Les Cayes (South).
- The **International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)** provided a helicopter which landed in Corail, Grand'Anse, where **USAID** agents provided assistance to the injured. The **IFRC** also distributed hygiene kits, blankets, tarpaulins and jerrycans to 100 families in Torbeck and identified in around ten localities of Saint-Louis du Sud.
- **The United States Government** announced the arrival in Haiti of 200 marines aboard the USS Arlington, from Friday August 20, 2021. Additionally, the US Government provided helicopter support towards the transport of humanitarian aid personnel to Les Cayes (South), Jérémie (Grand'Anse) and Gressier (West).
- **The USAID's Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART)** is expanding relief operations in more areas impacted by the earthquake. U.S. military helicopters are transporting DART members to affected areas to conduct additional Search and Rescue operations and provide assistance. At the request of USAID, the Department of Defense / U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) is also transporting a Samaritan's Purse surgical hospital to Les Cayes to support medical relief efforts. The United States Agency for International Development/Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (USAID/BHA) continues to coordinate with IOM, WFP, and other relief actors to support the transport of critical emergency relief supplies to areas in need.
- **The Caribbean Disaster Risk Insurance Fund (CCRIF SPC)** will disburse approximately US \$ 40 million to the Government of Haiti.
- **The Office of Foreign Affairs, Commonwealth and Development (FCDO)** approved the Grant of one £1,000,000.00 to support the intervention in Haiti of the CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) of the Caribbean Disaster and Disaster Management Agency Regional Response Mechanism CDEMA RRM); the United Nations team mission for the Assessment and Disaster Coordination (UNDAC); and also the deployment of a British surgical team, on a British ship stationed at off the coast of Haiti, which are awaiting confirmation to be part of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) surge.
- **The Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Mexico, Colombia, Japan, Panama and the Costa Rica** also assisted Haiti by providing relief material, medicines, hygiene kits and food.
- The **Institution for Social Welfare and Research (IBSER)** assessed 77 children's homes including 48 in the South, 8 for Nippes and 21 for Grand'Anses and 50 host families in the South. 90% of children are currently out of danger with **UNICEF** support.
- **Digicel** donated 10 phones complete with voice/data plans to the COST/ NEOC Port-au-Prince.



**DONATIONS** (*monetary donations rather than relief supplies are encouraged at this time*)



**HAITI NEEDS YOUR HELP**

**CDEMA will be accepting monetary donations to aid relief efforts in Haiti**

**Company Name and Address**

**CARIBBEAN DISASTER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CDEMA)**

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**For persons in Barbados, payments can be made to:**

**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 residing outside of Barbados, payments can be made to:**

<b>Intermediary Bank:</b> Wells Fargo Bank, NA	<b>Beneficiary Bank:</b> CIBC FirstCaribbean International Bank
<b>SWIFT Code:</b> PNBUS3NNYC	<b>Bank Address:</b> Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados
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## Coordination of the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM)

- The Government of Haiti made a request to the CDEMA CU for operational support for Coordination at the National Emergency Operations Centre in Port-Au-Prince.
- 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
- The CDEMA CU issued a SAVINGRAM to the CARICOM providing a synopsis of the situation and guidance on actions which were being taken Seventh (7th) Meeting of the Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) was convened on 23 August 2021
- The Multi National Civil Military Coordination Cell Barbados (MNCCC B) has been activated. CDEMA is attending daily MNCCC meetings with Canadian, French, UK, Dutch and US Civ-Mil partners
- CDEMA convened a Press Conference on 16 August 2021
- One (1) CDEMA Information Note and six (6) Situation Reports have been disseminated
- The CDEMA CU reached out to RRM colleagues for their support (French Creole Speaking an asset): TCI, SLU, DOM, JCA
- Two (2) members of the Advanced Party/COST team have been deployed from TCI and Dominica to Haiti so far, with the financial support of the UK FCDO
- A three (3) member team from Jamaica will join the COST Advance Party this week.
- The Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU) is partnering with CDEMA and the RRM to provide media coverage in Haiti for CARICOM; and 2 media personnel were deployed to Haiti on 23 August 2021
- CDEMA has received reports from the MNCCC detailing humanitarian activity/capability in Haiti
- The CDEMA CU received a request from Haiti Civil Protection Department (CPD) to set up a Bank Account to receive financial donations on Haiti's behalf. Account details are provided on page 6
- The CDEMA CU established a dedicated webpage on the Haiti Earthquake, please visit [cdema.org](http://cdema.org)
- 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

