Reconstruction phase underway in affected areas post 7.2 magnitude Earthquake

SITUATION OVERVIEW

A 7.2 magnitude earthquake was recorded on Saturday 14 August at around 0830 am in the South Region of Haiti. The epicentre was located 13 km to the South-South-East of Petit Trou de Nippes, in the Departments of Nippes, Grand’Anse and Sud, with a combined population representing around 16% of the country’s total population, estimated at 11.4 million. The earthquake, which was at a depth of 10 km, was followed by a number of aftershocks.

At the time of writing this report, the earthquake resulted in:

- 2,248 deceased persons
- 12,763 injured persons
- 329 missing persons
- 53,815 destroyed homes
- 83,770 damaged houses
- 690,000 impacted persons
CDEMA COORDINATING UNIT ACTIONS:
The RCC was activated on August 14, 2021, and following the initial Information Note, a total of 12 Situation Reports were prepared and issued. Given that operations on the ground in Haiti have transitioned to the reconstruction/recovery phase, this Situation Report is the final being issued on this event.

In response to the event, the CDEMA CU completed the following actions over a one (1) month period:

1. The CDEMA Regional Coordination Plan (RCP) was activated;
2. As of September 13, 2021, all response teams under the RRM, including the CDRU, have been stood down;
3. Through the CDEMA Regional Coordination Centre (RCC) the following actions were coordinated (some further elaborated):
   a. Deployments of the CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) and media to Haiti
   b. Preparation and distribution of CDEMA SITREPS
   c. Coordination of the Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) meetings
   d. Translation of SITREPS and other information from Haiti
   e. Coordination with the Multi-National Civil Military Coordination Cell (MNCCC) re: internal Haiti flights for COST
   f. Collaborated with WFP in Haiti re: Logistics Management
   g. Provided emergency telecoms equipment to the COST
   h. Preparation of coordination maps
4. The CDEMA CU maintained contact with the North-Western Sub-Region Focal Point (Jamaica)
5. The CDEMA CU issued a SAVINGRAM to the CARICOM providing a synopsis of the situation and guidance on actions which were being taken.
6. The CDEMA CU briefed the CARICOM Secretary General and the Chairman of CDEMA
8. The Multi-National Civil Military Coordination Cell Barbados (MNCCCB) was activated and operated from the CDEMA CU. CDEMA participated in daily MNCCC meetings with Canadian, French, UK, Dutch and US Civ-Mil partners as a part of the coordination efforts.
9. Two (2) media personnel were deployed to Haiti to provide media coverage on behalf of the CARICOM support. The media representatives were deployed through the CDEMA/RRM and the Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU) MoU and were also funded by the UK FCDO.
10. Meetings of the Caribbean Development Partners Group (CDPG) were convened – the final one being on September 9, 2021.
CDEMA COORDINATING UNIT ACTIONS cont’d:

11. A Bank Account was setup to receive financial donations on Haiti’s behalf, see page 4;

12. Following a request from the Government of Haiti for the CDEMA CU to provide operational support for Coordination at the National Emergency Operations Centre in Port-Au-Prince; an Advanced Party/COST team (financed by the UK FCDO) was deployed to Haiti;

13. COST members deployed were Dr Virginia Clearveoux (TCI) and Mr. Mandela Christian (Dominica) – within the first 2-weeks following impact; and Capt. Robert Harewood during week 3 following impact;

14. Airline travel for COST deployment was facilitated by AirLink;

15. DIGICEL provided 10 cell phones to CDEMA for COST use in Haiti;

16. ITU sent 20 SAT phones and 10 BGAN modems) to Haiti;

17. Two (2) engineers from the Jamaica Defence Force (Majors Marlon Stephens and Dwayne Trowers) were deployed to Haiti to provide assessments for the Early Recovery Project, funded by Global Affairs Canada;

18. The CDEMA CU has now transitioned to the early recovery phase in continued support of the Civil Protection Directorate, Haiti.

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

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

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