

HURRICANE MELISSA

SITUATION REPORT No. 16

AS OF 5:00PM AST on NOVEMBER 25th, 2025

BARBADOS DEPLOYS FIELD HOSPITAL AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TEAM TO SUPPORT JAMAICA AFTER HURRICANE MELISSA



Figure 1: The team from the Barbados Defence Force (BDF) preparing to depart for Jamaica to support the Field Medical Hospital.



Figure 2: The Barbados Defence Force teams assembling the field medical hospital in Jamaica.



Figure 3: Ground view of the field hospital in Savannah La Mar, Jamaica



Figure 4: An aerial view of the field hospital from the Barbados Defence Force being assembled

Strengthening On-the-Ground Capacity Through the CDEMA Regional Response Mechanism

The Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) through grant funding from the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (UKFCDO) facilitated the deployment of the Barbados Emergency Medical Team (EMT) for two (2) consecutive two-week rotations as part of the Hurricane Melissa relief and recovery efforts, under the umbrella of the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM). The field medical facility arrived in Kingston on November 21, 2025, followed by the deployment of forty-four (44) Emergency Medical Team (EMT) personnel from Barbados on November 22, 2025. An additional sixteen (16) medical professionals from across the region inclusive of officers from the Barbados Defense Force (BDF) who were previously deployed, has brought the total number of EMT personnel in Jamaica to sixty (60). The EMT, in collaboration with the Engineering Regiment of the Jamaica Defence Force (JDF), is advancing the installation of the field medical hospital in Savanna La Mar, Jamaica. Progress to date includes site preparation, frame assembly, and completion of internal configuration works.

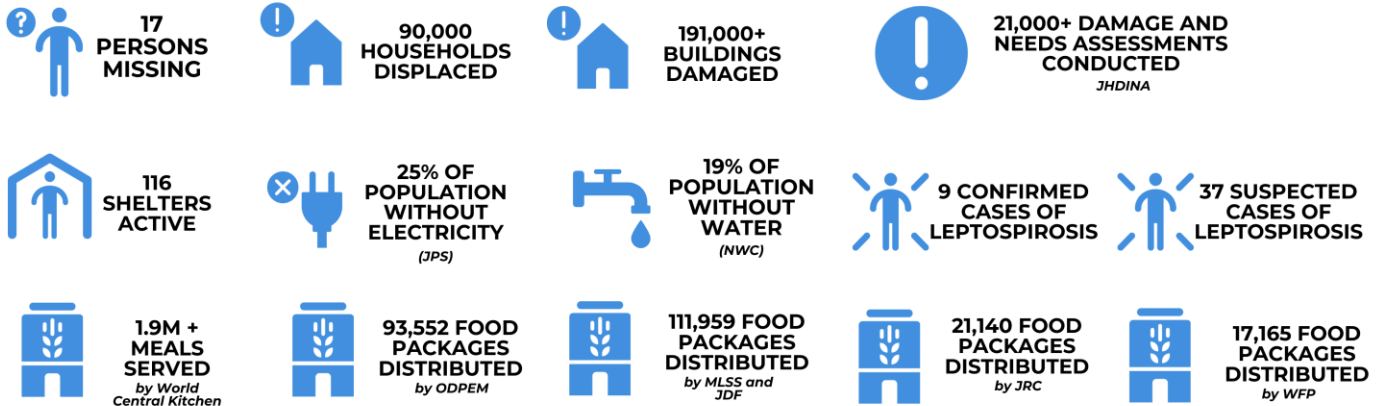
The field hospital is expected to be fully operational by Friday, November 28th, 2025. Once completed, the facility will provide critical additional clinical capacity to support medical personnel in delivering patient care and addressing surge health needs in the affected parishes.

Updates from Impacted Participating States



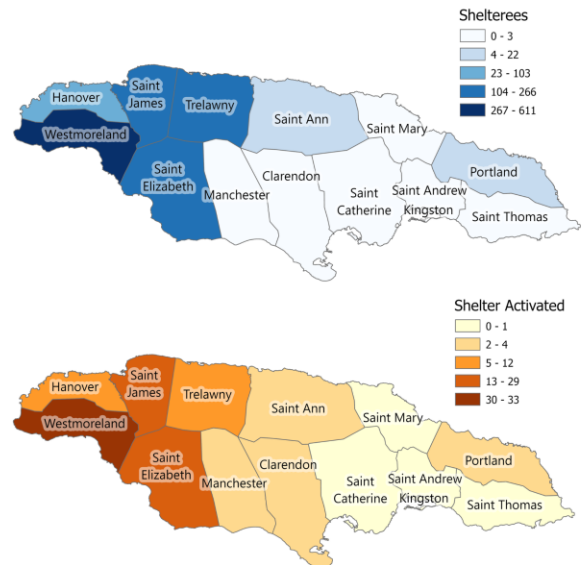
JAMAICA

KEY UPDATES | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #28 - LAST UPDATED BY 24/11/2025 22:00 HRS



SHELTER INFORMATION || SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #28 - LAST UPDATED BY 24/11/2025 22:00 HRS

Parish	Shelters Occupied	Shelterees	Parish	Shelters Occupied	Shelterees
KSA	Not Activated	Not Activated	Westmoreland	33	611
St. Thomas	Not Activated	Not Activated	Portland	Not Activated	Not Activated
St. Catherine	Not Activated	Not Activated	St. Mary	Not Activated	Not Activated
Portmore	Not Activated	Not Activated	St. Ann	4	22
Clarendon	2	2	Trelawny	7	222
Manchester	2	3	St. James	29	214
St. Elizabeth	26	266	Hanover	12	103
			Total	116	1,445



UTILITIES & TELECOMMUNICATIONS | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #28 - LAST UPDATED BY 24/11/2025 22:00 HRS

165,000+ CUSTOMERS REMAIN WITHOUT POWER



KEY UPDATES

- Ongoing repairs and restoration island wide. Restoration now carried out in all 14 parishes.
- JPS recently set up a Regional Incident Command Centre in Montego Bay, St. James, for heightened coordination and execution of the special network restoration and rebuilding in the western parishes



JAMAICA (Continued)



**81%
RESTORATION**
449,000 OF TOTAL
551,800
CUSTOMERS



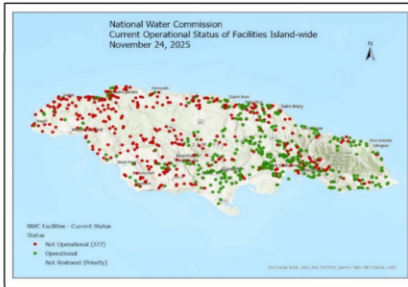
**19% (102,000)
CUSTOMERS
WITHOUT
WATER
SUPPLY**

WESTERN 57.3%

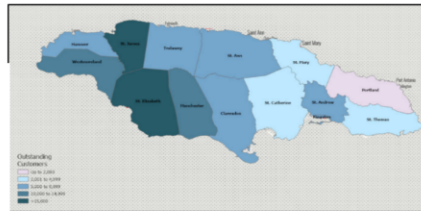
DIVISION RESTORATION



- Palmetto Grove in Clarendon.
- Water Supply confirmed at highest points of Cornwall Courts.
- Slow progress in advancing water to St Ann areas.



NWC Customers Affected by Parish – Outstanding
Customers to be restored



- Team working with Yellow Media (phone directory) to distribute 4000 kegs of water to affected communities next week.
- Ongoing delivery of piped or trucked water for schools reopening.
- Ongoing supply of potable and trucked water supply to Hospitals and Health Centres.

DIGICEL | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION
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FIXED SITES

SNAPSHOT : NOV 24 - 9AM

UP	DOWN	% UP
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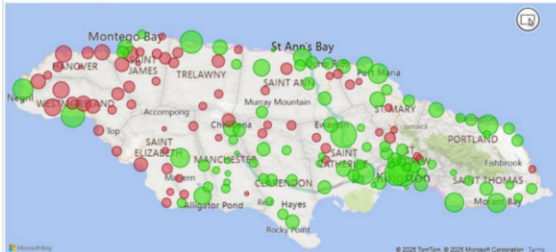
Nodes	2849	636	82%
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Fixed Strategic Priority

Thirty-four (34) additional nodes were restored in the last 48 hours through targeted fiber repair works, including re-splicing, rerouting around damaged sections, and clearing debris impacting distribution lines.

82% of Fixed network restored as power supply stabilizes in less impacted areas

Node_Status ● DOWN ● UP



DIGICEL

MOBILE 76%

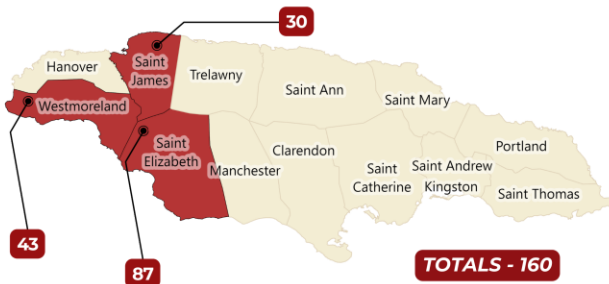
FIXED  **90%**

BUSINESS NETWORK 75%

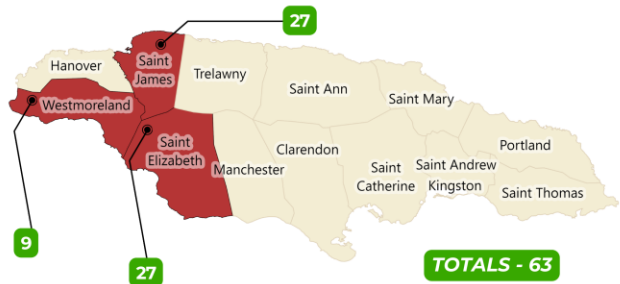
Restoration percentages

LOGISTICS JDF DROPS | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #28 - LAST UPDATED BY 24/11/2025 22:00 HRS

**SCHEDULED DROPS -
25TH NOVEMBER**



**COMPLETED DROPS -
AS OF 24TH NOVEMBER**



Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG) - Actions by the RRM Partners as of 5:00 p.m. on November 25th, 2025



COORDINATION

- Sectoral leadership meetings have been rescheduled to Mondays and Thursdays to facilitate coordination between national and international partners while allowing for field operations.
- CDEMA support in Jamaica includes six (6) CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) personnel and five (5) CARICOM Emergency Telecommunications (CETT) personnel.
- The Barbados Defence Force Field Medical Hospital was deployed on November 22nd, 2025, with two (2) two-week rotations planned to provide surge support to medical personnel, and deliver critical patient care in Savanna La Mar, Jamaica.



MNCCC

- The MNCCC has reduced its meeting schedule to once per week in alignment with the decreased military presence on the ground.
- Canada remains the sole military partner providing support to the JDF through the Operational Support Hub in Kingston, as military engagement on the ground continues to scales down.



EARLY RECOVERY

- No new updates have been reported, the previous updates remain valid.



EMERGENCY SHELTER

- Household and satellite-based damage assessments are ongoing across affected communities, accompanied by continued distribution of non-food items.
- A small number of displaced persons remain in formal shelters. Schools are reopening where possible, and many households are securing alternative accommodation.
- Shelter partners are supporting debris removal and temporary roof repairs, while collaborating with the Jamaica Association of Engineers, academic institutions, humanitarian partners, and the government to finalize a comprehensive Shelter Recovery Strategy.
- For households whose homes were destroyed or located in high-risk areas, medium to long-term recovery solutions are being explored, including community-driven self-recovery, prefabricated housing units, and relocation where necessary.
- An environmental screening will guide upcoming humanitarian shelter interventions.
- Preliminary assessments indicate that about 45% of homes assessed to date has sustained severe damage.

Updates from Impacted Participating State



EMERGENCY TELECOMS

- Connectivity has been restored and expanded to sixty-four (64) sites, benefiting approximately twenty-five thousand (25,000) people.
- Key hospitals and schools, such as Balaclava, have been successfully connected.
- Plans are in progress to establish connectivity at the Barbados Field Hospital site in Savannah La-Mar.
- Efforts are transitioning towards a longer-term national connectivity strategy, developed in collaboration with relevant government agencies and partners.
- The Vodafone Foundation and Cisco Crisis Response have concluded their missions, while Ericsson remains on the ground to continue support.
- The SpaceX Starlink service has been tentatively extended through December, pending formal confirmation.
- Connectivity gaps persist in rural and inland communities where terrain and access constraints continue to pose challenges.



HEALTH

- No new updates have been reported, the previous updates remain valid.



PRIVATE SECTOR

- Meetings have been convened between the agricultural sector, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Caribbean Private Sector Organization (CPSO) and CDEMA to discuss the repurposing of funds to support agricultural recovery, including fisheries and farmers.
- Logistical obstacles in market access, particularly transportation and distribution, have been identified as a priority concern.
- The private sector continues to provide weekly updates and is actively engaged in the coordination efforts.
- Preparations are underway to collaborate with United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) to develop broader early recovery strategies, including debris removal and cash-for-work initiatives.



PROTECTION

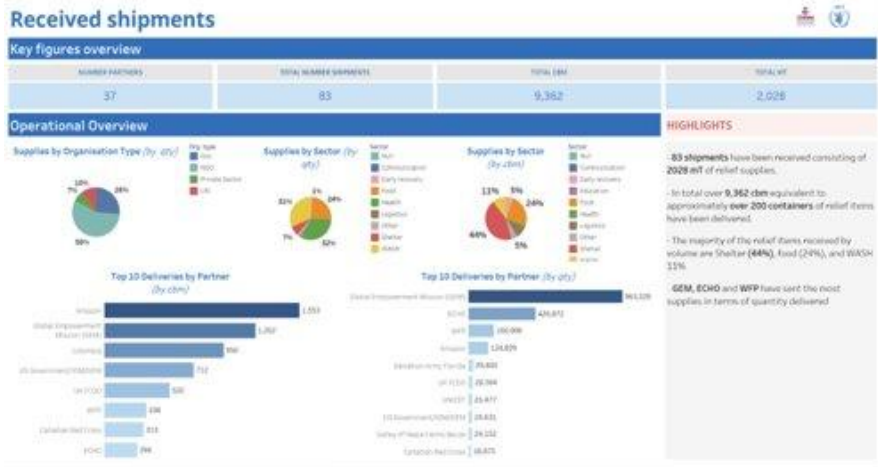
- Resources are being mobilized to support early recovery, with emphasis on GBV and child protection needs.
- The Protection subgroup met on November 14th and 21st, the Child Protection subgroup met on November 24th coordinated by UNICEF and government partners.
- Increasing GBV response needs have expanded subgroup activities, with ongoing mapping of services and psychosocial support.
- The Child Protection Working Group convenes weekly on Mondays at 11 a.m.
- Coverage gaps remain in Hanover and Trelawney, and work continues to identify solutions and clarify GBV referral pathways.

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RELIEF & LOGISTICS

- A summary of shipments received in Jamaica as at, November 23rd, 2025, is represented below:



- A site visit conducted on November 21st, 2025, identified gaps in visibility and accountability within the downstream supply chain.
- The CDEMA Logistics System (CLS) has been adopted to enhance tracking and management of relief supplied.
- CLS training is ongoing for the Jamaican Defence Force staff at the major national warehouses.

- Collaborative mapping of the downstream supply chain was conducted, and the schematic was presented to the NEOC and sector meetings.
- A total of eight (8) air rotations (75 MT) and five (5) sea shipments (600 MT) were transported from Barbados to Jamaica, delivering six hundred and seventy-five (675) MT in total.
- Support was provided to forty-four (44) partners and agencies, including coordination, information sharing, and common services.



WASH

- No new updates have been reported, the previous updates remain valid.

Donations and Pledges Made By Countries/Partners - As at 5:00 p.m. November 25th, 2025

Donor Country / Organization	Summary of Donations & Pledges	Destination
Anguilla	USD \$10,000 financial contribution; 200 lbs of relief supplies (tarpaulins, buckets, shelter kits); Additional Government pledge of XCD \$500,000; Public collection of water and sanitation items ongoing.	Jamaica
Bahamas	The Government of The Bahamas has pledged up to USD \$2,000,000 in combined financial, in-kind, and relief support toward Jamaica's recovery following Hurricane Melissa. The support package includes significant quantities of relief supplies as well as specialized assets such as a disaster container city, a field kitchen, a trailer head, and a crane. Additional capabilities, including potable water and ice production, are also being provided through the Royal Bahamas Defence Force (RBDF) vessel assigned to the mission.	Jamaica
Barbados	Shipment of eight (8) 20-ft containers containing: 1,219 heavy-duty tarpaulins, 1,300 cots, 50 generators, 4 chainsaws, food items, hygiene supplies, toiletries, linens. Six containers already dispatched; two more scheduled for Nov 19. Estimated total value: USD \$535,209.08.	Jamaica
Belize	Financial pledge of US\$200,000 each to the Governments of Jamaica and Cuba to support immediate humanitarian relief following Hurricane Melissa. Additional relief supplies (hygiene items, canned foods, and cash) were dispatched to Belizean students in both countries.	Jamaica, Cuba
Canada	Approx. USD \$7.87M total humanitarian support, including: USD \$3.21M to WFP (food/logistics for Jamaica & Cuba); USD \$1.07M to Canadian Red Cross; USD \$1.07M to CARE Canada; USD \$714k to PAHO (healthcare in Jamaica); USD \$714k in relief items/medical kits via CRC; USD \$500k to MSF; USD \$250k each to Plan Canada & CLWR (Haiti); USD \$93k for deployment of humanitarian experts (CANADEM/CRC).	Jamaica, Cuba, Haiti
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)	USD \$50,000 provided to support the deployment of emergency response teams under the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM).	CDEMA RRM
CARICOM Development Fund (CDF)	The CDF has contributed USD \$300,000 to facilitate the deployment of emergency response teams under the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM), supporting coordinated regional assistance during Hurricane Melissa. In addition, the Fund has provided a further USD \$500,000 to bolster debris removal operations, helping accelerate national clean-up efforts, restore access routes, and improve conditions for ongoing relief and early recovery activities.	CDEMA RRM
Cayman Islands	USD \$1.2M financial contribution; mattresses, generators, tarps, fuel cans, first aid kits, consumables; USD \$21,025 in medical supplies; USD \$11,000 raised through HSA staff + USD \$10,000 from First Baptist Church; medical supplies from Health City & JDW; MREs; all shipments coordinated through NEOC Human Concerns Cluster with Cayman Airways support.	Jamaica
European Union (EU – ECHO, UCPM & Member States)	Over EUR 18M in combined humanitarian and early recovery support. Includes EUR 7.25M via ECHO (Jamaica EUR 2.8M; Cuba EUR 3.45M; Haiti EUR 1M); EU Humanitarian Air Bridge delivering 149 tons of relief items; UCPM assistance from six Member States providing WASH, shelter, PPE, energy items and an EMT Type 2 field hospital; 340 tons of relief goods transported by French & Dutch forces; private-sector aid including 50 tons of airlifted cargo (DHL) and 55 satellite links	Haiti, Jamaica, Cuba
Grenada	The Government of Grenada plans on sending 150 double sized mattresses and 10 generators to Jamaica.	Jamaica
Guyana (CDC)	Tarpaulins, chainsaws, and generators supported through private sector contributions (approx. USD \$101,000).	Jamaica
Japan (JICA)	Emergency relief items including tents, sleeping pads, portable jerry cans.	Jamaica
Saint Kitts & Nevis	Saint Kitts and Nevis has pledged a financial contribution US\$100,000 to support the Government and people of Jamaica in their recovery and rebuilding efforts.	Jamaica

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Switzerland (Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation – SDC)	Approx. USD \$462,000 humanitarian assistance: USD \$280k to IFRC (Cuba/Jamaica); USD \$182k to GiveDirectly for cash assistance in Jamaica; top-up support to water/DRR/cash projects in Haiti; deployment of Swiss Humanitarian Aid experts + 2.5 tons of water-treatment equipment to Cuba.	Jamaica, Haiti, Cuba
Trinidad & Tobago (ODPM)	Four (4) 40-ft containers shipped to Jamaica containing food, hygiene items, PPE, mattresses, tarps, linens, cleaning supplies, galvanized sheeting, generators, and non-perishables. Six (6) 40-ft containers approved for Haiti with food, hygiene, linens, and relief items; additional consignments arriving at port for dispatch.	Jamaica, Haiti
United Arab Emirates (UAE)	USD \$500,000 contribution through CDEMA to support most affected states.	Multi-country (via CDEMA CU)
United Kingdom (FCDO)	USD \$9.86M financial assistance; additional in-kind support such as shelter kits, solar lanterns, and hygiene kits; multiple relief shipments coordinated. Up to £375,000 (≈ USD \$492,763.12) provided to support CDEMA Emergency Response Teams, enhancing operational readiness and deployments across affected states.	Jamaica CDEMA RRM
United States of America (USA)	USD \$37.1M emergency package: Jamaica (USD \$22M), Haiti (USD \$11.6M), The Bahamas (USD \$500k), Cuba (USD \$3M). Covers food, WASH, shelter, emergency response, logistics, and life-saving assistance.	Jamaica, Haiti, Cuba, The Bahamas



WORLD BANK CATASTROPHE BOND TRIGGERED

100% payout of US \$150 million to JAMAICA

Following the devastation caused by Hurricane Melissa



THE WORLD BANK




CCRF TO MAKE RECORD PAYOUT TO JAMAICA

US \$70.8 MILLION (~J \$11.4 BILLION) 31/10/2025

US \$21.1 MILLION (~J \$3.4 BILLION) 06/11/2025

TOTAL PAYOUTS - US \$91.9 MILLION (~J \$14.8 BILLION)




Summary

- Thanks are extended to all RRM partners for their continued support to national and regional preparedness, response, and recovery efforts.
- CDEMA and RRM partners remain actively engaged in supporting the relief and recovery operations in the affected Participating States and will continue to provide updates as the situation evolves.

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