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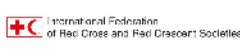
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Main Points Group Discussion: Achievements, Challenges Priorities

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Achievements

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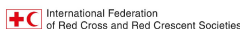


Global Alliance for Disaster Risk Reduction & Resilience in the Education Sector

Challenges

- Early childhood and special education institutions are not part of DRR efforts
- Financial and human resource constraints (e.g. lack of a school safety officer)
- Security of school compounds
- The location of schools is less than optimum
- Schools are used as shelters
- Ministry of Education is not responsible for building maintenance
- Adherence to building codes
- Capacity building for communities, and line personnel (including in shelter management, DRR and DRM)
- Climate change
- Lack of psychosocial services

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Priorities for the group per pillar

Safe Learning Facilities

- Relocate and retrofit schools
- Assessment of physical condition of schools
- School maintenance policy and harmonised approach to implementing this policy
- Certify schools which can be used as shelters

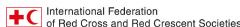
School Disaster Management

- school safety plan (draft, drills and implementation) in all schools
- Short time frame for a return to normalcy
- Contextualisation of 'safe schools'
- The implementation of psychosocial strategies following disasters

Risk Reduction and Resilience Education

- Strategy to infuse DRR and DRM in school curriculum
- Capacity training for line personnel so they can assess schools and draft and implement DRR policies
- Climate change

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