

Dominican cities getting ready









Key achievements

- Institutional linkages and advocacy:
- 1.1 Developing and implementation of advocacy at government level: Well advanced. Final KAP survey (government), Caribbean seismic risk conference, completion of seismic study and a regional forum (Higuamo) to be completed.
- 1.2 Capacity building of local government actors and structures with training, tools, plans, equipment and simulations:

50% completed. Local government offices are mobilised, training via local Universities from September. S&R training to national response system in September. National authorities fully trained (diploma). Country document – lead by UNISDR. Sphere – lead by UNDP.

1.3 Equipping of municipal DRR units, CMPMRs and CPPMR: Equipment tender launched.





Key achievements

- Information, education & communication:

2.1 Development of IEC materials:

Almost completed. Final KAP survey (community) to be completed.

2.2 Preparation for mass communication:

Completed. VCA, child DRR summer camps, training of adult and child community campaigners and training of journalists all completed.

2.3 Mass communication:

Ongoing until end of project. House-to-house visits by community campaigners ongoing; child-to-child awareness-raising ongoing. Community-developed advocacy videos in their final stages, public exhibition in September. International Disaster Reduction Day – pending.





Key achievements

- Local disaster management components:

3.1 Community DRR training:

Almost completed in Barahona. Training from August to October in San Pedro. School-level work due when academic year resumes.

3.2 Planning and simulations for communities:

Advanced. Community risk maps combined with seismic study (see R1). School risk map sketches developed, being digitised. To be validated when academic year resumes. Plans completed but not yet typed up.

3.3 Rehabilitation of shelters and equipping of communities:

About 50% completed. Final shortlist of shelters to be identified through seismic study. Rehab works from September to November. Community equipment tender launched. Radios – pending approval from Civil Defence for technical specification.





Key tools/procedures/initiatives - Institutional linkages and advocacy:

Develop film systematisation/guide of child-centred DRR:

Guide is in its final stages, then due for English subtitles. Plan hopes to launch the guide at the 2012 CDEMA conference.

Regional earthquake/tsunami simulations guide for national authorities:

Out to tender (proposals received). Guide to be developed and regional simulation run to test the guide.

Seismic risk analysis methodology:

Seismic study developed with support from Italian Civil Protection and geologists. Linked to contingency planning, local government, advocacy and local universities.





Key tools/procedures/initiatives- Information, education & communication:

Develop tools for child DRR campaigners: Training pack and tools developed.

Awareness-raising through public transport, cinema and media:

Art developed for the back windscreen of local buses. Placement negotiated with local transport unions (sometimes subject to the limits of local politics). Also combined with local cinema forums with DRR films (powerful where there is no cinema), TV spots and radio.

Where possible all tools to be shared through the website of the National Emergency Commission, being developed into a DRR community information hub under the project.











