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Real-Time Alerts

1. Green alert for Tropical Storm KIRRILY-09 affecting few people with hurricane strength winds (74mph or 119 km/h) in Indonesia.
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Overview

The Pacific Disaster Net is the - Virtual Centre of Excellence - for Disaster Risk Management in the Pacific Region. The Web Portal and Database System is designed to be the largest and most comprehensive information resource for Disaster Risk Management for the Pacific Island Countries.

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The new web portal for Disaster Risk Management (DRM) in the Pacific Region. Supporting Pacific Island Countries to develop and implement DRM National Action Plans and strengthen policies for DRR and DM, under the umbrella of the 'Pacific Disaster Risk Management Partnership Network'.

It is designed to be the largest collection and comprehensive resource to facilitate informed decisions on matters related to disaster risk management and of course to sustainable national development.

It is a living collection and growing DRM information resource for actors and stakeholders to research, collaborate and improve information and knowledge management. It also supports National Action Planning, decision making and provides in-country information for distribution throughout the region.

The Pacific Disaster Net is available to Pacific countries directly through the Internet and also on DVDs which will be frequently updated and distributed allowing a much wider outreach even into communities without Internet access.

PDN is being developed by a partnership between SOPAC, IFRC, UNDP and UNOCHA. These agencies are part of the larger Pacific Disaster Risk Management Partnership Network, assisting Pacific Island Countries to develop and implement National Action Plans for Disaster Risk Reduction and Disaster Management.

The Pacific Disaster Net hosts material and real-time information like:

- Alerts (live – from different sources)
- Events (already with more than 1100 events / disasters in the region)
- Reports, documents and publications
- Calendar with meeting- and training information
- Contacts
- Forum & message board
- Data inventories
- Maps
- Links
- Media / Audio-Visual files

For the future our plans are to engage directly with Pacific countries through missions to better explain the utility of the PDN to a range of potential in-country users and also to gather more data and information. Future plans also involve making alerts transferable through the PDN on mobile phones via SMS text messages and in addition we are also exploring the possibility of involving our youth more actively through the One Laptop Per Child project which was spearheaded by the Secretariat of the Pacific Community for the region.

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