





# NDMO PRESENTATION



National Disaster Risk Management Arrangement



## AIM

- To provide IM challenges and IM needs in Fiji based on lessons learned from 2009 Fiji Floods.



## SCOPE

- National Disaster Management Plan and Act
- National Disaster Management Structure
- National Disaster Management Office
- Government Challenges and lessons learned from 2009 Fiji Floods.
- Way Forward.



## NDM PLAN 1995

- In 1989 the Government of Fiji decided that disaster issue to be addressed in its totality i.e. prevention, mitigation, preparedness, emergency response, relief and rehabilitation
- In 1990 the EMSEC Unit was improved and upgraded following the UN Security Council mandate to declare 1990 as the International Decade for Natural Disaster Management Reduction (IDNR)



## NDM PLAN 1995

- Accordingly in 1990, the Government decided to upgrade the operation of EMSEC and change its name to National Disaster Management Office (NDMO)



## WHY NDMP 1995

- The old EMSEC Manual that was adopted since 1979 was more towards reactive approach of managing disaster.
- Lacked of coordination among government agencies.
- There was no information sharing and coordination.
- Base line information was not available for emergency operations.



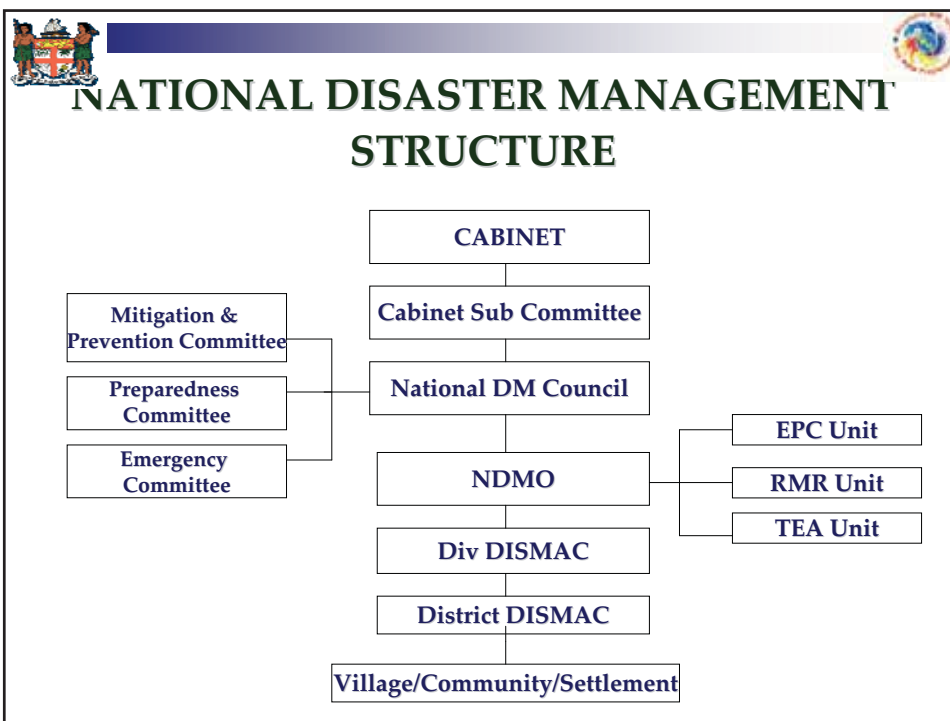
## AIM OF THE NDM PLAN

- The major aim of the Plan is to clearly outline the arrangements for control and coordination of all disaster related activities in Fiji . This will serve to :
  - Reduce the potential losses and other adverse effects of known natural hazards
  - Assure prompt and appropriate disaster assistance to disaster survivors when necessary (Relief)
  - Achieve rapid and durable recovery following any devastation event



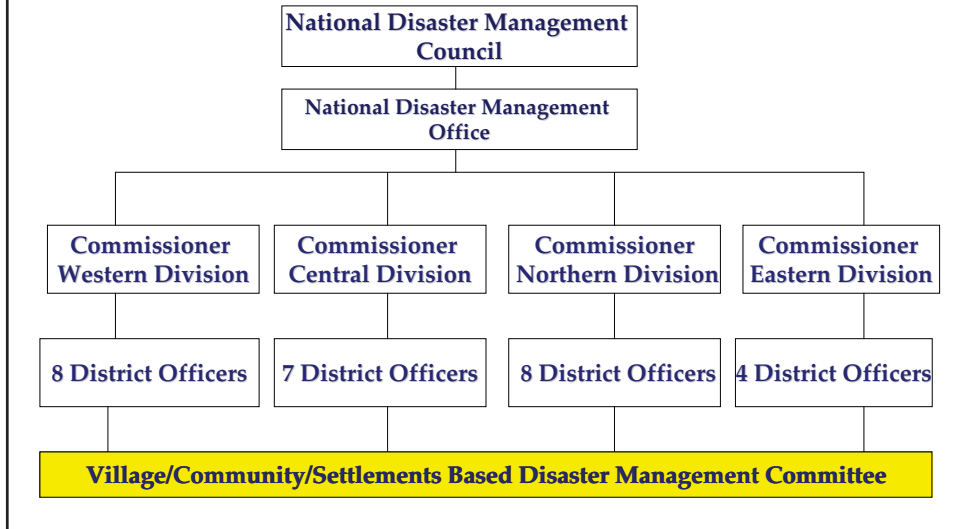
## OUTLINE OF THE NDM ACT 1998

- Part 1 - Preliminary
- Part 2 - Establishment of the NDMC
- Part 3 - Administration
- Part 4 - Emergency Operations
- Part 5 - Special Powers During Declaration of Natural Disaster
- Part 6 - Relief and Rehabilitation.
- Part 7 - Mitigation, Public Awareness & Training

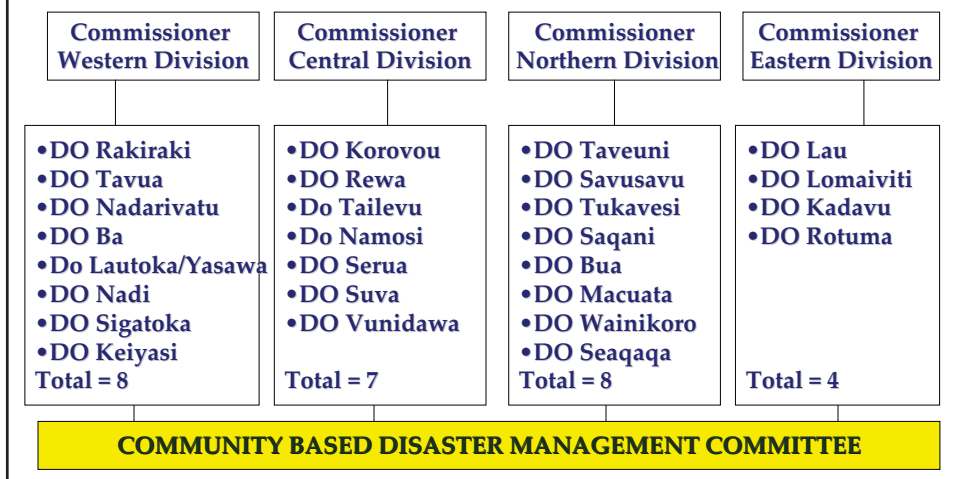




# NDRM OPERATIONAL ARRANGEMENT



# DIVISIONAL & DISTRICT LEVELS





## **NATIONAL DRM ARRANGEMENT**

- **National – whole Fiji Population**
- **4 Divisions**
- **27 Districts**
- **189 Tikina**
- **1171 Villages**
- **13 Municipalities**
- **Settlements**
  - **Legal – on lease and owned land**
  - **tenancy at will**



## **NDMO VISION**

**Safe and Secure Fiji**

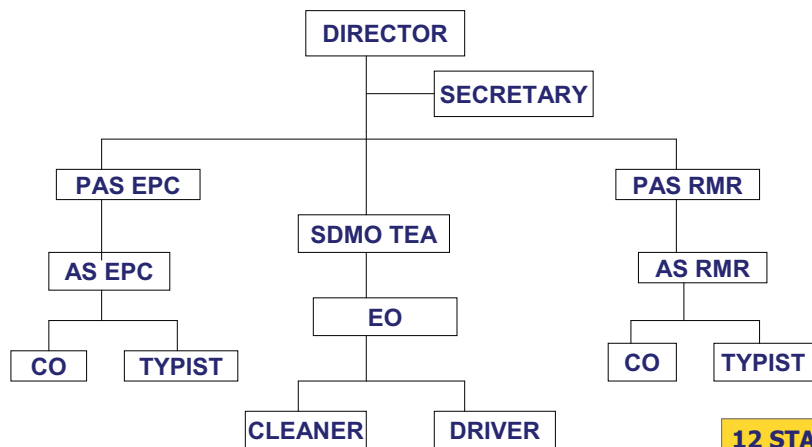


# NDMO MISSION

**Building the National Resilience to  
Disasters**



# NDMO ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE





## **NDMO FUNCTIONS & ROLES**

- **Implement policies laid down by the Council and Cabinet**
- **Advise National Disaster Controller, and the Council on disaster related matters**
- **Initiate formulation of policies for development of disaster management in the country**
- **Arrange council meeting and provide secretariat support and follow up**
- **Deal with disaster management issue at national level**



## **NDMO FUNCTIONS & ROLES**

- **Initiate and coordinate preparation of rehabilitation plans after national disaster**
- **Coordinate disaster management training, education and awareness**
- **Other functions required by council from time to time**



## **ROLES IMPLEMENTATION**

- **To enable the NDMO to accomplish these roles, the institution is divided up into three units:**
  1. Risk Management & Research
  2. Emergency Planning & Coordination
  3. Training, Education & Awareness



## **NDMO DRM PROGRAMS**

- **Ongoing training and awareness programs at all level**
- **Annual National Disaster Awareness Week Program**
- **Installation of Flood Early Warning System for major rivers e.g. Navua, Rewa, Sigatoka, Nadi and Ba**
- **Installation of Tsunami Early Warning System**



## NDMO DRM PROGRAMS

- UNCRD School Retrofit Project
- IT Development Program
- CHARM Development & Implementation
- Extension of DRM Structures to villages and settlement level (community)
- Development of Disaster Plans at all levels
- EOC Upgrading Project at all levels



## "WHOLE OF NATION APPROACH"



## KEY DRM PARTNER ORGS/AGENCIES

### WITHIN GOVERNMENT

- Ministry of Provincial Development machinery
- Ministry of Agriculture
- Ministry of Health
- Public Works Dept
- Fiji Military Forces
- Fiji Police Force
- Fiji Naval Division
- National Fire Authority
- Fiji Meteorological Services
- Other Govt. orgs when req'd

### PRIVATE SECTORS - *all*

### NON GOVT ORGS

- Fiji Red Cross Society
- St John Ambulance
- Fiji Council of Social Services
- AUSAID, NZAID, US Gov.
- SOPAC, SPC, SPREP
- UN Organisations - UNOCHA, UNDP, UNCRD, UNDESA
- International Red Cross
- EU, ADB, World Bank
- WHO, FAO
- Foreign Embassies and Missions
- International & Regional NGOs

## Government view on IM challenges and IM needs based on lessons learned from 2009 Fiji Floods.

- Government support the development of DIMS because of the following:
  1. Strengthen Management decision-making for disaster risk management.
  2. Capacity building for initial damage assessment.
  3. Develop baseline information for both disaster preparedness & response operations .

## Lessons learned from 2009 floods

- Need to Standardize Assessment Procedures-Policy, Guidelines, Assessment Forms & Training.
- Need for Information Management capacity and training
- Need development of Baseline Data-information on people.



## Lessons Learnt Jan 2009 Flood

- Need to develop a centralized and integrated national DRM database of all sectors.
- Mainstreaming of baseline data from National to Divisional and District levels.





## IM challenges and IM needs

- The project will strengthen pre-post disaster information management systems in Fiji through Multi-Stakeholder & Multi-Sectoral approach.
- Have relevant and timely and consistent baseline data available for disaster preparedness and response.
- Wide benefit of users of information (Disaster Risk Managers, Humanitarians workers, Decision makers in national & local govt, National Disaster Council members, heads of dept, Divisional Commissioners, regional, Red Cross, UN organizations & NGOS.
- Improved preparedness and the completion of a phased assessment strategy generate reliable, predictable and accurate information that can support decision making.


## Way Forward

- Integrated, multisectoral/stakeholder, all hazards whole of nation approach.
- Public – Private Partnership.
- Start of a new beginning

## End of Brief

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"May we all contribute to building a resilient Fiji Community ..."