DISASTER RECOVERY PLANNING (DRP) COMMITTEE

Presenter: Heather Wallen-Bryan
Date: January 26, 2015
Venue: Torarica Hotel, Paramaribo, Suriname
Activities of Committee (Past 6 months)

- Monthly Meetings (4)
- Drafted Disaster Recovery Policy
- Reviewed and shared standard format on Earthquake Response Procedure
- Reviewed impact of Emerging Health Risks within the Caribbean
- Drafted requirements for a Disaster Mutual Assistance Program for member Organizations
- Partnership established with the Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Association (CDEMA)
Draft Disaster Recovery Planning Policy requirements include:

* DRP planning focusing on mitigation, preparedness, response and rehabilitation
* Guarantee minimum downtime
* Compliance with National requirements
* Support of member organizations
* Developing of MOU’s with interested parties
* Promotion of DRP awareness and training
* Ensuring sound environmental practices
* Facilitating Government emergency messages
Meeting Agenda - Notes

• **Mutual Assistance Program Requirements –To include:**
  
  * Act in role as Facilitator/mediator during disaster recovery/rehabilitation efforts
  * Escalate list of Disaster Representatives within each organization.
  * List of Suppliers of goods and services to be documented and shared with CANTO
Meeting Agenda - Notes

- **Way Forward - next 6 months - 2015**
  - Seek Approval of DRP Policy (Posted on CANTO site for feedback)
  - Commence development of DRP App
  - Rebroadcast messages on early detection of disasters to member organizations
  - Develop guidelines for the management of electronic wastes
  - Recruit Disaster Management Specialists to committee
  - Share best practices on managing common disasters among member organizations
Thanks for listening...
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