

SIMULATION - EXERCISE ONLY

National Disaster Coordinator Briefing to IM team.

If possible ask the NDC coordinator if they would be free to read this out, otherwise one of the trainers can do it.

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. Thank you for attending this briefing. We've all been working very hard over the last six days since Hurricane Gemma hit. Several assessments have been completed and while the government has been conducting life saving activity and ensured our citizens are safe, we are particularly in need of bring more shelter, water, medicine and food. As well as the initial support we have had from international agencies and community organisations, we are identifying how we can be supported by CDEMA and our sister islands going forward.

To that end we have the Executive Director of CDEMA, Liz Riley coming to the office at lunch time and along with some High Commissioners from our sister islands I am going to be conducting a series of meetings to give them an overview of the situation, identify our needs and discuss appeals for funds and assistance.

For one of those meetings, I would like your team to give a twenty minute briefing scheduled for 2.30 . Please can you prepare a maps and other graphics package as a presentation for these VIPs that give the following,

1. An orientation of Barbados, its landscape and population
2. Some idea of our assets before the storm, in particular the critical infrastructure.
3. I think it would be useful for them to see the pre storm risk maps we have.
4. Show where the storm hit and try to show the impact the storm had in different parts of the islands - wind damage, storm surge and if possible other flooding. Any estimates of the population that were in those affected zones or at least their distribution across the islands, or number of buildings damaged would be useful.

5. You are aware of the assessments that were done using Kobo. I need to get you the information but I would like to see an analysis of those assessment to help show , even if only for one area, what the needs are.
6. I'd find it useful if we had a map where all the government departments, charities and community groups have been working - show me what you have.

I hope you have taken notes on this - I'll try and get this to you by email this morning if not.

I may have some additional requests which I will get to you this morning if possible

I won't have time to review the material so can your team please be ready to give that presentation and explain what each map or graphic shows to these VIPS.

Thank you again - I have to go and prepare for the other meetings but I shall see you here at 2.30 with our guests ready for the presentation.