Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Management in Government Institutions
Session 5.1 Guidelines and Requirements for Developing, Implementing and Monitoring National and Local DRR Strategies In the Context of UNDRR and SDG
Session Objectives

At the end of this session, participants should be able to:

• Discuss guidelines and requirement for developing, implementing and monitoring national and local DRR strategies
Outline

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• Defining DRR strategy and action plans
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What is the purpose of guidelines for national and local DRR strategies?

- To provide **practical guidance** on disaster risk reduction topics
- To offer **practical guidance** and **good practice examples** for aligning a national DRR strategy with the Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030
- To **substantially increase** the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies
Defining DRR strategy and action plans

- DRR strategies and policies aimed at preventing the creation of disaster risk, the reduction of existing risk and the strengthening of economic, social, health and environmental resilience.

- DRR strategies are planning tools that provide the vision and long-term perspective, identify goals and actions on an understanding of disaster risk and an evaluation of current DRR systems and capacities at country level.
Defining DRR strategy and action plans (i)

• A plan / action plan / roadmap / framework is a document that provides operational orientation for implementation of the strategy.

• An action plan defining priority actions, timeframes, budget and resources, roles and responsibility of various entities in delivering results, identifying indicators and modalities for review and monitoring progress.

• Examples – Comprehensive national DRR plan, as risk-sensitive development plan, as sector-specific plans, or addressing specific hazards.
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What are the principles for development of country's national DRR strategy?

• Establishing a strong **disaster risk governance system** to achieve long-term resilience

• Adopting a **multi-hazard approach**

• Promoting **inclusion and whole-of-society** approach

• Fostering **coherence**

• **Customizing approaches** to fit the country context

• **Building capacities** for developing and implementing a national DRR strategy
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Fundamental Blocks

Phase 1
Building understanding and evidence

Phase 2
Designing the strategy and action plan

Phase 3
Preparing for implementation
How to develop a national DRR strategies?

*Phase 1: Building Understanding and Evidence*

1. Understand the DRR context
2. Define the high level objectives and vision
3. Define the most appropriate multisectoral institutional mechanism
4. Evaluate the availability of financial resources
5. Design the work plan
6. Communicate to stakeholders
How to develop a national DRR strategies?

Phase 2: Designing the strategy and action plan (i)

Putting together all into a Draft Strategy
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Phase 3: Preparing for implementation

1. Secure and activate funding sources
2. Mobilize partnerships
3. Create monitoring, evaluation and reporting mechanisms
How to develop a national DRR strategies?

Global guideline – Word into Action

• **6 Key principles** for developing national DRR strategies

• **10 Key elements** for alignment of strategy with SFDRR

• **10 Steps** for developing national DRR strategies

Source: UNDRR (2019)
https://www.undrr.org/developing-national-disaster-risk-reduction-strategies
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What is the relevance of local level in DRR?

- Impacts of disasters are **immediate with high intensity**
- Hazards usually occur **locally**
- Governments and communities can best **engage with each other and work together**
- **Feedback and adjustments** can be adopted and implemented more quickly
- **Local DRR goes hand-in-hand** with promotion local development management
What is the local DRR and resilience strategy?

- A local disaster risk reduction and resilience strategy is the planning tool to integrate and mainstream a DRR approach within local development.
- It has different timescales, with targets, indicators and time frames.
- It aims preventing the creation of risk and reducing existing risk.
What is the local DRR and resilience strategy? (I)

• It also aims at **strengthening** economic, social, health and environmental **resilience**

• Addresses the recommendations of **all priorities of SFDRR**

• Promote **policy coherence** relevant to DRR, such as SDGs, Paris Agreement

• Have mechanism to **follow-up, periodically assess** and publicly **report on progress**
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4 key areas

1. Organizing for DRR and resilience
2. Knowing and understanding current and future risks
3. Having financial resources to be able to plan and act
4. Monitoring and learning
How to develop or adjust local DRR and resilience strategies

Sub-key areas

1. Organizing for DRR and resilience

- Organizational structure
- Written laws, regulations, codes
- Mainstreaming DRR across sectors and actor
- Building capacities
- Horizontal and vertical coordination
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Key questions

• How we organize for DRR and resilience?
• Who’s who?
• Who does what in the DRR process?
• How do we incorporate DRR into the everyday practices of local actors?
• How do we create a shared vision and understanding of DRR to gain support from most - if not all – local actors as part of the process?
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Sub-key areas

- Knowing and understanding current and future risks
- Risk Appraisal
- Risk Communication
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Sub-key areas

3. Having financial resources to be able to plan and act

- Make the case for financing DRM locally
- Agree on what should be financed
- Identify existing and potential sources of funding
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Sub-key areas

- Define, in a participatory manner, short, medium and long-term goals
- Include a timeline with outputs and milestones
- Identify or develop a set of indicators and establish benchmarks
- Monitor progress over time to gauge how the strategy is fulfilling the vision
- Adjust the strategy as necessary; goals can be revised and adjusted

Monitoring and learning
How to develop or adjust local DRR and resilience strategies?

Global guideline – Word into Action

• **10 key elements** for aligning DRR strategies with SFDRR

• **2 enabling factors** for local DRR and resilience strategies

• **3 key essentials** for development and adjustment of local disaster risk reduction and resilience strategies

Source: UNDRR (2019a)
https://www.preventionweb.net/files/57399_573999localdrrandresiliencestrategie.pdf
National DRR Strategy
of the Republic of Tajikistan for 2019-2030

- Approved by the GoRT on December 2018
- Based on the NDRMS 2010-2015
- Builds on priorities of Sendai Framework 2015-2030 and the SDG
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4 Objectives:

1. Reduce the number of deaths, persons affected and material damage caused by natural disasters as compared to the period 2005-2015.

1. Ensure that all stakeholders have access to disaster risk information.

1. Mainstream DRM into development process.

1. Improve disaster preparedness and response mechanisms.
Questions for Discussion and Reflection:

1. Which among the four objectives you feel we need to put extra effort on? Why?

1. What are the challenges faced in realizing the objectives?

1. What do you think are the strategies and activities that need to be done or institutionalized to address these challenges (and help realize the objectives?)
Three key stages:

- Stage 1, covering the period of 2019-2022;
- Stage 2, covering the period of 2023-2026;
- Stage 3, covering the period of 2027-2030.

Disaster management in Tajikistan takes place through a formal Unified State System on the Prevention and Liquidation of Emergency Situations *(the Unified System)* coordinated by Commissions of Emergency Situations at the national, provincial, city, district, jamoat and organizational levels.
• Approved by the GoRT on October 2018

• 4 priority sectors vulnerable to climate change:
  i)  Energy
  ii)  Water resources
  iii) Transportation
  iv)  Agriculture
CoES Development Program for the period 2018-2020

Approved by the GoRT resolution (May 2018)

Entails two-stage implementation

- Stage 1, covering the period of 2018-2020
- Stage 2, covering the period of 2021-2022
References


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