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Kenya

Disaster Risk Management and Financial Resilience in Kenya

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Country Context

What impacts us

Key Perils

- Droughts
- Floods
- Disease Outbreaks and Pandemics
- Desert Locust Invasion

What are we currently doing

Current DRF Program / Strategy

- Strengthening legislative frameworks relating to disaster risk management
- Mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation into national planning and budgeting
- Development of a financing framework for efficient and effective disaster risk management in the country
- Reviewing and updating Kenya's Disaster Risk Financing Strategy
- Implementing Livestock and Crop Insurance in Kenya

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DRF Program Deep Dive

Program Overview

The Government of the Republic of Kenya is committed to strengthening the policy and legal framework on matters relating to disaster risk management. Specifically, the Government of the Republic of Kenya is committed to:

- Fast tracking the enactment of the Disaster Risk Management Bill which is currently in Parliament;
- Mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation into national planning and budgeting and into Government reporting systems;
- Developing the Public Finance Management (Disaster Risk Management Fund) Regulations that seeks to establish a proposed fund for efficient and effective resource mobilization for disaster risk management in the country;
- Reviewing and updating the Disaster Risk Financing Strategy and to broaden it into a Financing Framework for Disaster Risk Management which will cover investments options for Disaster Risk Reduction as well as management of residual risks;
- Implementing Kenya's Agriculture Insurance Policy by upscaling Livestock and Crop Insurance

Key Impacts

- Protection of vulnerable lives and livelihoods from the impacts of disaster shocks
- Enhanced economic resilience to the impacts of disaster shocks
- Protection of development agenda and goals

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Challenges and Way Ahead

Key challenges?

- Lack of coordination among key players in disaster risk management
- Lack of awareness on the role of key players in disaster risk management
- Limited financial resources, technical expertise and technology that are required in implementation of Disaster Risk Management priorities

Opportunities

- Strengthening legal and institutional frameworks that provide enabling environment for coordination of key players in disaster risk management
- Capacity building and awareness creation of the roles of the key players in disaster risk management
- Partnerships and collaboration in developing transformative disaster risk management programmes

Where do you see the DRF program in next 5 years?

The DRF Program will continue to grow and provide countries, including Kenya, with the necessary strategic guidance and innovative solutions on how to handle disasters, before, during and after they occur.

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What can private sector do?

Asks from Private Sector

- Partnerships and collaboration in developing transformative Disaster Risk Management Programmes
- Collaboration in capacity building and sensitization fora regarding roles of key players in disaster risk management
- Collaboration in the provision of technical expertise, financial resources as well as technology transfer to support disaster risk management priorities.