



# NERT Establishment; DRM Arrangement and Key Drivers

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# Hazard Overview



## HYDRO-METEOROLOGICAL

- Cyclone
- Storm Wind
- Heavy Rain
- Flood
- Storm Surge
- LandSlide

## GEOLOGICAL/GEOPHYSICAL

- Earthquake
- Tsunami
- Volcanic eruption
- Landslide

## BIOLOGICAL

- Epidemic and/or outbreak of contagious disease
- Unknown disease outbreak
- Epidemic

## HUMAN-INDUCED/TECHNOLOGICAL

- Environmental contamination
- Oil Spill
- Chemical leak
- Big Industrial fire
- Major traffic accident
- Cruise ship accident
- CO2 emission
- Electrical shock
- Forest fire

## CLIMATOLOGICAL

- Rising Temperature

## POLITICAL

(Excluded in the NDRRP)

- Civil unrest
- Terrorism
- War



- Natural Hazard
- Non-Natural Hazard

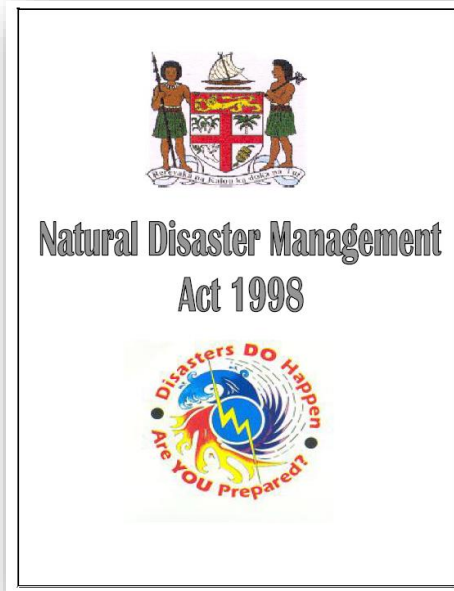
# HAZARD

Hazard grouping according to NDRRP





# Disaster Management Legal Framework and Policies



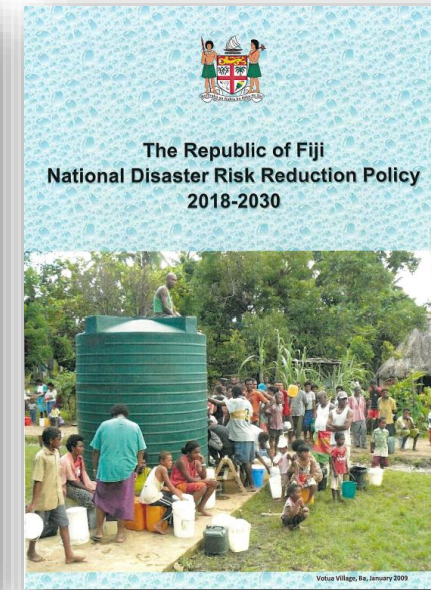
*The Natural Disaster Management Act, 1998*



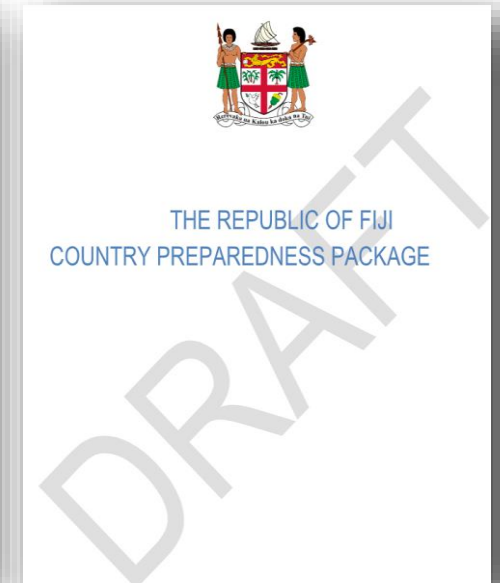
*National Disaster Management Plan, 1995*



*The National Humanitarian Policy for Disaster Risk Management, 2017*



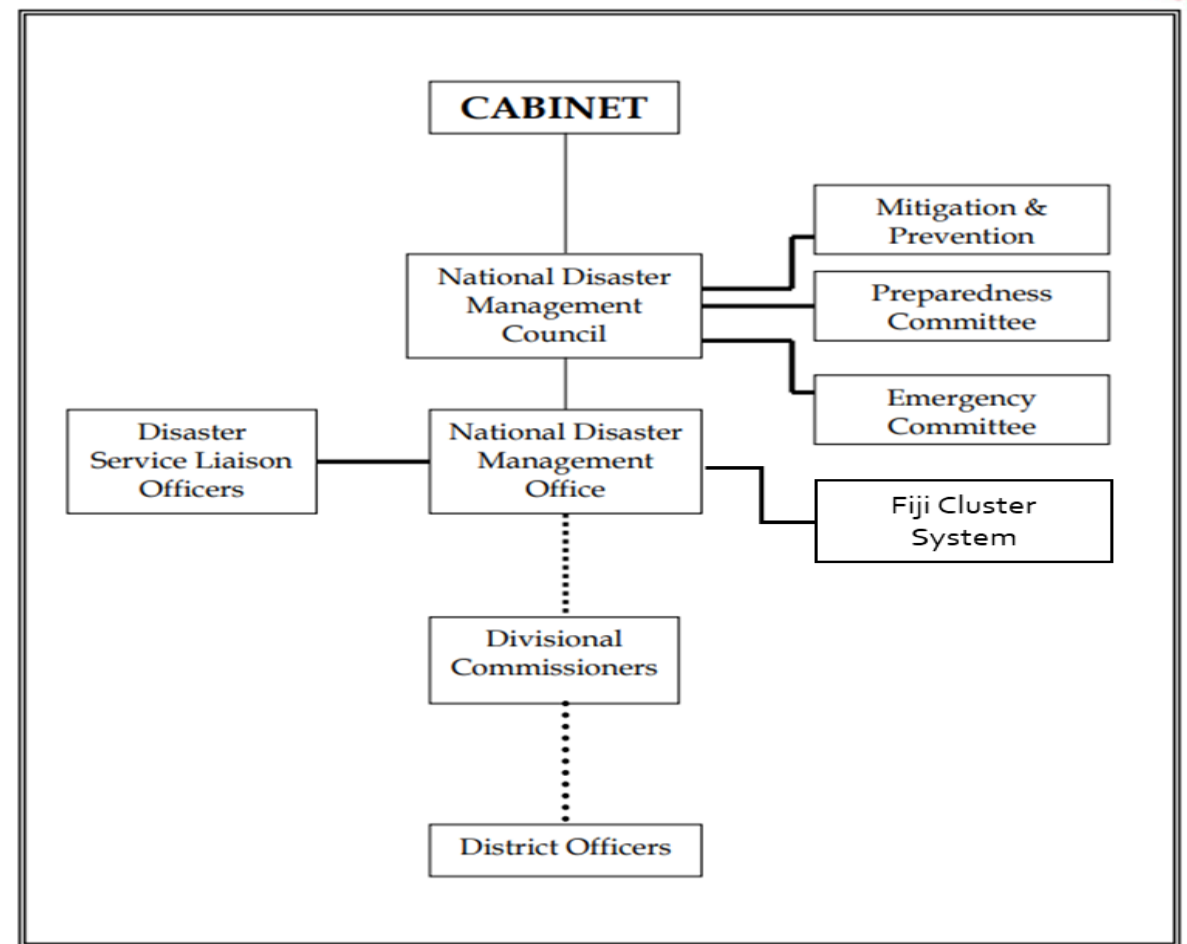
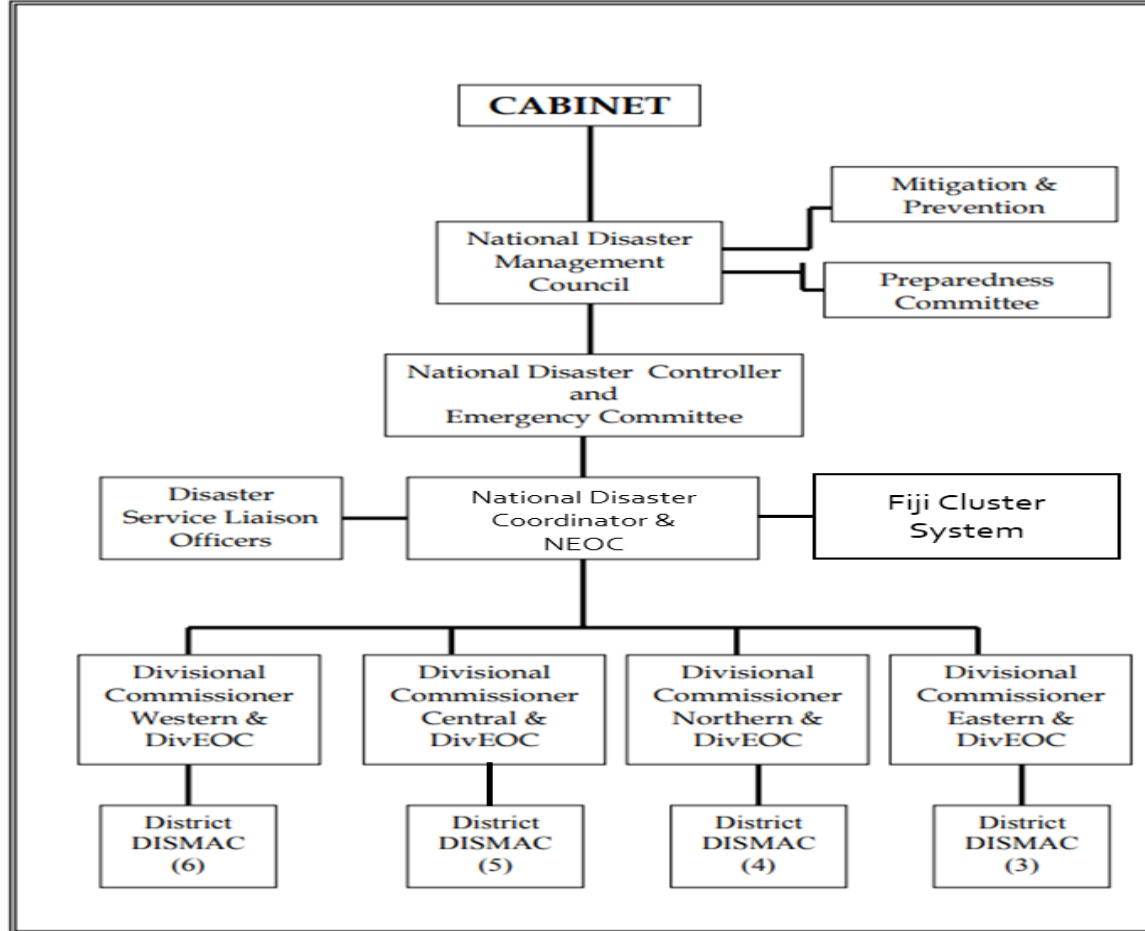
*The National Disaster Risk Reduction Policy (NDRRP), 2018-2030*



*Country Preparedness Package (CPP) - DRAFT*



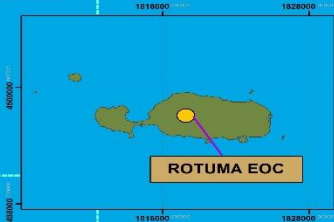
# Permanent Bodies in Disaster Management Work



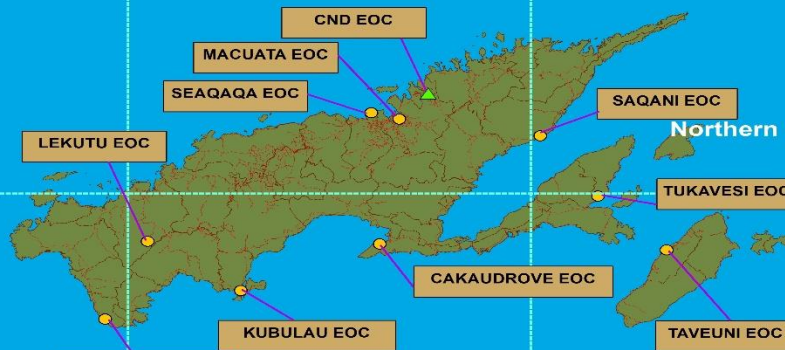




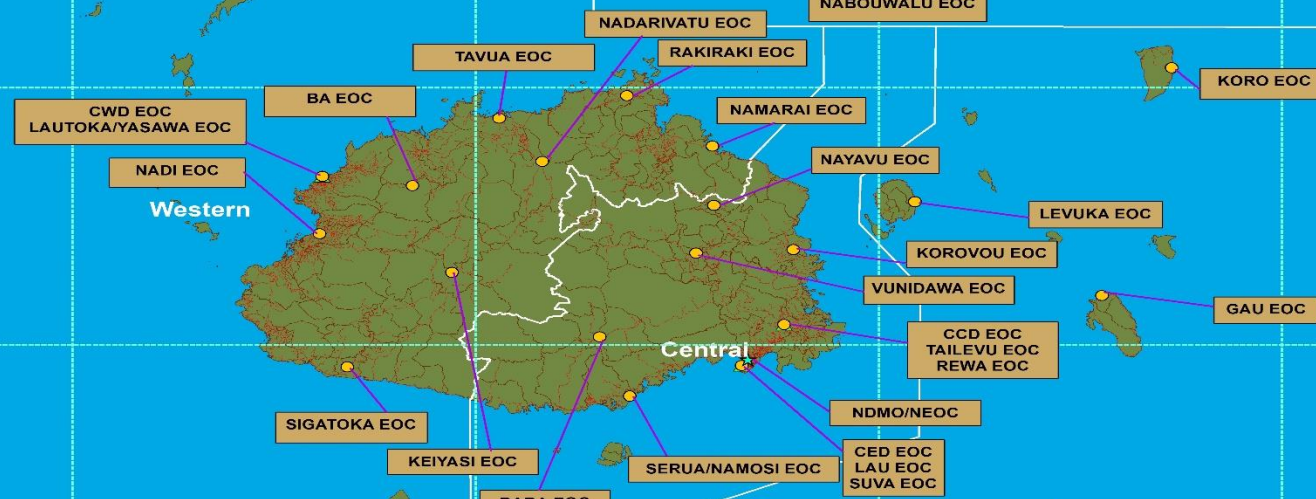
# FIJI EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTERS



ROTUMA EOC



Northern



Western

Central

Eastern

**TOTAL  
DISTRICT EOCs**  
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**33**

**TOTAL  
DIVISIONAL EOCs**  
-----  
**4**

**TOTAL  
NATIONAL EOCs**  
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**1**

**SUMMARY**  
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**TOTAL EOCs : 38**



# TSUNAMI SIRENS LOCATION MAP





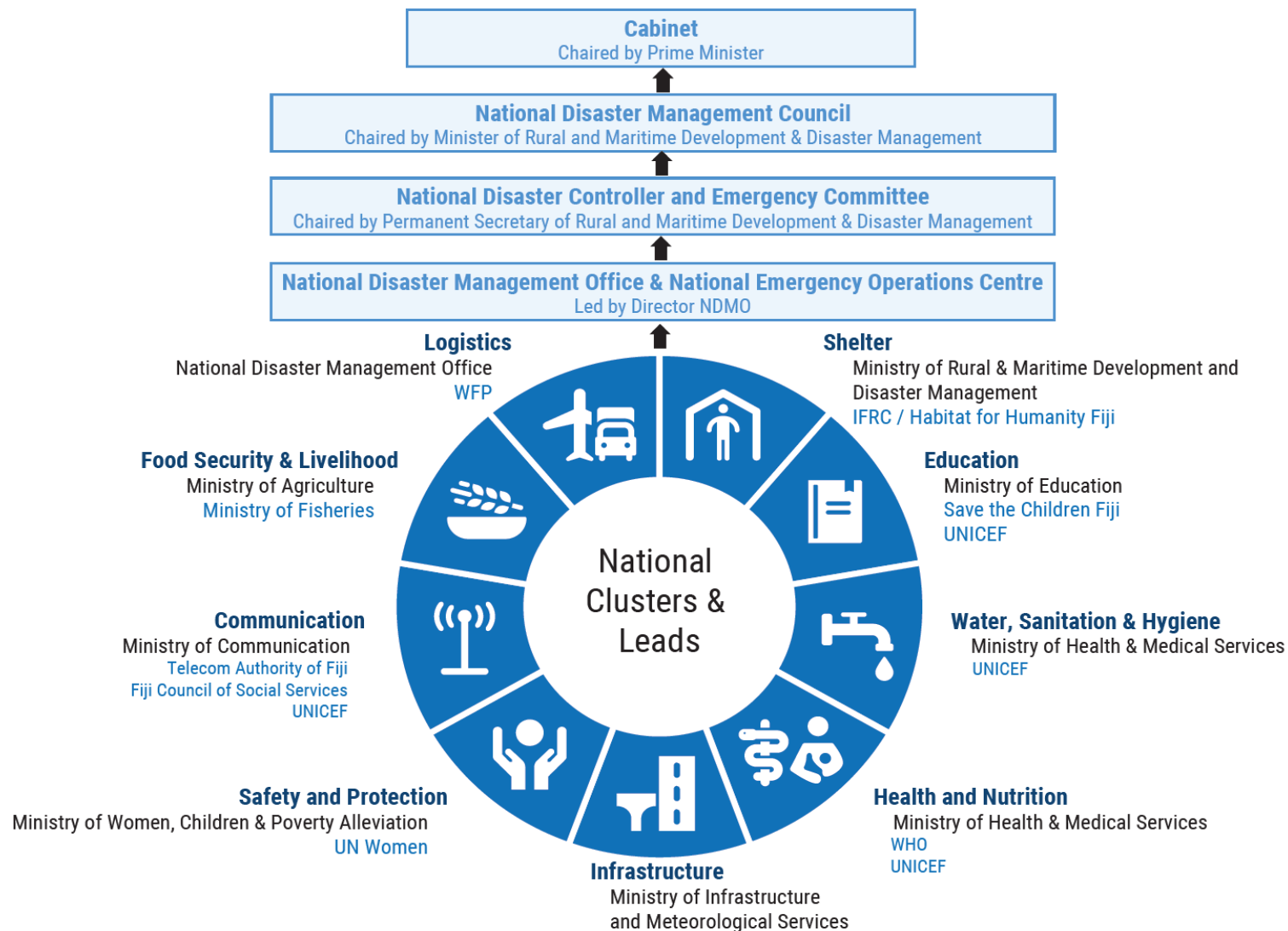
# Prepositioning NFIs and Assets in National & Divisional Warehouses



# Fiji Cluster System



- National Cluster
- National Lead Ministry
- Cluster Co-lead





# National Emergency Response Team (NERT) Mechanism: Purpose & Core Function



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Provide surge capacity to the  
NEOC and Sub-National  
Government in  
Managing/Conducting Response  
Operations

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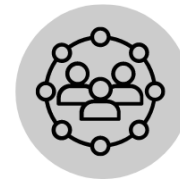
Mechanism for the  
government to provide  
humanitarian assistance  
overseas



Assessment & Analysis



Response Planning



Coordination



Facilitation of relief  
assistance





# NERT Establishment: Learning from Fiji's Past Deployment



2015



**TC Pam – Vanuatu**

- Infrastructure Rehabilitation
- Medical Assistance (FEMAT)
- Provision of Relief Items

2021



**Bush Fire - Australia**

- Rebuilding activities

2022



**Volcano Eruption – Tonga**

- Provision of Relief Items

2023



**TC Judy & Kevin – Vanuatu**

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- Medical Assistance (FEMAT)
- Provision of Relief Items

2023

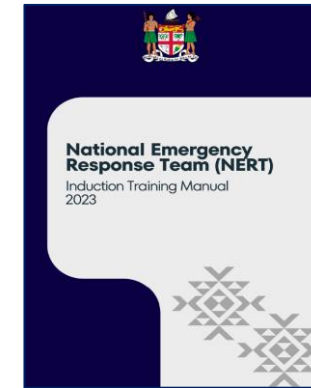
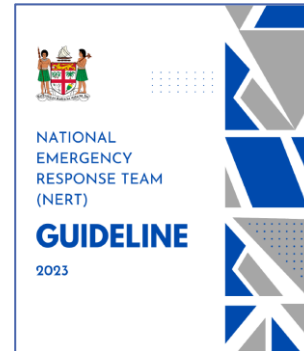


**TC Gabriele – New Zealand**

- Surge Capacity to EOC (Planning, Information Management & Operations)



# NERT Establishment Process - 2023



- Competency Mapping
- 1<sup>st</sup> Technical Working Group (TWG) Meeting

- NERT Guideline Development
- Cabinet Approval

- Facilitator Sub-Group meetings
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Training Management Team Meeting

Jan

Feb

March

April

May

June

July

Review past deployments and benchmarking with similar mechanisms

- 2<sup>nd</sup> TWG Meeting
- Training Needs Assessment

- Training Manual Development
- 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Training Management Team Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> NERT Induction Training



UNDAC



ASEAN-ERAT



IFRC



Japan DRT



US FEMA



NERT Solomon Islands



# National Emergency Response Team Members



37 From 19  
Members Agency

No	Agency	#
1	Airports Fiji Limited	1
2	Fiji Police Force	1
3	Mineral Resources Department	2
4	Ministry Civil Service	1
5	Ministry of Agriculture & Waterways	1
6	Ministry of Education	2
7	Ministry of Finance	2
8	Ministry of Fisheries	1
9	Ministry of Forestry	1
10	Ministry of Health and Medical Services	2
11	Ministry of Home Affairs and Immigration	1
12	ministry of iTaukei Affairs	2
13	Ministry of Local Government	1
14	Ministry of Public Works , Meteorological Services & Transport	2
15	Ministry of Rural and Maritime Development and National Disaster Management	13
16	Ministry of Women, Children and Poverty Alleviation	1
17	National Fire Authority	1
18	Republic of Fiji Military Force	1
19	Republic of Fiji Navy	1
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>37</b>





# Testing NERT and National Emergency Response Mechanism National Disaster Awareness Campaign

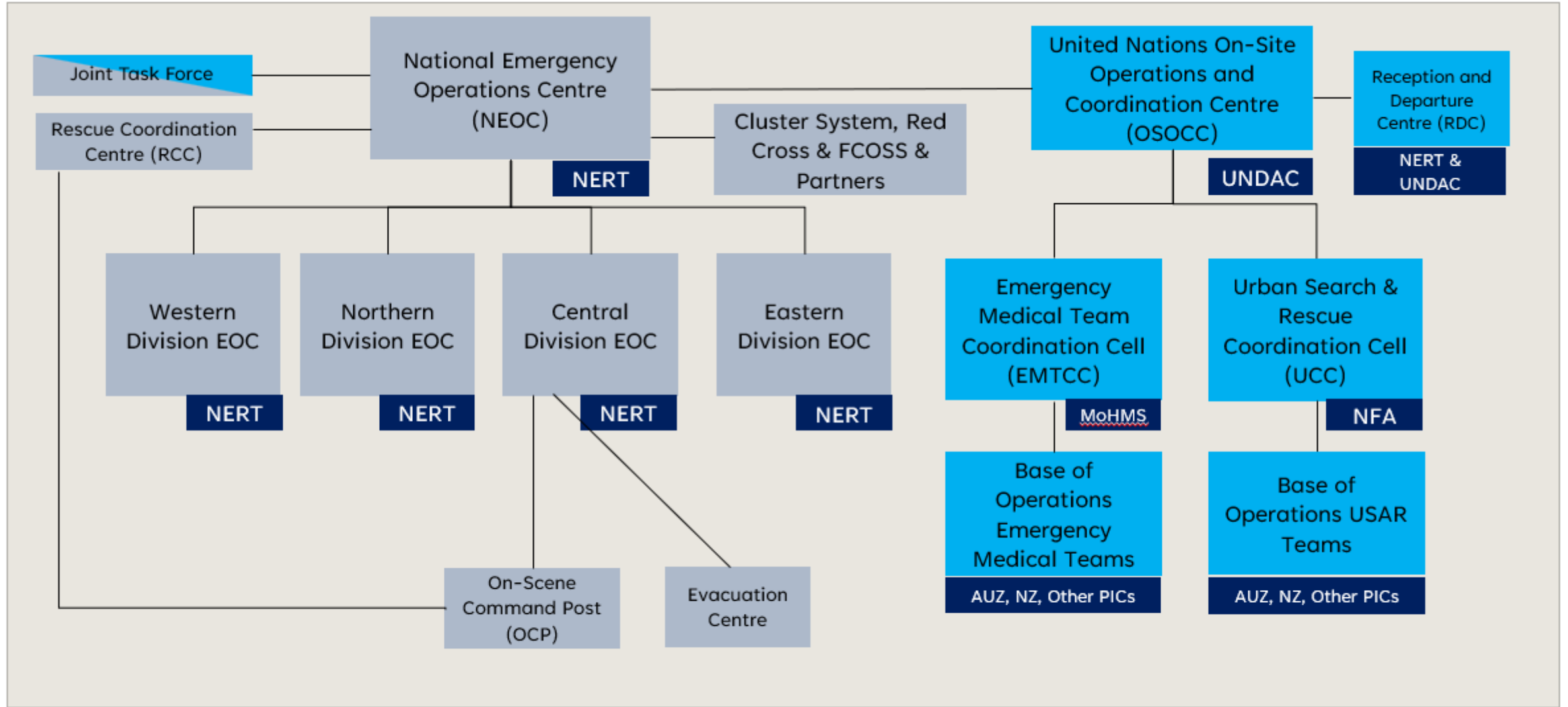


Event	F	M	Grand Total
Tsunami Drill	710	904	1614
Command Post & Field Simulation Exercises	58	132	190
DRR Exhibition	240	200	440
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1008</b>	<b>1236</b>	<b>2244</b>

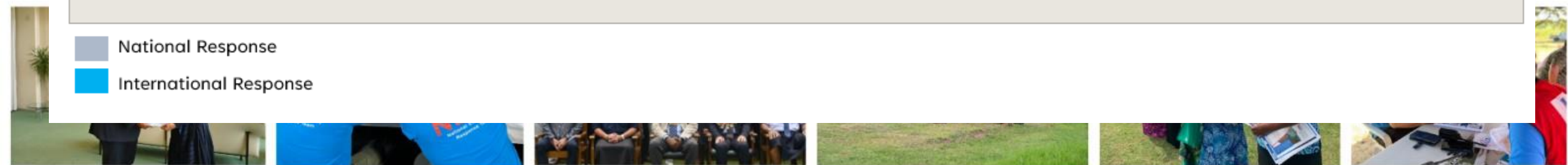
- **International Participants (10 Countries):** Australia, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Kiribati, Nauru, New Zealand, Palau, Tuvalu, Papua New Guinea, Samoa
- **International Organisation:** UN Agencies, IFRC, ACMC, CFE-DM







National Response  
 International Response



# Key Drivers

- Legal framework, plans, and policies are in place and reviewed.
- Leaders' strong commitment and support.
- Stakeholders and partners' strong collaboration and support.
- Sustainable capacity building.

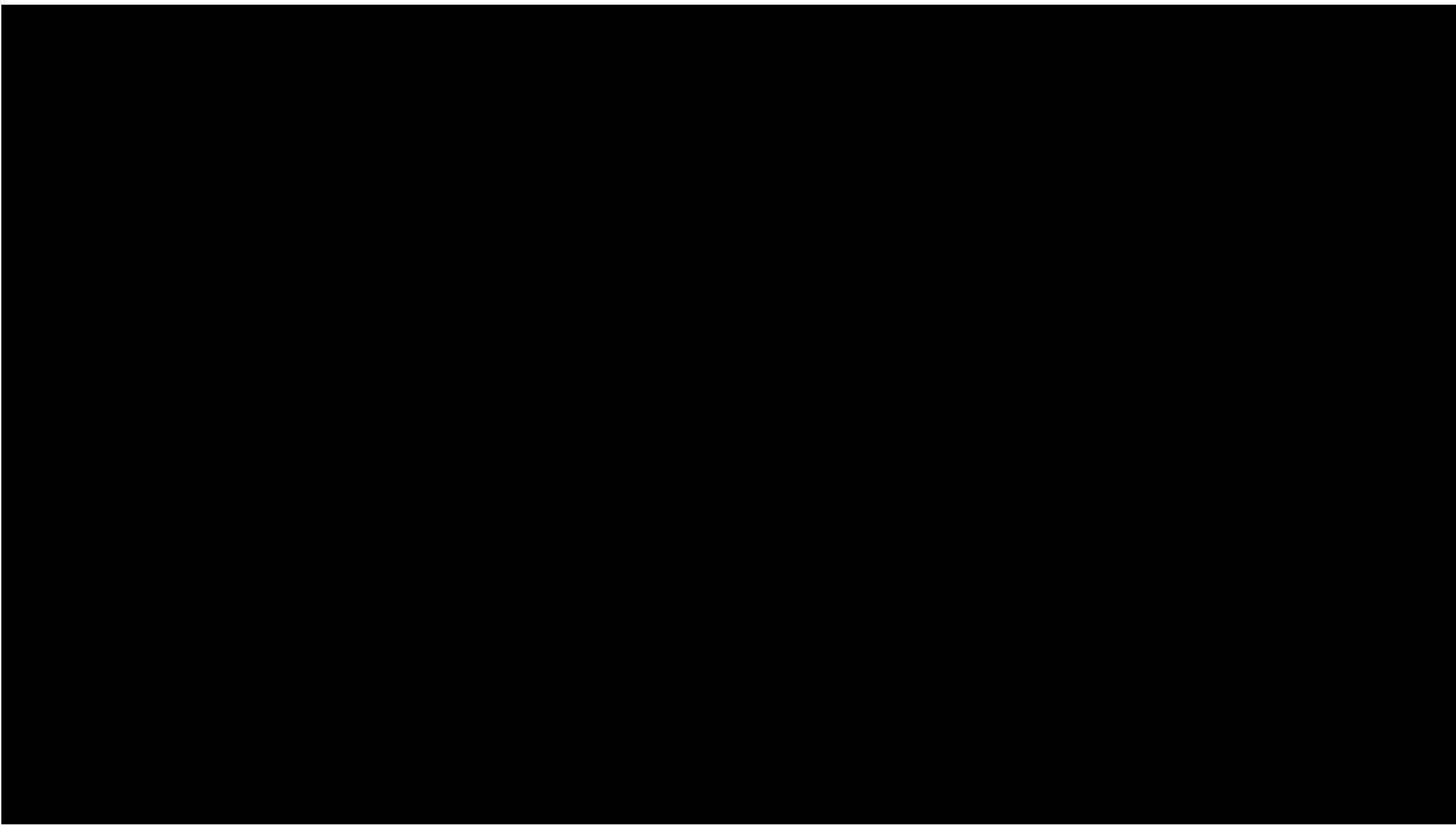




# NERT Induction Video



## NDAW 2023 SNAPSHOT







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