





INCEPTION REPORT

"Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius"



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1.0 Introduction

Mauritius has secured a grant of **USD 9,119,240** from the Adaptation Fund for the implementation of the project "**Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius**" over a duration of five years.

This fund is targeted to assist developing-country parties to the Kyoto protocol that are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in meeting the costs of concrete adaptation projects. As at to date **18 countries** have benefitted from the grant of Adaptation Fund and Mauritius is the **second largest beneficiary** of the Fund (behind Uruguay).

Following a series of reviews and final submission to the Adaptation Fund Board at its 15th Board Meeting on 29 September 2011, it was finally approved with the project document signed by the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and UNDP on 19 July 2012. The official signatories of the final project document signaled the official start date of the project.

The inception workshop was held on the 30th August 2012 at Hennessy Park Hotel, Ebene, to officially launch the project among high level Government and UN officials and stakeholders. The afternoon session involved a more in-depth technical discussions and presentations with working groups. (See Workshop Agenda, Annex 1)

The Inception Workshop is the first activity under this project and serves to assist the stakeholders to understand and take ownership of the project's goals and objectives, as well as discuss the project's workplans, activities, budget allocations, risks and the proposed monitoring and evaluation plan. This Report documents the proceedings and outcomes of the Workshop.

2.0 Background and project summary

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is clear in its message to the global community that climate change has become an unavoidable process. The third IPCC assessment report also stressed the fact that some countries, namely small island developing states like Mauritius, and the least developed countries in Africa were particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change. The report also recommended that a new adaptation strategy be devised to respond to the threat of climate change.

An accelerated sea level rise, increasing storm intensity and larger storm surges will result in more coastal erosion and inundation of low lying areas. This implies that the islands of the Republic of Mauritius (RoM) will face increased risks of severe climate change impacts.

The coastal zones of Mauritius are critically important to the economy in terms of domestic and international tourism, as well as fisheries. Mauritian communities at risk of flooding from storm surges and erosion of the shoreline (those living on the coast) are the primary beneficiaries (estimated at 3,150 individuals directly benefiting from the project, but with a multiplier value of many fold). Riviere des Galets and QuatreSoeurs are not tourist beaches at all; these are communities which are located immediately on the coast. It is important to note that the coastal areas are home to about 30% of the RoM population.

The beaches, from the highwater mark down to the sea and into the lagoons, are public property. There has been a serious problem in the past with private entities, including hotel operators, undertaking their own civil works (often inappropriate for the intended function) on and near the beaches, which have in fact accelerated beach erosion in adjacent areas. The project is aiming to stop these *ad hoc* approaches by demonstrating the most technically appropriate measures for coastal protection, mostly addressing beach erosion.

It is expected that the coastal protection measures, to which tourism operators will be exposed through training sessions, information dissemination, and visits to the project sites, will lead to replication of these approaches, during and after the project, with private investment and Government co-financing for beach protection works at all the other public beaches throughout Mauritius. Apart from the beaches, other sites have experienced surges and flooding in the

recent past where the livelihood of the coastal community is also at risk. All of them need special attention, with sound adaptation policies and measures that will make these coastal sites resilient and sustainable.

2.1 Project objective

The **Project Objective** is: "To increase climate resilience of communities and livelihoods in coastal areas of Mauritius".

The anticipated **project key results or outcomes** include:

1. Application of adaptation measures to protect currently vulnerable coastal communities at three priority sites, using proven technologies:

Mon Choisy, QuatreSoeurs and Rivière des Galets

Development and implementation of an early warning system for incoming storm surges;

Given the previous experiences with storm surges on the south coast, an early warning system around each island, Mauritius, Rodrigues and Agalega will be defined such that coastal communities have at least three hours warning to safely evacuate.

3. Training and capacity building of relevant stakeholders;

Capacity development will cover a range of Ministries, NGOs, the private sector and the community at large to promote compliance with adaptation planning and coastal protection infrastructure design guidelines. Training sessions will be delivered on a regular basis over the course of the programme. Courses on coastal engineering will be developed and delivered to engineers, both in the public and private sectors.

4. Policy mainstreaming;

A National Coastal Zone Adaptation Strategy that addresses all climate perceived risks in the coastal zone of Republic of Mauritius will be determined, as well as recommendations for economic instruments to scale up adaptation in the coastal zone.

5. Knowledge dissemination and management.

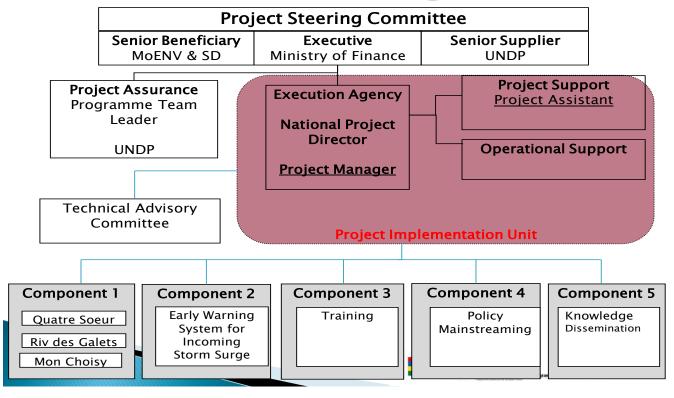
A handbook, training modules and website content capturing best coastal adaptation practices in Mauritius will be developed. A priority ranking of vulnerable coastal sites will be developed in order to guide future investments in Government of Mauritius and the private sector. Public awareness campaigns on climate change in the coastal zone will be broadcasted in the media. Interpretive signs and small-scale models of coastal protection measures will be installed at each site. The project will also have a regional dimension whereby the lessons learned from this Adaptation project will be disseminated to other countries in the Southern Indian Ocean.

3.0 Establishment of Project Office and Initial Activities

The establishment of the project office and team started on July 2012 with the recruitment of the Project Manager. As the implementing partner of the project, the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development made a space available for the project office.

The implementation structure for the project management was established, as depicted below and in the Project Document. The Steering and Technical committees were constituted with the appointment of members with representatives of relevant ministries and organizations.

Institutional Arrangement



The Responsible party for outcomes of the respective project component is depicted below;

Component	Responsible Party
Application of adaptation measures for coastal protection	Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
Early warning system	Mauritius Meteorological services
Training	Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development / University of Mauritius
Policy mainstreaming	Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
Knowledge dissemination	Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development

4.0 Agenda and Participants

The Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, the Implementing Partner for the project organized the inception workshop which was held on Thursday 30 August 2012 at the Hennessy Park Hotel, Ebene. Seventy-six participants from various professional fields, which included representative from stakeholder ministries, university, Non-Governmental Organization, meteorological services, and the three target Communities attended the workshop.

An outline of the programme is at **Annex 1**. A list of participants together with their contact details is at **Annex 2**.

5.0 Goals & Objectives

The Goal of the Workshop was to enable the various stakeholders to understand better the project "Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius" as well as to get their advice and suggestions and their role in effectively implementing the project.

The specific objectives were the following:

- Create awareness among workshop participants on the threats of climate change on the coastal zone and the need to adapt and increase climate resilience of communities and livelihoods.
- Describe the project components and UNDP role and responsibilities.
- Get endorsement among the workshop participants on the project's objectives, implementation modalities and responsibilities outputs, implementation plan as well as the project's logical framework (risks, assumptions, and indicators), budget allocation and reporting obligations.

6.0 Local stakeholder consultation

Local stakeholder consultations are a basis for stakeholder cooperation and to create a local project ownership. This is a critical process for the successful implementation of the adaptation projects.

Local stakeholder consultations were held between 15 – 28 August, 2012 in the three target Communities: QuatreSoeurs, Riviere des Galets and Mon Choisy where the construction of physical coastal protection interventions are planned under component 1 of the project - Increase adaptative capacity within relevant development and natural resource sectors.

A process was designed to introduce the proposed project and underlying concepts of coastal adaptation, provide background information on the effects and vulnerability to climate change impacts.

The representatives from each of the community were thereafter invited to attend and participate in the inception workshop so that a participatory approach is build up from the initial stage of the project implementation. Moreso, part of the presentations and working group discussions at the workshop were conducted in creole (widely used local language) to ensure that the community representatives present were fully involved.

The following outcomes were expected from the local stakeholder consultations:

- Local stakeholders have a clear understanding of the project, objective, outcomes and components.
- A foundation for stakeholder cooperation, active participation and ownership of the project is established in the target areas.
- Fruitful stakeholders' participation in the Inception workshop, especially during working groups sessions.

7.0 Opening Ceremony

Mr Premhans Jhugroo, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment & Sustainable Development, welcomed distinguished guests and participants for the inception workshop on behalf of the Ministry of Environment. He extended a warm welcome to Mrs Jessica Troni, the UNDP Regional Technical Adviser. He expressed his gratitude to the Adaptation Fund for the financial assistance to help the implementation of appropriate adaptation strategies and stated that such financial aid is becoming an important thrust for small island states like Mauritius to enable them to better cope with climate change impacts.

He ended with an appeal to all the representatives for their commitment and ensure that the different ministries, departments and stakeholders including NGOs participate fully in the implementation of the various components of this project.

Mr. **Simon Springett**, **UNDP Resident Representative** highlighted the involvement of UNDP and its eagerness as the Implementing Agency to ensure that the objectives of this project be realized. He further briefly elaborated on the specific outcomes of the project.

He also mentioned that the UNDP Country Office would ensure the project assurance and extend its assistance to develop local capacity by drawing on the resources of UNDP and their wide range of partners.

Honourable Louis Herve Aimee, Minister of Local Government gave its support and ensured the commitment of the local authorities and parastatal bodies falling under the ageis of his Ministry particularly the Beach Authority and Outer Island Development Corporation which would provide all their support in the implementation of the project.

He also recalled the surge events that hit the southern region of the island, Riviere des Galets in May 1987 and May 2007 and the need to undertake adequate protection measures in face of climate change to build up resilience.

Honourable Devanand Virahsawmy, Minister of Environment & Sustainable Development remarked the specificities of Mauritius as a highly vulnerable and densely populated Small Island Developing State. He also elaborated on the findings of the different reports published by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) which alerted the world to the looming problem of climate change.

He highlighted the fact that with the grant of 9.1 million USD from the Adaptation Fund, this undoubtedly represents the largest Adaptation project ever implemented in the local and regional context. He stressed on the importance of putting the community at the center of the project and the opportunity for Mauritius to demonstrate innovative adaptation methods.

He also stipulated that the proposed coastal protection measures will benefit directly some 3,150 people whose jobs, houses, and families are currently threatened by coastal erosion, storm surges, and tidal flooding. He added that this project represents a very important step forward on the journey in migrating from a **vulnerable island to a resilient island state.** He then declared the workshop open.

The inception workshop was reported in the local press 'Le Mauricien' on the 30 August 2012, at the government Information system and in the website of Acclimate http://www.acclimate-oi.net hosted by the Indan Ocean Commission.

A copy of the press release is at **Annex 3**

8.0 Presentations

Mr Nuvin Khedah, Project Manager made a presentation which covered the following:

1. A brief introduction of the project

An overview of the project was presented as stipulated in the project document to sensitise all stakeholders (*including private sector, public officials, NGOs and the community*) on the project outputs and objective.

2. The justification of implementing Adaptation projects

The participants were exposed to the actual trend of increasing sea surface temperature, sea level rise, effects of global warming and climate change. The vulnerability of the coastal zones and the livelihood of the coastal communities living in the low lying areas were also elaborated.

3. Project components and deliverables

The five components of the project were detailed indicating the corresponding activities and outputs as stipulated in the Results Framework of the project Document to assist partners to fully understand and take ownership of project. A particular attention was brought to the three project sites (Mon Choisy, Riviere des Galets and Quatre Soeurs) under component 1 targeted to the direct beneficiaries of the respective communities.

4. Tentative Annual Workplan and budget plan

The annual workplan and the corresponding budget plan were presented depicting the activities and main schedule of deliverables.

Presentations on suggested implementation structure, technical and steering committees

The membership of the Technical Committee and the Project board including the respective terms of reference was highlighted.

A copy of the presentation is attached at **Annex 4**.

Mrs Jessica Troni, Regional Technical Adviser explained and illustrated the process on the Adaptation Fund Board reporting procedures and the role and responsibilities of the UNDP during the implementation of the project. She further elaborated on the potential risks including environmental, political, financial, operational, and institutional risks that need to be managed during the project cycle.

A copy of the presentation is attached at **Annex 5**.

Mr M. Heetun, Acting Divisional Meteorologist from the Mauritius Meteorological Services made a brief presentation on the existing warning system on the cyclones and Tsunami and indicated the actual operation mode currently in place at the Meteorological services. The probable linkages with the existing warning system and the proposed storm surge warning was highlighted.

A copy of the presentation is attached at **Annex 6**

9.0 Working Groups Discussion

The afternoon sessions were devoted to discussing the different outcomes and themes by working groups.

The stakeholders were briefed on the terms of reference for each Working Group (WG). The discussion and outputs thereof were the main focus of the second session of the Inception Workshop.

The participants were split up in five working groups (WG) as follows:

Working	Project component	Chair
Group		
WG 1	Application of Adaptation measures for coastal	Mr M.Desha, Environment
	protection at Mon Choisy	Programme Officer, UNDP
WG 2	Application of Adaptation measures for coastal	Ms Poinen,
	protection at Riv des Galets	Environment Officer, Ministry
		of Environment and SD
WG 3	Application of Adaptation measures at	Mr S.Permala,
	QuatreSoeurs	Head of Works Grand
		Port/Savanne District Council
WG 4	Early Warning Systems for incoming surge	Mr Ragoonaden,
		Secretary NGO
WG 5	Training, Policy mainstreaming and Knowledge	Dr M. Nowbuth,
	dissemination	Head Civil Engineering
		Department, University of
		Mauritius

The working groups, WG 1, WG 2 and WG 3 also included the representatives of the respective communities. The objective of the community consultation was to collect community perspective on the proposed technical interventions, physical viability, experiences on their current situations and livelihood and a basic understanding on the acceptance of the project by the community.

9.1 Total Budget and Work Plan

The proposed annual work plan was reviewed following the stakeholder consultations and team discussions. The work plan for the beginning phase of the project (2012-2013) would lay emphasis on the recruitment of the consultants, in particular for component1 which involves the physical works and carries 82% of the project expenditure. The implementation of component 2 – *Early Warning System* and component 3 – *Training* shall also be started as from Year 1.

Total Budget and Workplan

	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
	JUL 12-	JUL 13-	JUL 14-	JUL 15-	JUL 16-
	JUN 13	JUN 14	JUN 15	JUN 16	JUN 17
Outcome 1: Increased adaptive capacity within relevant developme	ent and natu	ral resource	sectors		
Output 1.1 Detailed technical assessment to inform the design of	112,000				
coastal protection measures	,				
Output 1.2 Technical design of coastal protection measures	_	150,000			
Output 1.3 Vulnerable physical, natural and social assets strengthened		685,800	3,676,575	1,353,400	
in response to climate change			, ,		
Output 1.4 Development of recommendations on how interventions in	_			450,000	
other vulnerable areas can be adjusted				150,000	
Output 1.5 Monitoring programme designed				100,000	
Output 1.6 Installation of monitoring programme					240,000
Outcome 2: Reduced exposure at national level to climate-related h	azards and	threats			_10,000
Output 2.1 Assessment report of the current sea state monitoring					
systems and recommendations for operational requirements of EWS	33,155				
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Output 2.2 Early Warning System installed	1 . 1	99,550	L	. ,	
Outcome 3: Strengthened institutional capacity to reduce risks asso environmental losses	ciated with	climate-indu	ced socio ecoi	nomic and	
Output 3.1 Handbook on good CCA practice packaged as training		122 600	26,000	E 000	
modules developed		133,600	26,000	5,000	
Output 3.2 Short course on coastal engineering designed and delivered					
(twice during programme period)	73,000	41,600	20,000		
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Output 3.3 Course on CBA of coastal adaptation measures designed		50,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
and delivered (annually over 4 years) Outcome 4: Improved policies and regulations that promote and en	forgo rogilio				
Output 4.1 A national coastal zone adaptation strategy developed	lorce resine	144,000)		
Output 4.2 A set of recommendation for best practice and institutional		46,000			
adaptation practices suitable for coastal zone		10,000			
Output 4.3 Creation of a climate change 'clearing house' to guide the					
climate appropriateness of development projects			72,000		
Output 4.4 Recommendation for new economic instruments developed Outcome 5: Effective capturing and dissemination of lessons learne	<u> </u>			88,050	
Outcome 5: Enecuve capturing and dissemination of lessons learne Output 5.1 Handbook and website content capturing best coastal	u .				
adaptation practices for Republic of Mauritius		86,000			
Output 5.2 Dissemination of lessons learned regionally			20,000	80,000	31,100
Output 5.3 Interpretive signs and small-scale models of coastal					
processes designed and installed at each site					135,000
Output 5.4 Public awareness campaigns designed and delivered		40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
involving the media					
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Output 5.5 Priority ranking of vulnerable coastal sites established to					48,000
guide the order of future investments					
Execution Costs	116,000	119,000	80,000	88,000	97,000
TOTAL	334.155	1.595.550	3.949.575	1.919.450	606.100

9.2 Working Group 1-3

- ➤ (Output target: Quatre-Soeurs), the working group studied the proposal, as per the prodoc to set up a refuge centre at the locus of the existing community Centre. However the following observations were made
 - 1. the building and plot size may not be adequate to cater for the targeted number (1000) of beneficiaries.
 - 2. People would have the intuition and tendency to move upland to seek refuge in event of storm surge alert.
 - 3. The coastal road leading to the community centre may be prone to flooding thus may compromise the use of the building during and in the aftermath of a surge event.

Accordingly, the working group made a suggestion to consider an alternative site, preferably upland, for the proposed refuge centre in lieu of the existing community centre. A multipurpose use of the building shall also be explored at design stage.

- ➤ (Output target: Mon Choisy), the representatives from the community requested that public beach should not be closed for a long period of time during project implementation as this could impact the livelihoods of the economic operators.
- ➤ (Output target: Riv des Galets), The working group appealed that the livelihood of the fisherman community shall not be compromised, in particular the design of the submerged wave attenuating structures shall allow navigational options for fishermen to accede to high sea.

9.3 Working Group 4

Following the discussions of the working group, the observations/suggestions hereunder listed were made:

- ➤ Measuring instrument at a reasonable distance to the South of the Mascarenes Islands may be warranted to monitor incoming southerly swells for a pre-warning of heavy swells 3 hour in advance. For this purpose, a wave rider buoys need to be deployed.
- There are two Wave rider buoys presently operational and maintained by the Mauritius Meteorological Services (1 km off South East coast) and Mauritius Oceanography Institute (North East Coast) respectively.
- Meteorologists and Oceanographers may warrant specialized training on storm surge formation and propagation for implementation of the Early warning system.
- ➤ The group perceived the budget earmarked (US\$ 133 705) may be inadequate taking into consideration that one wave rider buoy may cost around US\$ 60 000 or more.
- Effective and efficient communication links for the dissemination of Tropical Cyclone and Tsunami warnings are now well established in Mauritius and an Early warning system on incoming surge could be based on/integrated within the existing warning systems.
- ➤ It was also remarked that the Early warning system shall be at the seat of the Mauritius Metorological services in lieu of Mauritius Oceanograhy Institute as stipulated in the Results Framework.

9.4 Working Group 5

The Group identified the following requirements in respect to training, policy mainstreaming and knowledge dissemination:

- a) Training
- Modules in coastal engineering may also be developed and incorporated in the course curriculum of the University of Mauritius. This would have a broader outreach and ensure a continuous learning process.
- Awareness for Policy makers
- Training for trainers, who would subsequently be involved in the training at the Community level.
- b) The preferred means of knowledge dissemination as stated by the working group are:
- TV/radio, internet, newspapers, newsletters, pamphlets, talks
- Creation of a website
- Workshops
- Create awareness on climate change as from primary school level through talks.
- c) The working group recommended that community based committees be set up for a better community outreach.

9.5 Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Framework

All the working groups commented that the Monitoring and Evaluation activities were elaborate and adequate for a comprehensive assessment of the project outputs, and progress in achieving Outcome targets. Accordingly the M&E be undertaken according to the Monitoring and Evaluation Workplan hereunder depicted, and established UNDP procedures during the project cycle.

Monitoring and Evaluation Workplan

SN	Monitoring and Evaluation Activity	Responsible parties	Time Frame
1.	Inception Workshop	Project Manager	30 August 2012
2.	Verification of Programme results	UNDP RTA Project Manager Independent evaluations	Annually Start, Mid and End of Programme
3.	Measurement of Project progress	Project Manager and team	Annually
4.	Annual Review Report and Project Implementation Report	Project Manager UNDP RTA UNDP CO	Annually as from Y1 programme implementation.
5.	Periodic status/progress report	Project Manager and team	Quarterly
6.	Independent Mid-term evaluation (uploaded to UNDP Evaluation Resource centre)	Project Manager UNDP RTA UNDP CO External consultant	At Mid point of programme
7.	Final Evaluation	Project Manager UNDP RTA UNDP CO External consultant	At least 3 months prior to end of project implementation
8.	Project Terminal report	Project Manager UNDP RTA UNDP CO External consultant	At least 3 months prior to end of project
9.	Audit	Project Manager UNDP CO	Yearly
10.	Field Visits	UNDP RCU UNDP RTA UNDP CO Govt Agencies Local Authorities	Yearly

10.0 Conclusions

The workshop was successful in bringing the different stakeholders including the governmental organization, parastatal bodies, experts from the University of Mauritius, NGOs and representatives from the community of each of the project site.

The participants endorsed the different project activities, projected outputs, Outcomes and Objective targets, possible risks, and corresponding budget allocations.

The working group discussions provided a platform for the members to advocate their views to the project. It further encouraged the project ownership and secured the commitment of stakeholders for a successful project implementation.

Annex 1

Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development Adaptation Fund

Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius

INCEPTION WORKSHOP

30 August 2012

Venue: Hennessy Park Hotel, Ebene

Programme

09.00 - 09.30	Registration of participants
09.30 - 09.35	Welcome by Mr P. Jhugroo, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment & S.D
09.35 - 09.45	Address by Mr Simon Springett, UNDP Resident Representative
9.45 - 10.00	Address by Hon. Aimee Louis Hervé, Minister of Local Government &O.I
10.00 - 10.15	Address and Opening of Inception Workshop by Hon. DevanandVirahsawmy
10.15 – 10.45	GOSK, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development Coffee Break
10.45 – 11.15	Presentation of the AFB project by Project Manager, MrNuvinKhedah
11.15 – 11.35	Presentation by UNDP Regional Technical Adviser, Ms Jessica Troni
11.35 – 11.55	Presentation on existing Early Warning Systemsby DivMeteorologist, Mr M. Heetun
11.55 – 12.15	Discussions
12.15 – 13.15	Lunch Break
13.15 – 15.00	Working Group Discussions
	WG 1: Application of Adaptation measures for coastal protection at Mon Choisy
	WG 2: Application of Adaptation measures for coastal protection at Riv des Galets
	WG 3: Application of Adaptation measures at QuatreSoeurs
	WG 4: Early Warning Systems for incoming surge
	WG 5: Training, Policy mainstreaming and Knowledge dissemination
15.00 – 15.30 15.30 – 16.00	Coffee break Wrap up

Annex 2

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ANNEX 3

(Press Release)

GIS - August 31, 2012: No nation, however big or small, wealthy or poor, can escape the impact of climate change, cautioned the Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development at the opening yesterday of an Inception Workshop on Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius at Hennessy Park Hotel, Ebène.

The Climate Change Adaptation Programme is financially supported by the Adaptation Fund Board which has been set up under the Kyoto Protocol of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Out of eighteen countries, Mauritius is the second largest beneficiary after the Uruguay with a grant of Rs 275 million.

With regard to the accelerated erosion around the coastal zones in Mauritius, Minister DevanandVirahsawmy, pointed out that these sites need special attention, with sound adaptation policies and measures that will render them resilient and sustainable. In the wake of the findings of the Fourth Assessment report, the Ministry is implementing the project "Climate Change Adaptation Programme in the Coastal Zone of Mauritius", he said.

The objective of the programme is to increase climate resilience of the communities and reinforce their livelihoods in the coastal areas, up to year 2060, through the following interventions: application of adaptation measures to protect currently vulnerable coastal ecosystem and community features at three priority sites - Mon Choisy, QuatreSoeurs and Rivière des Galets; development and implementation of an early warning system for incoming surges; and training and capacity building of relevant stakeholders.

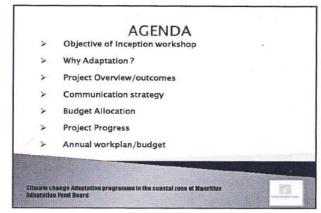
The programme will also focus on the development and the application of new approaches and tools to resolve specific vulnerability issues in the coastal zone. The overall approach is to work from the level of technical solutions at specific coastal sites to the policy and regulatory level.

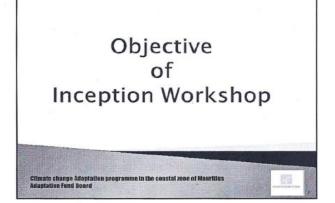
Future replication of coastal adaptation measures will be supported by new policies, and guidelines. On that score, the coastal communities will be empowered to become increasingly resilient to climate change and be better prepared to protect their livelihoods, said the Minister.

He recalled that the proposed coastal protection measures will benefit directly some 3 150 people whose jobs, houses, and families are currently threatened by coastal erosion, storm surges, and tidal flooding.

Annex 4







Sensitise all stakeholders (including private sector, public and relevant NGO) on the project output

Assist partners to fully understand and take ownership of project

Clarify roles and responsibilities of all project organisational structures

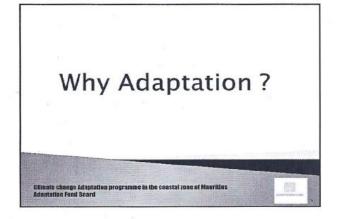
Review and agree on indicators, targets and means of verification

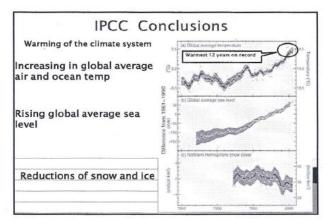
Recheck Assumptions and Risks

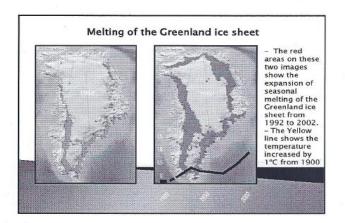
Overview of Reporting, Monitoring and Evaluation Workplan

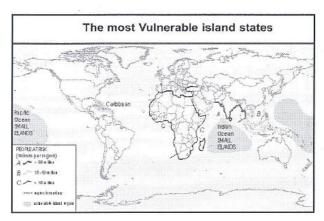
Validation of Annual Workplan/Disbursement schedule

Climate change Adaptation programme in the coastal rone of Mauritius Adaptation fund Board.









Sector-Based Adaptation			
Affected Sectors	Climate Stressor	Climate Vulnerability	Adaptation Strategies
Water Resources	Changes in precip. Extreme events	Decreased water supply Increased flooding	Create water markets Improve flood control
Human Health	Increased air temp. Extreme events	Vector-borne illness Heat-related health effects	Designate "cooling centers" Vector-borne surveillance
Agriculture	Changes in precip. Sea level rise	Drought Salt-water intrusion	Plant salt tolerant crops Drought management
Terrestrial Ecosystems	Changes in precip. Increased air temp.	Disease, Fire Species shifts	Fire mgmt, and control Invasive species mgmt
Growth & Infrastructure	Changes in precip. Sea level rise	Increased population growth Increased flooding	"Smart" site and building design Retrofit storm water mgmt.
Coastal Zone	• Sea level rise • Extreme events (surge,)	Submergence of low-lying lands Increased coastal fleeding	Protect coastal infrastructure and livelihood

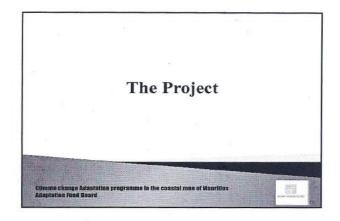
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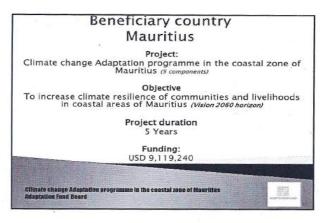
- The IPCC identifies three standard strategies of coastal adaptation to sea level rise:
- 1. managed retreat (move landward to higher ground),
- accommodate (stay in the same location but make adjustments, e.g., elevate buildings on piles), and
- protect (employ various hard structures such as seawalls, bulkheads, groins, and <u>breakwaters</u> or use soft measures such as beach nourishment, mangrove replanting, and preservation of coral reefs).

Ban Ki Moon - UN Secretary General

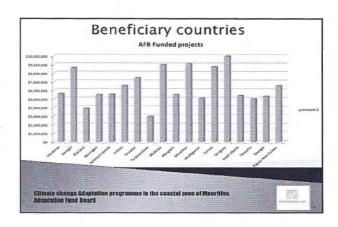
"..we know enough to act; if we do not act now the impact of climate change will be devastating; we have affordable measures and technologies to begin addressing the problem right now; but what we do not have is time".

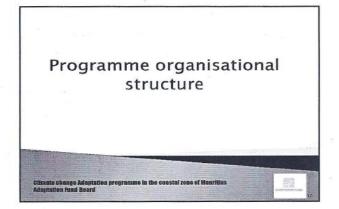


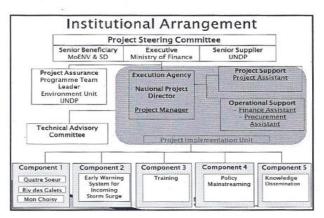


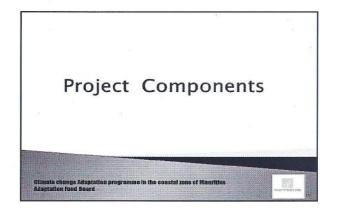


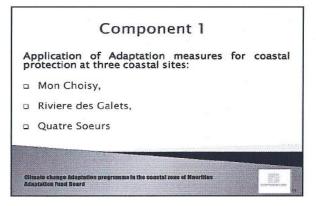
Project Goal To assist developing-country parties to the Kyoto protocol that is particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in meeting the costs of concrete adaptation projects and programmes in order to implement climate-resilient measures. Climate change Adaptation programme in the coastal zone of Mauritius Adaptation hand Board

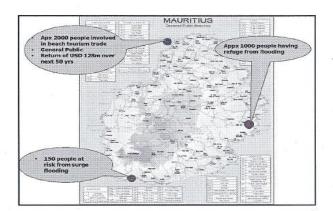


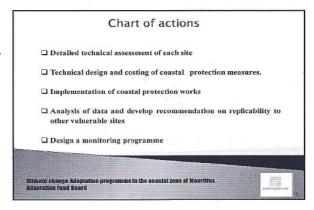


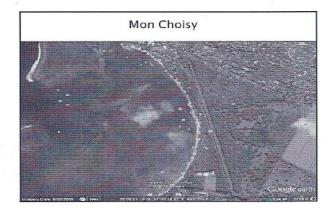


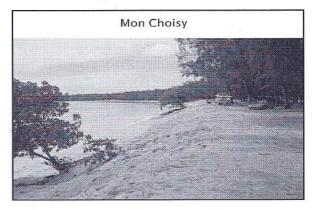


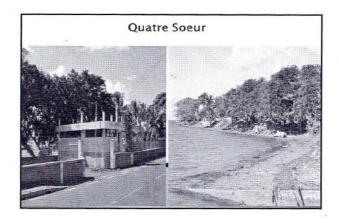






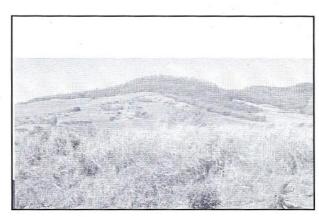


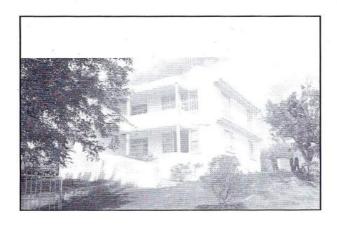


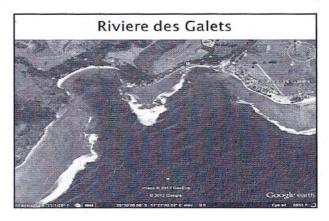




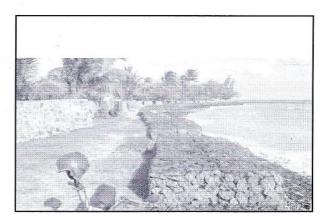






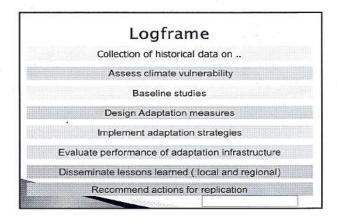


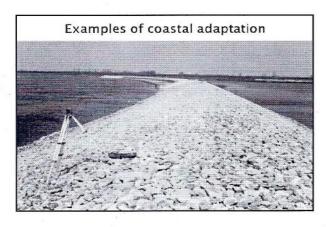


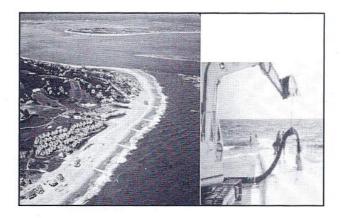




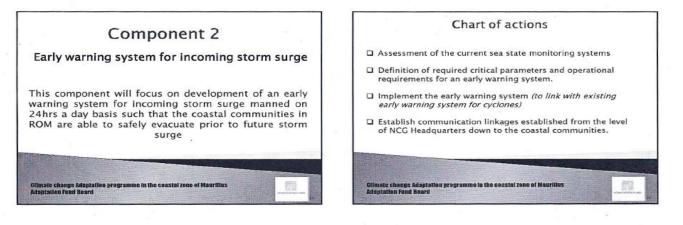




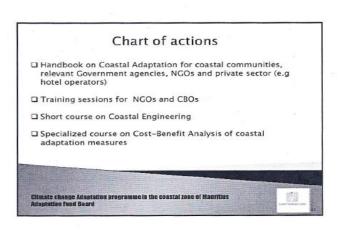


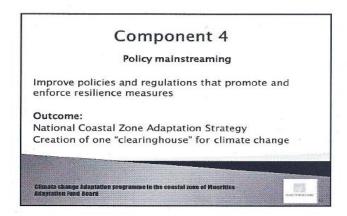


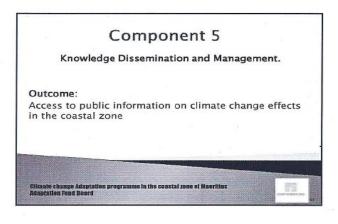


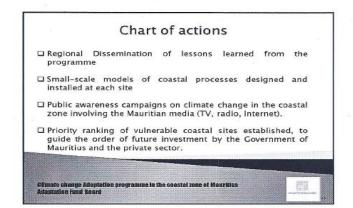




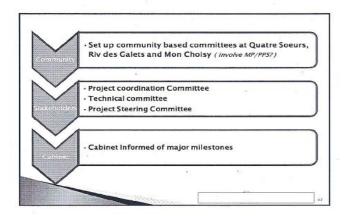






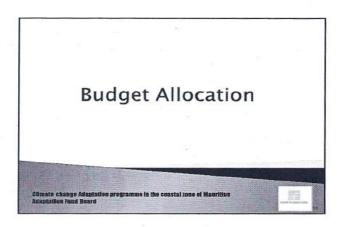


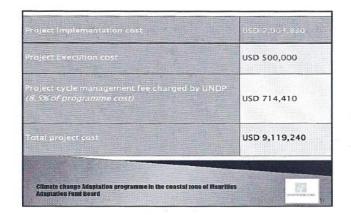




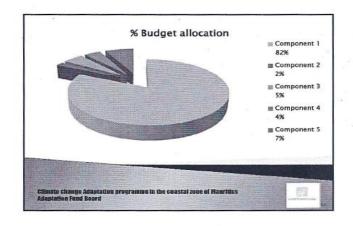


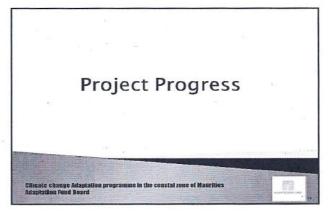
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Project steering committee	MoESD, UNDP, PMO (NCG), UoM, Met services, MOI, MPI, Beach Authority, DCN/GPS DC, MoFED, MoFisheries, MoLG, MoH&L, MoTourism, AHRIM	Permanent Secretary		
Project Coordination committee	Inhouse (Director; D.Directors; PAS Mr P; AS, Mr K; CPI, ICZM & CC divisions)	Permanent secretary		
Technical committee	MoESD, UNDP, NCG, UoM, Met services, MOI, MPI, Beach Authority, DCN/GPS DC, MoFisheries, MoLG, MoH&L, MoTourism.	D.Director, Mr		
Community based committee	(PPS/MP), MoESD, Village councillors, CBO, fisherman, economic operators, farmers, CAB, Communication cell	Project Manager		

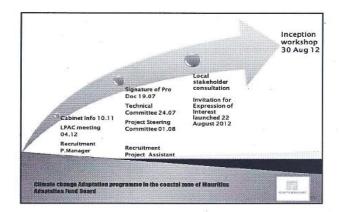


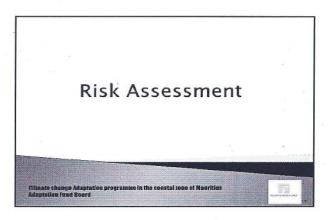


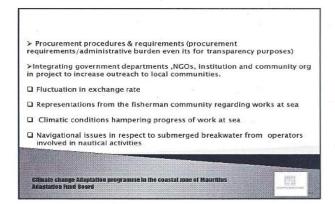


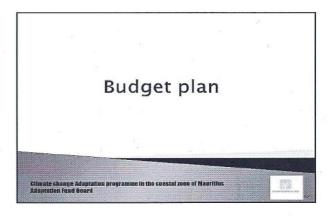


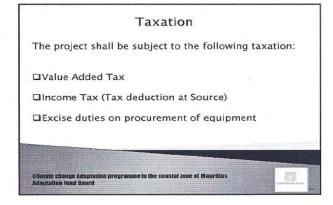


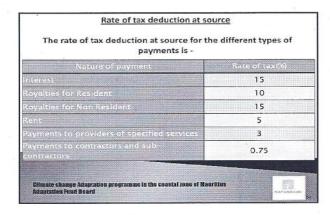




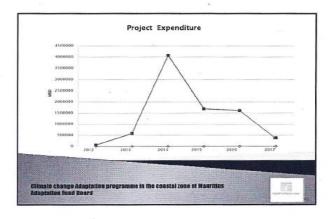


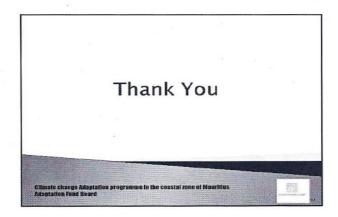




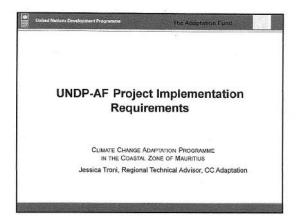


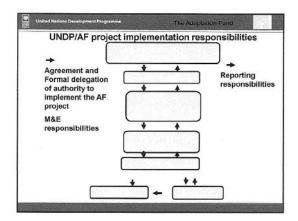
Project Budget			
Project Implementation Cost (PIC)	USD 7,904,830		
Deduct VAT @ 15%	USD 1,185,724		
TDS @ 3% (consultants) (estimated 12% of PIC)	USD 35,570		
@ 0.75% (contractors)	USD 50,400		
	(USD 1,270,000)		
Actual cost of implementation	USD 6,635,000		
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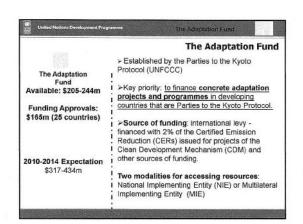


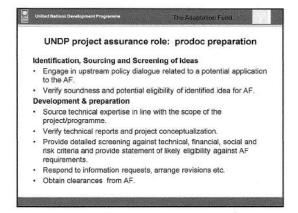


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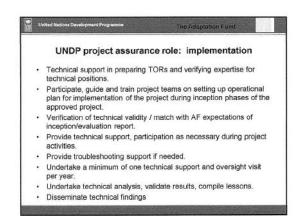


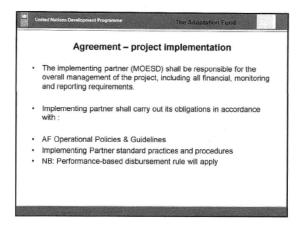


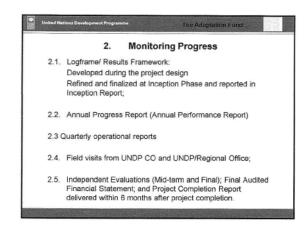


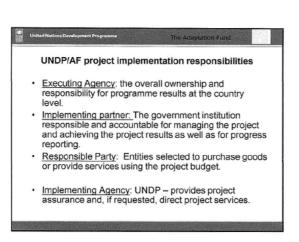


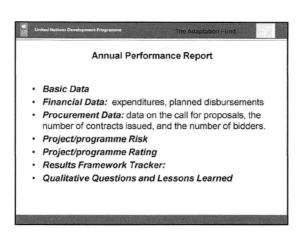


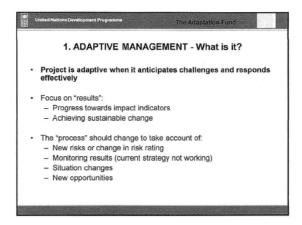


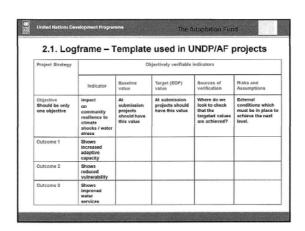


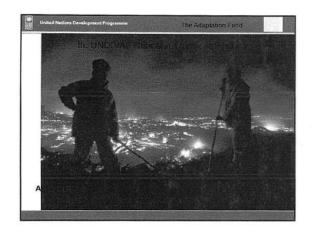


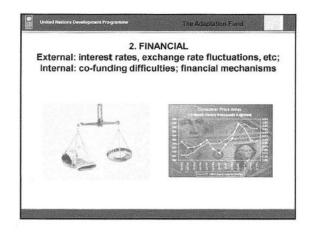


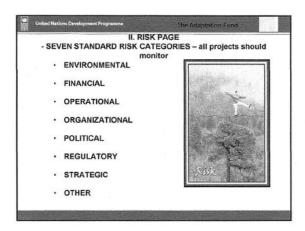


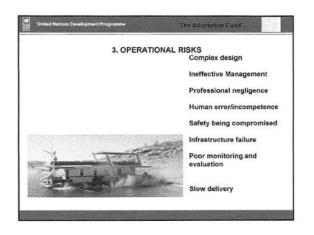


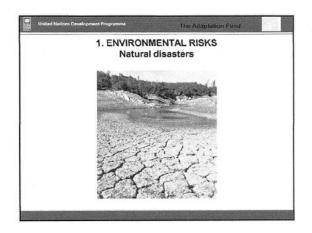


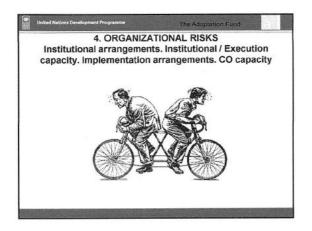


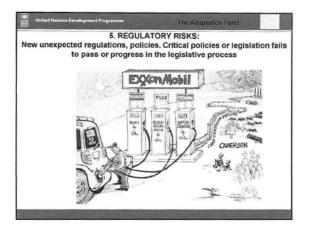


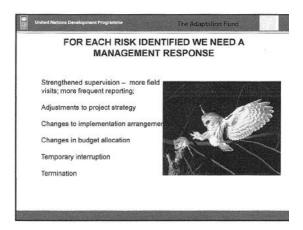


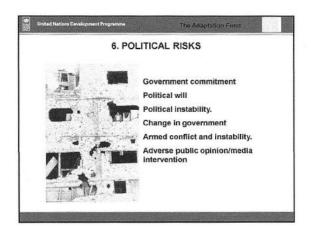




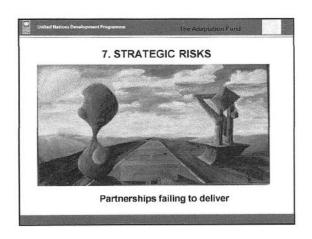












Annex 6

Mauritius Meteorological Services

Early Warning Systems in the Republic of Mauritius

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Hennessy Park Hotel, Ebene 30 August 2012

Daily Regular Bulletin

- General Situation system influencing the local weather
- · Expected weather
- Wind
- Sea state
- Temperature
- Tides

State of the sea / État de la Mer

Condition (English)	État (French)	Height/ Hauteur (metres)
Calm	Calme	0-0.5
Slight	Peu Agitée	0.5 - 1,25
Moderate	Agitée	1.25 - 2.5
Rough	Forte	2.5 - 4.0
Very Rough	Tres Forte	4.0 - 6.0
High	Grosse	6.0 - 9.0
Very High	Tres Grosse	9.0-14.0
Phenomenal	Enorme	14+

Early warnings

- Tropical Cyclones
- Torrential Rain
- High Waves
- Tsunami
- · Strong Winds, Cold Surge

Tropical Cyclone

- Class I : issued 36-48 hours before Mru/Rod is likely to be affected by gusts reaching 120 km/hr
- Class II: issued as far as practicable 12 hours of daylight before occurrence of gusts of 120 km/hr
- Class III: issued as far as practicable 6 hours of daylight before advent of gusts of 120 km/hr
- Class IV: issued when gusts of 120 km/hr have been recorded in some places and are expected to continue
- Termination: no longer any risk of gust exceeding 120 km/hr

Tropical Cyclone Bulletin

- Serial No. and time of issue
- Class of Warning
- Name and Intensity of system
- · Position (Latitude, longitude, distance from islands)
- · Movement (Direction & speed in Km/hr)
- Expected change in conditions(wind, rain, sea, etc)
- Advise on Precautions
- · Time of Next Bulletin

Frequency & Dissemination of Bulletins

· Class I & Class II: at 6 hour intervals

Class III : Every 3 Hours
 Class IV : Adhoc basis

High Waves/Swells

- High energy waves usually generated far away in the ocean
- · Affects activity at sea
- Can occur at any time of the year but more frequent in winter
- · Affects the lagoons and the coasts
- · Can cause raz de marée

High Waves

- Synoptic Pattern, Weather systems, Products from Numerical Models , etc
- Special Communique issued as early as possible before likelihood of occurrence
- Targets general public, fishermen and sea goers in particular
- Average height of waves & Expected time of occurrence and duration
- · Regions likely to be affected
- Precautions
- Monitor progress of waves (wave rider, observations from ships & other stations

Tsunami

- Messages from PWTC, JMA and RTSP (India, Indonesia, Australia)
- Tsunami Information Bulletin earthquake occurred but no tsunami
- Local Tsunami Watch Bulletin earthquake giving rise to local
 tsunami
- Regional Tsunami Watch Bulletin earthquake giving rise to regional tsunami
- Indian Ocean Wide Tsunami strong earthquake giving rise to ocean-wide tsunami which is moving towards the Southwest Indian Ocean

Tsunami

- Tsunami Information informs about occurrence of an earthquake and advise on potential threat to generate a tsunami
- Tsunami Watch Bulletin tsunami alert without confirmation of a destructive tsunami
- Tsunami Warning Bulletin imminent threat of a tsunami, 5-7 hours lead time, depending upon
- Termination significant tsunami waves no longer being observed.

Dissemination of Bulletin/Information

- Prime Minister
- DPM, VPM's
- · Secretary to Cabinet
- Ministries, Police, SMF, NCG, To all stakeholders as listed in the CONDS
- Media (Electronic & Press)
- Website
- · Live intervention on radios/TV

Photo Gallery



Speech by Mr S. Springett, UNDP Resident Representative



Speech by Hon Herve Aimee, Minister of Local Government and Outer Island



Speech by Hon Devanand Virahsawmy, Minister of Environment and Sustainable Development



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