Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and COVID-19
About UNDRR

UNDRR (formerly UNISDR) is the United Nations focal point for disaster risk reduction. UNDRR oversees the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030, supporting countries in its implementation, monitoring and sharing what works in reducing existing risk and preventing the creation of new risk.

UNDRR brings governments, partners and communities together to reduce disaster risk and losses to ensure a safer, more sustainable future.
Sendai Framework for DRR

Expected outcome:
The substantial reduction of disaster risk and losses in lives, livelihoods and health and in the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of persons, businesses, communities and countries.

4 Priority areas
- Understanding disaster risk
- Strengthening disaster risk governance
- Investing in disaster risk reduction
- Enhancing disaster preparedness, build back better & recovery

7 Global targets

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Contributing to the UN efforts

- Guidance to UN Country Teams
- Addressing COVID-19 through Issue-based coalitions
- Promoting risk-informed and resilient COVID-19 recovery

"The COVID-19 pandemic has brought renewed attention to the importance of strengthening disaster risk reduction."

“COVID-19 has shown us that systemic risk requires international cooperation.”

Antonio Guterres
Secretary-General, United Nations
13 October 2020
Strengthened collaboration between Health and DRR Actors

- Implementing Bangkok Principles
- Promoting dialogue and collaboration among health and DRR actors
- Integrating biological hazards into DRR strategies

“The pandemic has highlighted the importance of implementing the International Health Regulations and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction”

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus
Director-General, WHO
Capacity Development and Technical Support

- Over 90 webinars or training sessions on COVID-19
- Over 27,000 participants
Leave no one behind - working with stakeholders

WEBINAR
African Science and Technology Advisory Group for Disaster Risk Reduction research contributions to reinforce resilience in the face of COVID-19 and beyond

Africa
19 May 2020
15:00 Nairobi time

WEBINAR 1: LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND IN COVID-19 PREVENTION, RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

Friday 3 April 2020
1:00-2:00 PM Bangkok time
Providing Effective Communication and Reliable Information during the Pandemic

- #PreventionSavesLives Campaign
- Key messages promoted and disseminated
- Webinars on risk communication and countering infodemic
Early lessons from the COVID19 Pandemic

- Increased understanding on the systemic and cascading nature of risk
- Need to improve risk governance and revise national policy and legal risk management instruments
- Need to enhance cross-sectoral coordination and participation amongst all sectors
- National and local DRR strategies must consider biological hazards
- Need to invest in enhanced resilience of private sector (SMEs)
- Leave no one behind
Thank you