



First Meeting of the Transitional Committee on the Operationalization of the New funding arrangement for Responding to Loss and Damage

I. What are the triggers that unlock IOM's support?

IOM is one of the largest humanitarian organizations in the UN system and a recurrent partner of government in preventive action/anticipation/disaster risk reduction, humanitarian action, solutions for displacement, reconstruction/sustainable development. IOM post disasters reflections further note with concern a "perceived " global growth of disaster needs over the last decade.

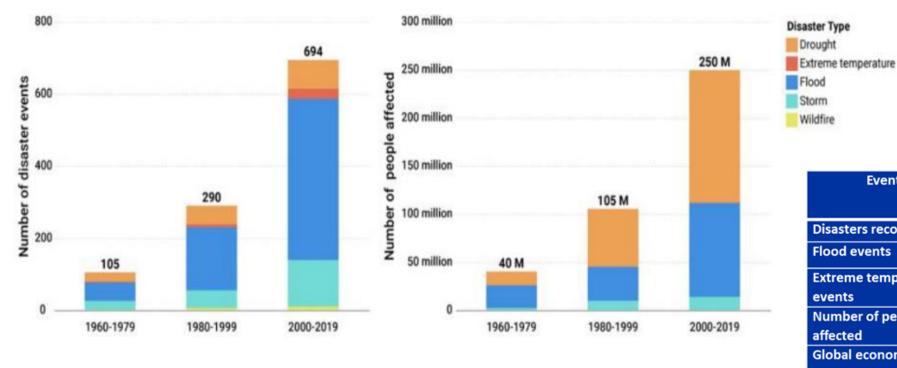
This is reflected on trends for disaster events and the global number of affected people (next slide) as in the last 12 months alone events in Malawi, Mozambique, Vanuatu and Pakistan seem to attest.

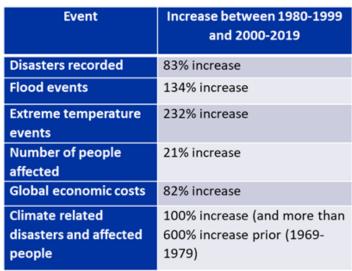
IOM sees increased requests for cooperation and support that are complemented by:

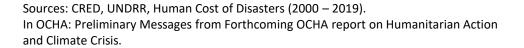
- Global risks assessments IPCC reports, Ecological Risk Index, and other
- Specific fragility/vulnerabilities of communities/countries (based on local needs assessments, capacity assessments like CADRI, country preparedness exercises, etc)
- Requests received by communities or local, national authorities or donor bilateral cooperation
- IOM mandate, including as the Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) for disasters



Number of climate-related disasters and people affected in 2021 HRP countries over time









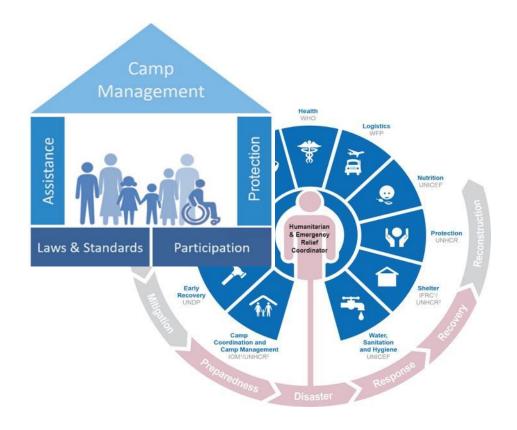
2. What is IOM doing to provide support for addressing L&D?

IOM invests in supporting governments and communities before-after disasters globally:

- How: Development of protocols, trainings and capacities to avert, minimize and address climate displacements, manage emergency response operations; post disaster reconstruction; risk reduction and losses mitigation and prevention; and other areas of complementary work
- For Who: governments and their officials, local communities and individuals
- Where: from Azerbaijan to Somalia, Pakistan, Bangladesh the Pacific and the majority of post disaster scenarios
- Why: As one of the key actors on humanitarian assistance, with dedicated responsibilities as the global co-lead on displacement focused on disasters, IOM believes no person should be displaced and impacted by preventable disasters. In 2021 alone 22.3 million new displacements triggered by weather. This trend is predicted to continue, as is the prolongment of displacement while resources to mitigate and address the same or to provide humanitarian assistance become stretched among multiple locations of increased vulnerability.



DISPLACEMENT MANDATE



In 2005, under the IASC cluster approach system, IOM and UNHCR were appointed co-leads of the Global CCCM Cluster respectively for disasters and conflict-induced displacement management.

- The CCCM Cluster works to ensure that communities affected by or at risk of displacement, have their rights and dignity respected and have access to the assistance, information, and protection they require.
- Coordinate and monitor humanitarian assistance in temporary sites hosting displaced populations overseeing care and maintenance in displacement
- Advocate and help identify durable solutions for displaced populations, and the extent of what loss and damage intervention are needed for such and to transition from displacement to recovery
- Works to build capacity of local authorities and community leaders to prevent, prepare and respond to displacement.



CLIMATE DISPLACEMENT PREVENTION/RESPONSE



Over the last decade IOM has invested in supporting governments to develop protocols, trainings and capacities to manage climate displacements and emergency response operations before and after disasters in countries around the world to reduce loss and damage and human suffering.

Capacity development tools contextualized for Pakistan, Namibia, Botswana, Angola, Mozambique, Zambia, Malawi, Philippines, Colombia, Congo, El Salvador, Korea, Thailand, Timor Leste, Peru, Micronesia, Indonesia and Myanmar among others have been produced.

Training thousands of officials and communities on displacement management and disaster risk reduction to avert the loss of lives and assets. This work needs to be scaled up and expanded with urgency in light of climate change impacts scenarios.



3. What is the scale of the support IOM provide, for what types of interventions and actions?

Presently IOM has more than 217 active projects valued at almost 1 billion USD in the areas of climate change action, disaster prevention, emergency response and reconstruction all over the world.

This involves a diverse portfolio of activities such as displacement response, human mobility management, reconstruction of infrastructures and livelihoods, humanitarian assistance to disasters including WASH, Shelter, Health and other dedicated services, disaster risk reduction, sustainable development and complementary areas.





IOM contextualized responses

The case of Mozambique:

- Support to government capacity building and community level preparedness for floods
- Support to government capacity building and community level on displacement averment and management
- Support the government in the permanent relocation of communities in flood plains to ensure less recurrent need for humanitarian assistance and reconstruction
- Emergency water trucking to communities facing water shortages in emergency situations or installation of water reservoirs where ground water is unavailable or polluted;
- Construction of bore holes, water taps and flood resistant infrastructures;
 post flood community structures reconstruction such as schools, police
 post and market areas







The case of South Sudan:

- The Suud is one of the largest wetlands in the world covering approximately 20% of the country. During the wet season communities are secluded, trapped in islands and others move along with their cattle to dryer areas until water levels receded.
 To mitigate flood risk and overcrowding, IOM developed a technical intervention with reservoirs to keep IDPs camps drier.
- But also, is implementing a project of 100 million USD from World Bank that will be used on infrastructures to protect communities and support better management of floods risk and impacts, to reduce L&D and scale development gains
- IOM also supports water management activities and infrastructures to allow people to mitigate impacts of more recurrent flooding or drought periods.







The case of Philippines:

- Provide technical support: (i)Renovation of evacuation centers and capacity building of disaster management at national and community level, (ii) Community infrastructures and livelihoods diversification for costal communities and (iii) Shelter improvements in vulnerable community's post disaster
- Invests in capacity building and preparedness mechanisms:

 (i) Strengthening government response and preparedness for disasters and displacement, Support data collection and analysis on displacement and risks
- Supports evacuation planning and prepardness: Anticipatory
 Action for cyclones impact with OCHA/CERF;









The case of Bangladesh

- Co/Leadership with GoB of the national Displacement
 Management Cluster and support to improve MODMR data and analysis capacity.
- Innovative safe water supply project with solar-powered collection, storage and distribution system supporting 30,000 refugees and host communities, that reduces need for hand pumps and supports better water usage in dry season and saline intrusion from SLR
- Renovation of 40 evacuation shelters and capacity building of disaster management at community level with CPP and BDRCS
- Shelter upgrade projects, community infrastructures and other livelihoods for costal communities at risk of SLR and disasters, to mitigate impact of floods and cyclones





Vanuatu and the Pacific

- Displacement Tracking Matrix operations in Vanuatu since 2015 during cyclone Pam, working closely with National Disaster Management Office.
- Through this emergency response work,
 Displacement Tracking was officially adopted into national systems in the
 National Policy on Climate Change and
 Disaster-induced Displacement.
- Reconstruction programing after different cyclones with a focus on shelter and community infrastructures namely in Micronesia and Marshal Islands





The case of Somalia

- Multiple causes: a historic drought, unresolved political tensions and global supply and price shocks.
- 15M people in Somalia facing acute food and water shortage that climate change will and is agravating.
- Current drought-related displacement account for 1.3 million (2021-2022).
- IOM in Somalia supports management of 628 displacement sites with over 70,000 IDPs, providing:
 - → "Minimum response package" initiative in coordination with UNICEF, World Food Programme and local partners: a package with immediate life-saving relief (water, hygiene kits, cash, shelter, and nutrition supplements) to ensure copping capacity
 - → 41,586 people have received a minimum of 7.5 litres of water per day per person since the project started.
 - → **50,000 people** have so far benefited from the improved sanitation facilities.







The case of Afghanistan

In addition to preventive actions (early warning systems and DRR), IOM supports actions delivered through the Humanitarian – development – Peace nexus (HDPN) to find durable solution to the prevention and resolution of displacement:

- Flood mitigation infrastructures gabion wall construction using cash for work in local communities affected by flooding/ flood control – based on hazard mapping in flood prone areas to avert new displacement;
- Transitional shelter construction using local materials and DRR improvements;
- Establishment of early warning systems at the community level;
- Provision of first aid training to enable immediate life saving community assistance;
- Technical support to the NDMA to establish a national warning system/online database.







CONCLUSION

Our recommendation based on field experiences is for L&D action to scale up investments in :

- **Prevention** Early Warning Systems, on evacuation protocols and facilities, dedicated disaster displacement policies and capacity building programs, on climate resilient infrastructures and livelihoods, on social protection networks and on disaster risk reduction
- **Humanitarian assistance** to people affected by slow and rapid onset disasters and environmental degradation, these are firsthand affected and some of most exposed communities to future impacts
- Durable solutions for climate displacement, including resolution of protracted displacement, mitigation of
 cyclical displacement. Supporting the restart of lives and enabling development gains and safety

Beyond these points, new financial sources have to be inclusive of disasters-affected communities, disabled people, indigenous people, women, children and elderly persons who are often the most vulnerable ones.

Finally, in terms of mechanisms, **new financing on loss and damage must combine different kinds of financial support** (public financing, Regional and Multilateral Development Banks financial concessional instruments including sovereign Green, Social and Sustainability Bonds, private sector investments + carbon/blue credits

The financial mechanisms should be adequate, specific, rapidly accessible and sustainable

All these measure contribute to respond to existent losses but also help reduce and manage impacts of preventable future losses namely deaths and displacement in support of resilience and progressive adaptation.

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