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A DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY  
**TRINIDAD & TOBAGO**

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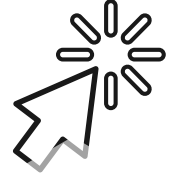



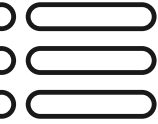




# Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management Overview Presentation

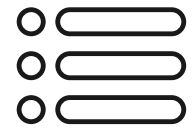
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# Presentation Outline

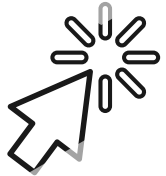
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# Presentation Outline



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# Introduction to the ODPM

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The Office of Disaster Preparedness and Management (ODPM) is the **National Disaster Management Agency** for Trinidad and Tobago. Established in 2005 by the Cabinet.

# Introduction to the ODPM

**Vision:** To Become the Premier Regional Disaster Risk Management Organisation.

**Mission:** is to build national **Disaster Risk Management** and **Climate Change Adaptation** capabilities with our partners and **coordinate** response and recovery operations in order *to protect the people, environment and economy and ensure a disaster resilient nation.*

# Roles and Functions of the ODPM



i. Preparing and executing a programme addressing the five phases of the disaster management cycle (prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery).

ii. Monitoring the incidence of disasters in the country.



iii. Defining the roles and responsibilities of all concerned Ministries and Agencies; as they relate to disaster management

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# Roles and Functions of the ODPM



iv. Coordinating the roles and responsibilities of the Ministries and Agencies; as they relate to disaster management.

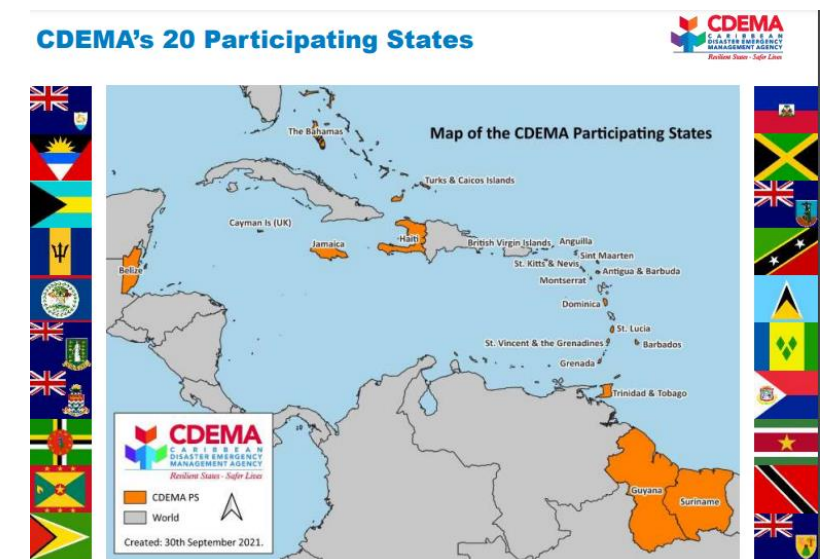
v. Allocating tasks to all participating entities.



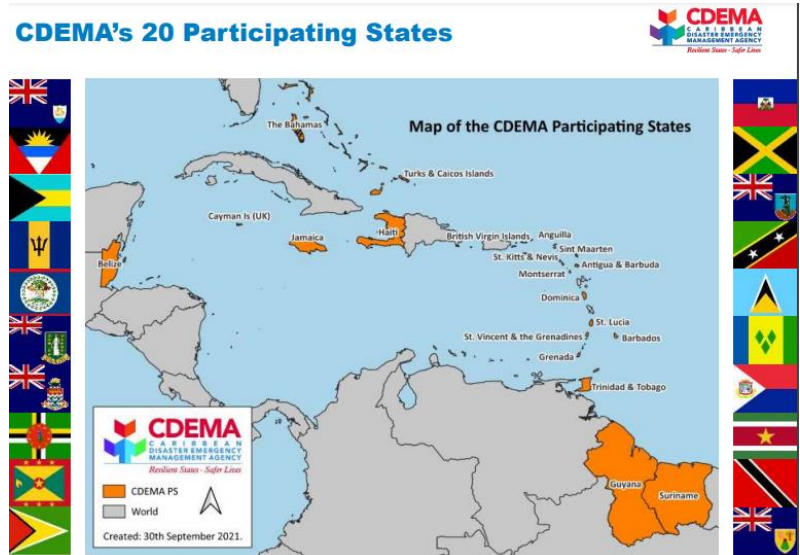
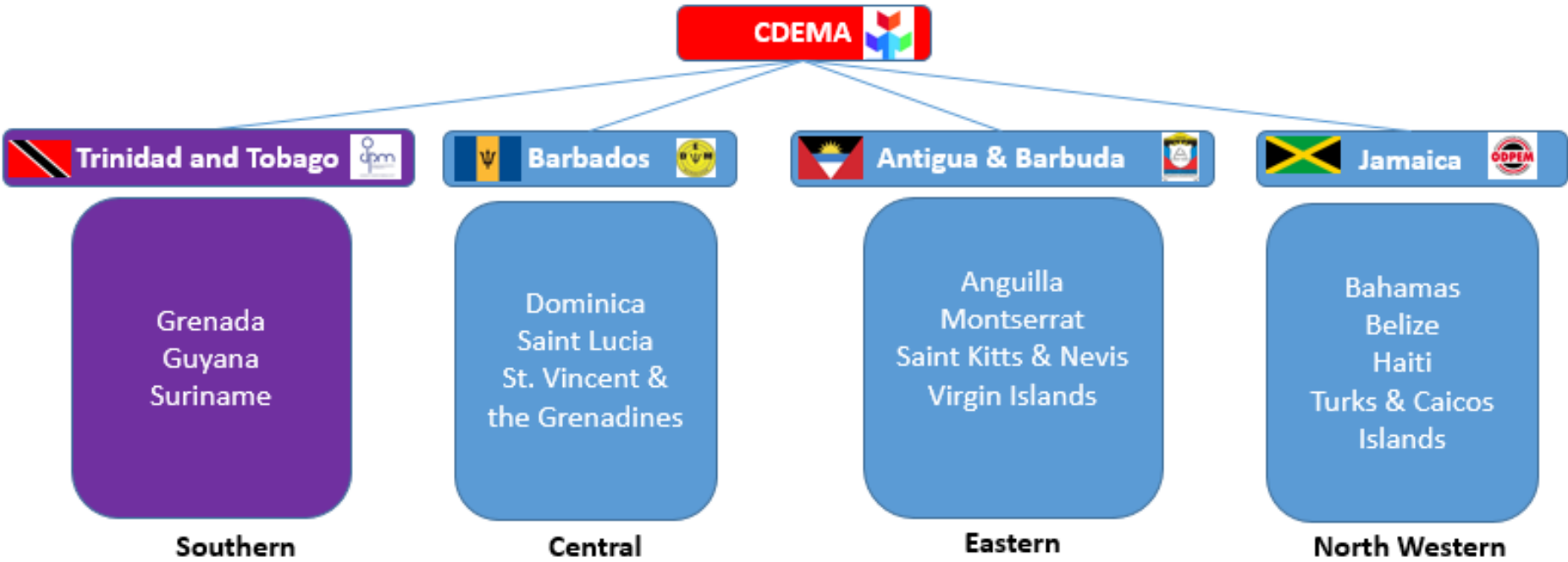
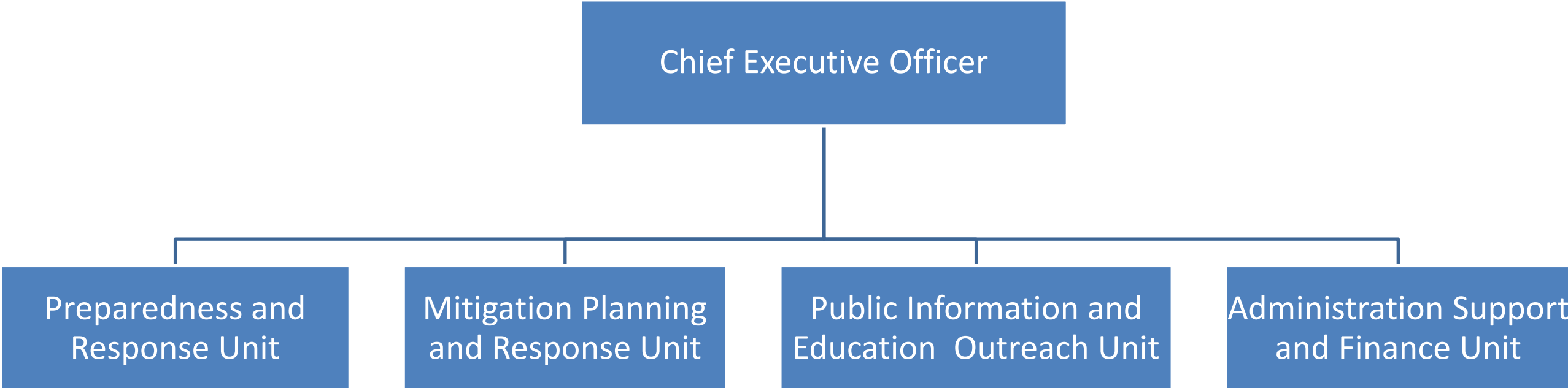
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# Strategic Priorities

- ❖ Policy, legislative and planned development.
- ❖ Risk Assessments
- ❖ Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction
- ❖ Preparedness, Response and Recovery Planning.
- ❖ Hazard Tracking and Monitoring.
- ❖ Impact Assessments.
- ❖ Hazard Mapping.
- ❖ Public Education and Awareness Campaigns.
- ❖ Public Information Publications.
- ❖ Southern Sub-Regional Focal Point to CDEMA.



# ODPM Organizational Structure

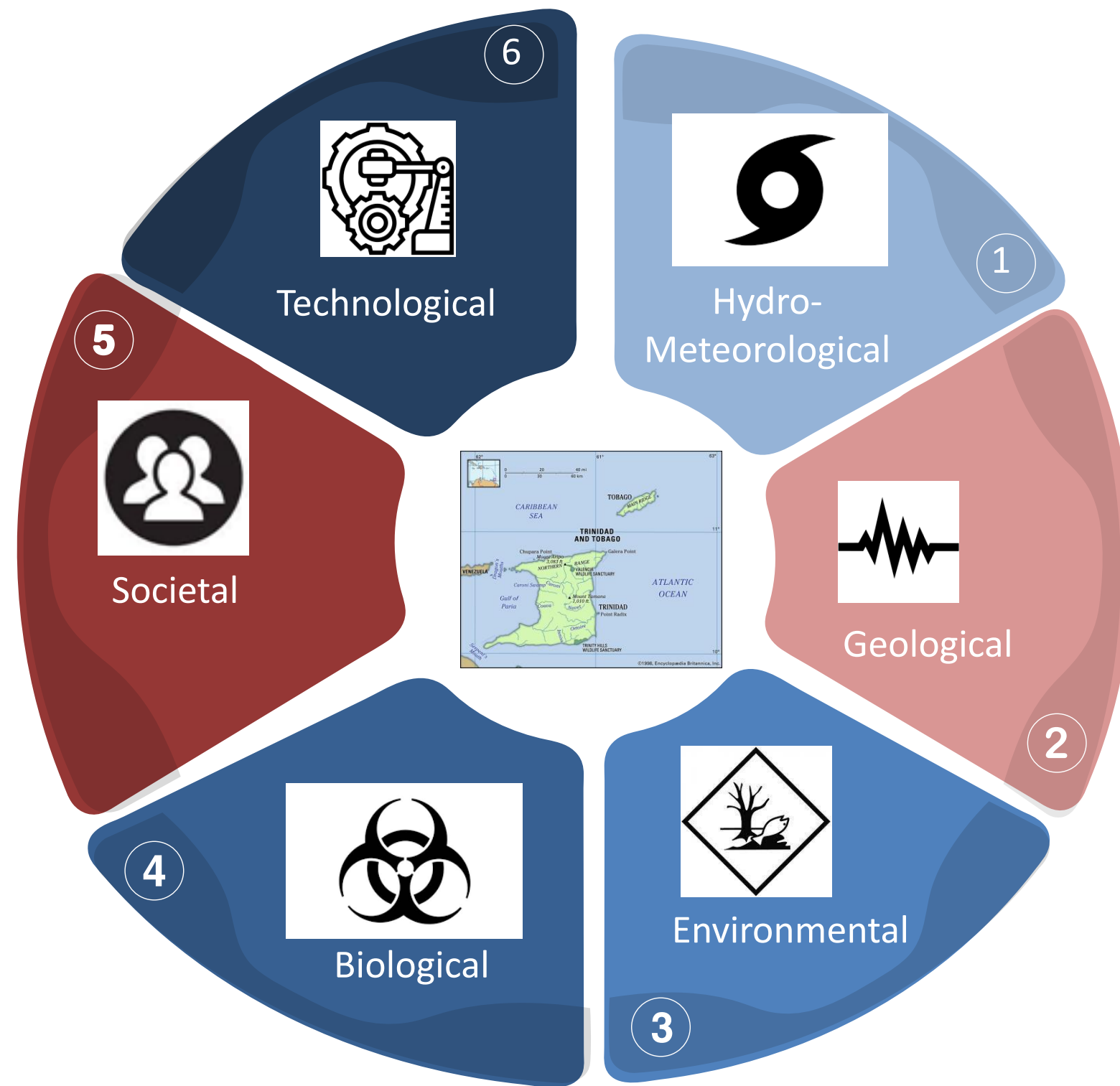


# Main Hazard Categories For Trinidad and Tobago

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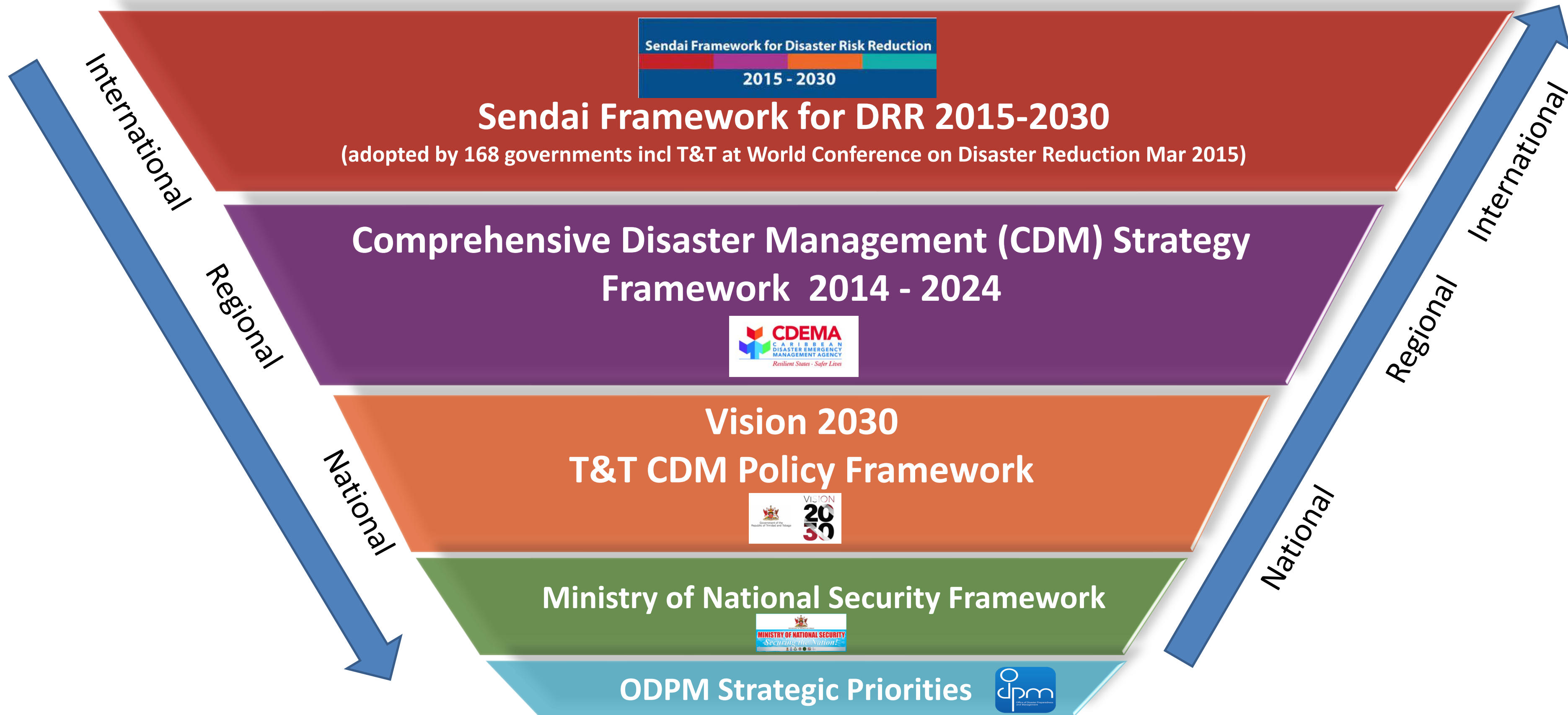
## Climate Change a driver of Hazards



## Natural



# Disaster Management Governance Framework



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Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

2015 - 2030

## Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030

(adopted by 168 governments incl T&T at World Conference on Disaster Reduction Mar 2015)

The Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction (2015-2030) is an ambitious agreement that sets out the overall objective to substantially reduce 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 Priorities:

- Understanding Risk
- Governance
- Investment
- Response and Build Back Better in Recovery
- And 7 targets

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Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

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## Sendai Framework for DRR 2015-2030

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A. Reduce global disaster mortality



B. Reduce the number of affected people globally



C. Reduce direct economic loss in relation to GDP



D. Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure and disruption of basic services

Reduction

E. Increase the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies

F. Substantially enhance international cooperation to developing countries

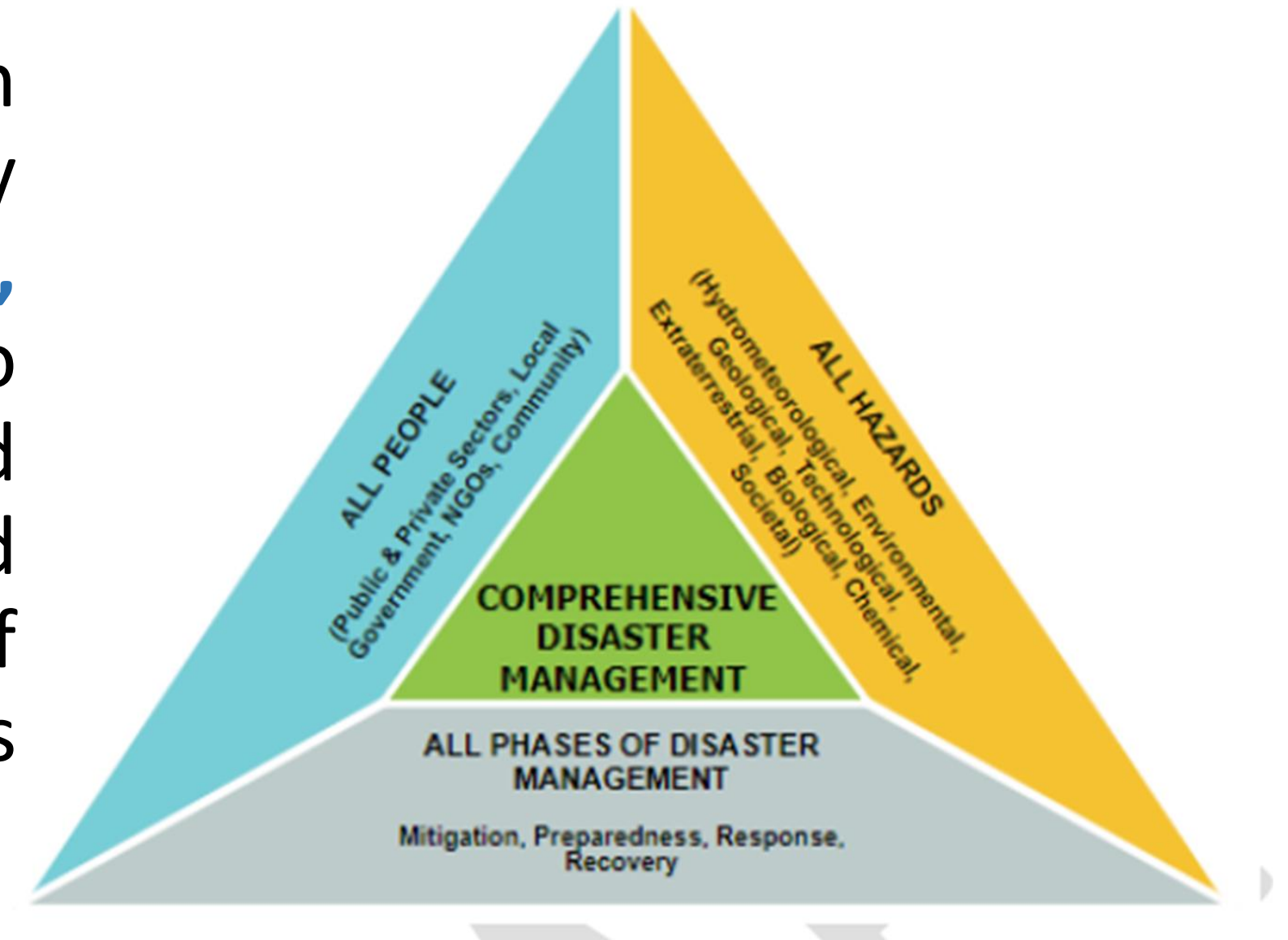
G. Increase the availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning systems

Increase

# Disaster Management Governance Framework

## Comprehensive Disaster Management (CDM)

CDM is the **management** of all hazards through all phases of the disaster management cycle by all peoples. CDM emphasizes taking a **holistic, integrated** and **participatory** approach to addressing disaster risk, by the public and private sectors, all segments of civil society and the general population to promote a “culture of prevention” and build resilient, safer societies (CDEMA, 2012).





# Sub Regional Focal Points in the Caribbean

CDEMA



Trinidad and Tobago



Barbados



Antigua & Barbuda



Jamaica



Grenada  
Guyana  
Suriname

**Southern**

Dominica  
Saint Lucia  
St. Vincent & the  
Grenadines

**Central**

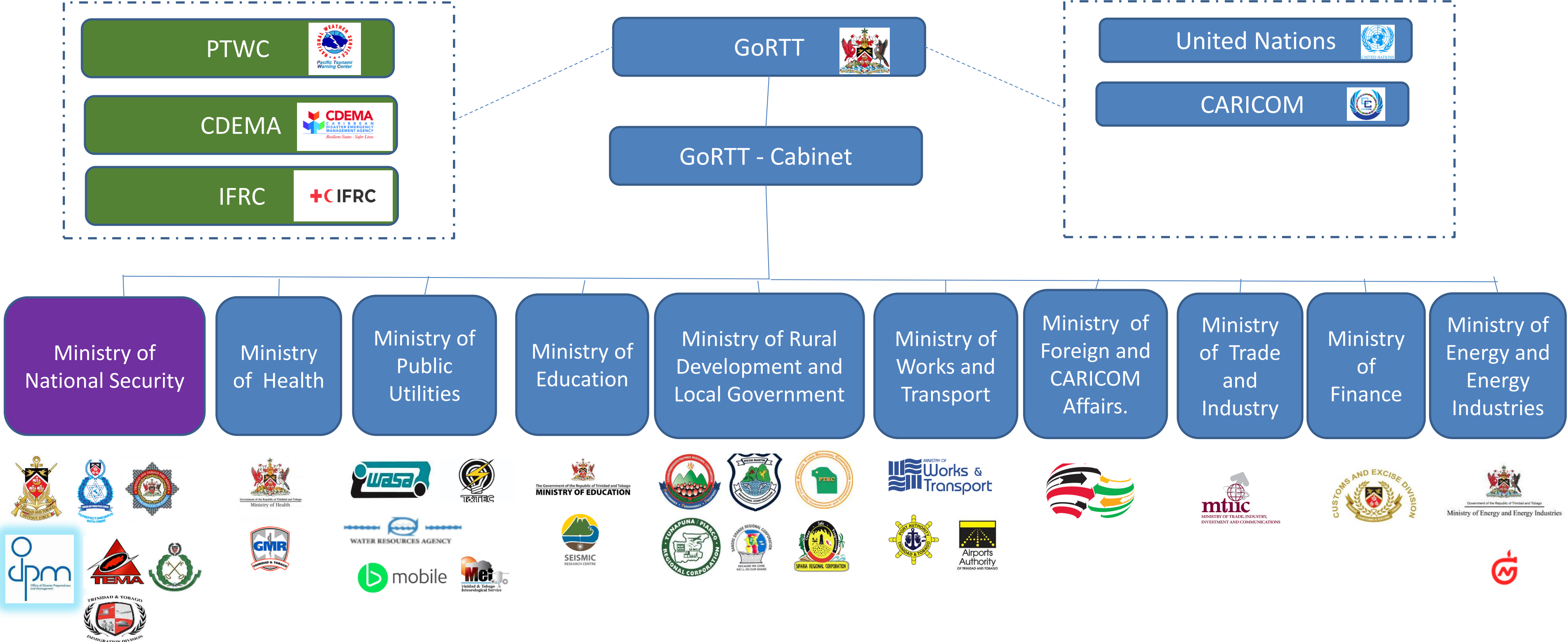
Anguilla  
Montserrat  
Saint Kitts & Nevis  
Virgin Islands

**Eastern**

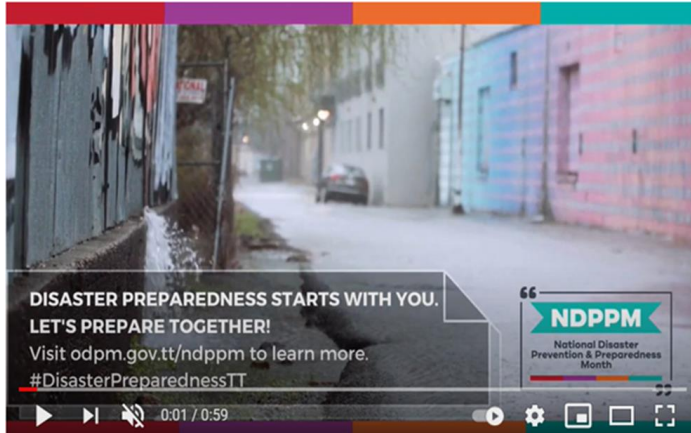
Bahamas  
Belize  
Haiti  
Turks & Caicos  
Islands

**North Western**

# A Whole of Government Approach



# CDM Across the Disaster Management Cycle



# ODPM's Key Stakeholders

Preparedness

Mitigation

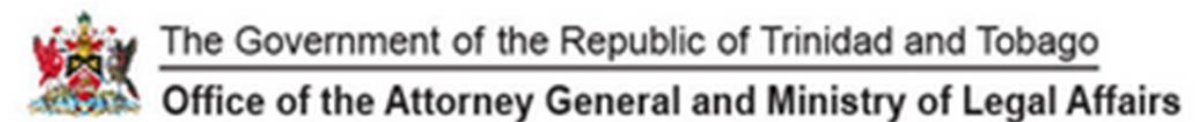
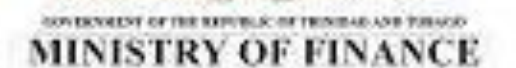


Response

Recovery



Diplomatic Missions



# Prevention and Mitigation Initiatives

- Planning and execution of seasonal exercises for sectors.
- Testing of emergency communication systems.
- Monitoring of the Piparo Mud Volcano.
- Strengthening the capacity of first responders.
- Management of warehouse disaster stores.
- Participation in regional exercises.
- Development of ODPM's Business Continuity Plan.
- Coordination of humanitarian aid and disaster relief to regional partners.
- Lead Unit for the National Emergency Operations Centre



# Prevention and Mitigation Initiatives

- **Strengthening of the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Governance Framework.**

- Development of the CDM Policy
- Revision and update of CDM Legislation
- Development of a Country Work Programme

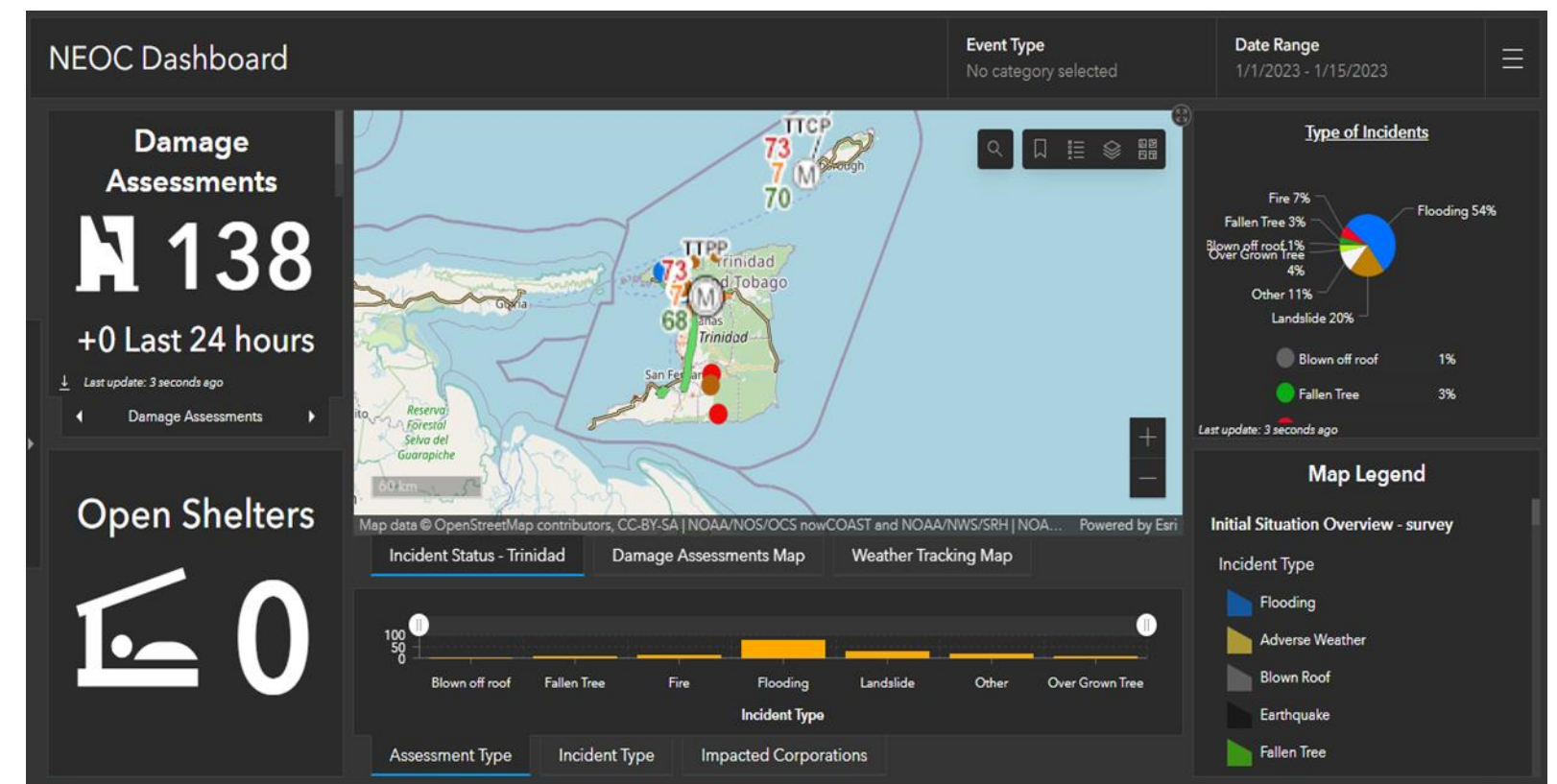
- **Strengthening of Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems.**

- Developing a Risk Information Exchange Platform
- Implementation of a Community Flood Early Warning Systems Project

- **Hazard and Vulnerability Assessment.**

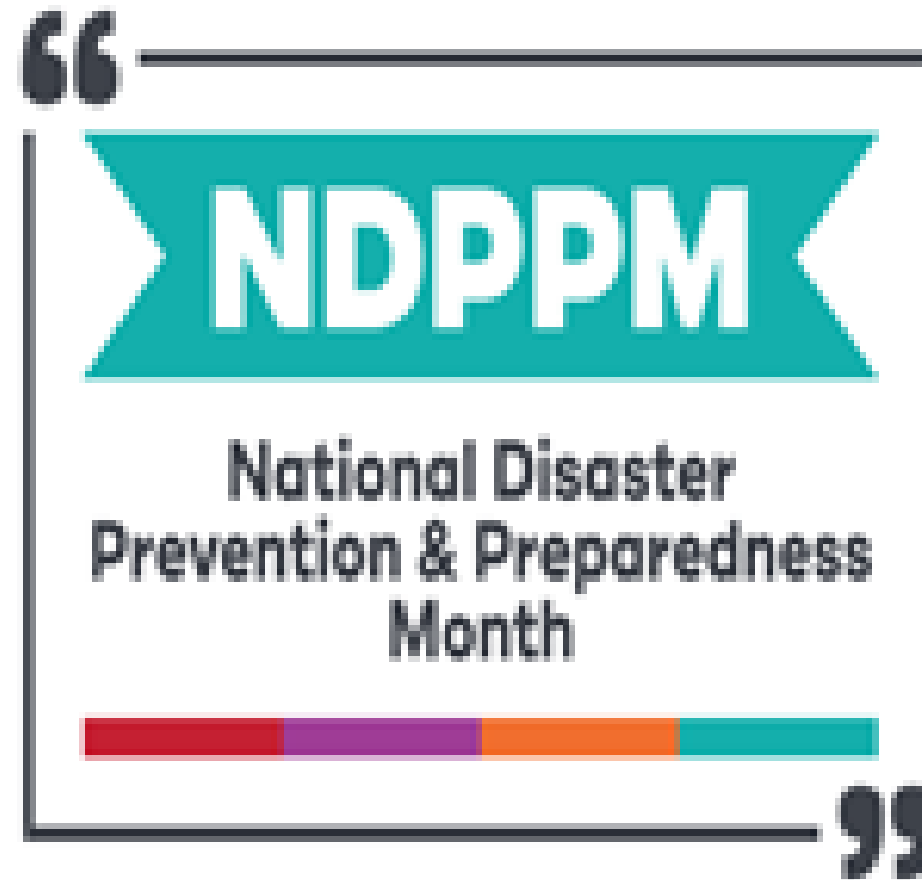
- **Expansion of our GIS Capacity.**

- Dana Continuum





# ODPM's Prevention Initiatives



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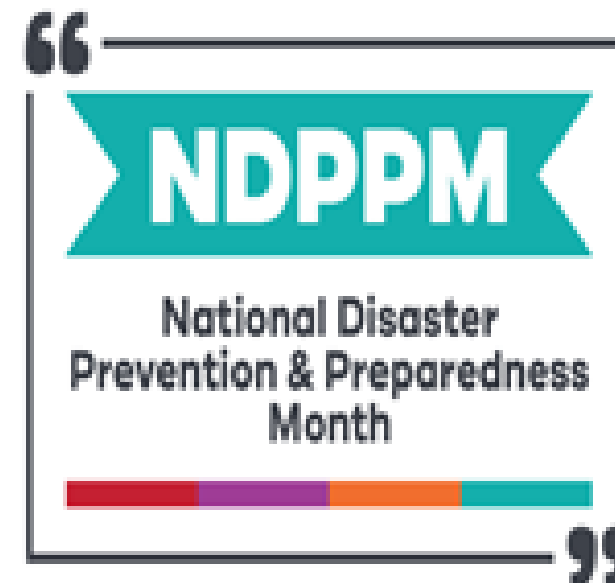
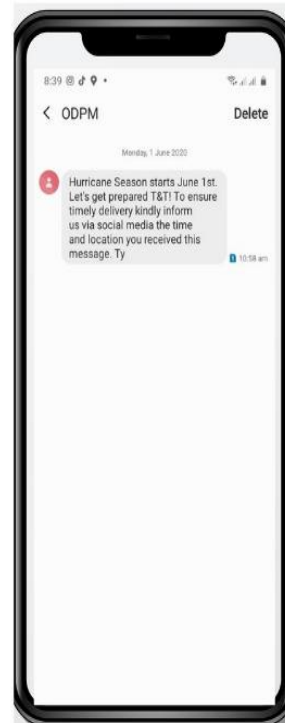
# Ongoing Projects at the ODPM

## Public Information Education , Community Outreach Unit - PIECO

- Public Alert Notification System (PANS).
- ODPM volunteer programme.
- Community outreach programme implementation.
- Dissemination of Public Information via Press Releases, Public Advisories etc.



**JUNE 1ST-  
LOOK OUT FOR  
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TEXT MESSAGE**

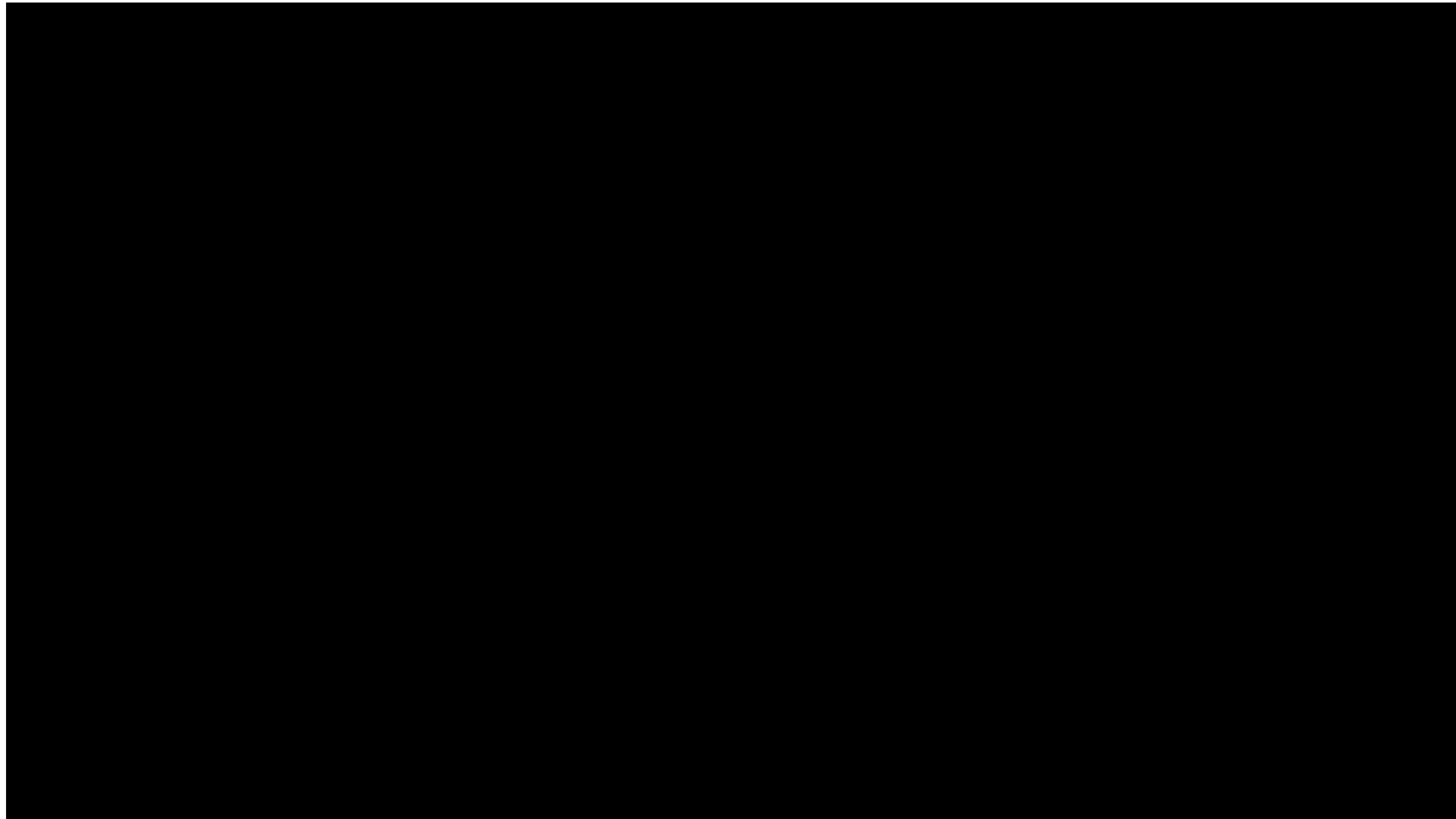


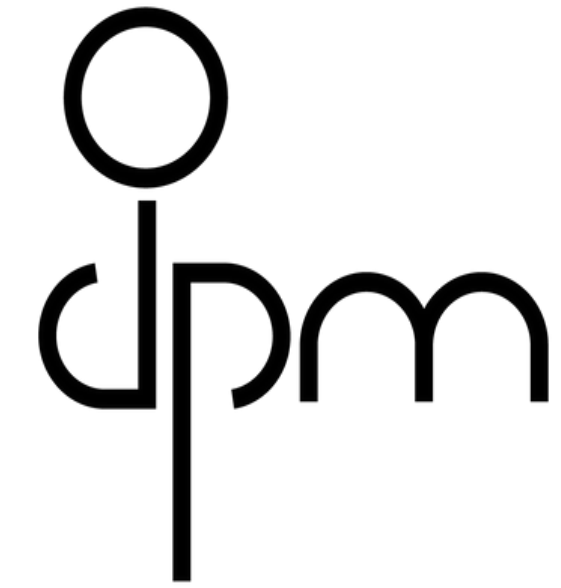
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# Public Education and Awareness





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