BACKGROUND - Regional

- REGIONAL SENDAI FRAMEWORK MONITOR ORIENTATION AND TRAINING
  WORKSHOP 26th – 27th March 2018, University of the South Pacific Lab, Suva, FIJI
- Main Organiser: UNISDR OFFICE, UN DRR Regional Office & Australian Government’s Department of Foreign Affairs & Trade

Overall, the Workshop focused on:
- Using SFMS
- Review Global (obligatory) & Custom (optional) SF and links with SDGs and
- Reporting expectations, dates and next steps
- Key partners – Pacific Community, International Federation of Red Cross, Pacific Disability Forum, UNESCAP and UNDP.
BACKGROUND – In Country

- Collaboration between NDMO & UNISDR
- NDMO – financial support & organizing key stakeholder (FBOS)
- UNISDR – providing the consultant (Ms Jutta May) to conduct a Workshop

PROCESS

- 5 days Workshop (28th Feb – 1st March 2019)
- Officers – NDMO & FBOS
- Training and update of SFM, focusing on Target A & B, from 2018 - 2005
- Update of Pacific Damage and Loss (PDaLo) / DesInventar with data from 2018 - 2015
PREPARATION WORK

Documents with prerequisite SFM information and guidance were prepared and shared with the Fiji National Disaster Management Office (NDMO) before the workshop. This included the:

1. Creation of a Stakeholder matrix
2. Collection of Draft metadata for the SFM
3. Compilation of existing damage and loss data from different sources, including the PDaLo/DI, Global Identifier (GUIDE), Relief Web and others.

ACTIVITIES

- For 1 week, four participants from NDMO & FBoS:
  1. Learned about the SFM and PDaLo/DI with functionality through hands-on instructions and exercises to guide, real-time data input, discussions, presentations, demonstrations, videos and other materials;
  2. Gathered and entered data from different resources and agencies;
  3. Networked and discussed experiences with challenges, future opportunities and recommendations;
  4. Connected with the National Archives Fiji (NAF) for future information governance strengthening.

RESULTS

- Almost all METADATA from 2005 – 2018 has been entered.
- Reporting progress for 2018 covers Targets A, B and C, including some disaggregation and validation.
- This makes Fiji the second country, out of 195 reporting, with validated data in the SFM, as displayed in the Global Country Reporting Overview screenshot.
- The data entry for 2017 is also validated, while no disasters occurred.
- Further data entry is planned to cover the years 2016 back to 2005.
- 2018 – Fiji is 2nd and Tonga is 5th on the Validated data
**CHALLENGES**

- No dedicated capacities for data and information management exist within the NDMO, which hampers the reporting within the SFM and PDaLo and DI.

- The availability and access of NDMO disaster data, information and sources such as situation reports is limited, with no information governance, data curation or recordkeeping in place.

- The availability, access and sharing of disaster data from other government agencies is limited.

- Templates and workflows do not cover disaster data efficiently across situation reports, PDNAs, the SFM or PDaLo information.

- Translation of SFM user interface in Fijian language is desired.

**WAY FORWARD**

- A one day debrief workshop is recommended to present the SFM experiences from the NDMO, FBOS and NAF to development partners, and identify support for strengthening the institutionalization of data and information governance for improved sustainability. The proposed way forward with challenges and next steps covers:

  1. Strengthen Continuous collaboration and coordination with the NDMO, FBOS to development partners, and identify support for addressing these issues.

  2. Strengthen disaster information through dedicated projects established and pilot good practice, standards and information governance in collaboration between the NDMO, NAF and FBOS.

  3. Potential mentoring or twinning partnerships with similar agencies in New Zealand, Australia or other countries can support these projects.

**THANK YOU FOR LISTENING**