

What can WE do to prepare by using forecasts?



Monitor!

Compare seasonal forecasts and shorter term forecasts for reliability on a weekly basis



Keep in Touch

with your national meteorological office and national disaster management agency on the situation



Keep Strengthening

the relationship with your national and local meteorological and hydrological agencies

Keep in mind: <u>Heat Waves</u> can affect cities more than in rural areas
- <u>Managing heat stress</u> is critical!



Urgently Identify

which areas are most-at-risk and who are the most vulnerable groups in your country.

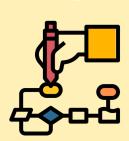


Alert branch managers and volunteers!



Prepare your National Society

for the types of hazards that might occur during the next 'disaster' season



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Review your NS disaster preparedness mechanisms

update your pre-disaster plans, business continuity plans and contingency plan



Revisit your preparedness or relief stocks

- Check the kind of pre-positioned stock on hand
- Identify if these will be needed based on the earlier analysis (kind and supply)
- Ensure stocks are sufficient for probable demands (ie. masks, protective equipment etc.)



Keep eye on rainfall

If experiencing dry/wet conditions, check the local seasonal forecast for the projected conditions likely to continue in the months ahead –

DISSEMINATE MESSAGES NOW.

See monthly Bulletins from Caribbean Regional Climate Centre



Identify Triggers for Emergencies

Pay particular attention to the identification of triggers for the activation of early action and rapid response actions



Initiate discussion with potential donors

- Preparedness/Readiness Funds
- Early Action Funds
- Funding released based on Forecasts and risks to most vulnerable groups and/or sectors

N.B. Consider compounding or cascading risks; including the context of COVID-19

Here are checklists for <u>Extreme Heat during COVId-19 Pandemic</u>





