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Highlights

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- IOM launched USD 20 Million appeal for Hurricane Matthew response
- IOM is coordinating the transport, warehousing and delivery of NFIs with partner NGOs
- IOM launched the emergency registration of households in collective evacuation sites (schools, churches)

Situation Overview

On the morning of Tuesday 4 October, Hurricane Matthew, the first Category 4 to hit the country in the past 52 years with winds up to 150 mph (240 km/h) barreled into southern coastal towns including Jeremie, Les Cayes, Port Salut, Dame Marie and Jacmel, causing major damage to homes, schools and other public buildings.

- 1.4 million people in need of humanitarian assistance ; 2.1 million individuals have been affected (UN-OCHA)
- Estimated casualties range from **300 deaths** according to the Directorate of Civil Protection (DPC) up to **over 900 deaths** according to international media (The Telegraph)
- **80% of electricity network destroyed** in the Southern peninsula and **90% of homes** in the South and Grande Anse department have been damaged or destroyed by the Hurricane
- **Land access** to the most affected areas **remains difficult** and **remote rural areas** have not yet been assessed
- **192 temporary shelters** are housing **61,537 displaced individuals** according to the DPC
- **279 latrines destroyed or damaged** in Camps in Port-au-Prince, increasing risks **of cholera epidemic**
- Important damages were reported to makeshift tents housing returnees/deportees from the Dominican Republic in Anse-a-Pitres (Belle Anse)

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IOM RESPONSE

Assessments

- 34 multi-sectorial (CCCM/DRR/Protection) IOM emergency staff are **carrying out rapid assessments** of the situation in Grande Anse and South departments



NFI and Shelter

- IOM received five (5) incoming cargo flights from OFDA/USAID at the Port au Prince airport on 8-9 October
- A portion of NFIs from these cargo flights were sent by helicopter to Jeremie and Les Cayes while the remaining stock will be shipped to affected areas tomorrow in a truck convoy escorted by MINUSTAH.
- 5500 OFDA/USAID hygiene kits were made available to the NGO *Mission of Hope* by IOM for delivery to Bonbon and Abricot (Grande Anse), two remote communes in the worse-hit department.
- Distributions of NFIs are ongoing in Jeremie (by Acted) and in Les Cayes (by Catholic Relief Services)
- IOM led the second NFI/Shelter Working Group meeting on 10 October with 40 participants from NGOs, Haitian Government, and donors



Emergency Registration and DTM

- The signature of an agreement with Ministry of Interior is underway for the registration of Hurricane Matthew affected population, with a priority focus on the individuals remaining in temporary evacuation shelters
- Database is now operational for both questionnaires (MIRA and DTM Evaluation) and data entry on camp assessments is completed

Grande Anse:

- IOM teams in Jeremie have registered 10 evacuation shelters /collective sites
- IOM/DPC jointly assessed 30 sites within Jeremie (CCCM, NFI, Protection)

South:

- 80,950 individuals reported to be homeless in the South department alone (Ministry of Social Affairs)
- In all towns in the South assessed, IOM distributed hygiene and water chlorination items to local health centers and local authorities



IOM staff oversee a delivery of USAID/OFDA NFIs in Les Cayes

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