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Shelter Cluster Meeting
Ambae Volcano Response
27 September 2018, Port Vila

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Agenda

- Action Items from previous meeting
- Extension of State of Emergency to 26th November
- Current situation Maewo – Cyclone shelters capacity
- Current situation Santo – Emergency shelter assessment
- Response update – partner updates for Maewo and Santo
- Emergency Shelter reinforcement technical guidance
- Update on long-term resettlement
- AOB

Action Items from previous meeting

Action	Owner	Due Date	Comments
Prepare and submit report to NDMO to advocate for families to be moved out of swamps on Maewo.	SCV Lead, Penama Province	14/09/2018	VRCS and PWD already informed PEOC
Obtain more information on reported landslides on Maewo, and provide assistance if required	SCV Lead, Penama Prov.	14/09/2018	Report circulated by NDMO on 10/09
Obtain technical designs of intermediate-term shelter program in Cox's Bazaar, Bangladesh as a case study for Maewo.	Francois	14/09/2018	To be discussed today
Request mission report from DFAT on their mission to Santo	SCV Lead	14/09/2018	No DFAT report available
Conduct emergency shelter assessment on Santo	SCV Lead	ASAP. High priority.	To be discussed today
Obtain pricelist for off-island materials	Resettlement Coordinator	14/09/2018	Update during this meeting
Request clarification from WASH cluster on tanks beside EOC on Maewo.	SCV Lead, Penama Prov.	14/09/2018	Pending
Engage Department of Environmental Protection and Conservation for an environmental impact study.	Shelter Cluster Lead / Resettlement Coordinator	14/09/2018	Update during this meeting

Extension of State of Emergency to 26th November

1. Extend State of Emergency for 2 months until 26 November
2. Approve Maewo Chiefs Plan **to adopt Ambae evacuated families on a case by case, family and community basis into Maewo tribes .**
3. Instruct Stet Law Office to draft an Agreement with conditions, detailing the strategy and conditions of Land use in the short term for the Government of Vanuatu and Maewo Chiefs to sign securing the livelihoods for Ambae families to be resettled in Maewo through customary adoption and integration.
4. COM calls on all Ambae chiefs and Ambae people currently living on the island of Maewo to cooperate with Government authorities and Maewo Chiefs supporting the Government to manage the situation and livelihood of Ambae families.

CARE International Technical Support deployment to the cluster Strategy recommendations for Maewo

Context of the visit

- Support the Vanuatu Shelter cluster and its lead, PWD and to make recommendations on priority shelter response options
- 9-day field mission on Maewo from 23/08 to 01/09 with Shelter Cluster
- Meetings with shelter cluster partners and stakeholders in Maewo and Port Vila, NDMO (EOC), PWD, VRCS, Community leaders and Kastom chief'
- Field visit to 7 host communities from North to South Maewo focussed on assessing the current state of shelter support and needs :
 - Settlements conditions (Family Temporary Shelters)
 - Evacuation Centres capacity



Strategy recommendations for Maewo – urgent priorities

Outcome 1 – Temporary family shelter improvements

- Approx. 500 HH are living in temporary shelters (60-65% of the 800 HH)
- Temporary shelters need to be reinforced for the Cyclone season
- Self recovery approach (with technical support) is appropriate

- Proposed action:
 - Distribution of Shelter Upgrade Kits (500HH) + Community Tool kits (1 for 20HH)
 - Technical support and TOT (CDCCC Shelter Focal Point to be identified and trained)
 - Training package to be prepared based on 4-key messages and VRCS guidelines (with Shelter Cluster)



Strategy recommendations for Maewo

Outcome 2 – Access to safe cyclone shelters

- A rapid assessment on evacuation centres capacity show a lack of 1,700 places based on NDMO standard
- Detailed mapping and technical assessment is needed (with potential blocks to access to be checked), followed by reinforcements
- Relocation and/or construction of additional cyclone shelters could be considered
- Proposed of action:
 - Technical assessment following NDMO guidelines to be carried + mapping
 - Reinforcement works to be done in close partnership with buildings owners

Strategy recommendations for Maewo

		Maewo			Ambae			Total		Estimated cyclone shelter capacity (metres squared)											Maewo	Total		
		Pop	HH	P/HH	Pop	Disable elderly	HH	P/HH	populati on	househo lds	Church	Communi ty Hall	Nakamal	Tabu Nakamal	School	Chief's House	Rasa's House	Office	Guest House	Other house	People per m2	Total people	remainder	remainder
1	Namumu (includes Verue)	75	16	4,7	125	9	38	3,3	200	54	77	60									0,75	103	-28	97
2	Marino	219	50	4,4	215	7	69	3,1	434	119	98		104								0,75	152	67	282
3	Naone (includes Rembu, Takolava)	250	68	4,4	308	12	100	3,1	558	168	150			105	20						0,75	207	43	351
4	Kaivo (includes Matberingi, Naoneone, Narea, Nandunga, Ghantaroa and Keranambei)	326	74	4,4	361	13	112	3,2	687	186	150		160	100	200	25	15			140	0,75	593	-267	94
5	Lalvaru	105	29	3,6	123	9	38	3,2	228	67		105		814							0,75	690	-585	-462
6	Betarara	60	14	4,4	68		21	3,2	128	35	200										0,75	151	-91	-23
7	Kerebei (includes Rongnawo/Umlongo, Toss)	230	52	4,4	163	7	57	2,9	393	109			140				90	40	90	0,75	271	-41	122	
8	Kwatiakwoli	30	7	4,4	28		11	2,5	58	18	40		60								0,75	76	-46	-18
9	Ngota (includes Naviso)	200	45	4,4	134	10	36	3,7	334	81			350						20	0,75	278	-78	56	
10	Navenvene	70	16	4,4	76	3	19	4,0	146	35									100	0,75	76	-6	70	
11	Talise	170	39	4,4	270	13	72	3,8	440	111				448							0,75	337	-167	103
12	Narovrovo	290	66	4,4	351	12	94	3,7	641	160	144			182					78	0,75	304	-14	337	
13	Nasawa (includes Boskole, Vonda)	600	136	4,4	698	11	129	5,4	1298	265	162			527							0,75	517	83	781
14	Asanvari	250	57	4,4	23	1	9	2,6	273	66			240	150					60	0,75	338	-88	-65	
Total / average		2 875	669	4,4	2 943	107	805	3,4	5 818	1 474											4091	-1216	1727	

Current Situation – Santo

Shelter Cluster Team rapid assessment (18 & 19/09)



Location: Bombua



Location: Banban

Current Situation – Santo

Shelter Cluster Team rapid assessment (18 & 19/09)



Location: Sarakata



Location: Fire station

Current Situation – Santo

Shelter Cluster Team rapid assessment (18 & 19/09)



Location: Chapuis



Location: Apostolic Sarakata

Current Situation – Santo

Shelter Cluster Team rapid assessment (18 & 19/09)

- **Key informant interviews in 10 displacement sites (approximately 15% of the total number of displacement sites) where evacuees are living in host communities, host families, new settlements and public buildings, to better understand their current situation and future plans.**
- The main objectives of this assessment were to better understand:
 - Gaps around emergency shelter and household non-food items (NFIs)
 - Evacuee's security of land tenure and future intentions
 - Evacuee's level of access to services and support
 - Evacuee's level of disaster preparedness considering the upcoming cyclone season

Current Situation – Santo

Access to Adequate Emergency Shelter & Household NFIs - **Key findings**

- **Only 3 out of 10 communities** visited appeared to have adequate emergency shelter
- **None of the communities have access to essential household items** such as sleeping mats, cooking sets, mosquito nets, solar lights, etc.
- In the response budget submitted to NDMO on the 17th of September, an allowance was made for only 300 households on Santo but based on the findings of this rapid assessment **many more families will require support.**

Current Situation – Santo

Access to Adequate Emergency Shelter & Household NFIs - **Recommendations**

- Shelter Cluster to **update the response plan and budget** to allow for support to **1,000 HH for emergency shelter and 1,600 HH for NFIs**
- Government and Shelter Cluster partners **to mobilise their resources to provide immediate additional support**
- **Government support families to travel back to Ambae to check their properties and livestock and bring back to Santo additional supplies required** to sustain themselves during the period of the extended SoE (until 26 November) and beyond.

Current Situation – Santo

Land Tenure status of Ambae Evacuees - Recommendations

- **Emergency shelter and NFIs, and technical support to be prioritised for communities which don't yet have secure access to resettlement land,**
- **Communities who have purchased new land to resettle and have started to build new shelter / houses to be supported with different kinds of shelter assistance** e.g. iron roofing, cash and technical support
- **WASH Cluster assist communities to establish supply of water on evacuation and resettlement sites** as many gaps have been highlighted by this assessment

Current Situation – Santo

Readiness of Ambae Evacuees on Santo for the Upcoming Cyclone Season - **Recommendations**

- NDMO and humanitarian partners consider **providing solar powered radios to communities without access to radio**
- NDMO liaise with UNELCO for **provision of electricity to all evacuation and resettlement sites**
- NDMO and humanitarian partners **plan with communities and CDCCCs what to do and where to go during a disaster**
- NDMO ensures that the **recent extension of SoE is communicated to all communities to allow them time to adequately plan and prepare**
- NDMO and humanitarian partners **engage owners of existing safe houses / evacuation centres such as churches (VCC) and schools (MoET) to encourage them to reinforce these building in preparation for the cyclone season**

Response update – partner updates for Maewo and Santo

Safe Shelter awareness

Vanuatu Shelter Cluster (VSC) 4 key messages:

- Already validated and translated in Bislama for TC PAM response (Cluster partners, PWD, NDMO). Used for Radio show and T-shirts.
- Fitting on identified needs for IEC emergency shelters reinforcement in this response, with potential iteration use:
 - Social media
 - T shirts (shelter cluster partners, CDC shelter focal points, etc...)
 - IEC material with graphic drawings with distribution
 - Support to Training of Trainers on emergency shelter reinforcement in Maewo and Santo

Vanuatu Shelter Cluster (VSC) 4 key messages

(1) **Build your house on a safe site** by identifying and trying to avoid potential hazards in your location and build as well as you can to resist them,

Bildim haos blong yu long wan ples we yu save se i sef gud mo yu tram blong kipim yu aot long ol Nara hazad we i stap happen long ples we yu lif long em mo yu save stanap strong akensem.

(2) **Deeply anchor your house to the ground with strong foundations**, setting the posts at least 1 meter deep in the ground

Mekem gud foundesen blong house blong yu i strong, traonem ol pos blo haos at lis 1 Meta i KO daon long kraon.

(3) **Ensure that you have strong connections at all joints** – the roof material to the roof timbers, the roof to the walls and the walls to the foundations. Strong connections can be made with cyclone straps, rope and vines.

Mekem sua se yu kat wan strong connection long every join, long ruf kasem ruf timba, ruf kasem wol mo ol wol kasem faoundesen, ol strong koneksen olsem yu save mekem wetem ol Saeklon strap, rope blo stoa mo lokol rop

(4) **To cross-brace your roof and walls, at least by creating triangles between the corners or junctions** of your house.

Blong cross bresem ruf mo wols blong haos blong yu at lis yu mas mekem ol traeankels between long ol corners blong haos blo yu.

Safe Shelter Awareness – Emergency Shelter reinforcement

1. Use of the key messages for social media
2. Development of VSC T shirts with key messages
3. Development of IEC material (A4 double side) with technical drawing developing on key messages. Need to identify local artist.
4. This IEC to be used by cluster partners for distribution or activities where this should apply
5. Development further for ToT of shelter focal points (CDCs)

Who wants to be part of it?

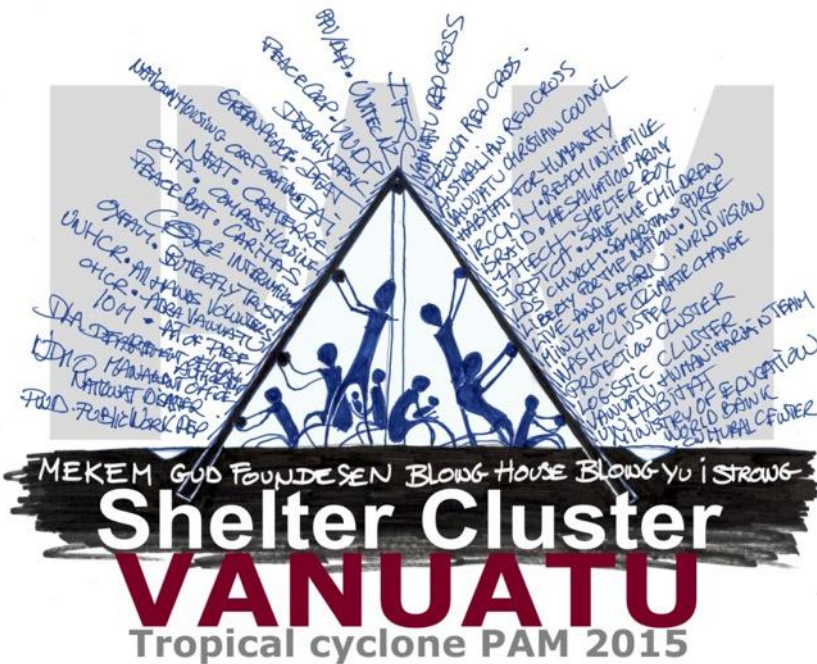
Vanuatu Shelter Cluster TC PAM T Shirt



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BLONG MEKEM HAOS BLONG YU I SAVE STANAP AKENSEM ENI NATURAL DISASTA, EMI IMPOTEN BLO

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Update on long-term resettlement

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Any Other Business

1. Global Shelter Cluster Operational Guidance on recycling, reuse and disposal of plastic sheeting, translated in Bislama
2. Vanuatu Shelter Cluster TOR to be finalised, to look at scope, roles & responsibilities, DRM cycle (preparedness / emergency / recovery).

Protection considerations in Shelter

Humanitarian protection is about improving safety, well-being and dignity for crisis-affected populations. Protection refers not only to what we do, but also the way we do it. These principles include:

Do not cause further harm or create new risk of harm



Non-discriminatory access to assistance and services



Identify the most vulnerable and their specific needs



Safe and dignified access to basic services



Community participation and empowerment



Strengthen positive community protection capacities

- [Protection Library](#) on the Shelter Cluster Website.
- NGO staff should have training on ‘Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA)’.
 - “Seksual kondak_ bislama” PSEA Guidance in Bislama.
- Shelter focal point for Gender & Protection Cluster

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Useful Links

Shelter Cluster Vanuatu – Ambae Volcano Response website

<https://www.sheltercluster.org/response/vanuatu-ambae-volcano-2018>

Shelter Cluster Vanuatu – Public Folder (Dropbox)

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/xspva03cawchkk7/AAAPGheOeJfwCCNKzbbXbJJ8a?dl=0>

NDMO – Ambae Volcano Activity 2018

<https://ndmo.gov.vu/ambae-volcano-activity>

VMGD – VMGD Manaro Voui (Ambae Volcano)

www.vmgd.gov.vu/vmgd/index.php/geohazards/volcano/our-active-volcanos/ambae/manaro-voui