

HURRICANE MELISSA SITUATION REPORT No. 15

AS OF 5:00PM AST on NOVEMBER 20th, 2025

CARICOM HEADS OF GOVERNMENT SHOW SOLIDARITY FOLLOWING HURRICANE MELISSA IMPACT ON JAMAICA

OVERVIEW



Figure 1: CARICOM Heads of Government during their high-level visit to Jamaica on November 17th.



Figure 2: Elizabeth Riley is greeted by Dr. The Hon. Andrew Holness Prime Minister of Jamaica at the end of a high-level delegation led by regional leaders



Figure 3: CDEMA COST member Kevon Campbell discussing the regional logistics coordination mechanisms with humanitarian partners



Figure 4: CDEMA COST personnel participating in discussion on the integration of the private sector in the National Emergency Operations Centre

On November 17th, CARICOM Heads of Government travelled to Jamaica to demonstrate regional solidarity following the impact of Hurricane Melissa. The delegation included the Honourable Gaston Browne, Prime Minister of Antigua & Barbuda; the Honourable Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister of Barbados; the Honourable Dickon Mitchell, Prime Minister of Grenada; and Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali, President of Guyana. They were accompanied by senior regional officials, namely Dr. Carla Barnett, Secretary-General of CARICOM; Ms. Elizabeth Riley, Executive Director of CDEMA; Rear Admiral Errington Shurland, Executive Director of the Regional Security System (RSS); and Brigadier Carlos Lovell, Chief of Staff of the Barbados Defence Force (BDF).

CDEMA continues to support strengthening of national coordination. Six (6) CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) personnel are on the ground in Jamaica providing strategic, logistical, information management and coordination support. COST personnel have also been deployed to St. Elizabeth and Trelawny parishes to strengthen coordination at the respective Parish EOCs. CDEMA and the World Food Programme (WFP) met with the National Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) Logistics Liaison Officers on Sunday, November 16th, to introduce tools and mechanisms that can assist with addressing critical needs in the national response.

Updates from Impacted Participating States



JAMAICA

SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS



**16
PERSONS
MISSING**



**90,000
HOUSEHOLDS
DISPLACED**
(preliminary)



**191,000+
BUILDINGS
DAMAGED**



**182
COMMUNITIES
IMPACTED**



**600+
SCHOOLS
IMPACTED**



KEY UPDATES

- Ongoing intermittent rainfall causing prolonged flooding and groundwater rise.
- NEOC remains activated at Level 3 and coordinating national response.
- National focus remains on relief distribution, restoration of utilities, and community outreach.



**31%
WITHOUT
POWER**



**97
SHELTERS
ACTIVE**

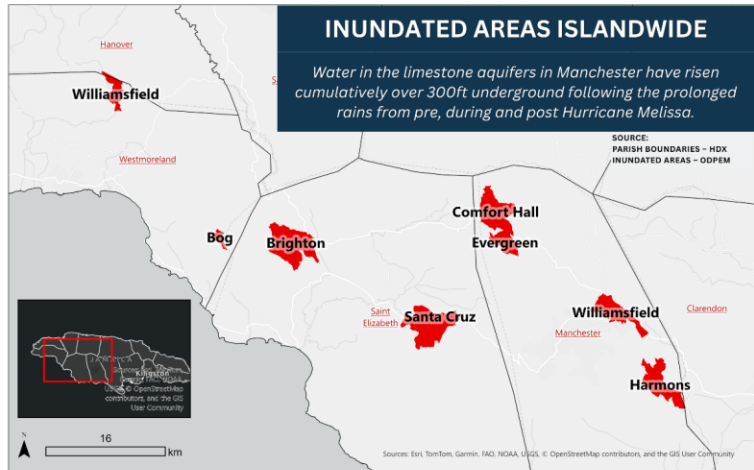


**1,314
PERSONS
IN
SHELTERS**

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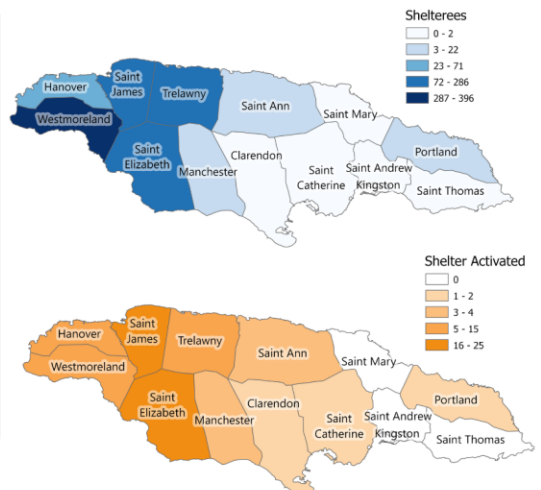
HANOVER	Chigwell
ST ELIZABETH	New Market into New River
ST ANN	Pedro River, Douglas Castle, Thatch Walk
TRELAWNY	Martha Brae – Perth Town Rd; Moorefield to Wakefield; Fontabel Main Rd

- Inundated areas not identified on map



SHELTER INFORMATION | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

Parish	Shelters Occupied	Shelterees	Parish	Shelters Occupied	Shelterees
KSA	0	0	Westmoreland	15	396
St. Thomas	0	0	Portland	2	13
St. Catherine	1	2	St. Mary	0	0
Portmore	0	0	St. Ann	4	22
Clarendon	2	2	Trelawny	11	260
Manchester	4	22	St. James	23	240
St. Elizabeth	25	286	Hanover	10	71
			Total	97	1,314



Updates from Impacted Participating States



JAMAICA (Continued)

ELECTRICITY (JPS) | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

31%
WITHOUT
POWER

100%
ASSESSED
Transmission
repairs

95%
ASSESSED
Substations

69%
POWER
RESTORED

83%
POWER
RESTORED
Hospitals

Parish (Identified on map to right)	Locations / Facilities Mentioned
Kingston & St. Andrew	General restoration
St. Catherine	General restoration
St. Thomas	General restoration
Clarendon	General restoration
Manchester	Homewood Technical High
Portland	Knox High School
St. Mary	Boscobel NWC Treatment Plant
St. James	Montego Bay Town Centre
St. Ann	General restoration (no specific site named)
St. Elizabeth	New Forest to Alligator Pond; Pedro Cross NWC; Kinkhead to Watchwell; Wigton Wind Farm

RESTORATION IS OCCURRING IN PARISHES INDICATED IN RED (JPS)



KEY UPDATES

- Priority restoration continues for additional critical economic zones in St. James, St. Ann and Trelawny.
- JPS continues daily scheduled check-ins with utilities Digicel, FLOW, NWC, and NWA.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

FLOW

MOBILE 65%

FIXED 79%

MOBILE TRAFFIC
CONNECTIVITY 92%

100k Unique customers using Flow emergency services with Starlink



DIGICEL

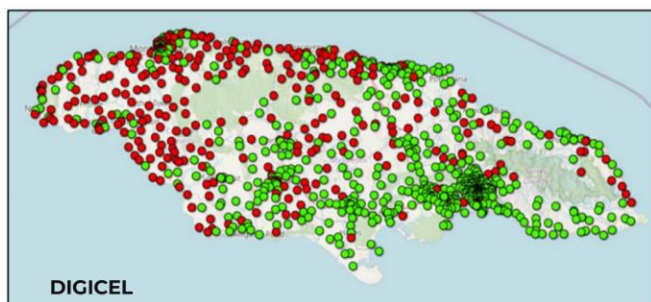
MOBILE 68%

FIXED 89%

BUSINESS
NETWORK 75%

NEWEST COMMUNITIES TO COME ONLINE

St. Elizabeth	St. Ann	Westmoreland
New Market	Faiths Pen	Mt Airy
	East Alexandria	
Manchester	Hanover	St. James
Mandeville	Cacoon Castle	Norwood



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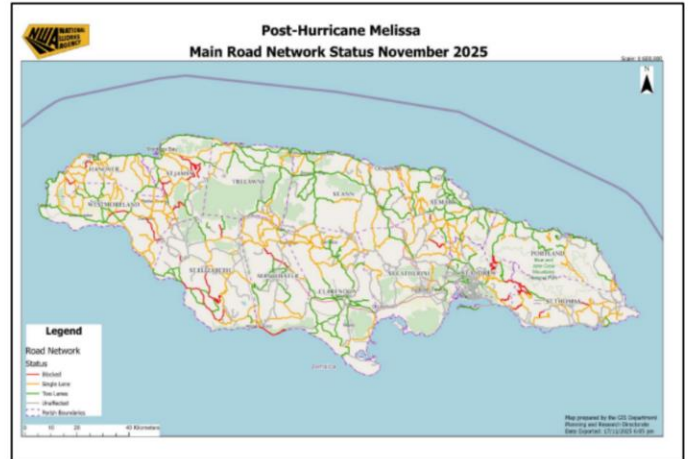
NATIONAL WORKS AGENCY (NWA) | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

Hurricane Melissa Road Status Summary
Monday, November 17, 2025
17/11/2025 6:11 pm

PARISH	TOTAL AFFECTED ROADS	TWO LANES OPEN	SINGLE LANE	BLOCKED	Trend
Clarendon	35	18	17	0	▶
Hanover	24	4	18	2	▶
Kingston	4	4	0	0	▶
Manchester	26	8	15	3	▶
Portland	29	13	15	1	▶
St. Andrew	38	21	14	3	▶
St. Ann	33	20	13	0	▶
St. Catherine	19	5	12	2	▶
St. Elizabeth	28	11	10	7	▶
St. James	34	12	15	7	▶
St. Mary	52	28	24	0	▶
St. Thomas	26	2	19	5	▶
Trelawny	19	11	8	0	▼
Westmoreland	39	10	27	2	▼
TOTAL	406	167	207	32	▼

Definitions:
Blocked: Roadway is completely impassable — no lanes open to traffic within the section.
Single Lane: Only one lane is usable, with alternating flow of traffic in either direction.
Two Lanes: Roadway is open to normal two-way flow, even where more than two lanes exist.
Total Affected: Sum of all roads reported as Blocked, Single Lane, or Two Lanes during the reporting period.

Legend:
 ▶ No change
 ▼ Reduction in Blocked Roads
 ▲ Increase in Blocked Roads



NATIONAL WATER COMMISSION | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS



**77.4%
OVERALL
RESTORATION**



**50% OF
CUSTOMERS
RECEIVING
SERVICE**
Western Division



**> 85%
RESTORATION**
Eastern Division



KEY UPDATES

- Key systems in St. James are almost back online including – Great River Intake, Fairfield Deepwell (supplies Tucker, Irwin and Environs)

PRIORITY AREAS TO BE SERVED | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

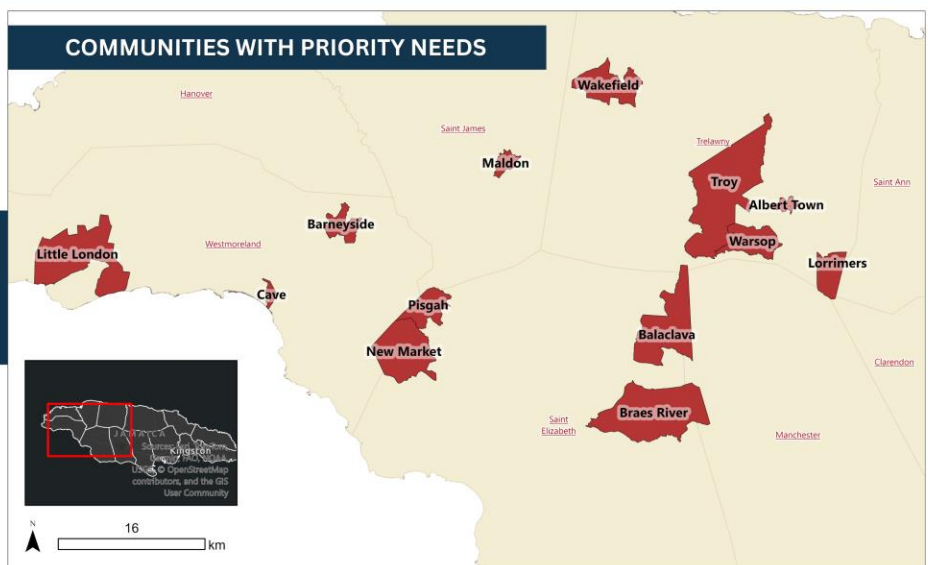
COMMUNITIES WITH PRIORITY NEEDS

The communities highlighted on the map and detailed in the accompanying list (below) have been assessed as priority areas in need of assistance.

Required support includes food packages, hot meals, water, tarpaulins, hygiene kits, WASH kits, and essential medical supplies.

The following communities are not identified on the map but also included in terms of priority needs:

Lewisville, Lancewood in Middle Quarters, Sudbury in Orange, Yorkland in Somerton, Duncans Hill, Crown Lands, and Hanover.



Updates from Impacted Participating States



JAMAICA (Continued)

AREAS SERVED WITH FOOD PACKAGES AND RELIEF SUPPLIES | SOURCE: ODPEM SITUATION REPORT #21 - LAST UPDATED BY 17/11/2025 22:00 HRS

Parish	Areas Served	Resources Provided (Food & Relief Items)
Manchester	Content, Kendal, Bellefield, Banana Ground, Bottom Coffee Grove, Dayvton, Top Hill, Mile Gully (incl. Harry Watch), Devon, Christiana, Richmond, Newport Area, Cross Keys, Porus, Spaulding, Christiana, Mandeville area	Food packages, hot meals, water, tarpaulins, Hygiene Kits, WASH Kits, medical supplies.
St. Elizabeth	Holland, Middlesex, Middlequarters, Woolwich, Burton and Burnt Savannah, Braes River, Shrewsbury, Ballards Valley	
Westmoreland	Hertford, Farm Pen, Llandilo, Smithfield, Water Works, McNeils Land, Hatfield, Little London, George's Plain, Sheffield, Strathbogie, Belmont, Grove Gardens, Rose Street, Hudson Street, New Market Oval, Chantilly, Seaton Crescent, Goodens River, Kingswood	
Hanover	Jericho; Cascade; Sandy Bay (Pumpkin Bottom); Hopewell; Ramble	
St. James	West Green, Mt. Salem, Bickersteth and Rose Heights, Salem, Waterworks (Long Hill), Retirement, Catherine Mount, Rosemount, Catadupa, Chesterfield, Bakersfield	Food packages, water, tarpaulins, baby supplies, Hygiene Kits, WASH Kits, medical supplies.
Trelawny	Wakefield, Falmouth, Wait-A-Bit	
St. Mary	Oracabessa, Galina, Port Maria, Jacks River, Mason Hall, Hamilton Mountain	
Portland	Comfort Castle, Port Antonio, Manchioneal, Buff Bay, Craig Hill	
St. Thomas	Bath, Seaforth	Non-food items only
Clarendon	Mitchell Town, Portland Cottage, Rocky Point, Danks Savoy, Kraal District, Chapelton, Free Town, Rhodes Pen, Mineral Heights, Curatoe, Effortville, Bushy Park	

SOURCE: SPECIAL PRESS BRIEFING (ODPEM UPDATES) - LAST UPDATED BY 19/11/2025 22:00 HRS



RELIEF UPDATES

- Over 115,000 relief packages delivered to 282 communities.
- Seven (7) regional distribution hubs and 26 humanitarian supply areas active.
- 590 flying hours dedicated by the Jamaica Defence Force (JDF) to delivery.
- World Central Kitchen: Over 1.3M meals served islandwide.



HEALTH UPDATES

- Mobile clinics, pharmacies, and mental health teams deployed.
- Surveillance underway for leptospirosis, dengue, tetanus, waterborne diseases.



DONATIONS

Over 16,000 donors contributed J\$556M to the government relief platform

Updates from Impacted Participating States



JAMAICA (Continued)

Report from a Special Government Press Briefing held on Wednesday, November 19th, 2025:

- The World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (UN ECLAC), delivered a GRADE (Global Rapid Post-Disaster Damage Estimation) assessment using remote sensing, catastrophe modeling, satellite imagery, and social/media intelligence.
- The assessment focused on physical damages – not economic losses or recovery costs – and the results were categorised by parish and in four (4) asset classes: residential, non-residential, infrastructure, and agriculture.



KEY UPDATES

Three (3) hardest-hit parishes: St. Elizabeth, St. James, Westmoreland – accounting for US \$5.5B (63%) of total damage.

Other updates are as follows:

- **Debris Management:**
 - Estimated debris: 4.8 million metric tonnes or approximately 500,000 truckloads to be removed.
 - The National Solid Waste Management Authority (NSWMA), the JDF and Special Teams are clearing debris with specific efforts targeted at hardest-hit areas in St. James: West Green and Catherine Hall due to public health risk it poses. To date, 2,000 truckloads have been removed from those areas.
 - Government of Jamaica is procuring more trucks, working with partners (Barbados, Guyana, China), and exploring recycling, chipping, scrap metal recovery.
- The National Housing Trust is procuring 5,000 containerised housing units as a temporary solution to the shelter needs.
- The National Reconstruction and Resilience Authority was established as a statutory body with 5-year mandate to fast-track, coordinate, and lead national rebuilding with special powers. Priority areas include:
 - Safer homes
 - Climate-resilient infrastructure
 - Land-use planning
 - Relocation from high-risk zones
 - New industries in affected regions.
- ODPEM is focusing on the strengthening of:
 - Inventory management system with public-facing dashboard showing all donations in/out (to be launched soon).
 - National Geographic Information Systems consolidation efforts to map all communities, including informal settlements.
 - Unified national assessment core, merging capacities from the Social Development Commission, Ministry of Labour and Social Security (MLSS), National Works Agency (NWA), JDF, etc.

Updates from Impacted Participating States



JAMAICA (continued)

Report from Ministry of Labour and Social Security Press Briefing held on Thursday, November 20th, 2025:

Statistics as at, November 19th, 2025:

- Completed 138 air and ground supply drops to communities inaccessible due to flooding and infrastructure damage – conducted in partnership with the JDF and stakeholders.
- About 60,000 food packages delivered (figure does not include unformalised distributions by partners).

Jamaica Household Damage Impact and Needs Assessment (JHDINA) Tool:

- New digital platform launched to replace manual data entry processes and improve coordination across government and humanitarian partners.
- Captures images, GPS coordinates; increases accuracy and objectivity; enables real-time updates.
- Used by all major partners for a cohesive data capture and response effort.
- As of November 19th, 96% of assessments have been entered into the JHDINA platform. The data shows 47,000 persons formally identified as affected.



HAITI

Report from the Directorate General of Civil Protection (DGPC)

- The Damage Assessment and Needs Analysis (DANA) has been completed and can be accessed [here](#).
- **The Ministry of Finance in Haiti is providing financial assistance:**
 - Each affected family receives 250,000 gourdes (approximately US\$2,000) – for both funeral costs and support to the families.
- **Partner support thus far includes:**
 - World Food Programme (WFP): cash transfers have been provided to 1,800 families in the amount of US\$120 per family every 15 days.
 - United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF): distributing hygiene kits in Léogâne and Jérémie.
 - International Organisation for Migration (IOM): distributing non-food items, including shelter construction kits.
- **Needs identified include:**
 - Food: more food assistance needed.
 - Housing/Shelter reconstruction: materials to rebuild houses.
 - Cleanup: tools and materials to clean up debris and affected areas.
 - Environmental recovery: longer-term environmental work, especially in Grand'Anse and other departments.
- A more detailed needs list will be shared as soon as possible.
- Sectoral assessment: Sector-by-sector assessments (agriculture, environment, education, etc.) are ongoing to identify specific needs for each sector.

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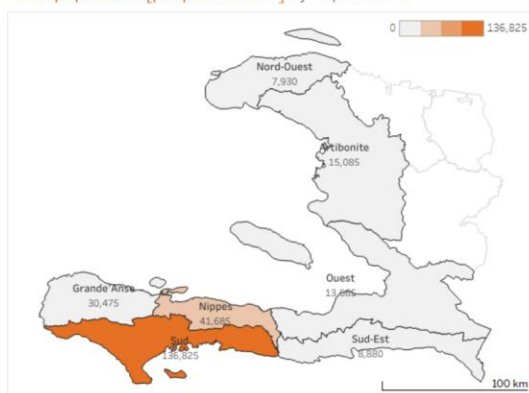
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Report from the Directorate General of Civil Protection (DGPC) DANA Dashboard



**254,545
PERSONS
AFFECTED**

total population [people affected] by department



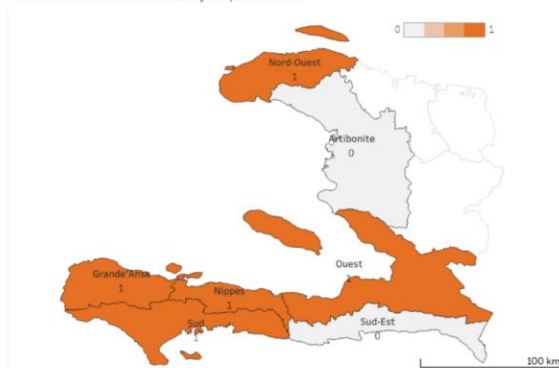
Department	Total - Affected Persons	Affected Persons - Men	Affected Persons - Women	Affected Persons - Elderly	Affected Persons - Children
Artibonite	15,085	7,423	7,662	1,015	1,574
Grande'Anse	30,475	5,433	25,042	15,021	3,345
Nippes	41,685	20,172	21,513	12,903	7,796
Nord-Ouest	7,930	3,707	4,223	1,259	1,236

Number of communal sections per department where:
houses [flooded]



		Houses	Schools	Hospitals / Centres Health	Public buildings	Other types of buildings
Flooded	19,424 (2.3%)	19,232	169	4	15	37
Destroyed	1,516 (0.2%)	1,336	19			13
Damaged	11,557 (1.4%)	11,028	113	2	1	56
Less Damaged	19,566 (2.3%)	19,313	105	4	3	69

health centers affected by department



Department	Number of Communal Sections Reporting	Available Health Centres	Available Hospitals	Available Dispensaries
Artibonite	5	2	1	3
Grande'Anse	28	9	2	13
Nippes	12	6	2	2
Nord-Ouest	30	12	3	20
Ouest	17	11	8	2
Sud	66	30	10	21
Sud-Est	24	12	5	11

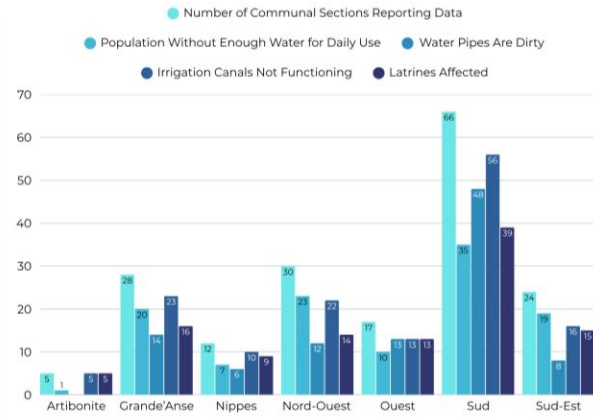
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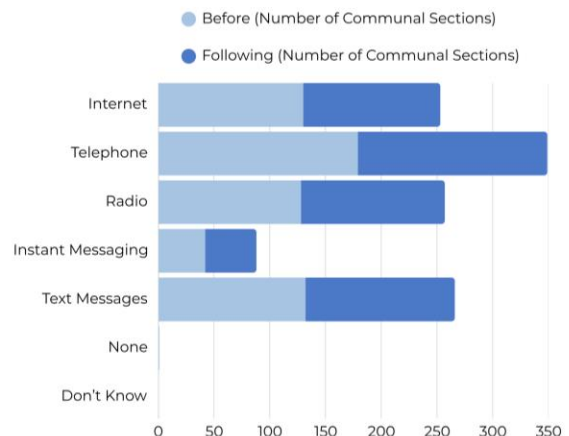
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Report from the Directorate General of Civil Protection (DGPC) DANA Dashboard

Number of communal sections per department where:
the population does not have enough water for daily use



Number of communal sections per department where:
electricity [never]



Schools used as temporary shelters, by department



Total number of schools

4,409



Total number of damaged schools

113



Total number of schools

19



Total number of students attending the school

127,603



Total number of schools used as temporary shelters

253



Total number of people in temporary shelters (school)

5,148

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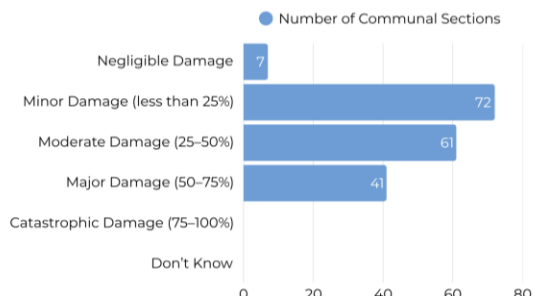
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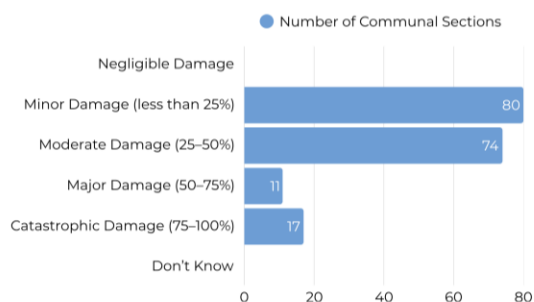
Number of communal sections per department where:
animals [major damage (50-75%)]



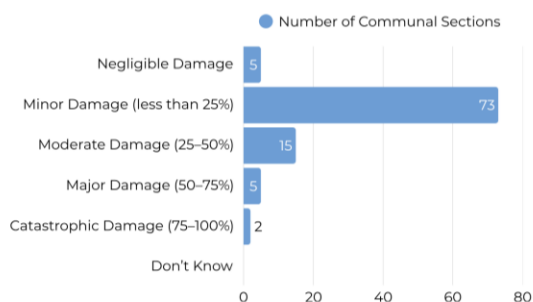
DAMAGE TO CROPS



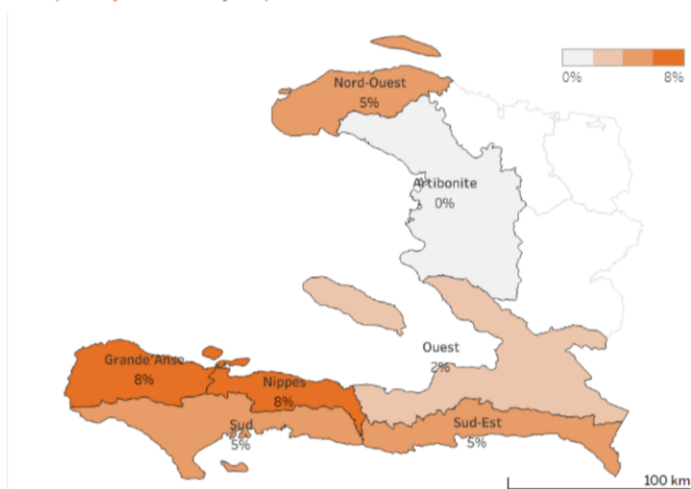
DAMAGE TO STORED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



DAMAGE TO ANIMALS



Temporary shelter by department



Sector / Need	Percentage
Temporary shelter	5%
Debris removal	12%
Water	12%
Shelter and non-food	10%
Food	15%
Child protection	3%
Gender-based	2%
Health – injured	3%
Health – epidemic	11%
Maternal health	5%
Search and rescue	0%
Public safety	4%
Bedding kits	5%
Water/hygiene kits	13%

Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG) - Actions by the RRM Partners as of 5:00 p.m. on November 20th, 2025

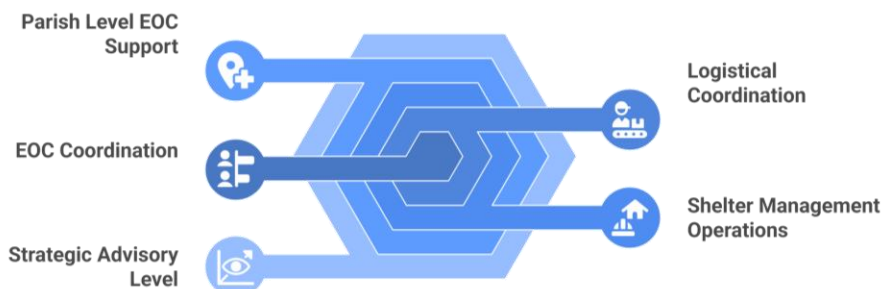


COORDINATION



86 OF 114 PERSONNEL REMAIN DEPLOYED AS OF 20/11/2025

- CDEMA currently has six (6) CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) personnel and five (5) CARICOM Emergency Telecommunications Team (CETT) personnel deployed in Jamaica. COST is supporting Parish-level EOC coordination in Trelawny and St Elizabeth.



COST Team Areas of Support

- CDEMA also supported the deployment of 75 CARILEC personnel to assist with electrical power restoration.
- UN OCHA Information Management Working Group (IMWG) continues daily meetings and mapping exercises to maintain a current Common Operating Picture (COP).
- The 5Ws Dashboard (maintained by OCHA) is available on [ReliefWeb](#) and is being enhanced with sector inputs from the Ministry of Labour and Social Security (MLSS) and private sector partners.
- The first humanitarian partners' coordination meeting in Montego Bay was held on November 17th with ODPEM and over 20 partners active in western Jamaica, focusing on local priorities, gaps, coordination needs and emerging concerns. The ongoing schedule for sectoral humanitarian coordination meetings is:
 - Tuesdays & Thursdays: Humanitarian partners coordination meetings.
 - Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: Intersectoral leads meet with ODPEM leadership.



MNCCC

- There is reduced military presence on the ground.
- Canada is the remaining military partner, continuing to support the JDF from the Operational Support Hub in Kingston.
- Civilian partners (OCHA and WFP) continue to support JDF and participate in twice-weekly meetings.
- A snapshot of the military support to the relief effort may be found here: [Deployed Military Assets](#)

Updates from Impacted Participating State



EARLY RECOVERY

➤ Education Sector :

- The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) completed distribution of 220 School-in-a-Box kits and 200 Early Childhood Development (ECD) kits.
- UNICEF is mobilising funding to supply 100 schools with additional teaching and learning materials and emergency supplies (valued at US \$500 per school).
- UNICEF is also identifying support for infrastructure repairs to ten (10) schools, which will benefit 10,000 students, teachers, and parents.
- Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) support is ongoing, targeting 100,000 children and including MHPSS support for the Early Childhood Development (ECD) sub-sector. Six hundred teachers have received MHPSS training.

➤ Agriculture Sector:

- The members of the Regional Agriculture Disaster Risk Management Committee including CARICOM Secretariat, the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and CDEMA met with the Jamaica Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Mining (MAFM).
- The MAFM has established an Agriculture Recovery Task Force. The Early Recovery Thematic Working Group will liaise with the Task Force to guide support to early recovery actions in the sector.



Seeds,
chemicals
and
equipment



Rehabilitation
of protected
agriculture



Livestock
restoration



Energy
restoration



Irrigation
repair



Water
restoration
and long-term
water storage



Training and
awareness

Priority needs identified by the agriculture sector



EMERGENCY SHELTER

➤ No updates reported.

Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG) - Actions by the RRM Partners as of 5:00 p.m. on November 20th, 2025



EMERGENCY TELECOMS

- *Emergency Telecommunications Sector (ETS) teams are working further inland to identify areas requiring communications restoration, in coordination with ODPEM and CDEMA.*
- *The ETS met with the Caribbean Broadcasting Union (CBU) to assess needs and support the restoration of radio broadcasting in affected communities.*
- *The Emergency Telecommunications Thematic Working Group will meet on Thursday, November 20th with regional and international partners.*
- *Connectivity restored at 61 sites in Cornwall, including Cornwall Hospital and providing services for approximately 500 beneficiaries.*



HEALTH

- *The Health Sector Thematic Working Group held its 8th Coordination Meeting on November 20th. A proposal is under consideration to establish a Health Facilities Rehabilitation Subgroup under the Health Sector Coordination Group.*
- *Two (2) additional post-impact deaths have been confirmed (1 due to leptospirosis, 1 due to tetanus).*
- *The Black River Hospital remains closed.*
- *Over 1,500 healthcare workers reported to have been affected.*
- *In response to confirmed leptospirosis and tetanus deaths, enhanced surveillance is underway in communities and activated shelters. Increasing emphasis is being placed on reporting compliance by health institutions.*
- *There is a high risk of vector-borne diseases, particularly mosquito-borne illnesses. PAHO is procuring 9,700 mosquito nets for health facilities; however, a gap remains at the community level.*
- *Deployed Emergency Medical Teams (EMTs) are beginning to see patients. The Barbados Defence Force (BDF) Field Hospital will soon be established in Savanna-la-Mar. Containers transporting the field hospital are scheduled to arrive on Friday, November 21st, with EMT personnel arriving on Saturday, November 22nd. It is expected to begin operating by November 24th.*
- *The JDF continues to coordinate airlift support. International airlift support is winding down, and the health coordination group is assessing the impact of reduced airlift capacity and will begin planning to address anticipated gaps.*

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PRIVATE SECTOR

- The CARICOM Private Sector Organisation (CPSO) and the Connecting Business Initiative (CBI) are involved in the private sector Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) in Jamaica and participated in its first meeting.
- Following this meeting, a comprehensive situational report which mapped responsibilities and gaps was shared. Two (2) priority areas identified were:
 - Agriculture – coordination is ongoing and meeting with the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and CPSO is scheduled. The Private Sector Thematic Working Group (TWG) welcomes outcomes from the Early Recovery TWG meeting on Agriculture to complement efforts.
 - Cash Assistance – supported by the World Food Programme (WFP) but other funding sources are being explored to carry out planned activities.
- The Private Sector Organisation of Jamaica (PSOJ) and WFP are working to accelerate the Ministry of Labour and Social Security's (MLSS) registration process for the cash assistance programme by hiring additional staff.
- The CPSO is engaging with Goddard Enterprises Limited (Barbados), which is providing hot meals to affected individuals and response partners through its flight kitchen in Montego Bay. Goddard Enterprises is also coordinating with World Central Kitchen (WCK) to streamline efforts and maximise impact.
- The BREDS Treasure Beach Foundation has secured funding to issue vouchers to crop and livestock farmers starting Friday, November 21st, 2025. Fisheries support has already been provided under their cash project.
- The PSOJ is also working to integrate siloed efforts into a unified approach and to support the revival of cook shops – an important and pervasive local small business venture and means of employment.
- The PSOJ, in collaboration with several partners, is developing an interactive mapping dashboard to track Hurricane Melissa impacts and support future disaster management. The dashboard will integrate data from WFP, WCK, international aid agencies, the MLSS, the JDF, corporate foundations, and local business activity – including remittances and Automated Banking Machine availability.
- A meeting of the corporate foundations took place yesterday, November 19th, 2025, to discuss sustained funding for response.
- Following a meeting of the co-lead of the Private Sector National Committee and the Director General of ODPEM on November 19th, the Private Sector now sits in the National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) meetings providing detailed activity updates post-Hurricane Melissa.
- The private sector is also collaborating with CDEMA, FAO, and CPSO to address support needs in agriculture/fisheries and obtain international experience and technical guidance.

Updates from the CDPG Thematic Working Groups (TWG) - Actions by the RRM Partners as of 5:00 p.m. on November 20th, 2025



PROTECTION

- The TWG is conducting a mapping of actors (who is doing what) to improve coordination and ensure the widest possible coverage of protection needs during the response.
- UNICEF, together with its implementing partner Children First Agency (CFA) and in collaboration with the Office of the Children's Advocate, has recently trained 50 new volunteers to be deployed into the affected communities to provide Psychological First Aid (PFA).
- Through this partnership between UNICEF and CFA, PFA and psychosocial support are also being rolled out in St. James and St. Elizabeth – two of the hardest hit parishes.
- UNICEF in partnership with the Jamaica Red Cross has begun rolling out mental health and psychosocial social support activities in the Petersfield High School shelter in Westmoreland, engaging both women and children and conducting assessments to expand the activities in these spaces.
- UN Women deployment planned with focus areas as follows:
 - GBV response activities in partnership with the Bureau of Gender Affairs, the MLSS and CSO partners.
 - Technical guidance and training for JDF and partners on GBV in emergencies and Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA).
 - Planning expansion of PSEA training across humanitarian actors.



- UN Women is participating in the Cash-Based Transfer (CBT) Working Group and collaborating with UNICEF to provide targeted supplemental financial support through an established cash transfer system. This support will assist low-income and vulnerable women with children aged 0–5 years old who are currently beneficiaries of the Programme of Advancement Through Health and Education (PATH).
- Agencies with CBT resources are likely to adopt a pooled approach, with ongoing discussions between UNICEF and the CBT Working Group on disbursement levels and modalities.
- UN Women is reallocating resources through UNAIDS envelope funds to support HIV-positive women affected by the crisis, with assistance to be delivered through a local CSO once resource mobilisation is finalised.

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RELIEF & LOGISTICS

➤ A summary of shipments received in Jamaica as at, November 19th, 2025, is represented below:

Received shipments



Key figures overview

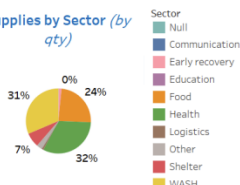
NUMBER PARTNERS	TOTAL NUMBER SHIPMENTS	TOTAL CBM	TOTAL MT
36	79	7,016	1,562

Operational Overview

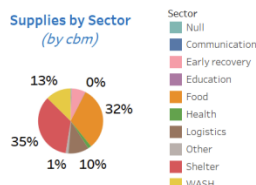
Supplies by Organisation Type (by qty)



Supplies by Sector (by qty)



Supplies by Sector (by cbm)



- A total of more than 7,000 cubic metres – equivalent to over 200 containers – of relief supplies have been delivered to date.
- By volume, the majority of items received are shelter (35%), food (32%), and WASH supplies (13%).
- To date, 46 sea shipments and 33 air shipments have been received. Of the sea shipments, 43% of the consignment by quantity comprises WASH items, followed by food (25%) and health supplies (21%). Among air shipments, 43% of items received are health-related, with food (23%) and shelter materials (11%) constituting the next largest categories.

CDEMA

- CDEMA Logistics Specialist has been deployed to Jamaica to strengthen national coordination by supporting the NEOC and enhancing alignment with external partners, including UN agencies, NGOs, faith-based organisations, and the private sector.
- CDEMA continues to co-chair the National Logistics Group meetings.
- Support is being provided to ODPEM to refine the national needs list, taking into consideration existing visibility constraints.
- A presentation to Senior Directors on the regional logistical tools and mechanisms available to support the response is planned.
- A field visit is planned to assess Humanitarian Supply Areas, Distribution Centres and WFP hubs.

WFP

- To date, WFP has assisted 33,954 people in St. Elizabeth, Westmoreland, St. James
- Updated customs information has been shared with relief and logistics partners operating in-country.
- Storage facilities are available in Black River, Santa Cruz, Lucea, Falmouth and Denbigh, with newly erected Mobile Storage Units in Frome and Darliston.

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RELIEF & LOGISTICS (Continued)

- Road transport corridors are operational from Kingston to Montego Bay (North Corridor) and Kingston to Black River (South Corridor).
- Cash Assistance:
 - Preparations are underway for CBT programme.
 - The Jamaica Cash Working Group met yesterday, November 19th, to review key programme parameters: targeting, registration procedures, and transfer values.
 - Discussions included private sector engagement to establish a unified digital platform and payment solution. Interim delivery options via remittance companies are being considered and market assessments are being accelerated to confirm price stability and vendor capacity for the cash intervention.
- WFP and CDEMA are providing Common Logistics Services – including transport and storage – at no cost to partners. Partners are reminded to complete and submit the [service request form](#) to the shared email: wfp.barbados.transportrequest.melissaresponse@wfp.org to request this service.
- The WFP Logistics Control Tower is currently operational.



WASH

- WASH in-country coordination meeting held today, November 20th in hybrid format to include partners abroad.
- Global Support and Development's MV Dawn Vessel has departed Jamaica after providing significant assistance.
- Incoming Shipments and Utility-to-Utility Support to the National Water Commission:
 - The TWG is coordinating two shipments from counterpart water utilities in the region based on identified priority needs.
 - Water and Sewerage Corporation (WSC) Bahamas: Shipment already dispatched with expected arrival on Saturday, via the Royal Bahamas Defence Force Vessel. The shipment also includes other humanitarian relief supplies from the Government of Bahamas.
 - Belize Water Services Limited (BWSL): Shipment includes four generators, and transport from Miami is being arranged through WFP.
- The WASH Cluster plans to conduct more detailed assessments of schools and healthcare facilities.
- 5Ws dashboard is operational to track WASH activities. Current data: 21 organisations active and working across 152 communities. The dashboard is available online for interested partners.

Donations and Pledges Made By Countries/Partners - As at 5:00 p.m. November 20th, 2025

Country	Donations and Pledges	Destination
Anguilla	USD \$10,000 financial contribution; 200 lbs of relief supplies (tarpaulins, buckets, shelter kits); Additional Government pledge of XCD \$500,000 ; Public collection of water and sanitation items ongoing.	Jamaica
Bahamas	The Government of The Bahamas has pledged up to USD \$2,000,000 in total support to Jamaica, comprising relief supplies, in-kind assistance, and financial contributions. The first tranche of relief supplies was delivered on November 5, 2025, and officially received by the Hon. Juliet Holness. A second tranche of supplies and in-kind support is expected to arrive on Saturday, November 22, 2025, aboard the Royal Bahamas Defence Force (RBDF) RoRo vessel, which will also transport a disaster container city, field kitchen, trailer head, and crane. The vessel also has the capacity to make potable water as well as ice.	Jamaica
Barbados	Shipment of <i>eight (8) 20-ft containers</i> containing: 1,219 heavy-duty tarpaulins, 1,300 cots, 50 generators, 4 chainsaws, food items, hygiene supplies, toiletries, linens. Six containers already dispatched; two more scheduled for Nov 19. Estimated total value: USD \$535,209.08 .	Jamaica
Belize	Financial pledge of US\$200,000 each to the Governments of Jamaica and Cuba to support immediate humanitarian relief following Hurricane Melissa. Additional relief supplies (hygiene items, canned foods, and cash) were dispatched to Belizean students in both countries.	Jamaica, Cuba
Canada	Approx. USD \$7.87M total humanitarian support, including: USD \$3.21M to WFP (food/logistics for Jamaica & Cuba); USD \$1.07M to Canadian Red Cross; USD \$1.07M to CARE Canada; USD \$714k to PAHO (healthcare in Jamaica); USD \$714k in relief items/medical kits via CRC; USD \$500k to MSF; USD \$250k each to Plan Canada & CLWR (Haiti); USD \$93k for deployment of humanitarian experts (CANADEM/CRC).	Jamaica, Cuba, Haiti
Caribbean Development Bank (CDB)	USD \$50,000 provided to support the deployment of emergency response teams under the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM).	CDEMA RRM
Caribbean Development Fund (CDF)	USD \$300,000 contribution to support the deployment of emergency response teams under the Regional Response Mechanism (RRM).	CDEMA RRM
Cayman Islands	USD \$1.2M financial contribution; mattresses, generators, tarps, fuel cans, first aid kits, consumables; USD \$21,025 in medical supplies; USD \$11,000 raised through HSA staff + USD \$10,000 from First Baptist Church; medical supplies from Health City & JDW; MREs; all shipments coordinated through NEOC Human Concerns Cluster with Cayman Airways support.	Jamaica
European Union (EU – ECHO & ERCC)	€5M humanitarian support: Jamaica (€2M), Cuba (€2M), Haiti (€1M). Additional Member State support: France - jerrycans, kits, blankets; Luxembourg - tarps, generators; Spain - EMT Type 2 field hospital (70 personnel); Belgium - 192 generators delivered + 217 pending; Germany - jerrycans, beds, filters, PPE. EU Air Bridge : 83 tons of relief goods for UN partners. DHL Airlift : 50 tons of EU food kits. EU Vessels : ~291 m³ of relief items shipped Barbados–Jamaica. HISPASAT : 55 satellite links for emergency services.	Haiti, Jamaica, Cuba
Grenada	The Government of Grenada plans on sending 150 double sized mattresses and 10 generators to Jamaica.	Jamaica
Guyana (CDC)	Tarpaulins, chainsaws, and generators supported through private sector contributions (approx. USD \$101,000).	Jamaica
Japan (JICA)	Emergency relief items including tents, sleeping pads, portable jerry cans.	Jamaica
Saint Kitts & Nevis	Saint Kitts and Nevis has pledged a financial contribution US\$100,000 to support the Government and people of Jamaica in their recovery and rebuilding efforts.	Jamaica

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Switzerland (Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation – SDC)	Approx. USD \$462,000 humanitarian assistance: USD \$280k to IFRC (Cuba/Jamaica); USD \$182k to GiveDirectly for cash assistance in Jamaica; top-up support to water/DRR/cash projects in Haiti; deployment of Swiss Humanitarian Aid experts + 2.5 tons of water-treatment equipment to Cuba.	Jamaica, Haiti, Cuba
Trinidad & Tobago (ODPM)	Four (4) 40-ft containers shipped to Jamaica containing food, hygiene items, PPE, mattresses, tarps, linens, cleaning supplies, galvanized sheeting, generators, and non-perishables. Six (6) 40-ft containers approved for Haiti with food, hygiene, linens, and relief items; additional consignments arriving at port for dispatch.	Jamaica, Haiti
United Arab Emirates (UAE)	USD \$500,000 contribution through CDEMA to support most affected states.	Multi-country (via CDEMA CU)
United Kingdom (FCDO)	USD \$9.86M financial assistance; additional in-kind support such as shelter kits, solar lanterns, and hygiene kits; multiple relief shipments coordinated. Up to £375,000 (≈ USD \$492,763.12) provided to support CDEMA Emergency Response Teams, enhancing operational readiness and deployments across affected states.	Jamaica CDEMA RRM
United States of America (USA)	USD \$37.1M emergency package: Jamaica (USD \$22M), Haiti (USD \$11.6M), The Bahamas (USD \$500k), Cuba (USD \$3M). Covers food, WASH, shelter, emergency response, logistics, and life-saving assistance.	Jamaica, Haiti, Cuba, The Bahamas

WORLD BANK CATASTROPHE BOND TRIGGERED

100% payout of US \$150 million to JAMAICA

Following the devastation caused by Hurricane Melissa

CCRIF TO MAKE RECORD PAYOUT TO JAMAICA

US \$70.8 MILLION (~J \$11.4 BILLION) **31/10/2025**

US \$21.1 MILLION (~J \$3.4 BILLION) **06/11/2025**

TOTAL PAYOUTS - US \$91.9 MILLION (~J \$14.8 BILLION)

Summary

- Thanks are extended to all RRM partners for their continued support to regional preparedness, as well as the transition to response and recovery.
- CDEMA and RRM partners remain engaged in relief and recovery operations with the affected Participating States and will continue to provide updates as the situation evolves.

Links to Situation Reports

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Links to Needs Lists and Other Information:

[Hurricane Melissa Documents](#)
 [Customs and Consignee Procedures for Disaster Relief](#)
[Official Needs Lists – Jamaica](#)
 [Cayman Islands Hurricane Melissa Relief Efforts](#)
[Relief and Logistics TWG Website](#)
 [Official Needs List - Haiti](#)