

PRESENTATION BY THE
PLATFORM CHAIRMAN UPPER
WEST REGION

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ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY RDRR PLATFORM MEMBERS UPPER WEST REGION

Activities carried out:

- With aid from our development partners, United Nations Development Programme (**UNDP**) we assisted flood victims of the 2009 flood Disaster with the cultivation of one hundred (100) acres of maize farm with all the inputs. From ploughing through planting, provision of fertilizers, weeding to harvesting in Wa West District.

CONT.

- On epidemics, particularly the outbreak of Cerebro Spinal Meningitis (**CSM**) in the region was devastating but through co-ordination and cooperation from platform members like Ghana Health Service and prompt release of the vaccines which **NADMO** played a pivotal role, the situation was contained and brought to normal.
- The platform members have enforced the adherence of traditional by-laws by traditional authorities – the case of Nandom in the Lawra district.

CONTINUATION OF ACTIVITIES

- Establishment of Disaster Risks Reduction And Regional Platform Task Force which has been able to ensure:
- No parking, hawking or stopping whatsoever shall be allowed on either side of the road leading from the Tuffour store area through Danwaana to the traffic light.
- Entry into the lorry station and exit from it shall be only through the approved routes through the main entrance from the Fadama end of the street and not through total.
- Slaughter House hygiene and fencing problem of Anthrax on e.g cattle, pig etc.
- Security vrs disaster – UDS students Vrs land lords and public.
- Wild fire and school curriculum issue.
- Celebration of World Disaster Week/Day on living with disability in times of disaster.

Proposed activities:

PART A:

- Establishment of Regional Disaster Fund/centre stopping of reflective bulbs etc at Barriers.
- Enforcement of building regulations in relation to waste disposal
- Plan of action to carry out Risk identification, assessment, monitoring and early warning
- Concentration on flood prone areas in the region and to consider alternative livelihood sources for them
- Building in water ways issues to be looked at critically
- Challenge Municipal/District Assemblies to consider redesigning gutters (construction of larger drainage systems)
- White Colour Galamsey creeping into Upper West Region from Azumah at Nadowli – a case of great concern of disaster.
- Radio – Call in – on environmental concerns.

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PART B: Proposed for “Thinking Aloud:

- Occupational Hazards and Disasters.
- Points – to – ponder on at Guidelines

B1:Agricultural Guidelines:

- Land – Soil types – Conservation Fertility.
- Land use Policy.
- Portable Water for crops and livestock.
- Agric and power – Trees – forests and grazing grasslands (folded and form (tourisms))
- That is grass and grasslands in times of floods, drought and mighty bush fires. Agric and labour etc.

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B2: Health Guidelines on:

- Proving Health Care and outbreaks.
- Nutrition and standard of living.
- Immunization.
- Communicable diseases and watch out.
- Mother and Child
- Housing and hygiene.
- Alternate Health Care (sugar disease identification with insect attraction)
- Environmental Health.

CONT.

B3:Looming Hazards and Disasters:

- O. W. L. Principle (birds).
- Disaster response Agric and Food supply

B4: Disaster response/Health and Nutrition:

- Disaster procedures and need for Disaster Funds for accelerated action: Justice Delayed is justice denied !(Disaster Response delayed is disaster persistence and hazards perpetuated).

***POINT TO PONDER FROM UPPER
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THANK YOU