

SURINAME FLOODING

CLOSE OUT REPORT

AS OF 6:00 PM AST ON July 1, 2022

Halt in Severe Flooding in the Interior of Suriname

HIGHLIGHTS:

What: An end to the severe flooding in the interior and southern areas of Suriname.

Present Concerns: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH).

Outlook: Heavy rainfall and flooding has ceased at this time, however, Suriname remains within the rainy season.



Image: CDEMA Advance Team

SITUATION OVERVIEW:

- On May 25, 2022, after heavy and prolonged rainfall led to unprecedented flooding across the Interior and Southern areas of Suriname, a number of communities were declared disaster areas by the Government of Suriname.
- The districts affected were primarily Brokopondo, Sipaliwini, Marowijne, Para, Saramacca, Coronie and Nickerie, which are all located in the Interior and Southern sections of the country.
- Following the government's declaration of disaster areas, a major humanitarian response operation was mounted. This operation saw a response by numerous regional and international humanitarian actors covering response in areas of Coordination, Logistics and Relief, Shelter, Security, Health, Finance, Media and Agriculture.
- As of late June, the heavy rainfall and significant flooding has ceased and the operational focus of the response has shifted primarily to clean up activities.

Updates from Impacted CDEMA Participating State



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- The passing of Potential Tropical Cyclone #2 on June 30th, 2022, brought rains which impacted the coast but had little to no impacts on the interior of Suriname.
- The rivers in the interior of Suriname are no longer overflowing their banks.
- The operational focus of the NCCR at this time is that of clean up activities.
- Canals have begun to be cleaned in the interior of Suriname.
- Water is being pumped out of houses and other infrastructure.
- There is a major concern for WASH (especially Sanitation and Health).



Images courtesy of CDEMA's Advanced Team

Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA) - Actions:

- The RRM and the RCC have been stood down for this response.
- The CARICOM Operational Support Team (COST) has been withdrawn from Suriname.
- The COST members conducted training sessions in Mapping; Data and Information Management; EOC Management and Media Interaction.
- All other RRM Response Teams have been stood-down at this time.
- The CDEMA CU continues to provide virtual support through the provision of data management, data processing and GIS assistance.
- CDEMA CU continues to work with MAP ACTION on an as needed basis.
- The CDEMA CU continues to work with partners to secure satellite imagery of the affected areas.
- The CDEMA CU has appointed a CDEMA/Suriname Desk Officer to continue coordination support with the NCCR and regional and international partners.

