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<u>NEMO TO HOST INITIAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENT (IDA) WORKSHOP – AUGUST 28-30, 2023</u>

Agencies involved in the Damage Assessment process as well as members of the Damage Assessment Sub-committee of NEMO will participate in an Initial Damage Assessment Workshop next week.

The Initial Damage Assessment Workshop which will be held during the period August 28-30, 2023 is organised by the National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO) with support from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) through its Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA).

The objectives of the workshop are to train key personnel:

- To collect, collate, interpret and report damage information and statistics.
- To assess the needs of persons impacted.

The workshop will be held at NEMO's Conference Room, Old Montrose, beginning at 8:30 am each day. The opening ceremony will take place at 8: 30 a.m.

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Additional Information:

The Initial Damage Assessment Workshop is one of the first activity being launched in St. Vincent and the Grenadines under the United States Agency for International Development Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (USAID/BHA) new five year (2022-2027) Regional Disaster Assistance Program for Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) which provides support in the areas of Technical Assistance, Training and Emergency Response.

The USAID/BHA Disaster Risk Management Specialist (DRMS) for St. Vincent & the Grenadines is Mrs. Dora James, who is responsible for coordinating and monitoring the Regional Disaster Assistance Programme (RDAP) in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.