



ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

NATIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION (NEMO)

SITUATION REPORT NO. 02

EVENT: TROPICAL WAVE | DATE: 6 OCTOBER 2026 | TIME OF UPDATE: 11:59 P.M.

1. SYNOPSIS OF EVENT

During the early morning hours of Tuesday, 6th October 2026, an intense tropical wave produced widespread heavy rainfall (up to 130.2 mm / 5.1 inches recorded in 24 hours) across mainland Saint Vincent. This triggered flash flooding, extensive landslides, rockfalls, retaining wall failures, and river overflows. While Situation Report No. 01 recorded 44 initial incidents between 2:25 a.m. and 8:18 a.m., the updated National Emergency Operations Centre (NEOC) incident status log now contains 103 verified records. This reflects a substantial expansion of reported impacts as field verification progressed throughout the afternoon.

Total Logged Incidents
103 Records

Flooding Reports
48 Total

Landslides / Slippages
30 Total

Displaced Population
36 Persons (8 Families)

2. UPDATED IMPACT OVERVIEW & INCIDENT CATEGORIZATION

Impact Category	Logged Count	Affected Locations & Summary of Impacts
Flooding	48	Homes, roads, businesses, schools, and health facilities impacted. Key locations: Kingstown (Bay St, Heritage Square), Buccament, Layou, South Rivers, Mesopotamia, Arnos Vale, Ratho Mill, Ottley Hall, Questelles.
Landslides	30	Includes land slippage and rockfalls. Key locations: Belmont Main Rd, Lowmans Leeward, Queens Drive, Sion Hill, Spring Village, Cumberland, Belle Isle, Rillan Hill, Prospect, Golden Vale.
Household Damage & Displacement	12 Reports	Multiple homes completely flooded, undermined, a few washed away, or structurally compromised. Severe loss of personal items, identification documents, and appliances.

Wall Collapse/Retaining Walls	6 Reports	Retaining wall failures and back-wall damage posing secondary landslide threats in Barrouallie, Upper Villa, Pembroke, Sion Hill, Queen's Drive, and Ottley Hall.
Roads & Access Obstructions	4 Reports	Roads blocked, undermined, or obstructed by landslide, rockfall, and debris across Lowmans Leeward, Belle Isle, and some areas in Kingstown Station / BRAGSA routes, and New Montrose.
Trees / Utility Hazards	3 Reports	Trees fell/threatened roadways in Pembroke (hanging over the main road), Calder, and Buccament.
TOTAL LOGGED INCIDENTS	103 Records	All reports logged and processed through NEOC dispatch for multi-agency field assessments and emergency response.

3. CRITICAL FACILITIES & UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACTED

- Health Facilities**
 - The lower levels of the MCMH flooded, with leaks in the Operating Theatre.
 - Levi Latham Health Complex experienced significant flooding; water receded at 10:24 am, but debris remained. Records and equipment in the lower levels were affected; the extent is still being assessed.
 - The Mental Health Rehabilitation Centre was affected by water ingress through broken shutters, leading to patient relocation. Water leaked and pooled in the conference and psychiatrist rooms, and the electrical room was flooded.
 - Access to Lowman's Health Centre was blocked, preventing staff entry.
 - Mud and debris surrounded South Rivers Health Centre.
 - Calliaqua and Sandy Bay Centres reported leaks and debris.
 - Coull's Hill Health Centre was impacted by flooding.
- Police & Community Facilities:** Vermont and Mesopotamia Police Stations experienced flooding and roof leaks. Mesopotamia also reported river overflow, debris on access routes, and operation on standby generator power. Owia Police Station suffered complete water supply disruptions, and Questelles Learning Resource Centre (LRC) had minor roof drainage/flooding.
- Educational Institutions:** Island-wide school closures maintained. Severe flooding reported at Leeward District SDA Primary (Buccament) and South Rivers Methodist School (river overflow). Structural and roof leakage reported at Greiggs Government and Early Childhood School.
- Water Infrastructure (CWSA):** All water systems from Georgetown upwards, Montreal and Majorca were affected by damage to the mains and high turbidity, and Hermitage had a break in the system which affected the tank in Belmont. All systems were restored except Montreal and Majorca. The Majorca intake is severely damaged.

4. OTHER FACILITIES & UTILITY INFRASTRUCTURE IMPACTED

- **Commercial Sector:** Severe flooding and debris impacted parts of Kingstown, and several businesses were flooded in Upper and Lower Bay Street.

5. SHELTER OPERATIONS & HUMANITARIAN SITUATION

Activated Public Emergency Shelters (Buccament & Golden Years Centre):

- **Buccament Bay Secondary School:** Activated early morning; currently housing 9 occupants across 2 families.
- **Golden Years Centre (Buccament / Pembroke):** Opened at 3:00 a.m. on 6th October 2026; housing 14 occupants across 3 families.

Private Displacement /Host Families:

At least 13 displaced persons across 3 families are taking refuge with host relatives due to destroyed homes or active landslide threats (Rillan Hill - 6 persons; Clare Valley - 3 persons; Chauncey - 3 persons).

Total Displaced Population: 36 persons across 8 families (23 in public shelters, 13 in private arrangements).

Immediate Relief & Humanitarian Needs: Social Welfare assessments, tarpaulins, bedding, water hoses, rubber boots, replacement of lost identification documents, and power-washing/pumping equipment for clean-up efforts.

6. ACTIONS TAKEN & RESPONSE COORDINATION

- **NEOC Operations:** NEOC partially activated and maintaining 24/7 incident tracking, dispatching, and inter-agency coordination.
- **Executive Field Assessments:** Prime Minister Dr. Godwin Friday visited affected communities in Clare Valley, Buccament, Kingstown commercial districts, and Milton Cato Memorial Hospital.
- **Search & Rescue:** The Police Force conducted successful water rescues in Buccament, safely evacuating families near the playing field.
- **School Closure:** The Ministry of Education, Vocational Training and Innovation, Digital Transformation, and Information has announced the closure of all schools today, 6 October 2026.
- **Shelter Activation & Evacuation:** Emergency shelters were activated in Buccament. Evacuated families are currently housed at the Buccament Secondary School and the Golden Years Centre.
- **Road Clearing & Debris Operations:** BRAGSA deployed heavy equipment across North Leeward, South Leeward, Marriaqua, and Kingstown (Belmont Main Rd, Lowmans Leeward, Central Kingstown debris).
- **Inter-Agency Referrals:** 33 cases assigned to the Ministry of Transport & Works, 20 cases to BRAGSA, 8 to NEMO/Social Welfare, 2 to CWSA, and 1 to Forestry for rapid field assessments.
- **Ministry of Health, Wellness, Environmental Health and Energy:**
 - Activated Health Emergency Operation Centre (HEOC), Hospital EOC, and District EOC.
 - Health teams cleaned impacted facilities.
 - Liaised with NEMO for supplies.
 - Cancelled outpatient clinics; limited visits to impacted facilities.
 - Organised transportation for night staff and staff to get home.
 - Dialysis patients transported home by Modern Medical vehicle.
- **CWSA:**
 - All systems were restored except Montreal and Majorca. The Majorca intake is severely damaged.

7. DECISIONS, RESPONSE COORDINATION & AGENCY PRIORITIES

Agency / Emergency Function	Operational Priority & Response Actions
NEOC / NEMO	Maintain partial activation, 24/7 incident tracking, inter-agency task dispatching, public advisories, and overall response coordination.
BRAGSA	Urgent clearance of high-priority landslides, debris, and fallen trees (Belmont, Lowmans Leeward, Queens Drive, Calder, Central Kingstown).
Ministry of Transport & Works	Conduct rapid field assessments of damaged roads, compromised retaining walls, and undermined residential structures (33 active referrals assigned).
Social Welfare & Shelter Teams	Conduct social assessments for displaced families and capture household needs.
CWSA	Inspect and repair main water supply lines (Chauncey, Ottley Hall) and restore disrupted water systems (Majorca, Montreal, Mamoon, Perseverance).
Ministry of Health	Address health facility impacts at Milton Cato Memorial Hospital and Levi Latham Health Centre; ensure public health and sanitation evaluations.
RSVGPF / Search & Rescue	Maintain standby rescue capability; completed successful flood evacuations in Buccament near the playing field.

8. KEY CHALLENGES

Key Operational Challenges:

- High volume of geographically dispersed reports requiring simultaneous multi-agency field assessments.
- Resource constraints on heavy equipment for concurrent landslide clearance across North/South Leeward and St. George.
- Persistent access constraints due to ongoing land instability, mud accumulation, and compromised back walls.
- Clean-up operational bottlenecks, specifically a limited amount of gear based on demand.
- BRAGSA's main office in Kingstown was impacted.