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• To give you an overview of the Fiji Disaster Risk Management Arrangement



BASIC GEOGRAPHY OF FIJI

- <u>Location:</u>
 Lies in the centre of South West Pacific Ocean, mid way between the equator and the South Pole.
- - It is made up of 330 islands , the two major islands are
 - Total land area: 18,330 sq.km
 - Total sea area: 1.3 million sa nm



POPULATION - 2007 CENSUS

• 2007 Census - 830,000



FIJI'S WEATHER PATTERN

Fiji has tropical climate with two main seasons:

Hol & Wet <u>Season</u>: November to April : Cyclone Season : High rainfall and flash flood

Cool & Dry Season: May to October: Dry season where drought can be experienced especially in the North Western Parts of Viti Levu and Vanua Levu.

Average Temperature:

27 degrees Centigrade

NOTE: FIJI IS ALSO EXPERINCING THE CHANGE IN WEATHER PATTERN AS A RESULT OF THE GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE PHENOMENA.



WHY DRM FOR FIJI



- Our Strategic location Fiji is in the hub of the South West Pacific transit point to regional countries, air and sea routes between mainland America to Australia and New Zealand
- Located in the Cyclone belt region of SW Pacific
- · Located in the "Pacific Ring of Fire"
- The geography presents that Fiji is prone to flooding, landslide, high waves, drought, fire, earthquake and tsunami



LEGISLATIVE ARRANGEMENT

- Natural Disasters Management Plan 1995
- Natural Disaster Management Act 1995
- Disaster Plans for:
 - Divisional Level 04 Divisions
 - District Level 27 Districts
 - Community Disaster Plans

