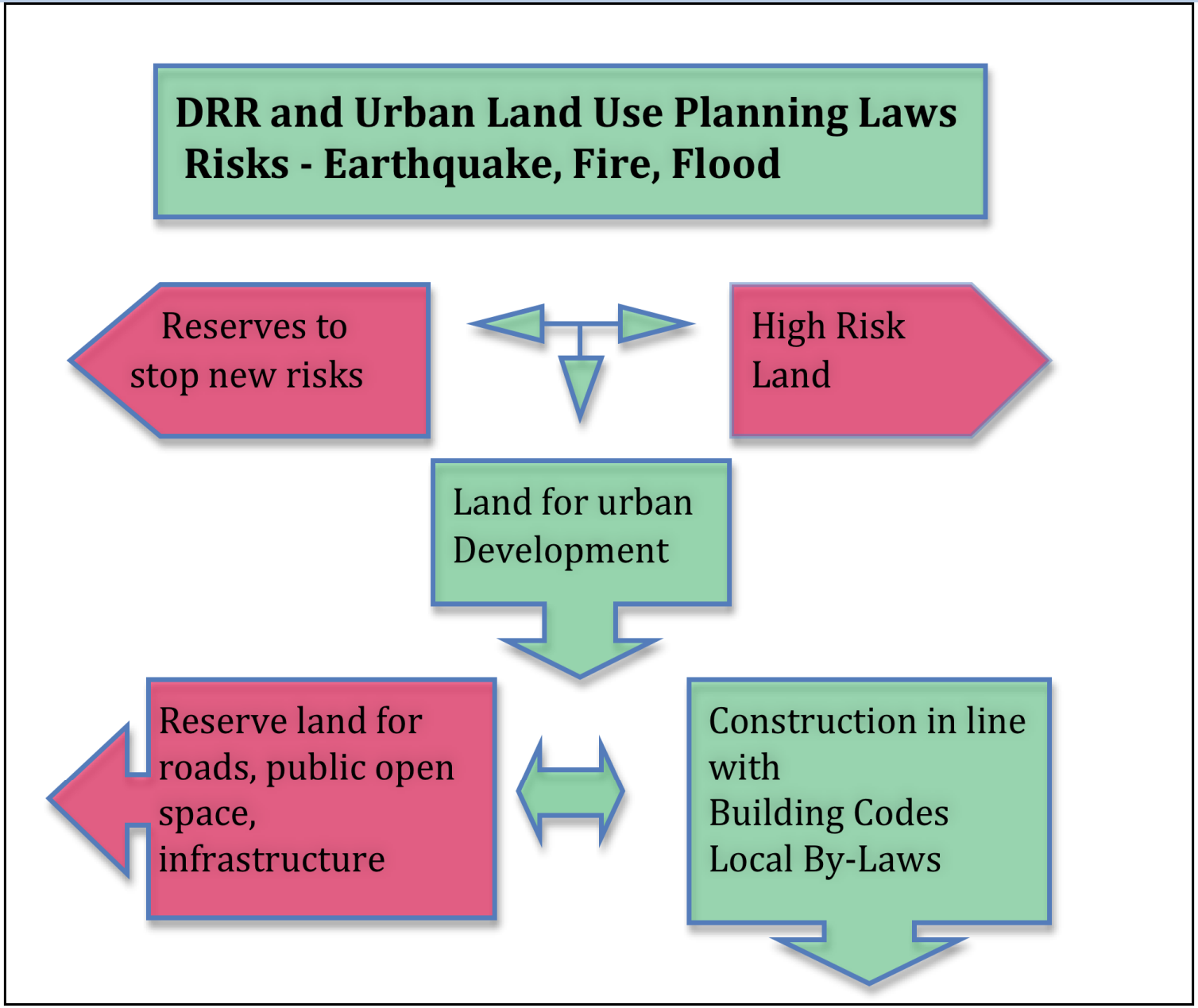
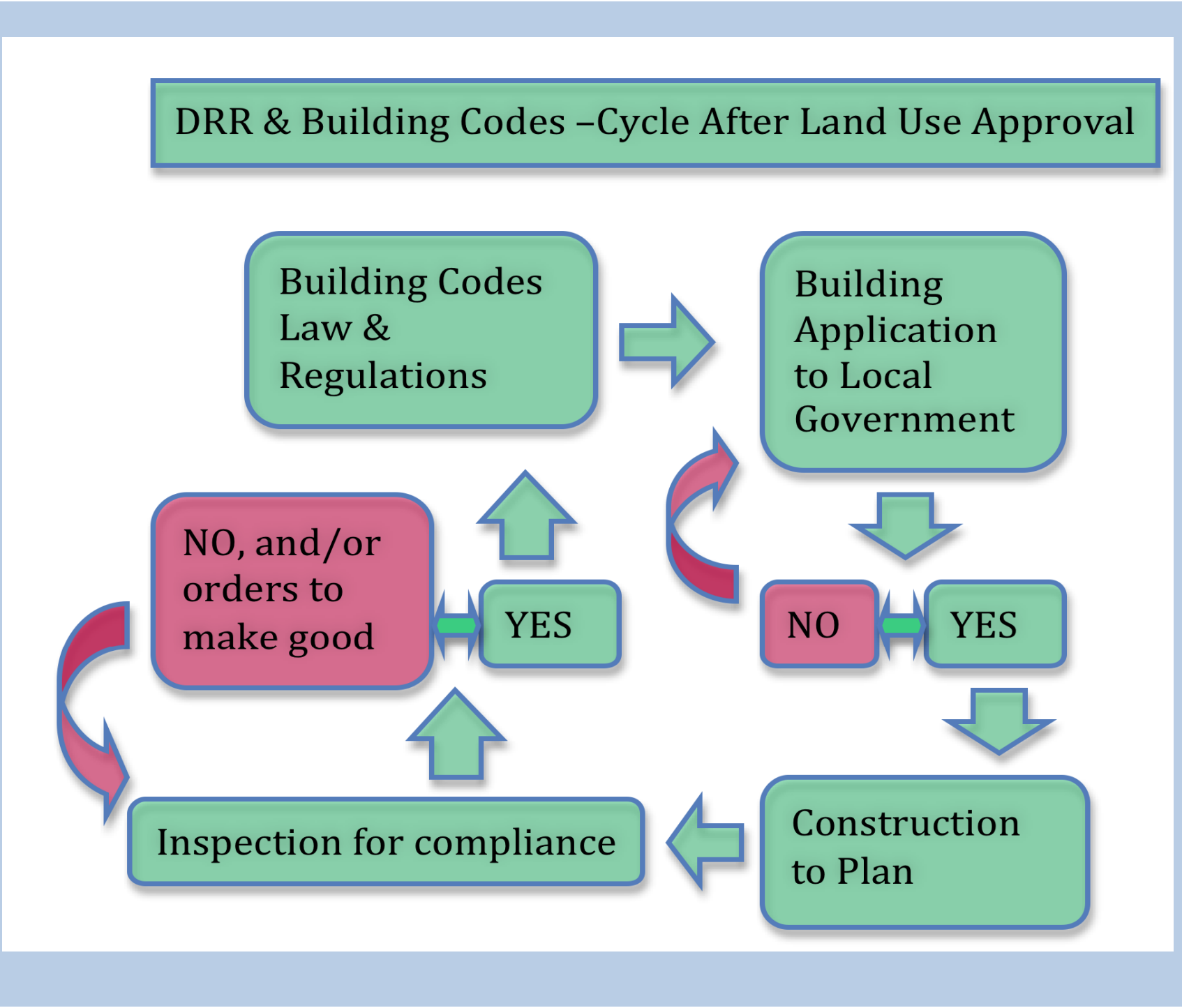
Legislation and Disaster Risk Reduction – Examples from Nepal

What Can Law do for DRR?

- **Macro Level – National / State. e.g.**
  - Prevent new risks with land use planning, environmental protection, building codes…
  - Establish rights to safety, information / EWS, compensation...
- **Micro level – Local / Community, e.g.**
  - Give community based DRR groups CBO status
  - Enable community action/control (remove barriers)
  - Provide dispute resolution over DRR measures


DRR and Urban Land Use Planning Laws
Risks - Earthquake, Fire, Flood
Reserves to stop new risks
High Risk Land
Land for urban Development
Reserve land for roads, public open space, infrastructure
Construction in line with Building Codes Local By-Laws


DRR & Building Codes –Cycle After Land Use Approval
Building Codes Law & Regulations
Building Application to Local Government
NO
YES
Construction to Plan
Inspection for compliance
NO, and/or orders to make good
YES