NAURU COUNTRY REPORT

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Introduction

• Nauru is one of the smallest sovereign countries in the world.
• Total area of only 22.5 square kilometers.
• Population of approx. 11,000.
• NAURU
• Nauru has been fortunate not to be affected by natural disasters ie cyclones etc.
• No earthquakes.
• No tsunamis.
• No flash floods.
• Not yet........
• Only disaster experienced so far is an ecological disaster through the mining of phosphate.
National Authorities

• There is a national disaster committee.
• To date there is little progress on a national disaster plan.
• Information such as tsunami warnings are received but no procedure in place for the dissemination of such information.
• Ad hoc bodies from various sections of Gov have their own ideas of disaster management.
Ecological Disaster
Disaster Management

• Disaster management committee already established.
• Unable to operate efficiently due to lack of resources.
Challenges & Assistance

• The main challenge is to set up a disaster management body.
• Body will responsible for co ordination of an “all hazards” plan to address various types of disasters.
• Assistance will be required in the setting up of infrastructure as well as putting in place legislations for times of emergencies and disasters.
Conclusion.

• Seek various assistance from countries to ensure Nauru is ready in times of a disaster.
• Thank you.
• Nauru pics.