NAURU COUNTRY REPORT

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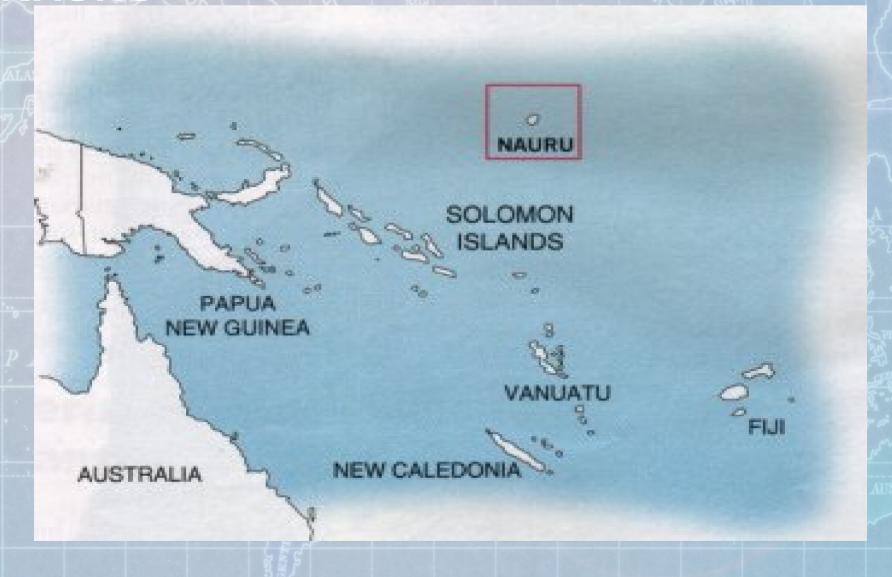
Introduction

- Nauru is one of the smallest sovereign countries in the world.
- Total area of only 22.5 square kilometers.
- Population of approx. 11,000



LOCALITY MAP

· NAURU



DISASTER THREATS.

- 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.

