# Partnerships for Saving Lives

Disaster Connectivity Maps

# An introduction to Digicel Group

32 markets



29 4G markets 74% coverage86% coveragee

5 markets
TV & broadband









2,290 Projects

**Building a better future** 

# Commonwealth of Dominica – "The Nature Island of the Caribbean"

- Dominica is <u>NOT</u> the Dominican Republic!!
- Columbus passed on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1493 and gave the island her name, from the Latin word for Sunday.
- 750 kms² between the French islands of Guadeloupe and Martinique.
- French rule from 1690's-1763 and British rule from 1763-1978.
- Independent republic from 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1978.
- Official population of 71,293 (2011 census), but 20% less in recent years due to emigration following natural disasters, most notably Tropical Storm Erika in 2015 and Hurricane Maria in 2017.
- Home to Boiling Lake, the world's second-largest hot spring, lush mountainous rainforests and many rare plants, animals and bird species. Also home to Morne Trois Pitons National Park - a UNESCO World Heritage Site. 365 Rivers, 3 lakes and 8 inactive volcanoes.
- GDP/capita of US\$7,452, pre-Hurricane Maria in September 2017





# Dominica's recent record of weather related damage



2011

Record level flooding and landslides associated with heavy rain caused in excess of **US\$100 million** in damage

2013

Heavy rains caused landslides, falling rocks and flooding costing more than **US\$20 million** of rehabilitation works

2015

Tropical Storm Erika caused substantial devastation estimated at **US\$482** million

2017

Hurricane Maria caused extensive damage to 98% of the country's buildings and to the country's entire infrastructure, with damage estimated at **US\$1.37** billion

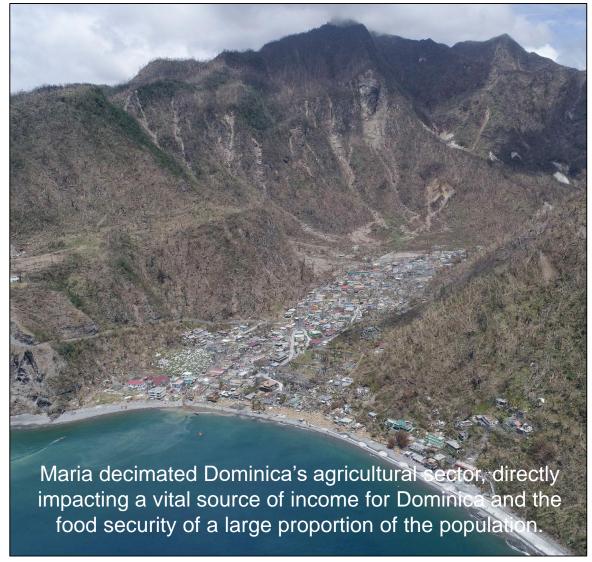
## Hurricane Maria: The Storm



- Maria made landfall at 21:15 hours on Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017 as a Category 5 hurricane with maximum sustained winds of 165 mph (270 kmh).
- The strongest storm on record and the first Category 5 hurricane to directly hit Dominica.
- Exhibited signs of the 'Pin Hole' Effect.
- Intensified rapidly from a Category 1
  to a Category 5 hurricane in less than
  18 hours.
- 65 fatalities and thousands badly injured.

## Pre and Post Hurricane Maria









## Hurricane Maria THE IMPACT

# **Digicel**

#### **People**



- 65K people directly affected
- 90% of Roofs

#### **Utilities**



All lifeline Utilities 100% Affected

#### **Business**



- → USD **50M** damages of infrastructure
- → USD **119M** damages to assets
- → USD 28M disruption of products and services
- → USD 15M secondary losses

#### **Sectors**

#### **USD1.3b** in damages

- ✓ 30% = Housing
- ✓ 20% = Transportation
- ✓ 10% = Education
- ✓ 25% = Agriculture
- ✓ 15% = Tourism

# Hurricane Maria RESPONSE

# **Digicel**

8 Markets Impacted



Turks & Caicos Islands, Haiti, British Virgin Islands, Anguilla, St. Maarten, Antigua & Barbuda, Cuba and Dominica

Immediate Assistance to Staff



Additional one month salary, generators, food and supplies, relocation, overseas evacuation and counselling.

Immediate assistance to country



150 International Resources. Chartered 3 helicopters and 2 vessels to importation and distribution of emergency supplies, evacuation of persons overseas.

Immediate assistance to the Government



CONNECTIVITY: 100 Mbps fibre, Satellite Phones, leveraging networks.

**Medium-term support** 



Cash for Work community programme, rebuild six schools, 110 homes, assistance with raining US\$370m in funding from agencies in Washington, Brussels and New York.

# Hurricane Maria RECOVERY

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### How

#### Who

#### What



# Network & Humanitarian

- Collaborated
- Supported
- Engaged



 Daily briefings reporting, and meetings



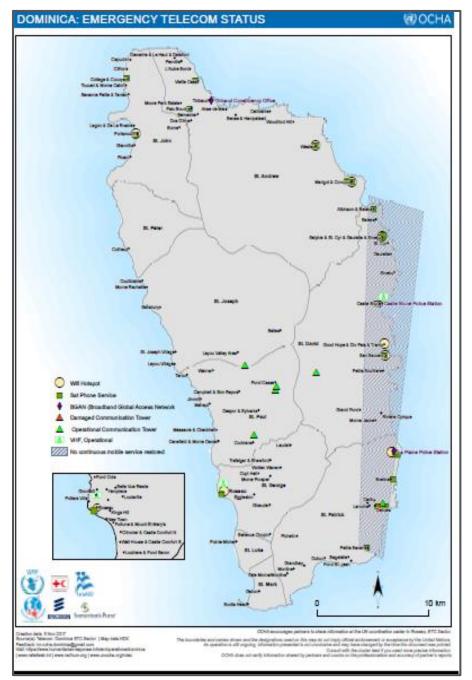
- GoCD
- NGO's
- Utilities
- Telcos



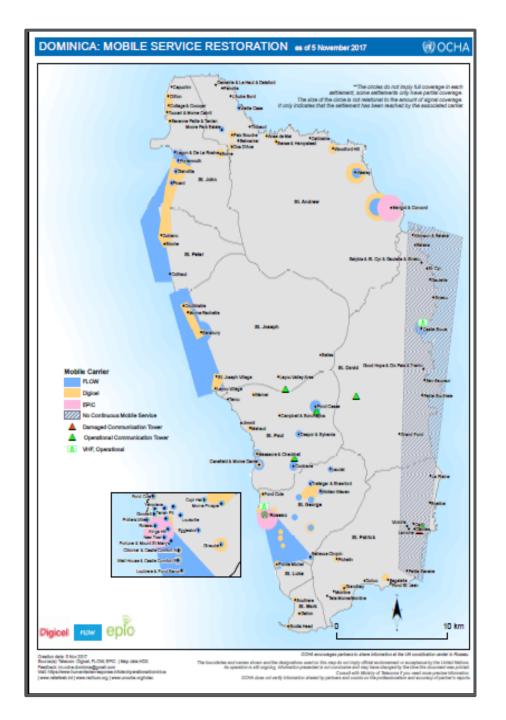
- DATA:
  - Towers
  - Capacity
  - GIS
  - Resources
  - Recovery Plans
  - Etc.

- Drive to put up
- Delays to take down
- Inaccurate representati on
- CommerciaIImplication
- \( \) \(
- Lack of engagemen
- Resources

## **MAPS**

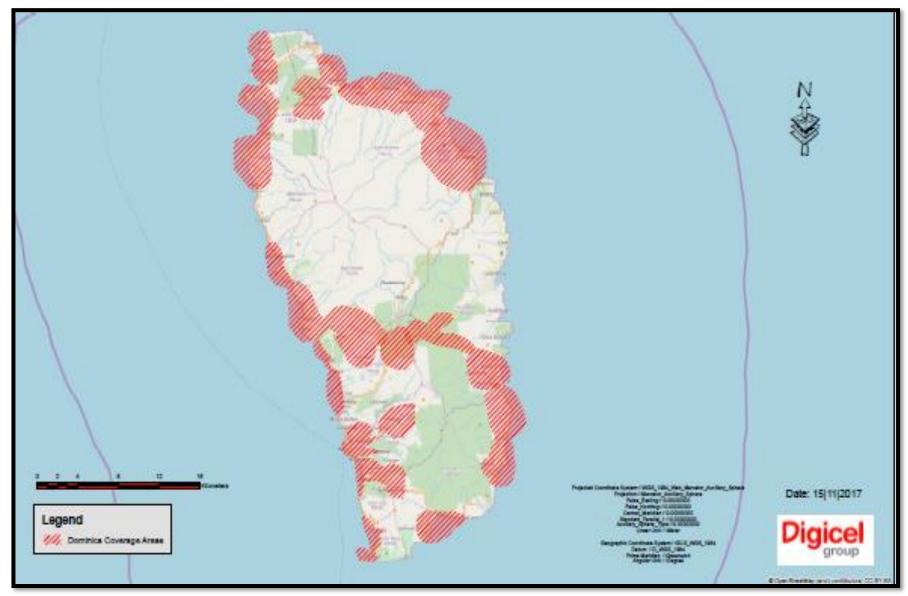


- ✓ Parish
- ✓ Communities
- ✓ Towers (Operational, Damaged)
- ✓ Mobile Coverage by provider
- ✓ VHF
- ✓ Satellite phones
- ✓ Registered Users
- ✓ Registered devices











- Who will be sharing?
- Who will it be shared with?
- What data are we collecting?
- What format are we presenting?

#### **Governance**

- Framework
- Legal
- Commercial

- ✓ Communication is
- ✓ Mobe between Gov't and Telecos.
- ✓ MOU between Gov't and NGO's.
- Clear and Communicated Rules
- ✓ of engagement Risk registry
- ✓ Mutually Beneficial



The question should not be WHEN will we be impacted next...
It is HOW will we respond...TOGETHER...
when we are!