SUPPORTING THE PRA RESPONSE to EMERGENCIES
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• Capacity to assist the PRA during severe weather emergencies.
  • Defence Forces capabilities.
  • Example of requests completed during Winter flooding 2015/2016.
  • Snapshot of assistance in one area.
• Lessons Learned from the Winter flooding 2015/2016.

• Call out Procedures: Request for assistance proforma.

• How the “chain of command” works once a request is received.
CAPABILITIES TO ASSIST THE PRA

- Transportation
- High-axle 4x4, 6x6 and 8x8 vehicles.
- 4x4 ambulance vehicles.
• Engineering Assets
  • Flat Bottomed and Rigid Inflatable Boats.
  • Life Jackets.
  • Chainsaws.
  • High pressure water pumps.
  • Mobile lighting units.
  • Generators.
  • Water Purification units.
  • Engineer Plant; Dump Trucks and Bulldozers.
CAPABILITIES TO ASSIST THE PRA

• Personnel
• Air Corps
• Small fleet of eight light and medium lift twin engine helicopters.
• Aerial reconnaissance.
• Movement of essential personnel into inaccessible areas.
• Movement of specialised equipment.
• Movement of fodder for farm animals.
• Limitation on helicopter operations.

- Building of flood defences.
- Provision of transportation for local communities (including a boat shuttle service in CLONLARA, Co. CLARE),
- Evacuation of personnel.

- Transportation of HSE personnel.
- Provision of transportation for school runs.
- Operation of water pumps.
- Provision of helicopters for flood reconnaissance, fodder delivery and VIP transportation.
Aerial Reconnaissance
LESSONS LEARNED

• ATCA Internal Seminar.
• Water Awareness Training.
• Training in conjunction with the Civil Defence.
• Engineering Review of DF equipment.
• New Request for Assistance Proforma.
CALL OUT PROCEDURES

- Initial Request should be made to the Dept of Defence.
- Immediate Support through Duty Officers.
- List circulated with relevant contact numbers.
- Dept of Defence does not charge for support.
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**DF SUPPORT REQUESTED**

- **Transportation**
- **Engineering Assets**
- **Personnel**
- **Aerial Reconnaissance-Air Corps**
- **Naval Service**
QUESTIONS?