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**GOOD  
GOVERNANCE  
A PREREQUISITE  
TO BUILDING  
RESILIENCE**

**A CASE STUDY OF  
PAKISTAN'S 2022  
MEGA FLOODS**

**TWO  
REALITIES**

***Vulnerability and poverty are two sides of the same coin & very often product of poor public policies.***

**AND**

***Disasters happen when vulnerability and hazard clash***

**“DISASTERS ARE SERIOUS  
DISRUPTIONS TO THE FUNCTIONING  
OF A COMMUNITY THAT EXCEEDS  
ITS CAPACITY TO COPE USING ITS  
OWN RESOURCES.” UNDP**

**BETTER GOVERNED,  
WELL PREPARED, WELL INFORMED &  
EQUAL SOCIETIES ARE MORE  
RESILIENT THAN POORLY  
GOVERNED** (WORLD BANK, UNDP, ADB)

## **POOR GOVERNANCE EXACERBATED THE 2022 FLOOD DISASTER**

- Absence of elected local councils.
- Lack of implementation of National DRR plan & policy.
- Lack of participation of disaster prone communities in DRR.
- Poor & inappropriate early warning system & delayed response.
- Lack of information regarding government response.
- Corruption and politicisation of disaster [lack of]response.

# 2022 FLOODS – AN UNPRECEDENTED DISASTER

- Deaths: 1,800 (more than one-third were children & most died due to drowning and collapse of mud houses).
- Affected population: 33 million people.
- Estimated cost of losses stand at USD 40 billion.
- Fully destroyed houses: 850,000.
- Partially damaged houses: 1.3 million.
- About 90% of the damaged houses were made of mud and reed.
- 83% of the total houses damaged in Sindh province.



**ONE TALE -  
HALF A  
MILLION  
HOUSEHOLDS**

## Tale of Khuda Bux Family

- Son drowned
- House destroyed
- Crops lost
- Animals washed away
- Bedding, utensils lost
- Turned assetless

**PAKISTAN FLOODS 2022**

**POST DISASTER NEEDS ASSESSMENT REPORT**

**PREPARED BY**  
**GOP WITH THE SUPPORT OF WB, ADB, EU, & UNDP**



# OBJECTIVES FOR RECOVERY & RECONSTRUCTION

1


Enhancing governance and capacities of the state to restore the affected people, especially the most vulnerable.

2

Restoring livelihoods and economic opportunities.

3

Ensuring social inclusion and participation in all aspects of recovery and related development.



**GUIDING  
PRINCIPLES  
FOR RECOVERY &  
RECONSTRUCTION  
PLAN**

- Participatory, inclusive, and green recovery for long-term resilience.
- Target the most affected, pro-poor, pro-vulnerable, and gender sensitive.
- Conflict-sensitive implementation.
- Use of local knowledge, skills, and labour.
- Avoid relocation as much as possible.

**HOUSING  
RECONSTRUCTION  
APPROACH –**

**A CLEAR  
VIOLATION OF THE  
STATED GUIDING  
PRINCIPLES &  
OBJECTIVES**

**OWNER-DRIVEN WITH NO  
TECHNICAL SUPPORT &  
REGULATION.**

- **RECONSTRUCTION OF HOUSES IN  
ACTIVE FLOOD PLAIN & ON  
LANDLORDS' LANDS.**
  - **\* BUILD-BACK-BAD**
- **\* CONSTANT FEAR OF EVICTION  
BY LANDLORDS**

## **VISIBLE IMPACT OF COMPENSATION PACKAGE**

**A DISASTROUS RECIPE  
AGAINST PUBLIC POLICY  
OBJECTIVES &  
CONSTITUTION**

**\* REINFORCING PRE FLOOD  
INEQUALITIES,**

**\* DEEPENING & SPREADING  
VULNERABILITIES,**

**\* CAUSES CORRUPTION.**

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<b>Compensation package</b>	
<b>Nature of loss</b>	<b>Amount USD</b>
Death	4,522
Disability	1,500
Major injury	500
Minor injury	175
Pukka house (fully damaged)	1,700
Pukka house (partially damaged)	800
Mud house (fully damaged)	800
Mud house (partially damaged)	400
Goat/sheep	35
Cow/buffalo	275

## FLOOD DESTRUCTION DEEPENED VULNERABILITIES, HUNGER, IGNORANCE & POOR GOVERNANCE

- Nine million people have been pushed into extreme poverty (vulnerability)
- 14 million people have become food insecure – doubled since the floods.
- Five million children have been deprived of education with the destruction of 23,000 schools.
- Four months after 60% flooded area is still under inundation. So no sowing.
- Deepening poverty will further entrench elite's stranglehold, weaken institutions, democracy and governance (already ranked as one of the most governed countries) by various think-tanks including WB.
- More vulnerability – poor governance lead to more destruction in future floods.



**WHAT  
IS TO  
BE  
DONE?**

- Fulfil that is promised & stated in public policy & plans.
- Treat vulnerabilities and hazards equally.
- End ignorance/poverty/vulnerability.
- Reduce inequalities/marginalisation.
- Integrate and translate build-back-better, resilience building, & DRR into practice.
- Establish strong elected local councils.
- Involve communities in risk governanace.

**THANK YOU**