# CLUSTER APPROACH IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT

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  - National Level
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## **CLUSTER APPROACH**

- Designates <u>government cluster leads</u> in all the areas of activity
- Defines leadership roles among government cluster leads in crafting operational strategies throughout the phases of disaster management
- Identifies deliverables at the regional and provincial level

### **FUNCTIONS/ TASKS**

- Craft operational strategies covering all phases in disaster management that will provide direction for cluster partners on how, what, when and where to contribute;
- Facilitate a process that will ensure a wellcoordinated and effective humanitarian response
- Ensure continuous improvement in the implementation of the cluster approach through identification of best practices and carrying out lessons learned either individually or in collaboration with other clusters

## CLUSTER DESIGNATION (NDCC Memo No. 12 s.2008)

CLUSTER	GOVERNMENT LEAD
Food and NFIs	Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)
Camp/ IDP Management, Emergency Shelter and Protection	- Do -
Permanent Shelter and Livelihood	- Do -
WASH, Health, Nutrition and Psychosocial Services	Department of Health (DOH)
Logistics and Emergency	Office of Civil Defense (OCD)/
Telecommunications	NDRRMC Operations Center
Education	Department of Education (DepED)
Agriculture	Department of Agriculture (DA)
Early Recovery	Office of Civil Defense (OCD)

CLUSTER	LOCAL LEAD	FOREIGN COUNTERPART
Camp Coordination and Management	Office of Civil Defense (OCD)/ Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Councils (LDRRMCs)	International Organization for Migration (IOM)
Protection	DSWD	United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
Early Recovery	OCD	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Logistics	OCD	World Food Programme (WFP)
Food	DSWD	WFP
Agriculture	DA	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
Livelihood	DSWD	International Labor Organization (ILO)

### ROLES and RESPONSIBILITIES NATIONAL LEVEL

- ✓ Ensure the inclusion of humanitarian partners in the cluster taking stock of their mandates and programme priorities
- ✓ Establish and maintain appropriate humanitarian coordination mechanisms at the national level
- ✓ Attend to priority cross-cutting issues
- $\checkmark$  Needs assessment and analysis
- Emergency preparedness
- ✓ Planning and strategy development
- ✓ Application of standards
- ✓ Monitoring and reporting
- $\checkmark$  Advocacy and resource mobilization
- $\checkmark$  Training and capacity building

#### **REGIONAL LEVEL**

First line of support (technical or operational) to complement the roles and responsibilities of national counterparts

#### **PROVINCIAL LEVEL**

- ✓ Development of <u>baseline database of provincial demography</u>, <u>sectoral data and other basic information</u> to <u>facilitate rapid</u> <u>needs assessment</u> of affected areas, <u>timely mobilization of</u> <u>resources</u> and <u>delivery of urgent assistance to the right</u> <u>beneficiaries</u> through the clusters
- ✓ Ensure that arrangements are in place with DPWH Engineering Districts, AFP Engineering Battalions and private construction companies which can be tapped within 24H after a disaster strikes

