

# Development Cooperation in the context of disaster

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## A bilateral perspective



## GTZ Approach

- Disaster Reduction as a cross-cutting theme with a specific focus and a certain set of instruments
- Integrated both in Development and Recovery Programs (Development oriented Emergency Aid) on local and national level
- Focus on specific Sectors: Rural Development, Environment, Governance and Education Sector
- Development of specific instruments for DC (risk analysis, local early warning, cost-benefit analysis e.g.)

# Existing Challenges in Partner Countries

- Still an externally driven process
- Funding Disaster Reduction is seen as a cost rather than investment (people and decision-makers)
- Cost-efficiency of disaster reduction measures is not obvious
- Narrow focus of institutions (disaster preparedness focus)
- Lack of coherent decentralization policy framework which includes DR

## Recommendations

- Support political, legal and economic incentives for DR – Best practice and lessons learnt
- Policy coordination and dialogue framework on Country Level (PRSP, Joint Programming, Action Plans etc.)
- Further development of technically sound and economically viable solutions
- Support Private Sector involvement (e.g. Early Warning, Building Sector, Tourism etc.)
- Integration in educational sector