Project: Enhancing Disaster and Climate Resilience in the Republic of Marshall Islands (RMI) through improved Disaster Preparedness and Infrastructure

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1.1 Install inundation and tsunami and multi- hazard warning	Chatty beetles are still the most reliable mean of communication with the outer islands. The possibility of sending warning sound alarm and text messages through satellite signal complements the HF/VHF communication and allow redundancy. 9 Location: (to be stored at the weather stations) 1. Ujae 2. Lae 3. Wotho 4. Likiep 5. Ailuk 6. Mejit 7. Maloelap 8. Aur 9. Namo (changed from Arno)	• UH continued to coordinate with UCAR to finalize the drafting of the LOA.	Continue follow up with UH to finalize the LOA.	
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Output 1	1.2 Provide 3 Wave- Riders that will support wave modelling and Realtime inundation forecasting and warning for coastal communities and long-term oceanographic measurements in	Considering their proximity to the coast lines, the Wave rider Buoys will enable NWSO to plan and predict level of erosion and saltwater intrusion through storm damage and tsunami wave on coastal areas; and to make decisions oriented to the protection of natural ecosystems. Location: 1. South of Jaluit 2. North East of Kwajalein, 3. Spare	The LOA signed by UNDP was shared with NWSO for signature.	• Follow up with NWSO for the signed LOA.	
1	1.3 Link the Northern Meteorological Offices with HF radio as per Pacific Island Communication and Infrastructure (PICI) Panel Workplan 2019.		• Cancelled.		
	1	The project will provide the National EOC with the required equipment for information management, monitoring and coordination. This may include:		• No action required currently. The list would be finalized	

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	functional Centre linking to the main communication media	computers and software, multimedia equipment, communication equipment (telephone, WIFI and fibre optic, if possible). HF/VHF, Furniture, equipment for national EOC HF/VHF radios		with the Design of the EOC.
Output 2	2.1 Construct NDMO centre (including NEOC and a disaster warehouse) facility in Majuro that meets disaster preparedness,	A new building will be constructed for the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) in a two-storey building. A warehouse will be accommodated on the ground floor (containing 2-3 level steel storage racks and storage room for chemicals), while the second floor will be used for office rooms (EOC management, information management, logistics and communication) and conference room. A separated		 Conduct the Evaluation of the bid documents received for the A&E Design Consultancy. Follow up with MoWIU to finalize the LOA

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Output 2	of one GOB/EOC in Ebeye including feasibility option, design and technical file preparation, and finalize construction subject to availability of funds and Government of Japan approval	structure will be constructed for the generator (ground floor) and water tank / pump utility room (second floor). In addition, a separate building will be constructed in addition to the EOC as a back-up information centre for the whole of government. since the National Telecommunication Authority (NTA) has provided the land for these facilities. Considering the appalling conditions of the government building in Ebeye, a new facility will be constructed to accommodate public servants. In case of disasters, this building will be used as an Emergency Operations Centre. The building will be constructed in an area of 3,110 sqft. in two storeys. The ground floor will be used as an evacuation centre and for distribution of humanitarian assistance. The second floor will be used for the Deputy Chief Secretary Office and the	 The tendering process for hiring of an A&E Design Consultant which closed on 19 February 2020 was cancelled due to non-compliance of RFP terms and conditions by three out of the four bidders. The RFP for A&E Design Consultant was re-advertised. 	 Conduct the Evaluation of the bid documents received for the A&E Design Consultancy. Follow up with MoWIU to finalize the LOA 	

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		disaster management team, and the third floor as office space for government agencies stationed in Ebeye.		