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# Disaster Risk Reduction

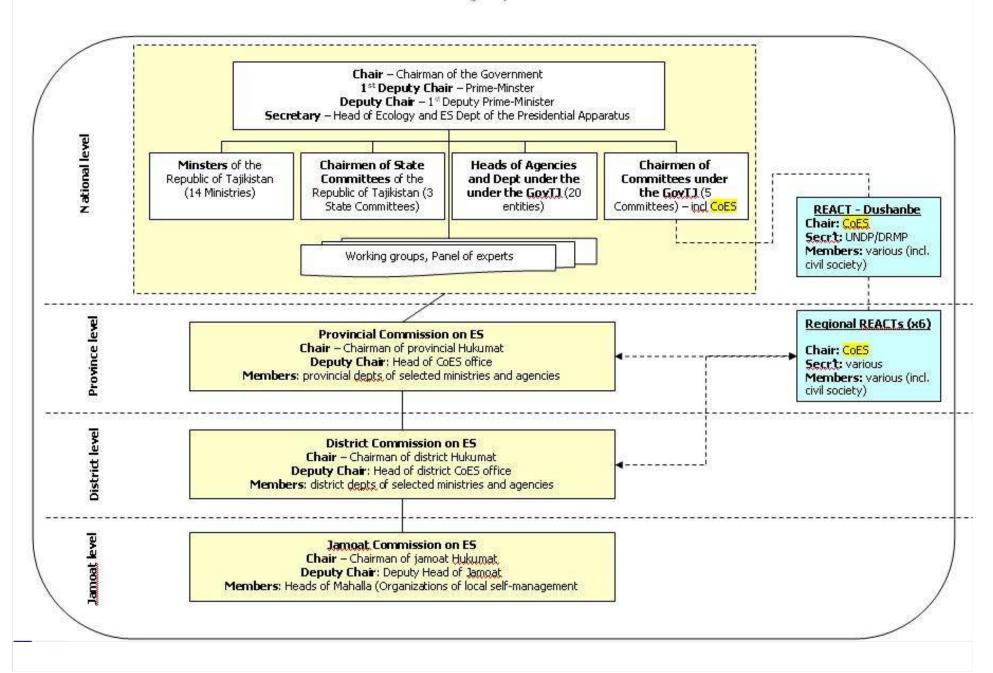
## National Coordination Mechanisms

**Tajikistan** 

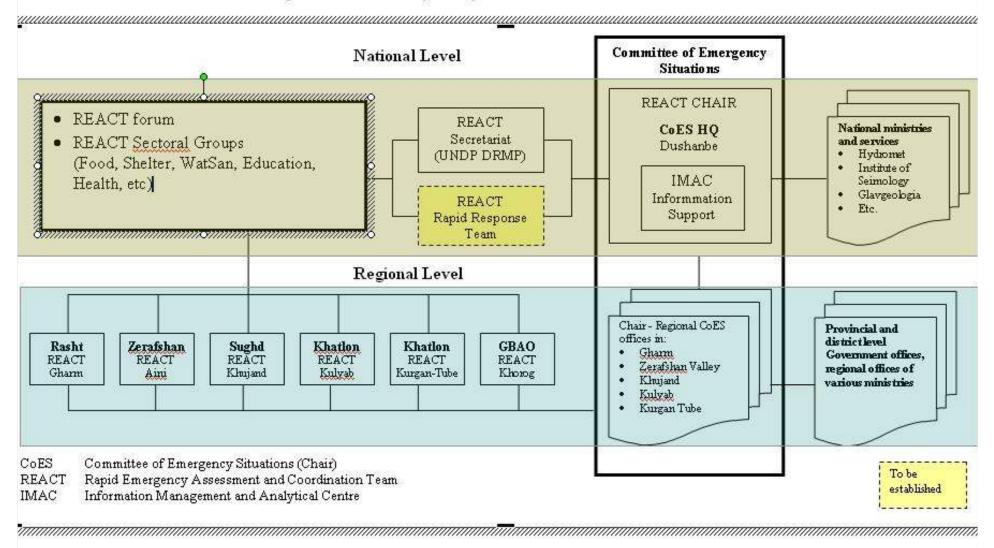
## Context of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) in Tajikistan

- Multi-hazard prone country
- Basic DRM laws and regulations adopted
- Creation of specialized structures for research, preparedness, response, mitigation (National Commission, Committee of Emergency Situations-CoES, Seismological - Geological - Hydrological Monitoring Services, REACT, National Emergency Reserve, Civil Defence Services)
- Recognition and support of international documents,
  e.g. the Hyogo Framework for Action
- Bilateral and multilateral support from the International Community

#### Commissions for Emergency Situations at all levels



#### Overview of the Disaster Risk Management Partnership in Tajikistan - REACT



### Legal Framework for DRR and DRR National Plan

- 29 separate laws, including the 2004 Law on the protection of the population and territories against emergency situations;
- 37 resolutions of the Government and regulatory acts on DRM;
- The National Disaster Risk Management Strategy (2008-2015) & National Disaster Preparedness and Response Plan are being developed;
- 15 Civil Defence Services;
- The currently developed UNDAF identifies DRR as a crosscutting issue;

#### **DRR** in Sectoral Policies

1. National Disaster Risk Management Strategy (2008-2015) identifies priority areas for DRR within each sector;

What is available now?

- 1. Health sector:
  - Specific disaster preparedness plan for health sector developed;
- 2. Water management sector:
  - Flood management strategy for a major flood prone area developed;
- 3. Environment:
  - National Action Plan on Environment;
  - National Action Plan on mitigating consequences of Climate Change developed (2003);
- 4. Education sector:
  - DRM training programs for 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grades

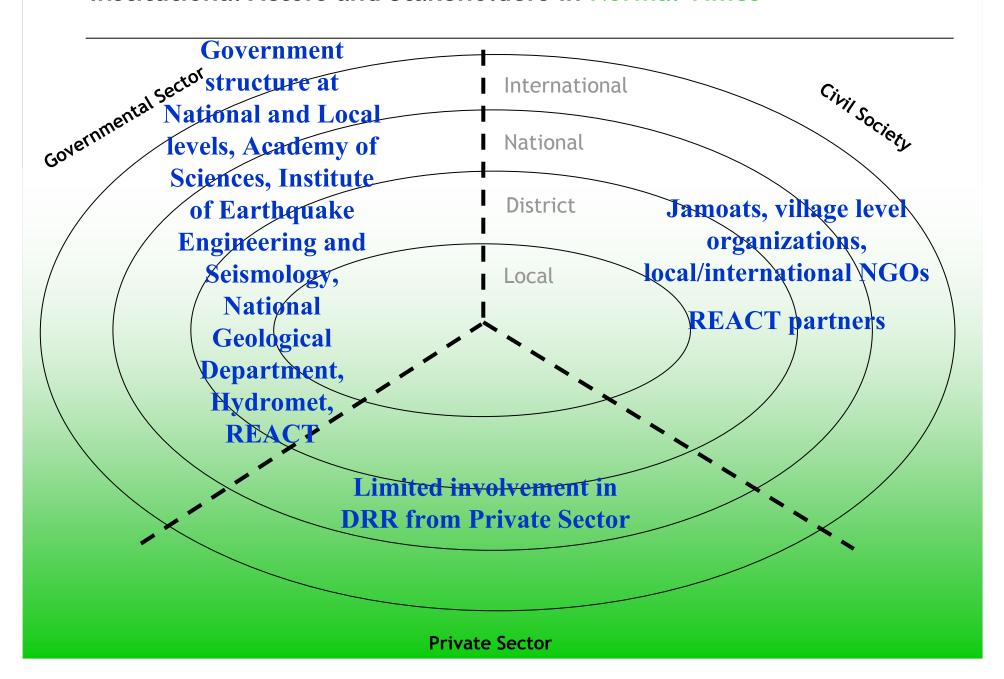
#### National Preventive Disaster Risk Reduction Mechanisms

- Commissions for Emergency Situations under the Government of Tajikistan at national, provincial, city, district, jamoat and object levels;
  - Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence and its regional branches at provincial, district and city levels;
  - Other ministries and governmental structures with civil defence services;
  - Rapid Emergency Assessment and Coordination Team- REACT.

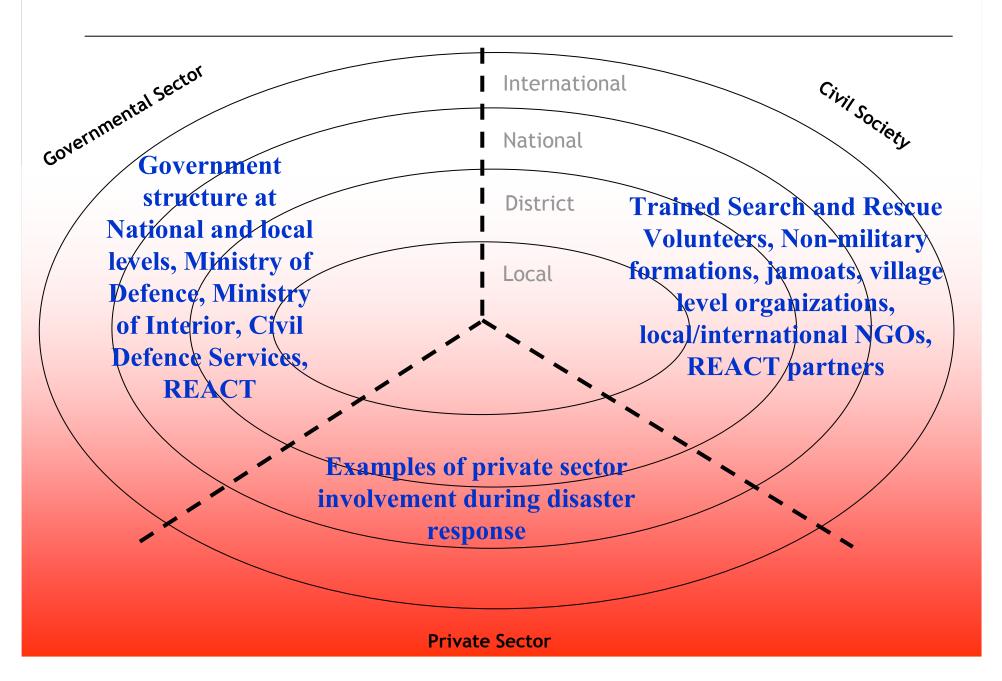
### National Crisis Management Mechanisms

- Commissions for Emergency Situations;
- Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defence;
- Civil Defence Services;
- REACT;
- Evacuation Commission;
- National Red Crescent Society;

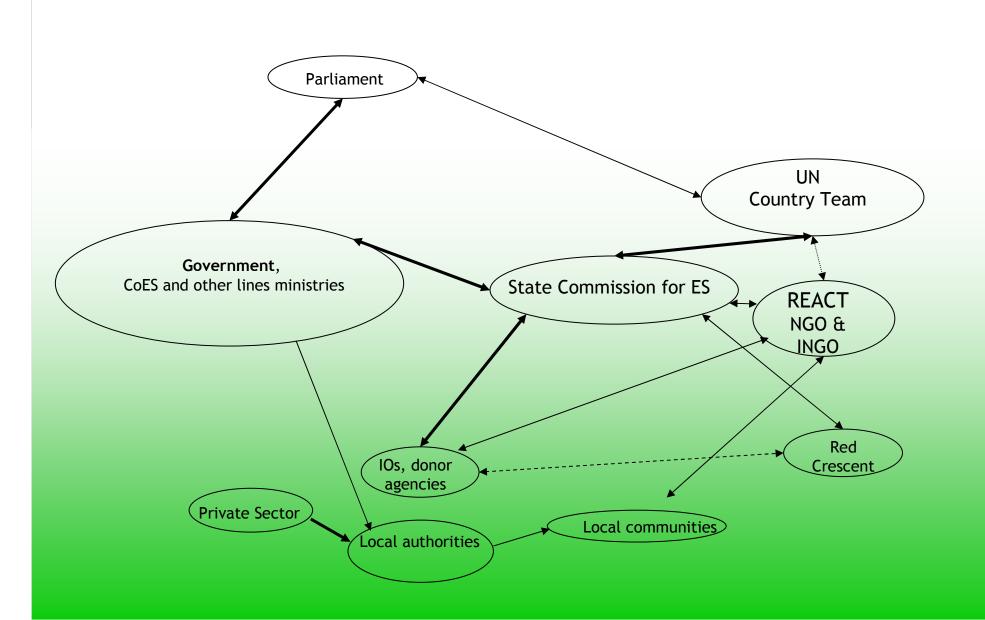
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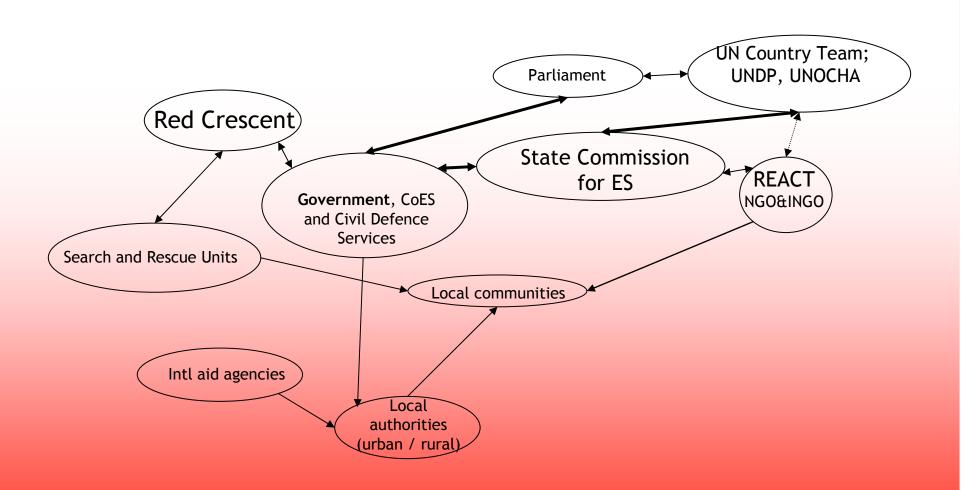
#### Institutional Actors and Stakeholders in Crisis Situations



### Institutional Actors and Stakeholders (Network in Normal Times)



### Institutional Actors and Stakeholders (Network in Crisis Situations)



### DRR Institutional Relation to Climate Change

- Republic of Tajikistan ratified the UNCCC in 1998
- The National Action Plan on CC was approved in 2003
- Agreement signed between the Hydro-meteorological Service and the Committee of Emergency Situation.

### Regional Coordination of DRR and South-South Collaboration

- Initiatives in the regional DRR coordination are currently being pursued;
- International Conference on Water Related Disaster Reduction (Dushanbe, June 2008);
- International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (ASBP II);
- SDC Disaster Reduction Program for Central Asia;
- DIPECHO Central Asia;

#### **Activities + Results**

- National Disaster Risk Management Strategy;
- International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea recovering of Small Aral Sea;
- Lake Sarez Early Warning and Monitoring System;
- Establishment of Digital Seismic Monitoring Network and State Geophysical Survey;
- Earthquake risk assessment of the city of Dushanbe;
- Establishment of Information Management and Analytical Center within CoES;

## **Identified Strengths**

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- The existing legislative framework allows for coordination, decision-making and allocation of resources before, during and after disasters;
- Existence of Commissions at all levels;
- Existence of basic services e.g. Civil Defence, Geological, Hydro-meteorological and Geophysical Service, Sarez EWS, seismic monitoring network;
- REACT effective coordination mechanism.

#### **Identified Weaknesses**

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- Weak implementation of DRR legislation;
- Lack of specific sub-laws and regulations for the implementation of DRR laws;
- Tajikistan has not signed the Kyoto Protocol;
- Tajikistan is not currently a priority country in South-South initiative for DRR;
- Limited insurance mechanisms for emergency situations;
- The National Development Strategy and the PRS pay insufficient attention to the DRR issues
- Limited coordination of DRR and Climate Change initiatives;