

STORYLINE BOUNDARIES

- Users:
 - Who is the Storyline for / the user groups?
 - How will they use the Storyline?
 - What do users need from the Storyline?
- Focus:
 - Is there a specific element you want/need to consider? (e.g., understanding how events unfolded from a decision-making point of view; sector interactions; plausible multi-hazard events and how they unfold; decision-making in response to multi-hazard events, and impacts of those decisions; mitigation and recovery)
- Boundaries: specific timescale; spatial boundaries; particular issue

PRE-CONDITION OF THE SYSTEM

- Are there any conditions that influence the level of disaster risk by increasing levels of exposure and vulnerability or reducing capacity?
- How exposed is the system to hazards?
- Are there physical, environmental, social, economic, or cultural drivers that influence the exposure or vulnerability?
- How could vulnerability change over space and time?
- Are there any groups particularly susceptible to hazards?
- What is the Governance structure? What are the levels of responsibility?
- Are there any government or stakeholder policies that may influence the impact of a hazard?
- Is there multi-risk governance / preparedness in this area?
- Are there existing emergency response plans?
- Are there any assumptions regarding responsibilities / interdependencies etc. for planning?
- Are there any environmental conditions or factors that could trigger hazards / influence impacts?

HAZARDS

- Which hazards were/could be involved?
- How did the hazards interact / how were they connected (coincident/compounding/triggering/amplifying)?
- How quickly did/could one hazard follow another?
- What was the duration of hazard events?
- What was the spatial extent of the hazards (individually and combined)?
- Were they unexpected or were they detected by early warning systems?

SECTORS

- What sectors were impacted / have the potential to be impacted?
- How are sectors related (e.g., dependencies between sectors)?
- Do the sectors work together? e.g., any cross-sector planning for events?
- Are there any underlying assumptions about sector interdependencies?
- Are there any conflicts of interest that could influence impacts / responses in a multi-hazard risk event?
- What is the scale of sectors: local, regional, national, global (e.g., local transport routes / global transport links)?

DIRECT & INDIRECT IMPACTS

- What were the direct impacts (directly resulting from the hazards)?
- What were the indirect impacts (linked but not directly caused by the hazards themselves)?
- Can impacts be attributed to specific hazards?
- Were there any compounding impacts resulting from multiple hazards?

- What were the impacts to specific sectors?
- Were impacts different for different sectors?
- Were any impacts on a sector compounded/influenced by another sector?
- How were impacts assessed / reported?

SHORT-TERM RESPONSES

- Response management (for each sector and combined):
 - Who was involved?
 - Who coordinated the responses?
 - Was there a coordinated response across sectors?
 - Was there an existing emergency plan that was followed?
- Responses:
 - How were the needs determined?
 - What responses were needed?
 - Issuing of alerts / warnings?
 - Evacuation / provision of water, food, shelter
 - Timeline of responses
 - Was there damage assessment?
 - How was it coordinated/conducted?
- Communication:
 - How were the public informed?
 - How were the public involved?
 - How was the communication within the country/area managed?
- Aid:
 - What international aid/support was given?
 - How was aid delivered and distributed?
- Were there any short-term mitigations actions (e.g., strengthening of structures; use of sandbags; covering of openings)?

LONG-TERM RESPONSES

- What were the long-term responses for each sector?
 - Rehabilitation of sectors that were severely damaged.
 - Rebuilding of houses / infrastructure etc.
- Shift from response to recovery
 - How was recovery structured?
 - Timeline of recovery
- What long-term mitigation actions were taken?
 - e.g., building of dikes, modifying river morphology, installing early warning systems, developing emergency plans

LESSONS LEARNED

- Were there any lessons learned specifically from the decision-making process?
 - What could have been done differently for a better outcome?
 - What was done well and why?
 - What underlying assumptions influenced the outcomes of the event?
- How do sectors currently interact?
- How should sectors interact?
- How have lessons been captured?
- Were there any changes implemented as a result of lessons learned from the event (e.g., policy changes; development/modification of communication plans; development of emergency plans; cross-sector agreements etc.)?