



GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOR TRADE FACILITATION

Testing the Resilience of Importation Processes for Humanitarian Relief Supplies:

Madagascar

Sep-22

Introduction in 60 Seconds



What we do

- Provide technical support to countries wishing to implement the WTO's Trade Facilitation Agreement.

Where we do it

- 29 Developing Countries in Latin America, Africa, Middle East and Asia

How we do it

- Building equal partnerships between public and private sectors.
- Improving and digitising trade processes

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Madagascar Project



Collaborated with WCO to build resiliency within the country's clearance processes.

Phase	Activities	Completed
1	Information gathering	May-21
2	Development of SOPs for imports of humanitarian aid during disasters	Jan-22
3	Testing, review, and update of SOPs	May-22

Alliance's focus was Phase 3 - using 'Scenario Based Testing' to verify and improve SOPs.

Processes for clearance of humanitarian relief supplies into Madagascar following natural disasters.

- Primary stakeholders:
 - National risk management agency (BNGRC)
 - Madagascar Customs
- Secondary stakeholders
 - Sector Ministries
 - Controlling Agencies
 - Logistics companies
 - International humanitarian organisations
 - NGOs

Scenario Based Testing

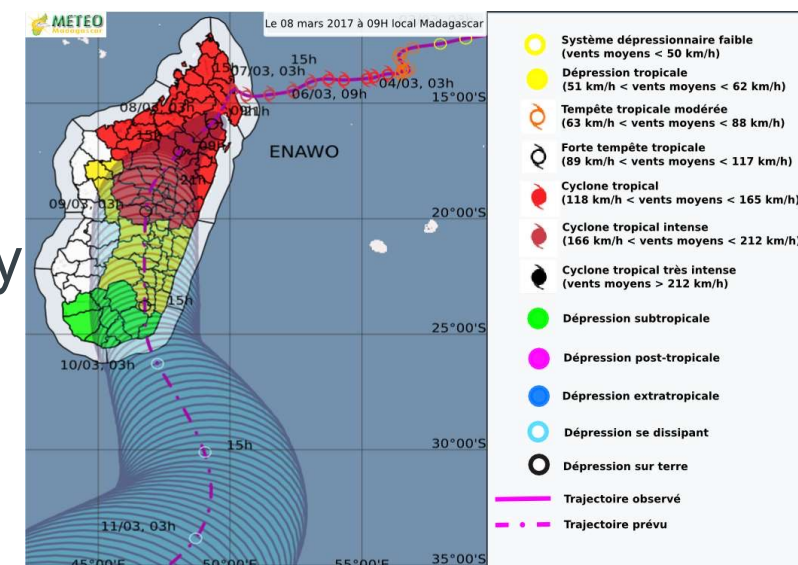


- Delivered in partnership with National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University and WCO
- Designed to test:
 - Capability of organisations to use the SOPs following a simulated natural disaster
 - Effectiveness and resilience of the SOPs.

- Series of meetings and planning conferences to iteratively develop the:
 - Objectives
 - Scope
 - Scenarios
 - Evaluation criteria
 - Practical arrangements
- Full day multi-stakeholder ‘table top’ exercise
- Debrief
- After-Action Report and improvement plan

Landing of a Tropical Cyclone

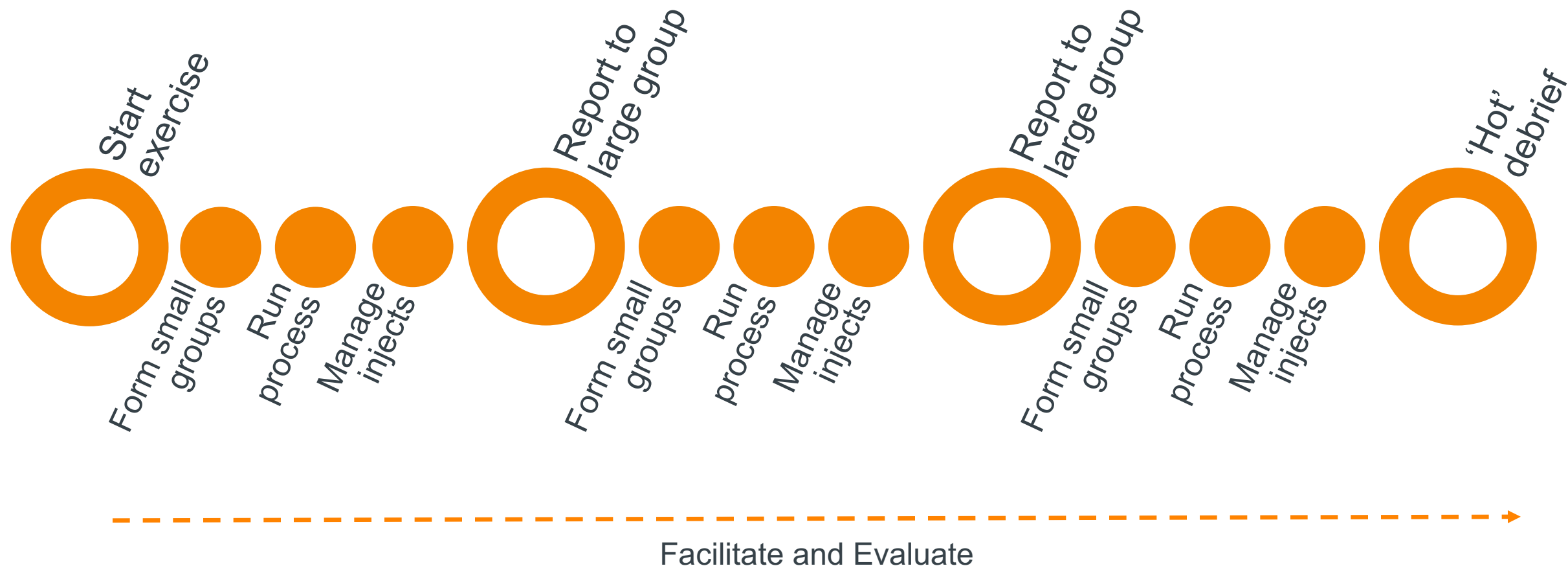
- Tropical Cyclone makes landfall near Sambava causing flash floods & mudslides
- Approx. 300,000 people displaced
- Reports of major damage including:
 - Collapsed buildings
 - Health centres overwhelmed
 - Widespread power outages
 - Loss of water and sewage to many areas
- Cyclone's impact compounds other health situations:
- Two year drought in South - nutrition and food security are lower than normal
- Concerns over Covid – population is largely unvaccinated
- Supplies of food and medicine are urgently needed



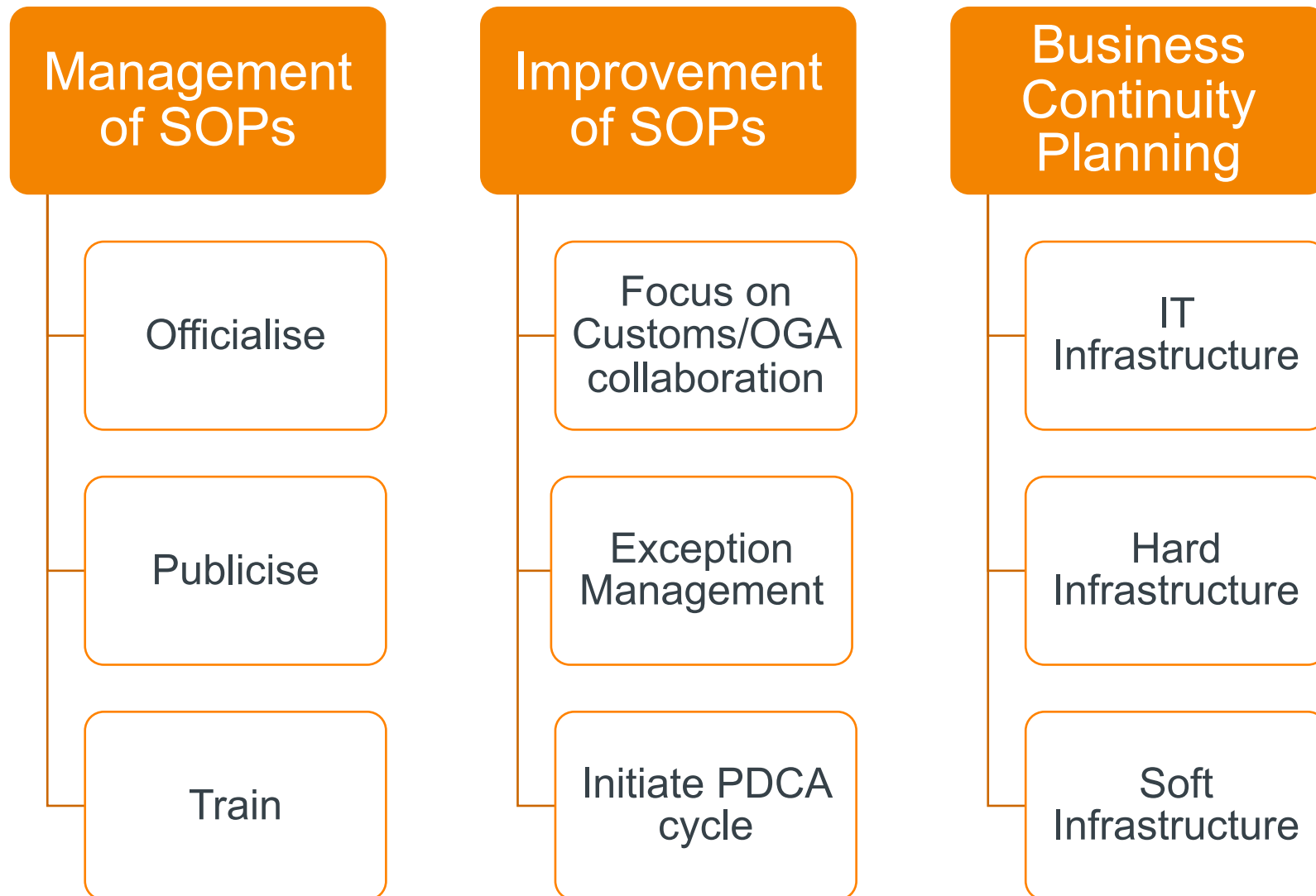
Modules:

- Module 1 – 0-2 Days Post-Storm
 - Appeals process and priority lists for government agencies
 - Private sector preparation for clearance and meeting needs
- Module 2 – 3-14 days Post Storm
 - Movement of requested items
 - Use of SOPs
 - Interface of public, private and humanitarian sectors
- Module 3 – add complexity
 - Outage of IT systems
 - Damage to infrastructure (port / airport)
 - Incapacity of key staff
 - Unrequested items / unregistered donors

Exercise Process



Summary of Recommendations



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