

HURRICANE BERYL

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Situation Report #1 - 4-July-2024

HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 deaths have been reported which were due to the hurricane. Verification is taking place now at the National Emergency Operations Centre.
- 7 injuries have been reported from the Kingston Public Hospital, Kingston, the main Government referral and specialist hospital for the island.
- All 24 hospitals remained functional offering emergency services only.
 - There has been no direct communication with the Black River Hospital in Black River, St. Elizabeth (Southern Region), as telephone services have been disrupted.
 - A number of hospitals were damaged in particular in the Southern and Western Regions.
 - Some will need major repairs such as: -Repairs/replacement of sections of roofs at the Noel Holmes hospital, Lucea, Hanover, and Falmouth Hospital, Falmouth, Trelawny.
 - Windows and doors will also need replacement at hospitals islandwide. The report is awaited.
 - 9 hospitals are using generators as electricity supplies were disrupted since yesterday.
 - 5 hospitals in the Southern Region (Mandeville - main referral hospital with multiple specialist services, May Pen, Black River, Lionel Town, Percy Junor) and 4 hospitals in the Western Region (Cornwall Regional (CRH) (Type A hospital (Referral and Specialist) - under repairs before the hurricane), Noel Holmes, Sav-La-Mar) are using generators.
 - All 4 hospitals in the Western Region are using supplies from water tanks. There is no water from the National Water Commission.
- Communications within the health sector is limited by a lack of radio-communication services islandwide
- Approximately 800,000 persons were affected. This figure will be updated today, by the national authorities.
- 110 shelters were opened islandwide yesterday with a shelter population of 1,099.

IN NUMBERS

Approx.
800,000

Potentially
exposed

02 Deaths

7 Injured

TBD Missing

TBD Evacuated

TBD health
facilities
damaged

110 Shelters

Approx. 2,000 in
Shelters



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HEALTH RISK ASSESSMENT

No updates



HEALTH SECTOR NEEDS

Jamaica

- Repairs to damaged hospitals - mainly for roofing, windows and doors
- Repairs/replacement of equipment and supplies - to be finalized and quantified
- Radios for all hospitals, 13 Health Departments, 4 Regional Health Authorities and the MOHW EOC and critical personnel in the MOHW.
 - Specifications are to be finalized to ensure compatibility with the Government of Jamaica system.
- Immediate replacement/rental of generators to maintain service delivery
- Review of generator capacity at hospitals islandwide to ensure that standards are met.

Cayman Islands

- Very limited structural damage reported so far from winds.
- Flooding remains the main concern, with combinations of storm surge and continuing heavy rains.
- No reported fatalities or serious health issues so far.
- Expecting severe weather for another 4 hours and 'All Clear' for Grand Cayman noon to mid-afternoon..
- Sister Islands - Little Cayman and Cayman Brac - are less affected.
- 16 shelters across all 3 islands with 1,000 persons in shelters.