

# EMPLOYERS CAPACITY STRENGTHENING & PROJECT CONSULTATION WORKSHOP

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**Disaster Recovery : Lessons & Best Practices**

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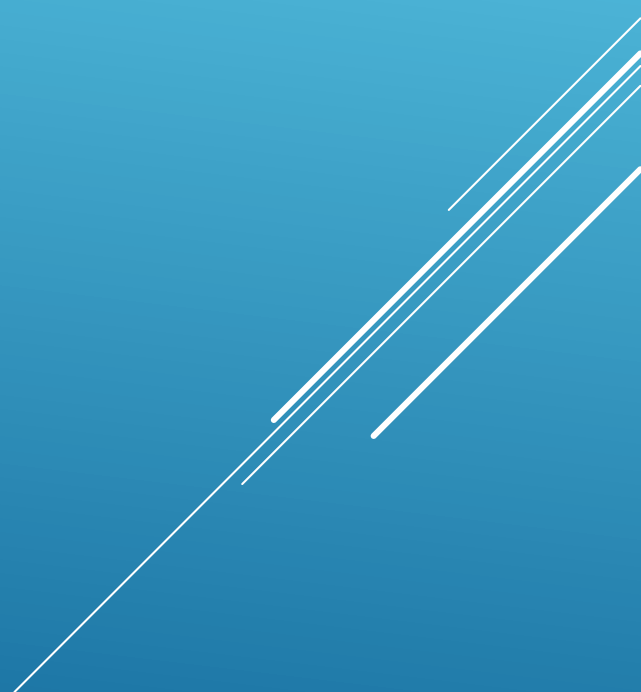
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# IMPACT OF THE DISASTER

Cyclone Gita – February 8-9 2018

- ▶ More than 350 mm of rain fell during the night
  - ▶ 233 people displaced in flooding
  - ▶ Rain led to landslides and road destroyed
  - ▶ Power was lost for 3 days Southern Coast of Apia
  - ▶ Collectively 20 Million USD was lost
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# RECOVERY EXPERIENCE –WORKED WELL FOR BUSINESS AND JOBS

1. Inclusiveness of Govt. in the Disaster Committee including the private sector in the recovery process.
  2. Private Sector assisting Government with the communication process, and guiding them to key disaster sites and emergency cases.
  3. Updating Government on key private sector developments e.g. Movement of Cargo boats and flight schedules, supplies and food stocks available in supermarkets and wholesalers
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# **RECOVERY EXPERIENCE** – DID NOT WORK WELL FOR BUSINESS AND JOBS

Slow recovery of Local infrastructure

Limited to Non assistance to SMEs

No Financial holidays for businesses from banks

No support from Government

Businesses have no methodology or guidance for best practice to business recovery

Insurance costs too high and unaffordable to SMEs



# **FUTURE** –BASED ON YOUR EXPERIENCE, HOW CAN THE EO'S EFFECTIVELY SUPPORT ITS MEMBERS DURING RECOVERY

- ▶ Provide the Actual capacity building , recovery training and preparedness to members and private sector community.
  - ▶ Share best practices from other Eos on Recovery processes
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