

THE NEMA ACT

Formulate policy on all activities relating to the disaster management in Nigeria and coordinate the plans and programmes for efficient and effect response to disasters at national level;

(b) Monitor the state of preparedness of all organization or agencies which may contribute to disaster management in Nigeria;

(c) Collate data from relevant agencies, so as to enhance forecasting, planning and field operation of disaster management;

(d) Educate and inform the public on disaster prevention and control measures,

(e); Co-ordinate and facilitate the provision of necessary resource for Search and Rescue and other forms of disaster curtailment activities in response to distress calls,

(f); Co-ordinate the activities of all voluntary organizations engaged in emergency relief operations in any part of the Federation;

(g) Receive financial and technical aid from international organization and nongovernmental agencies, for the purpose of disaster management in Nigeria;

(h) Collect emergency relief supply from Local and foreign source and from International and non-Governmental Agencies;

(i) Distribute emergency relief material to victims of natural or other disasters and assist in the rehabilitation of the victims, where necessary;

(j) Liaise with State Emergency Management Committees, to assess and monitor, where necessary, the distribution of relief materials to disaster victims;

(k) Process relief assistance to such countries as may be determined from time to time;



(l) Liaise with the United Nations Disaster Reduction Organizations such other International bodies for the reduction of natural and other disasters.

The functions above clearly positions the Agency to coordinate and facilitate search and rescue and other disaster curtailment activities in response to distress as in (e); *Co-ordinate and facilitate the provision of necessary resource for Search and Rescue and other forms of disaster curtailment activities in response to distress calls. Also as in (f); Co-ordinate the activities of all voluntary organizations engaged in emergency relief operations in any part of the Federation;* as in (g); *Co-ordinate the activities of all voluntary organizations engaged in emergency relief operations engaged in emergency relief operations engaged in additional and technical and technical and from international organization and non-governmental agencies, for the purpose of disaster management in Nigeria;* in (h); *Collect emergency relief supply from Local and foreign source and from International and non-Governmental Agencies;*

Other provisions relevant to emergency response are the powers to distribute emergency relief to victims of natural and other disaster and assist in the rehabilitation of the victims where necessary as in (i) Distribute emergency relief material to victims of natural or other disasters and assist in the rehabilitation of the victims, where necessary; Liaise with State Emergency Management Committees, to assess and monitor, where necessary, the distribution of relief materials to disaster victims as in (j).

Disaster management is multi-sector driven, multi-disciplinary and multi-resources. To get the many ministries, Departments, Agencies (MDAs), governmental, non-governmental, local and international to organize plans and programmes, NEMA therefore in collaboration with the stakeholders has put in place the following plans:

- i. The National Disaster Management Framework (NDMF).
- ii. Guidelines for the use of Military Personnel & Assets during emergencies.
- iii. Lake Nyos Disaster Response Manual.
- iv. National Emergency Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
- v. National Contingency Plan on Infrastructural Resuscitation (NCPIR).
- vi. The Joint Humanitarian Action Plan for Nigeria (2013-2015).
- vii. National Nuclear and Radiological Emergency Plan.
- viii. Development of Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for response to vulnerable groups in emergency/disaster situations.
- ix. National Contingency Plan for Nigeria (NCP).
- x. National Pandemic Response Plans.
- xi. Search and Rescue and Epidemic Evacuation plan for Nigeria (SAREEP).

