

## Sandy Bay

St. Vincent and the Grenadines















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## **Executive Summary**

Pre-disaster information is always a key resource in post disaster response (which includes post disaster assessments). When disaster strikes, it is critical to know how many people are likely to have been affected by the event and how. This requires knowledge of the demographic breakdown of the population and the vulnerability of different people to the disaster. Vulnerability will determine how badly they will be affected, how quickly they can be expected to recover and what kinds of assistance they are likely to need.

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In 2019, the Livelihood Based Assessment and Contingency Planning approach was applied in St. Vincent and the Grenadines to provide pre-disaster livelihood information for eleven communities involved in the Volcano Ready Communities in St. Vincent and the Grenadines (VRCin SVG) project. Data were collected during the hours of 8am and 4pm October 1st, 2019 using a convenience sample of residents of the community. Twenty-two (22) persons were interviewed.

Sandy Bay falls within the Sandy Bay Census Division. Geographically, its coordinates are 13° 21' 0" North, 61° 8' 0" West and its original name (with diacritics) is New Sandy Bay Village. It is within the North Windward area. According to the 2012 population and housing census, the population of the administrative Division of Sandy Bay Community is Two Thousand and seventy-six (2576). This figure is inclusive of the Communities of Sandy Bay, Owia Point, and Fancy. The Census Division of Sandy bay has an Estimated 661 household with a population of Two Thousand five hundred and seventy-six (2576).

Chapter 3 provides an overview of the socio-demographic profile of Sandy Bay as well as its spatial and locational situation. Chapter 4 provides an overview of its governance structure. Chapter 5 presents an economic overview of the community.

Chapter 6 is a profile of the main hazards that impact the community most directly while Chapter 7 outlines the impact of the April 2021 volcanic eruption.

In Chapter 8, the outcome of the Livelihood Baseline Assessment is detailed and includes a profile of community livelihoods and resources. The focus is primarily on agricultural livelihoods. Chapter 9 looks at the type of coping strategies that are employed to deal with hazard impacts on agricultural livelihoods.

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## Acronyms

**BMC** Borrowing Member Countries

**BVI** British Virgin Islands

CARDI Caribbean Agricultural Research & Development Institute

**CARIFORUM** Caribbean Forum

CBO Community Based Organisation

CC Climate Change

CCA Climate Change Adaptation
CCR Community Climate Resilience

 CCRIF
 Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility

 CCRS
 Community Climate Resilience Specialist

 CCVA
 Community Climate Vulnerability Assessment

CD Census Division

CDO Community Development Organisation

CDB Caribbean Development Bank

CDERA Caribbean Disaster Emergency Response Agency

GDP Gross Domestic Product

CDRRF Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund
CDS Community Development Specialist (CDRRF)
CDS Community Development Supervisor (SVG)

CES Community Engagement Survey
CEWS Community Early Warning System

**CHARIM** Caribbean Handbook on Risk Information Management

**CP** Community Profile

CPA Country Poverty Assessment

CS Climate Smart

CWSA Climate Vulnerability Assessment
CWSA Central Water and Sewerage Authority

DDC District Disaster Committees

DaLA Damage and Loss Assessment

DLA Detailed Livelihood Assessment

DRM Disaster Risk Management

DRR Disaster Risk Reduction

**ECLAC** Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

ED Enumeration Division
EU European Union
EWS Early Warning System

FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

FGD Focus Group Discussion
GAD Gender Affairs Division
GBV Gender Based Violence
GEF Global Environmental Fund
GIS Geographic Information System

GOSVG Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines

GPS Global Positioning System

HH Household

HIV/AIDS Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

IICA International Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture

ILIA Initial Livelihood Impact Assessment
ILO International Labor Organization

IWCAM Integrated Watersheds and Coastal Areas Management project

J-CCCP Japan-Caribbean Climate Change Program

LAS
Livelihood Assessment Specialist
LAT
Livelihood Assessment Toolkit
LBA
Livelihood Baseline Assessment
LGBTQ
Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Trans, Queer

LPG Liquified Petroleum Gas

M&E Monitoring and Evaluation

MMI Modified Mercalli Intensity

MoA Ministry of Agriculture

MoNM Ministry of National Mobilisation

NDVI National Difference Vegetation Index

NEMO National Emergency Management Organization

NGO Non-Governmental Organization

NVEP National Volcanic Emergency Plan

OECS Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States

PAD Project Appraisal Document

PM Project Manager
PVC Polyvinyl Chloride

RC Red Cross

RCCVA Rapid Community Climate Vulnerability Assessment
RDVRP Regional Disaster Vulnerability and Reduction Project

RR Risk Reduction

SAP Social Assistance Programme
SD Sustainable Development
SDC Social Development Commission
SDGs Sustainable Development Goals
SIDS Small Island Developing States

SMART Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, Time-bound

SRC Seismic Research Centre

STREVA Strengthening Resilience in Volcanic Areas

SVG St. Vincent and the Grenadines

UN United Nations

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund

UNISR United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction

**UWI** University of the West Indies

VCA Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment

VINLEC St. Vincent Electricity Company

VRCinSVG Volcano Ready Communities in St. Vincent and the Grenadines

VRCP Volcano Ready Communities Project

WAD Women's Affairs Division

## 1 Introduction



## 1.1 THE NEED FOR A LIVELIHOOD BASELINE AND CONTINGENCY PLAN

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In 2019, the Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (CDRRF) of the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) partnered with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) to introduce Borrowing Member Countries (BMC) in the region to the Livelihood Baseline Assessment (LBA) process which was pioneered by FAO and the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

The Livelihood Assessment Tool-kit<sup>1</sup> provides well-defined guidelines for the preparation of baselines that can be used to:

- analyse and respond to the impacts of disasters on the livelihoods;
- develop and update contingency plans.

<sup>1</sup> The Livelihood Assessment Tool-kit was published by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations and the International Labour Organisation in April 2009.

In March 2019, a one-week training and capacity building session was held in Belize and introduced persons from Belize, British Virgin Islands, Jamaica and St. Vincent and the Grenadines on the use of the LBA methodology for their own planning purposes.

### 1.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE LBA PROCESS

The objectives of the LBA approach are:

- a) To make it possible for countries to compare the livelihood context and activities for residents in the communities and local economies before and after a disaster
- b) To establish a robust basis for making estimates of the impact of disasters on livelihoods, in particular vulnerable groups, that can feed into various appeals for aid required for reconstruction and rehabilitation of the sector(s) affected.
- c) To provide a reliable basis for immediate postdisaster assessments including the initial Livelihood Impact Appraisal (Volume 3 of the Toolkit) and the more in-depth detailed Livelihood Assessment of the impact of disasters on livelihoods and identify opportunities and recovery capacities at the local, community and household levels (Volume 4).

## 1.3 THE LBA PROCESS IN ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES

Following the February 2019 capacity building, a total of eleven (11) Community Profiles and Livelihood Assessment reports were prepared in St. Vincent & the Grenadines. These communities included:

- 1. Colonaire
- 2. Chateaubelair
- 3. Rose Hall
- 4. Fitz Hughes
- 5. Fancy
- 6. Owia

- 7. Magum and Overland
- 8. Park Hill
- 9. Sandy Bay
- 10. South Rivers and
- 11. Spring Village

This report presents the findings that resulted from the Livelihood Baseline Assessment (LBA) and Community Profile (CP) process that was conducted for the community of **Sandy Bay**, St. Vincent & and the Grenadines.



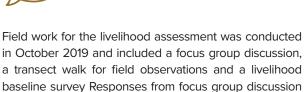


The Community Profile (CP) and Livelihood Baseline Assessment (LBA) for Sandy Bay was compiled in October 2019 using both qualitative and quantitative data collection methods (such as observation sheets and informal interviews). Prior to this the residents were engaged in an assessment of the community's main livelihoods using a community wide base approach focus group session. This focus group was conducted in April 2019. The assessments included an examination of the hazards that affect the community, the impact of these natural and man-made hazards on livelihoods in the community, as well as existing coping strategies and desired response interventions in the event of a disaster.

For the community profile sections, data were gathered from government reports and data-sets made available to the public.

The LBA component was compiled using the Livelihood Assessment Toolkit developed by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and which provided guidelines on documenting the exiting vulnerabilities of each community, the main livelihood activities, the projected impact of various hazards on livelihoods and contingency planning. Community representatives and external stakeholders also provided reviews and validation of the information presented in the document.





- Livelihood profile
- Hazard calendar
- Seasonal calendar
- Coping Strategies Inventory

were used to generate the following tools:

Response Typology Matrix

A convenience sample was also utilized to collect data from residents regarding the impact of natural hazards on their livelihoods and coping strategiesData were collected and analysed using the KOBO Toolbox² application. Responses from the livelihood baseline assessment survey were analysed and presented separately. Data from a Community Engagement Survey (CES) conducted in Sandy Bay in 2018 utilized a sample size of 50 residents was also used to triangulate the findings from the LBA and CP exercise. This data was collected and analysed utilizing Excel and SPSS.





Secondary data were reviewed in order to provide the environmental, social and economic context of the community. Sources reviewed included the 2012 Population and Housing Census, 2007/2008 Survey of Living Conditions and Hazards maps provided by the National Emergency Management Organisation (NEMO) and the Physical Planning Unit.

Additionally, qualitative information was also obtained from both the preliminary Rapid Community Climate Vulnerability Assessment (RCCVA) that was conducted in 2016 and the detailed RCCVA that was completed in 2020.

It allows for faster data collection because data does not need to be transcribed from paper to computers before it can be analysed. Some analyses can be applied within minutes of the data being collected It is more accurate. Enumeration errors are minimised because of the data validation that can occur in real time as data is collected. Transcription errors are entirely eliminated It is optimised for humanitarian work. It also works offline and is easy to use (requires no technical knowledge to manage and enumerators can be trained within minutes. If all else fails, paper forms can be used as a backup and integrated with other data. (Source: <a href="https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/sites/www.humanitarianresponse.info/sites/www.humanitarianresponse.info/files/documents/files/unhcr\_kobo\_guidelines\_may2016.pdf">https://www.humanitarianresponse.info/files/documents/files/unhcr\_kobo\_guidelines\_may2016.pdf</a>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> KoBo Toolbox is a free open-source tool for mobile data collection. It allows users to collect data in the field using mobile devices such as mobile phones or tablets, as well as with paper or computers.

# 3 Description of the Community



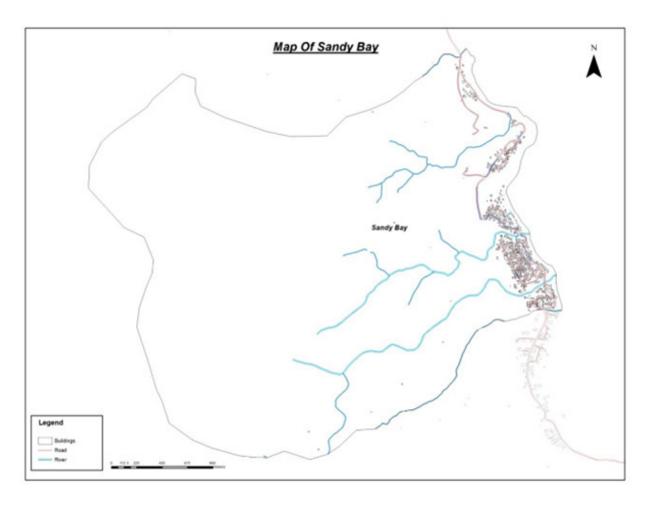
## 3.1 LOCATIONAL DATA

Sandy Bay falls within the Sandy Bay Census Division. Geographically, its coordinates are 13° 21′ 0″ North, 61° 8′ 0″ West and its original name (with diacritics) is New Sandy Bay Village. It is within the North Windward area. According to the 2012 population and housing census, the population of the administrative Division of Sandy Bay Community is Two Thousand and seventy-six (2576). This figure is inclusive of the Communities of Sandy Bay, Owia Point, and Fancy. The Census Division of Sandy bay has an Estimated 661 household with a population of Two Thousand five hundred and seventy-six (2576).

## 3.2 HISTORY/HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT

Sandy Bay is a small rural community located in the hilly terrain of the North Windward Constituency in the parish of Charlotte, St. Vincent & the Grenadines. The village is comprised of two sections, Old Sandy Bay which came into existence in 1797 after a number of Caribs were removed by British troops to a reservation there. And New Sandy Bay which came into existence after houses, crops, and lands were destroyed by heavy flooding, hurricanes and the Volcano eruption in the 1900s. People living on the coastlines also lost

**Figure 1:** Map of the community of Sandy Bay (Source: GIS Unit, Physical Planning Division, Ministry of Transportation, Works, Lands and Physical Planning, Kingstown)



their lives. Persons were relocated to the New Sandy Bay area of London on lands given to them by the state. The area comprises mainly descendants of the yellow Caribs and a small number of African slaves referred to as Black Caribs. The ancestors of the Black Carib became the first permanent non-Carib settlers on the island in 1675 when they made from a sinking Dutch ship.

However, community members identify with the broader Sandy Bay community rather than with their subsections or villages. The Carib community was also known for its resilience, and so Joseph Chatoyer who was a Carib chief in Sandy Bay who died in a war while trying to defend the country became St. Vincent and the Grenadines first national hero. Sandy Bay consists of varying "Villages' 'including Pepper Village, Phillis Level, Trench town, London, Sion Hill, and Magum. There were times in the past when the villagers would be isolated from the other communities located before the dry river, as the river which emerged from the volcano (that would remain mostly dry) but would overflow its banks during heavy rainfall. This prevented persons from going to work, schools and or to ply their livelihoods.

## 3.3 NATURE OF COMMUNITY (CULTURE, TRADITIONS)

Sandy Bay is a close-knit community, and members of the community practice the Quadrille dance. On national heroes day in March, the "Jonkunnu festival" is held and Sandy Bay is said to be one of the areas of national concentration for such festivities. November 1st (the day of the Dead) is also celebrated by the cleaning and lighting of candles on deceased relatives' graves. In December, like all other communities in St. Vincent and the Grenadines the members visit each other's homes to bring a message of glad tidings and joy. Sports are a major part of the community recreational activities specifically cricket, netball, football and soccer. The main religion is Christianity. The people are warm and friendly and are of African descent and Black Carib.

## 3.4 NATURAL RESOURCES (RIVERS, FORESTS, FARMING LANDS)

Sandy bay is a village on the Northern side of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. The community is mostly known for farming, fishing and for planting Arrowroot. Due to its close proximity to the La Soufriere Volcano, the soils in the town are fertile.

All of the natural resources found within the communities on mainland St. Vincent are located in watersheds. A watershed is defined as the land area that drains to a stream, wetland, lake or sea. It is the sloping land area over which water from rainfall flows downhill to the coast. On mainland St. Vincent there are sixteen (16) watersheds (Figure 2) with forests that protect them. These forests are important to protecting terrestrial biodiversity and marine biodiversity through reduced soil erosion. Four (4) of these watersheds are considered to be the key ones as a result of the contribution they make to the socio-economic development of the country (Figure 3).

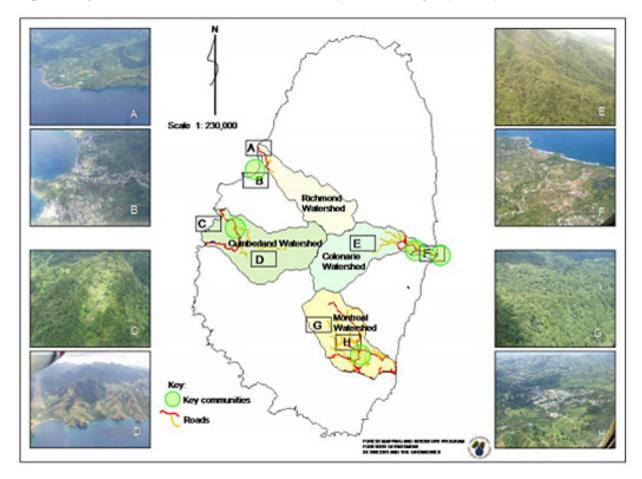
Most of the watersheds on St. Vincent run from the centre of the island all the way to the coast and provide 100% of the water supply to the mainland to support our existence in addition to providing habitat for flora and fauna. The flora found in these watersheds include "coconuts breadfruit, bananas and aroids for food, forest species provide homes for birds and other wildlife; others provide stabilization to the land, are used for traditional medicines, fuel, ornamentals, craft and construction purposes" (Lennie. D. Adams 2013).

The fauna found in these watersheds include "birds (whistling warblers, parrots, black hawks swift and wren), reptiles (black snakes, lizards and Congo snakes). Others like pigs, cattle, small ruminants, fowls are domesticated and iguanas, tattoo, crustaceans and mullets are hunted and harvested for food (Lennie. D. Adams 2013). The specific numbers of flora and fauna that has been identified on St. Vincent are as follows "more than 1,150 species of flowering plants, 163 species of ferns, 4 species of amphibians, 16 species of reptiles, 111 species of birds, and 15 species of mammals" (Draft SPCR SVG 2011).

Figure 2: The Sixteen (16) Watersheds of Saint Vincent (Source: GEF-IWCAM, No Date).



Figure 3: Key watersheds and communities in St. Vincent (Source: Forestry Dept. 2005).

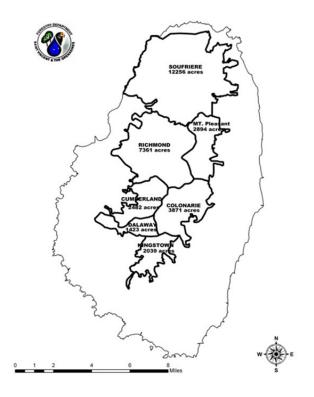


Watersheds are therefore very important to the health and well-being of Vincentians. Three (3) of the main areas in a watershed are the streams and lakes, land and coasts. The free fresh water they provide is used to sustain several sectors in St. Vincent and the Grenadines, such as, Water, Tourism, Health, Agriculture, Fisheries, Energy, and Critical Infrastructure. Most of the watersheds are located in forest reserves (Figure 3).

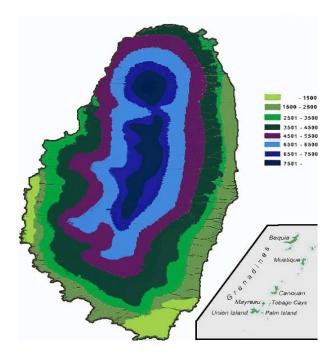
All of the Central Water and Sewage Authority's (CWSAs) catchment areas and the St. Vincent Electricity Services Limited (VINLEC) Hydro-power stations are located in watersheds. Within recent years however, the watersheds have been under threat as a result of climate related events and human actions. In recent years, mudslides resulting from hazard events and also due to increased and poor farming techniques have occurred within the watersheds. Additionally, there continues to be an issue of pollution resulting from the location of pig pens on river banks.

The country has a long history of recognizing the links between forested watersheds and the protection of water resources. In 1791, Order No. 5 established the Kings Hill Reserve. This makes it one of the oldest forest reserves in the Americas. In 1912, all land above 330m in elevation was designated as Crown Land, reserved by law to protect forests in the upper watersheds (UNEP 1992). Circumstances have changed in St. Vincent since colonial times. An increased population has faced challenges to develop agriculture, tourism, and energy. These developments have in turn placed pressures on land use and high demands on limited water resources. The people of St. Vincent have traditionally accessed forests for hunting, charcoal production, extraction of timber and non-timber forest products.

**Figure 4:** Protected Areas on Mainland St. Vincent (Source: GEF-IWCAM, No Date).



**Figure 5:** Rainfall Map of the Island of St.Vincent (Source: Joyette, 2006).



Rainfall is highest in the north-central portion of St. Vincent (150 inches) and decreases on the coast (about 60 inches). The leeward side of the island is in a "rain shadow" and shows marked variation in rainfall compared with the windward side. In the well-watered interior, the water supply forms the basis of the potable supply of water and for hydroelectricity power generation on the Colonarie River, Cumberland River and the Richmond River. In sum, the rainfall distribution is quite reliable on the mainland.

These key watersheds provide 120,000,000 cu.m/yr. of the country's total surface water to meet the varying demands (see Table 1). The possibility of the current water supply on the mainland drying up is considered to be quite low; as a result, alternatives such as desalination and drilling for underground water are not given serious consideration.

The Forestry Department, the National Parks Authority and the CWSA are responsible for managing the forests specifically regarding conservation and protection.

Over the past ten (10) or more years, attempts have been made to put an integrated water resource management system in place to protect terrestrial and marine ecosystems, with limited success. Additionally, efforts have been made to involve communities in activities such as mapping hotspots in watersheds and monitoring the level of land degradation and water quality (GEF-IWCAM, No Date).

**Table 1:** Water Statistics for SVG (Source: FAO 2005, GOSVG 2002)

M³
120,000,000
5,000,000
1,600,000
5,300,000
1,800,000
500,000

## 3.5

#### 3.5 LAND USE AND DISTRIBUTION

The natural vegetation of Villages/Communities exists in several stages of development and/or disturbance caused by human and natural (volcanic) interventions. It is therefore defined by a climax vegetation formation based on environmental gradients. The concentric variations of rainfall with elevation give rise to concentric variations in vegetation. The slopes of the La Soufriere volcano have been subject to the frequent disturbance of vegetation by volcanic eruptions; however, it shows both the success of re-vegetation along with the variation of vegetation with elevation.

The physical and environmental conditions of rainfall, soils, elevation, terrain, and exposure to the trade winds, results in a remarkable diversity of ecosystems and forest types, including:

#### **ELFIN WOODLAND:**

Found on exposed summits above 500 metres on both sides of the central mountains. They consist of pure stands of dwarfed trees about three metres in height covered with epiphytes. This vegetation type is commonly associated with the Palm Brake vegetation type.

#### **RAIN FOREST:**

Confined to areas in the upper Colonaire, Cumberland and Buccament Valleys between 300 and 488 metres.

#### PALM BRAKE:

This refers to a sub-climax type typically at elevations over 500 metres arising after disturbances such as landslides or tree-falls (opening up the forest canopy). The land is covered initially by mosses, then by small tree ferns and heliconias followed by the characteristic Mountain Cabbage Palms.

#### **SECONDARY RAINFOREST:**

This type describes the resultant forests arising from disturbances from volcanic eruptions, hurricanes and human activity. The largest areas lie around the Soufriere Mountains. The vegetation ranges from almost bare soil on the upper slopes of the Soufriere volcano to significant stands of the new forest at lower elevations.

#### **DECIDUOUS SEASONAL FORESTS/CACTUS SCRUB:**

On the dry southern and southwestern coasts of St. Vincent and the Grenadines where the soils are extremely thin, deciduous to semi deciduous and xerophytic species predominate.

#### LITTORAL WOODLAND:

This type of vegetation is characterized by manchineel, button mangrove, sea grape, and similar species. They exist as small narrow strips along the eastern coastline on St. Vincent and on a number of the islets and cays of the Grenadines. This type of vegetation is fast disappearing as development takes place along the coast.

#### **SWAMP:**

Only small areas of swamp occur in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. These exist in the southern section of the mainland on the coast and on a few of the Grenadine islets. The typical species found in these areas are Red Mangrove, Black Mangrove, White Mangrove, and Button Mangrove.





## 3.6 POPULATION AND AGE STRUCTURE

It's important to note that the community Sandy Bayfalls within the Sandy Bay Census Division as shown in Figure 7.

The population of the Sandy Bay Census Division according to the Population and Housing Census done in 2012 was 2,576 persons comprising of 1,374 males and 1,232 females 2,576. The population of Sandy Bay community itself was 2576, (Male-1374), (Female-1232). In connection with the percentage change within the Sandy Bay community, there was an increase over a ten-year period, with a then a population decrease in the next ten years. This trend of a declining population for Sandy Bay is in sync with that of other northern Census Divisions on mainland St. Vincent such as Chateaubelair, and Colonaire.

**Figure 7:** Map of mainland St. Vincent by Census Division (Source: N/A)



**Table 2:** Estimated Population in Sandy Bay by Census Division (Source: 2012 Census)

				2012	2		2001		Intercensal Change			ange		
			H/H	Po	pulation	on	H/H	Рор	ulation		H/H	Por	oulatio	n
ED#	Old ED#	ED Name		М	F	т		М	F	т		М	F	т
08010	08010	Sandy Bay (1)	56	103	138	241	63	135	134	269	-10	-35	-5	-40
08020	08020	Sandy Bay (2)	75	169	134	303	71	194	160	354	4	-25	-26	-51
08030	08030	Sandy Bay (3)	45	108	81	189	48	124	91	215	-3	-16	-10	-26
08040	08040	Sandy Bay (4)	55	104	108	212	73	187	164	351	-18	-83	-56	-139
08051	08051	Old Sandy Bay and Point	62	119	115	234	56	129	107	236	6	-10	8	-2
08052	08052	Old Sandy Bay and Owia (1)	123	289	258	547	96	264	217	481	27	23	39	62
08053	08053	Old Sandy Bay and Owia (2)	96	197	163	360	80	206	184	390	16	-9	-21	-30
08060	08060	Fancy	150	255	235	490	135	269	240	509	15	-18	-7	-25
TOTAL			662	1344	1232	2576	622	1508	1297	2805	37	-173	-78	-251

### 3.7 HOUSEHOLD SIZE

There were occupants of average household size in the community of three (3.9) per household, with 662 houses being occupied. The North Winward area of St. Vincent and the Grenadines has a population density of over 300. The national average is over 700. The North Windward area falls within (2) of thirteen (13) Census Divisions.



**3.9** persons per household



662
Houses
occupied

Table 3: Average Household Size by Census Division

Census Division	1991	2001	2012
Kingstown	3.7	3.4	3.0
Suburbs of Kingstown	4.2	3.9	3.1
Calliaqua	3.7	3.4	2.8
Marriaqua	4.1	3.7	3.2
Bridgetown	4.5	3.7	3.1
Colonarie	4.2	3.8	3.2
Georgetown	3.8	3.6	3.2
Sandy Bay	4.9	4.2	3.9
Layou	4.0	3.4	2.9
Barrouallie	3.7	3.5	3.1
Chateaubelair	4.2	3.8	3.4
Total Mainland	4.0	3.6	3.0
Northern Grenadines	3.8	3.1	2.3
Southern Grenadines	3.7	2.7	2.5
Total Grenadines	3.8	3.0	2.4
TOTAL SVG	3.9	3.5	3.0

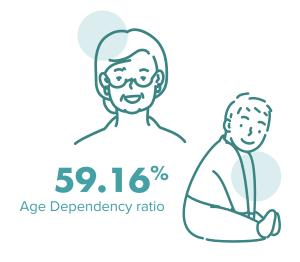
**Table 4:** Population Distribution by age, Sandy Bay Division

First Year Age	Sex				
Group up to Age 85+	Male	Female	Total		
0 - 4	4.28%	4.40%	8.67%		
5 - 9	4.01%	4.26%	8.27%		
10 - 14	5.66%	4.64%	10.30%		
15 -19	4.00%	4.66%	8.66%		
20 - 24	3.49%	2.76%	6.25%		
25 - 29	4.04%	3.05%	7.09%		
30 - 34	4.10%	3.79%	7.90%		
35 - 39	4.16%	3.43%	7.58%		
40 - 44	3.11%	3.45%	6.55%		
45 - 49	3.59%	2.72%	6.31%		
50 - 54	2.73%	2.45%	5.17%		
55 - 59	1.88%	1.84%	3.71%		
60 - 64	1.92%	1.68%	3.60%		
65 - 69	1.64%	1.77%	3.41%		
70 - 74	1.68%	1.16%	2.84%		
75 - 79	0.72%	0.64%	1.36%		
80 - 84	0.36%	0.71%	1.07%		
85+	0.44%	0.81%	1.25%		
Total	51.78%	48.22%	100.00%		

Examination of the population of the administrative division Sandy Bay showed that approximately 42.15 of the population was 24 years and under, and children (0-14 years) accounted for 27.24%, while adolescents in the age group (10-14) has the highest percentage in the population that is 10.30%. The elderly population, above 65 years of age, was 9.93% and the percentage of the working age persons (15-64 years) was 62.82%.

Age Dependency ratio, which establishes the number of dependents (children and elderly persons) per 100 persons in the working age population (14-65) was calculated at 59.16%, consistent with the dependency ratio across St. Vincent and the Grenadines.





## 3.8 EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

There are four educational institutions in Sandy Bay. Two of these institutions provide education for early childhood level, one at the Primary level and one at the Secondary level.

Table 5: Education Institutions in Sandy Bay (Source: SVG Educational Statistical Digest 2017/18)

Name	Enrolm	ient		No. of Teachers	Pupil/ Teacher Ratio	No. of Trained Teachers	No. of Graduates		No. of Non Graduates		% of Graduates	% of Trained Teachers
	Total	Female	Male				Trained	Untrained	Trained	Untrained		
Sandy Bay Gospel Chapel	36			4	9							
Sandy Pearl Preschool	22			4	6							
Sandy Bay Government	292	143	149	19	15	6						
Sandy Bay Secondary	245	105	140	20	12	8	3	5	5	7	40	40

### 3.9 HOUSING QUALITY

The houses in Sandy bay are constructed mainly of a combination of concrete and wood. The housing stock is generally in a good to fair condition with some structures in need of minor repairs and a facelift. Only a few dwellings are in poor physical condition.

## 3.10 BASIC UTILITIES

Approximately 96 percent of households have electricity and domestic water supply.

## 3.11 HEALTH & SANITATION

Sandy Bay has one (1) Health Centre that is in poor condition. The closest hospital is the newly built Modern Medical Diagnostic Complex at Georgetown, which is approximately (10Km) or about fifteen (15 minutes) drive from Overland. Approximately 15 percent of the Sandy Bay population use pit latrines. Household garbage collection is done through the community one day per week by truck.

Table 6: Health Facilities Serving Sandy Bay

Name of Facility	Services offered	Condition of Building
Sandy Bay Clinic	Mon: Hypertensive & Diabetic Tue: Antenatal Wed: Dr. Clinic and dressing Thu: Child Health Fri: Post Natal Dressing	Poor
Georgetown Medical Complex	Surgical, Dialysis and outpatient units, Renal Dialysis, Intensive Care, Endoscopy, Ophthalmology, Radiology, Ultrasound, Laboratory and General Medical and Surgical Consultations.	Excellent

#### 3.11.1. NUTRITION SERVICES (CHILDREN AGE 5+)

For the period 2017/18, approximately ninety-seven percent (69%) of students attending the Sandy Bay Government School benefitted from the services offered by the School Feeding Programme.

**Table 7:** Percentage of Students Benefitting from the School Feeding Programme in Primary Schools 2014/15 (SVG Educational Statistical Digest 2017/2018)

Name of Facility	Enrollment	Beneficiaries	% benefitting
Fancy Government	57	57	100
Owia Government	120	102	85
Sandy Bay Government	291	200	69
Tourama Government	86	86	100
Total District One	554	445	354

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## PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE (CONDITION OF ROADS, BRIDGES, DRAINS; LIGHTING, ETC.)

The main road and drains are in good condition; however the subsidiary roads and drains are not good. The drainage throughout the community is poor and negatively impacts some residents. This may be a result of the fact that some settlements and secondary roads in the community are built in the river bed making it difficult for the water to drain properly when

it rains heavily. The community is well lit, as there are street lights installed throughout. Most residents are connected to the electricity grid.

## 3.13

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES**

There are a number of social services for persons of all ages and genders present in the Sandy Bay community which include the following: Community Center, Churches, Schools, Health Center and Recreational facilities such as bars and an ice-cream shop.

**Table 8:** Social Services in Sandy Bay

Types	Name of facility	Number	Condition
Churches	St. Agatha Spiritual Baptist	7	All of these churches are in
	St. Paul Spiritual Baptist		good to fair condition.
	Anglican		_
	Roman Catholic		_
	Gospel Chapel		_
	Church of Christ		_
	Seven Day Adventist		_
Cemetery	Sandy Bay Cemetery	1	Poor
Community Centre	Sandy Bay Learning Resource center	1	Good
Pre-School	Sandy Pearl preschool.	3	Good
	Precious Jewel.		_
	Sandy Bay Gospel preschool.		_
Primary School	Sandy Bay Primary school	1	Excellent
Secondary School	Sandy Bay Secondary School	1	Fair
Health Centre	Sandy Bay Clinic	1	Poor
Library	Sandy Bay Library	1	Good
Police Station	Sandy Bay Police Station	1	Good
Post Office	Sandy Bay Village Post Office	1	Poor
Playing Fields	Pamenos Ballantyne Playing field	1	Good

### 3.14

#### **CRIME AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

Data from a Community Engagement Survey conducted in Sandy Bay in 2018, revealed that number two (2) issue in the community was drug use, crime, violence and gang-related activity. There are a number of crimes reoccurring issues in Sandy Bay such as theft, burglary, unlawful sexual assault, wounding, bodily harm, use of offensive weapon, praedial larceny, robbery and criminal trespassing. However, data has shown that crime has steadily decreased in the community over the past three (3) years. The most prevalent of these crimes are theft and Praedial Larceny of both crops and livestock. Other community issues raised were teenage pregnancy and child abuse.

There are few derelict buildings in the community that have been either destroyed by flash floods (which was the third (3rd) most commonly raised community issue), or the passage of time.

**Table 9:** Crime Statistics – Sandy Bay

Year	Number of Crimes	Types of crimes
2017	200	Theft, Burglary,
2018	149	Unlawful sexual assault, Wounding, Bodily harm,
2019	138	Offensive weapon, Praedial larceny,
		Robbery, and Criminal trespassing.

## 3.15

#### **DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES**

During the 2018 Community Engagement Survey (CES), residents identified the following issues as the main challenges impacting the Sandy Bay community:

- Unemployment was #1 issue affecting the community. It was ranked number one by 76% of respondents, and a top-4 issue by 73% of persons overall.
- The #2 issues were drug use, crime, violence and gang-related activity (52%).
- Flash flooding, extreme weather conditions and natural disasters was the third most commonly raised issue (42%).
- Other issues raised were teenage pregnancy (40%) and child abuse (18%).

According to the 2016 RCCVA, the main challenges facing the community at that time included:

- 1. Marketing of agricultural produce (farmers are primarily dependent on (Traffickers )
- 2. Land space and tenure access to arable land are limited in most of the proposed communities,
- 3. Pest & Plant disease: Farmers indicated that they had experienced an increase in the frequency of pests and plant disease,
- 4. Drought and heavy rains: Drought was identified as 'silent' stressor while theincreased frequency of heavy rain is a major concern,
- Extension service: Farmers expressed the need for improvement in extensionservices to their communities,
- 6. Quality of seeds and planting material.
- 7. Praedial Larceny,
- 8. Landslides,
- Social cohesion: strong but formal groups are relatively weak.

# 4 Governance Profile



### 4.1 POLITICAL DIRECTORATE



Constituency:
North Windward
Parliamentary Representative:
Montgomery Daniel
(from 2001 to present)

## 4.2 CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS IN SANDY BAY

Table 10 shows the type and number of civil society groups in the community of Sandy Bay.

Table 10: Type of Civil Society Groups in Sandy Bay

Name of CBO	Contact Person	Status
Sandy bay Heritage Development organisation	Davidson Baptise	
Punta Stingers	Takeisha Nanton	
Lydia Matis Foundation		

### 4.3 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The 2018 Community Engagement Survey (CES) also revealed other important community information. For example, Figure 8 shows which venues were most preferred for engagement by Community members.

Figure 9 shows that community members displayed a preference for localized semi-formal settings for engaging in community activities. Ninety-two percent (74%) combined noted a preference for a church or community meeting for the dissemination of information on community activities.

**Figure 8:** Preferred Venue for Community Engagement

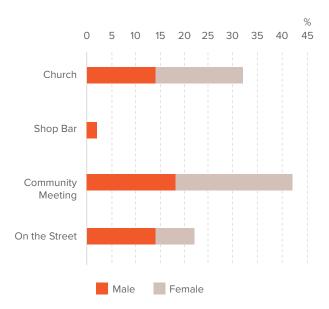
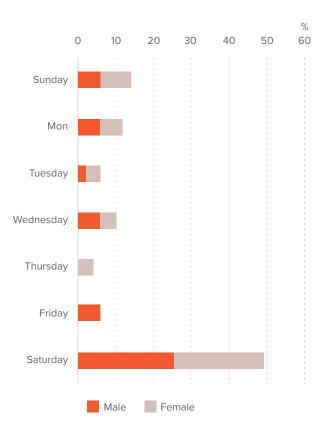
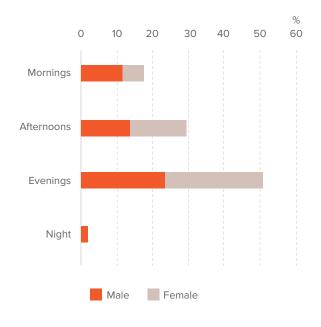


Figure 9: Preferred Day for Community Engagement



Respondents showed a preference toward Saturdays (49%) and Sundays (15%) for receiving information on community activities.

**Figure 15:** Preferred Time of Day for Community Engagement (Source: CES, 2018)

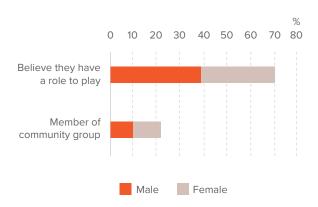


Evenings were preferred by respondents for receiving information on community activities (51%), although a smaller proportion may be available on mornings (18%) or afternoons (29%).

#### 4.3.1. PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY GROUPS

Perspectives on community groups were mainly positive. Persons noted that groups are "good for the community", "bring people together" and "keep young people out of trouble". One person noted that "groups do not last long".

Figure 11: Perception of Community Groups

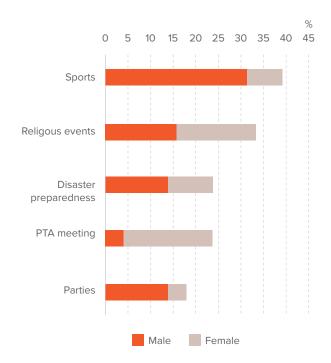


Seventy point one percent (70.1%) believe they have an active role to play in their community. Twenty-one point six percent (21.4%) play a role through group membership.

#### 4.3.2. METHODS OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

In a Community Engagement survey that was conducted in October 2018, persons in the community said that the activities most commonly patronized are sports (39.2%) and religious events (33.3%).

Figure 12: Most Partonized Community Activities



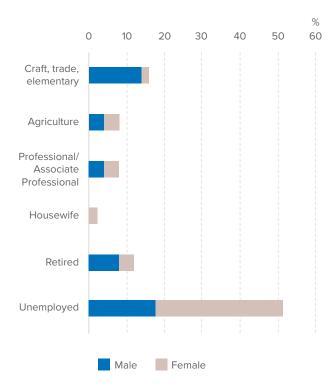


Sandy Bay has been blessed with a hilly landscape which is predominantly used for farming. The community is most known as the one that produces arrowroot. However, the community is located within the third poorest Census Division in relation to poverty severity in St Vincent and the Grenadines. There is also the planting of other "non-traditional" crops for economic gains. Some other professions in the community were listed as teachers, police officers, nurses, trades men such as carpenters, masons and mechanics. There are also a few business owners of shops and bars, barbers and hairdressers. Unemployment is one of the community's most urgent issues that need attention.

## 5.1 OCCUPATION & SKILLS (BY GENDER)

Information gathered from the Community Engagement Survey revealed that fifty point nine percent (50.9%) of the community stated that unemployment was their greatest concern, 49% responded that they were employed in various skills.

Figure 13: Employment Categories in Sandy Bay



**Table 11:** Type and no. of Livelihood Businesses in Sandy Bay

Type of Business	Number
Radio Station	1
Bakery	2
Shops(basic food supplies)	26
Day Care Facility	2
Barbershop	1
Book Shop	1
Ice-cream Shop	1

### 5.2 FINANCIAL SERVICES

There is no banking facility in the Sandy Bay community. The Bank of S.V.G has several Branches throughout the country with the nearest one to Sandy Bay located in Georgetown. It is about 10Km from Overland and about fifteen (15) minutes drive.

Table 12: Bank of SVG Georgetown Branch Information

## Georgetown Sub Branch Commercial Road

Georgetown St Vincent & the Grenadines Tel: (784) 458 6352 / 452 4172 Click here for a map.

Monday to Thursday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

## 5.3 POVERTY LEVELS

Figure 14 from the Survey of Living Conditions/Country Poverty Assessment (KAIRI, 2007/2008) shows that Sandy Bay experiences the highest level of poverty ranking in the island.

Figure 14: Poverty Levels by Census District (Source: Kairi, 2007/2008)

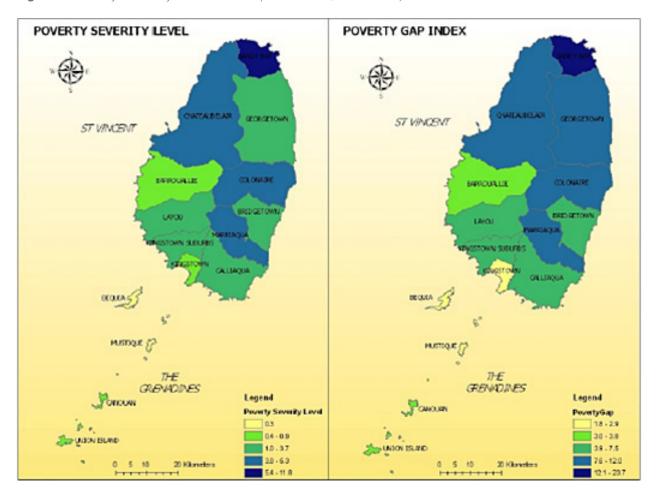
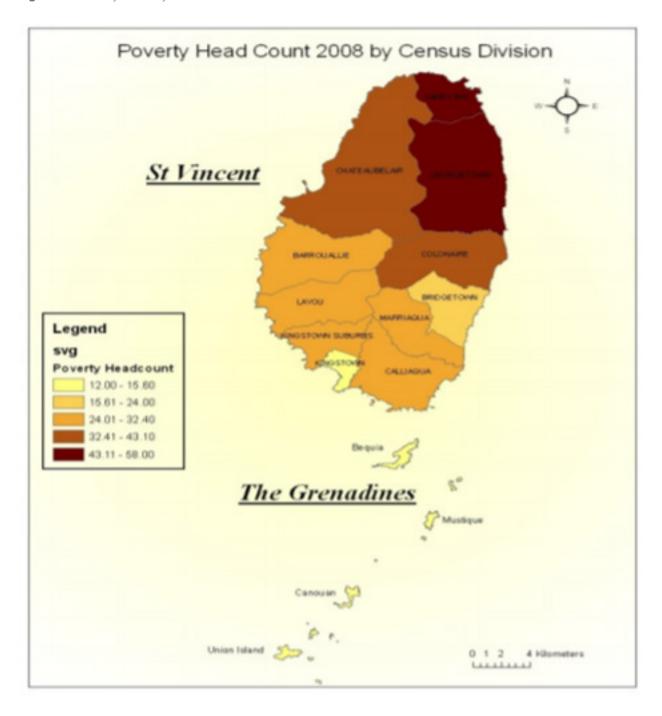


Figure 15: Poverty Level by Census Division - 2008





St. Vincent is exposed to high levels of risk to meteorological (high wind, extreme rainfall, hurricanes, and drought) and geophysical (earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tsunamis) hazards, which have significant negative impacts on economic development, fiscal stability, and communities. Some of these natural hazards are being exacerbated by the adverse impacts of climate change, which put increased stress on coastal investments, national infrastructure, water availability, and livelihoods, especially of the poor and vulnerable groups. Of the disasters regularly affecting SVG, hydro-meteorological (hydromet) events occur most frequently and represent a significant source of average annual losses, which from 1996 to 2015 were estimated to be around 1.2 percent of GDP (ranked 16th globally) (Kreft et al. 2015). The trough in December 2013 resulted in extensive physical damage and economic losses estimated at approximately US\$108.4 million (15 percent of GDP). The trough hit at a time when SVG was just showing signs of recovery from the global financial crisis, and the natural disasters exerted further strain on an already challenging fiscal context.

The island of St Vincent lies in the hurricane belt, and is susceptible to both strong windstorms and heavy rains. Two-thirds of the island is forested (FAO, 2010). As noted in the 2013 Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility (CCRISF) report on the St Vincent and the Grenadines, the SVG islands are prone to moderate levels of a variety of hazards.

The islands lie towards the southern end of the main Atlantic hurricane belt although the complex topography can increase the risk for stronger winds, heavy rains and landslides.

The low-lying Grenadines are exposed to storm surge and wave hazards. Earthquake hazards are moderate, but there are significant volcanic hazards from both the Soufrière volcano on St Vincent and from Kick 'Em Jenny in the southern Grenadines, which is also a potential tsunami source. St Vincent and the Grenadines has limited economic diversity, with tourism important in the Grenadines where there is moderate exposure to wave and storm surge hazards.

Since bananas are the main export product from St Vincent, all farming is prone to the impact from high winds and heavy rain. Landslides commonly hamper

communications on the island. Several volcanic eruptions in the past 2 centuries have killed many people and devastated areas in the north of the island. While this report is being finalized, St. Vincent and the Grenadines is experiencing a series of explosive volcanic eruptions.



### 6.1 HURRICANES

Although St Vincent lies quite far south in the Lesser Antilles, hurricanes are still common, and the rugged topography of the island and low-lying nature of the Grenadines makes the impact of even moderate hurricanes potentially serious. Hurricanes Janet (1955), Allen (1980), Hurricane Lenny (1999), and Hurricane Tomas (2010). produced severe hurricane winds (greater than 110 mph) on St Vincent, although damage reports for these events are not available.



## 6.2 FLOODING

The islands are also vulnerable to flash flooding. The steep topography coupled with short (6 km) distances from the coast to the center mountain ridge creates a hydraulic system where stream concentration times are short (nominally 30 minutes). High rainfall, such as rain associated with a thunderstorm, quickly concentrates in stream channels, promoting rapid flooding. In this type of system, early warning of an actual flood event cannot be accomplished by monitoring stream levels because once they rise, it is too late. Any warning would need to be based on rainfall observations to trigger an alert.



# 6.3 LANDSLIDES, STORM SURGE AND DROUGHT

The Caribbean Handbook on Risk Information Management<sup>4</sup> (CHARIM) also notes that Landslides, particularly on the larger islands, are a significant hazard and the risk is increased during the seasonal rains. Coastal flooding is a major concern particularly relating to storm surge and high wave action. The Grenadines are more susceptible to drought.

Given its geographic location, small land mass, and topography, the entire nation is highly vulnerable to natural disasters. Because of its volcanic origin, steep slopes dominate the islands' landscape and tilted volcanic layers define the geology and soils (De Graff 1988, cited in Westen, C.J. and Sijmons, Koert. 2016). It has more than 40 rivers and tributaries, which originate in the central mountains and discharge to the Caribbean Sea or the Atlantic Ocean (DLN Consultants 2006).

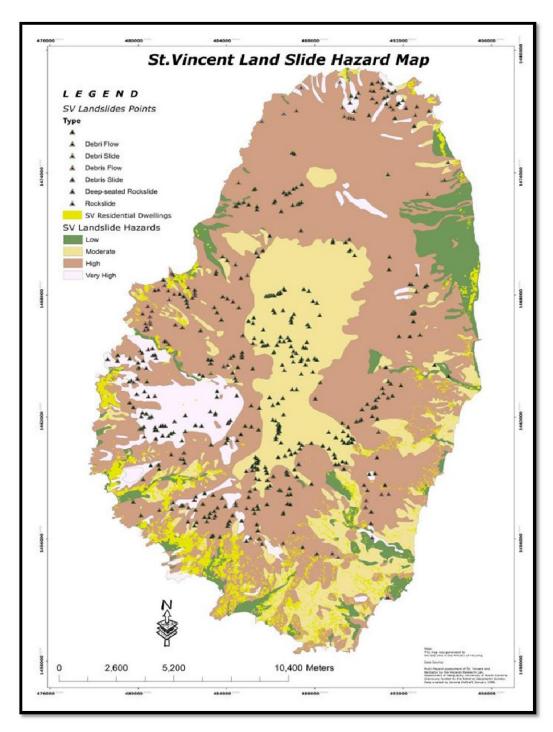
The combination of tropical temperatures and abundant rainfall leads to slope instabilities and the high potential for landslides. In 1988, De Graff produced an analysis of landslide susceptibility (Figure 19) and during the study identified about 475 landslides, covering about 1 percent of the country's surface. The most common type of landslides in SVG are debris avalanches, which are defined as rapid movements of an unconfined mass of soil and rock falls. Depending on the topography, another common type of landslide is debris flow, for which the movement of debris is confined to a channel. In SVG, debris flow is usually associated with river channels in the mountainous sections of the country. Debris flows can travel long distances, particularly when river flooding has occurred. They approach quickly and exhibit a considerable destructive force. Volcanic eruptions have affected the country in 1789, 1812, 1902, 1971, and 1979 and again in 2021. With the on-going eruption of La Soufriere, the combination of rainwater, debris and volcanic ash can form into lahar and can continue to pose as significant risks for months or even years to come.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> http://www.charim.net/stvincent/information

Figure 16: Soil erosion map of St. Vincent. (Source; Government of SVG 2011.)



Figure 17: Landslide Hazard Map – St. Vincent (Source, cited in Joslyn, 2008)



Land Degradation Assessment of St. Vincent 2003 reports that the areas with greatest social vulnerability are generally located in densely urbanized and remote agricultural regions. Colonaire Census District ranked seventh in the SVG Socio-Economic Vulnerability rank.



# 6.4 EARTHQUAKES

An earthquake is the sudden release of stored energy in the earth crust. Most earthquakes occur along a fracture within the earth, called a fault. The shaking caused by this sudden shift is often very small, but occasionally large earthquakes produce very strong ground shaking. It is this strong shaking and its consequences – ground failure, landslides, liquefaction – that results in damaged buildings and structures and often results in negative impacts on the economy. Earthquake magnitude and intensity are measured on two different scales, the Richter Magnitude scale for source magnitude (the amount of energy released by the event) and the Modified Mercalli Intensity<sup>5</sup> (MMI) scale for the amount of shaking felt at a specific place on the ground.

St Vincent and the Grenadines lie in a relatively quiet zone of the Lesser Antilles island arc. Earthquakes are more common to both the north and south. However, there are four instances of shaking intensity (MMI<sup>6</sup>) at category VII or VIII (potentially damaging) in the past 200 years, although actual damage reports for these events are not readily available (See Figure 20). Prior the current set of eruptions, the last major volcanic eruptions, in 1979 and 1902, produced felt earthquakes as well as more devastating explosions and pyroclastic flows in valleys around the north of the island.

**Figure 20:** Mercalli Intensity Scale Categories (*Source: https://alltechinc.blogspot.com/2031/10/understanding-intensity-scale-and-sense.html*)



### I. Instrumental

Not felt by many people unless in favorable conditions



### II. Weak

Felt only by a few people at best, especially on the upper floors of buildings. Delicately suspended objects may swing.



### III. Sliaht

Fell quite noticeably by people indoors, especially on the upper floors of buildings. Many to do not recognise it as an earthquake. Standing motor cars may rock slightly. Vibration similar to the passing of a truck. Duration estimated.



### IV. Moderate

Felt indoors by many people, outdoors by a few people during the day. At night, some awakened.



### V. Rather Strong

Felt outside by most, may not be felt by some people in non-favourable conditions. Dishes and windows may break and large bells will ring. Vibrations like train passing close to house.



### VI. Strong

Felt by all; many frightened and run outdoors, walk unsteadily. Windows, dishes, glassware broken; books fall off shelves; some havy furniture moved or overturned; a few instances of fallen plaster. Damage slight.



### VII. Very Strong

Difficult to stand; furniture broken; damage negligible in building of good design and construction; slight to moderate in well-built orginary structures; considerable damage in poorly built or badly designed structures; some chimneys broken. Noticed by people driving motor cars.



### VIII. Destructive

Damage slight in specially designed structures; considerable in ordinary substantial buildings with partial collapse. Damage great in poorly builts structures. Fall of chimneys, factory stacks, columns, monuments, walls. Heavy furniture moved.



### IX. Violent

General panic; damage considerable in poorly designed structures, well designed frame structures thrown out of plumb. Damage great in substantial buildings, with partial collapse. Buildings shifted off foundations.



### X. Intense

Some well build wooden structures destroyed; most masonry and frame structures destroyed with foundation. Rails bent.



### XI. Extreme

Few, if any masonry structures remain standing. Bridges destroyed. Rails bent greatly.



### XII. Cataclysmic

Total destruction - everything is destroyed. Lines of sight and level distorted. Objects thrown into the air. The ground moves in waves or ripples. Large amounts of rock move position. Landscape altered, or leveled by several meters. In some cases, even the routes of rivers are changes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Modified Mercalli Intensity scale

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale developed from Giuseppe Mercalli's Mercalli intensity scale of 1902, is a seismic intensity scale used for measuring the intensity of shaking produced by an earthquake. It measures the effects of an earthquake at a given location, distinguished from the earthquake's inherent force or strength as measured by seismic magnitude scales (such as the "Mw" magnitude usually reported for an earthquake). While shaking is caused by the seismic energy released by an earthquake, earthquakes differ in how much of their energy is radiated as seismic waves. Deeper earthquakes also have less interaction with the surface, and their energy is spread out across a larger volume. Shaking intensity is localized, generally diminishing with distance from the earthquake's epicenter, but can be amplified in sedimentary basins and certain kinds of unconsolidated soils. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Modified\_Mercalli\_intensity\_scale



# 6.5 VOLCANIC HAZARDS

According to the Seismic Research Center (SRC) of the University of the West Indies (UWI), there are 19 active volcanoes in the Eastern Caribbean with every island from Grenada to Saba directly exposed to volcanic eruption threats. The islands of Grenada, St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Martinique, Dominica, Guadeloupe, Montserrat, Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Eustatius and Saba have active volcanic centres. On the other hand, non-volcanic islands such as Anguilla, Antigua, Barbuda, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, most of the Grenadines and Trinidad & Tobago are close to volcanic islands and are also exposed to volcanic hazards such as severe ash fall and volcanically-generated tsunamis.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines is located in the southern section of a chain of volcanic islands which comprise the Lesser Antilles. It is an archipelagic State that forms part of the Windward Islands in the Southern part of the Caribbean and is surrounded by St Lucia to the North, Barbados to the East and Grenada to the South. The state covers a total land area of approximately 150.3 square miles (388 sq. km.) and a larger marine area including a shallow coastal shelf encompassing an area of approximately 690 square miles. The main island of Saint Vincent is 28 kilometers long and 15 kilometers wide. (source: SVG National Volcano Emergency Plan, 2021).

Topographically, St. Vincent is mainly defined by a backbone of volcanic mountains that stretch much of its length and rise northwards to an elevation of approximately 1,220 m above mean sea level where the La Soufriere volcano is located. The Soufriere is a strata-volcano, with an open summit crater of 1.6 km in diameter. Volcanologists have noted that volcanic activity can be quiet and effusive or violent and explosive, and the length of time that an eruptive episode persists can vary from a few minutes to weeks, months or even decades (source: SVG National Volcano Emergency Plan, 2021).

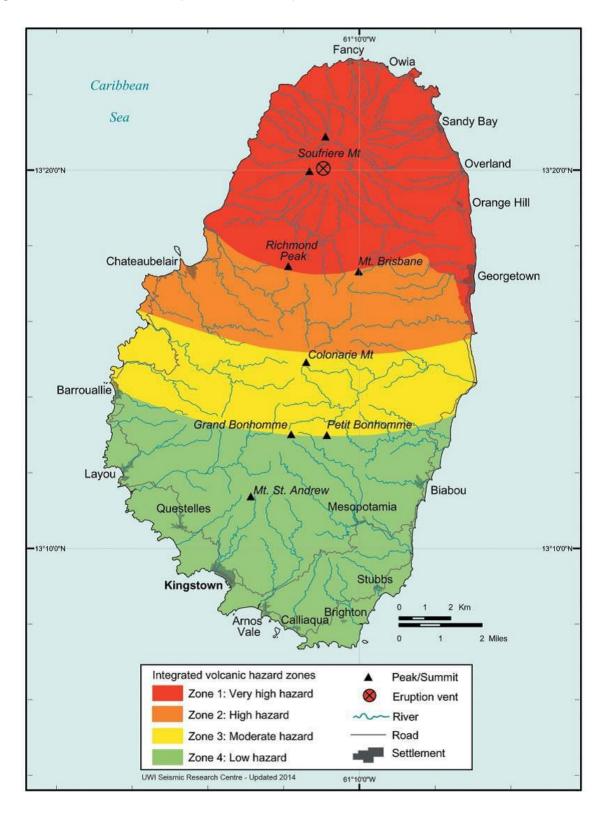
Figure 19 shows the various volcanic hazard zones for the whole island of St. Vincent and shows that Sandy Bay, which is in the Sandy Bay Census Division, is in the Red Zone.

In 1994, Robertson described volcanic vulnerability as a "measure of the susceptibility to loss expected due to a particular volcanic event. It is a measure of the possible magnitude of losses expected from a particular volcanic event (UNDRO, 1982)". Alexander (1991, cited in Robertson 1994), presented a conceptual equation for vulnerability in which it is a function of four factors:

- risk amplification (results of bad construction practice);
- risk mitigation (due to good construction practice);
- risk perception and an indirect cultural factor.

The Soufrière volcano, whose steep sides, poorly-consolidated bedrock and incised ravines (or 'gutters', Nanton, 2017, cited in Pyle, et.al. 2018) present a suite of ongoing hazards during periods of both quiescence and unrest (e.g. from sediment-charged flash floods and landslides).

Figure 19: Volcanic Hazard Zones (Source: NEMO 2021)



As described by Pyle et.al., (2018), the summit of the Soufrière comprises a complex of intersecting craters of different ages, suggesting that it has experienced repeated eruptions during its history, most recently in 2021. In addition to 2021 activity, there have been at least five eruptions since 1718, which mean that St Vincent is – by this measure – the most active subaerial volcano in the Caribbean. Eruptions over the past 300 years have occurred against the backdrop of an evolving social, economic and political environment.

According to Robertson (1994), throughout its recorded history (post-1718), the Soufriere volcano has exhibited two contrasting styles of activity, a quiet, effusive versus a violent explosive style. Examination of the stratigraphy suggest that activity during the pre-historic period varied only slightly, with one major period of very cataclysmic Plinian type activity (Rowley, 1978a; Sigurdsson, 1981; Robertson, 1992 – cited in Roberston, 1994).

# 6.5.1. DIFFERENT TYPES OF VOLCANIC HAZARDS

The 2021 draft St. Vincent and the Grenadines: Volcano Emergency Plan and Standard Operating Procedures identifies the different types of primary volcanic hazards as follows:

- Pyroclastic flows and surges from dome collapses
- Pyroclastic flows and surges from the collapse of the crater walls
- Pyroclastic flows and surges from explosive column collapse
- Lateral Blasts Explosions with ash and rock fallout
- Mudflows or Lahars

**Table 12:** Effect of the 1979 volcanic eruption on some aspects of the human and natural resources of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. (Source: Robertson 1994)

Human and natural resource affected	Costs (USD)
Maintenance of evacuees housed in evacuation camps	39,507 per day
Maintenance of evacuees housed outside evacutation camps	5,269 per day
Operation of public transport involved in the evacuation exercise	3,160
Rehabilitation of schools, community centres and churce buildings used as evacuation camps	79,013
Repairs to the national housing stock	2,130,069
Repairs to the national road network	4,213,994
Rehabilitation of agriculture	2,129,646
Damage to the main crop (bananas)	50-60% loss of entire crop

Table 12 presents these hazards and the types of impacts they can be expected to cause.

 Table 12: La Soufriere Volcano Impact Matrix (Source: NEMO 2021)

Hazard	Area Affected (Radial distance	Immediate Risk	Ongoing Risk	Anticipated Loss	Mitigation	Recovery Period following Cessation of Activitty
	from vent, km)					
Earthquake*	5-8km	Low	Low	Small	Not applicable	Not applicable
Lava flows and domes*	1-3km	High	Low	High	Moderate	Several months to years
Pyroclastic flows and surges*	5-7km	High	High	Extreme	None	Several weeks to several months
Mudflows*	5.10km	High	High	High	None	Several weeks to several months
Ballistic projectiles*	1-5km	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Minor	1 week to several months
Airfall Tephra*	1 to >10km	Moderate	Moderate	Low to Moderate	Moderate	1 week to several months
Volcanic gases	1-3km	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Minor to Moderate	Not applicable
Phreatic explosions	<4km	Moderate	Low	Low	None	Several weeks to several months
Landslides*	5-8km	Moderate	High	Moderate		Several weeks to several months
Laterally directed blasts and structural collapse	5-8km	Low	Low	High		Several weeks to several months
Lightning*	<7km	Low	Low	Low	None	Days to weeks
Tsunami	5 to >10km	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Up to 1 – 2 days

<sup>\*</sup>Events which are likely to be repeated over a period of time (days, weeks to months) following the initial event

The secondary volcanic hazards are:

- Ruptured water lines which can lead to flooding.
- Fires
- Contamination of water supply
- Respiratory ailments due to dust
- Visibility issues due to dust
- Ash clouds can contribute to airport closures.

Volcanic threats to livelihoods include:

- Livestock farming
- Arable farming
- Traditional farming
- Nature tourism (Waterfalls, Ecology)
- Beekeeping
- · Major impact to critical facilities such as healthcare
- Major impact to factories and small businesses
- Fishing industry (Restricted access to sea, damage to jetties and inability to access fish storage locations)

Prior to the 2021 eruption, Roberston (1994) suggested that the 1979 eruption already had huge impact on human and economic life and forced major adaptation in the patterns of human life and activity on the island of St. Vincent. But he also noted that population growth and increasingly limited options means that people would continue to live in and develop areas of high risk from eruptions at the Soufriere volcano. "Future volcanic eruptions should therefore be expected to have a greater effect socially, than has been the case in the past," Robertson suggested.

The social impact of past eruptions, such as the 1979 eruption, have varied from disruption of family life due to evacuation and relocation, to migration of entire families to foreign countries. In addition, mental and emotional stress was placed upon the evacuated population who were accustomed to more expansive personal space. The social impacts have varied from disruption of family life due to evacuation and relocation, to migration of entire families to foreign countries. In addition, mental and emotional stress was placed upon the evacuated population who were accustomed to more expansive personal space.

Fortunately, even prior to the 2021 eruption, as Robertson noted in 1994, "the Soufriere volcano features prominently in the minds of most Vincentians" The degree to which this affects their actions varies largely with their economic status, recollection of past events, proximity to the volcano and knowledge of volcanic processes. The manner in which the volcanic threat is perceived is well illustrated by the fact that during all of the historic eruptions, people living within the areas of highest risk (north of the Rabacca and Wallibou rivers), begun moving away from the volcano prior to any formal evacuation exercise ordered by the governing authorities.

In 2021, the Soufriere volcano erupted once again. The impacts, damages and losses are discussed in the next section on vulnerability and risk.



A hazard is defined as a potentially damaging physical event, phenomenon or human activity that may cause the loss of life or injury, property damage, social and economic disruption or environmental degradation. Fancy has several environmental challenges that continue to be a daily threat to the natural assets of the community. If these are not urgently addressed, they will continue to negatively affect the environment within the community. Some of the environmental challenges that Fancy face are landslides, flooding, hurricanes, droughts, pests and diseases, too, farmers also shared that they are prone to predators, stray dogs in particular, that would eat their animals.

The community suffers from the occasional land slippage due to the hilly terrain overlooking the coastal lands. The coastal lands suffer from storm surges with the last major event taking place 2103 that left significant damages to property. Abandoned and useless structures are still evident in the depleted coastal area.

# 6.7 HAZARDS IMPACTING SANDY BAY

A hazard is defined as a potentially damaging physical event, phenomenon or human activity that may cause the loss of life or injury, property damage, social and economic disruption or environmental degradation. Hurricanes, storm surges and flooding were the three main natural hazards cited by residents shown in table 2. Hurricane was identified as the predominant hazard as the flooding and storm surges normally happens during the hurricane season. The overall impact of the Hurricane, especially when accompanied by storm surges was seen as significant given the loss of homes and crops.

### 6.7.1. LEVEL OF PREPAREDNESS

A Community Engagement survey administered in Sandy Bay revealed the following:

- Ninety-eight percent (98%) of persons said that they could identify an emergency shelter in the community.
- Thirty seven percent (37%) believed there was a community disaster plan and 17.6% had seen evidence of this plan.
- Forty-three point one percent (43.1%) of persons reported having family disaster plans.

Table 12: Sandy Bay Hazard Matrix

Hazard Type	Frequency (when)	Season (month)	Geography (where)	Typical Damage Max = 5	Typical Loss Max = 5	Overall Impact on lives and livelihood
Flooding	2010 2013 2016	December24th November	Pepper Village Level Side	3 3 5	3 3 5	Damage to property, loss of animals and crops.
Landslide	2016	November	Level Side Pepper Village	1	1	Road Blockage
Hurricane	2010	October 30th	Entire Community	3	2	Minor damage to houses. Minor loss of animals and crops.

# 6.8 VOLCANO READY PROJECT AND REDUCING VULNERABILITY

The Volcano-ready Communities Project in St. Vincent, which is financed by the CDRRF and is being implemented by the Seismic Research Centre (SRC), University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago. This project seeks to reduce vulnerability to the multi-hazard environment of the Soufriere Volcano through a combination of activities designed to enhance community early warning procedures, increase adaptive capacities, strengthen awareness, and enhance response capacities. The Project comprises four components which seek to increase the resilience of the 12 communities in St. Vincent and the Grenadines to volcanic and other natural hazard events and climate change. The communities have been grouped into two and they are (a) Windward communities comprising Fancy, Owia, Sandy Bay, Overland and Big Level, South Rivers, Park Hill, Colonaire, and (b) Leeward communities comprising Fitz Hughes, Chateaubelair, Rose Hall, and Spring Village.

The project consists of three (3) main components:

### **Component 1**

Increased Community Volcano and Other Natural Hazard Readiness;

### **Component 2**

Increased Knowledge and Awareness of Volcano and Multi-Hazards Risk Reduction and Climate Change Impacts in the Beneficiary Communities; and

### **Component 3**

Enhanced Adaptive Capacity. A fourth component covers project management and administration.CDRRF Volcano Ready Project

The proposed project is a solid example of effective partnership engagement and coordination. Strong partnerships with Red Cross and Community Development are particularly worth noting. Even though the initial consultation with the communities was over a year ago, all the communities visited during the Rapid Community Climate Vulnerability Assessment (RCCVA) mission were aware and in support of the proposed initiative.

It was evident that NEMO has a strong working relationship with the proposed communities and a detailed understanding of the social and environmental challenges. Relationships with a broad range of stakeholders in government, civil society, and the private sector ensure a holistic approach to the implementation of the project. This collaborative approach will also facilitate the sharing of knowledge and skills which could lead to greater impacts.

To also seek to effectively incorporate climate change in the proposed initiative, it will be important to broaden the focus from the volcanic hazards to the "volcanic environment" in general. In other words, to determine how the presence of the volcano creates other hazards that can interact with or be exacerbated by climate-related hazards.. For example, due to the steep slopes, landslides and rates of flooding could increase under future changes in climate. The focus should be on building general resilience of the targeted communities rather than trying to build resilience to a specific hazard. The rationale is that increasing the resilience of particular parts of a community to specific disturbances may result in resilience lost in other ways.

# 6.8.1. FINDINGS FROM THE 2016 RAPID COMMUNITY CLIMATE VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT (RCCVA)

During the focus group discussions (FGD) held in September 2016 across the Volcano Ready Communities, the participants identified agriculture as the most predominant livelihood activity in their communities. Problems were identified such as poor access to markets that limit income security at all times, and thereby undermine resilience in the face of hazards. Unemployment and constrained livelihood opportunities in the north of the island are therefore accentuating underlying vulnerability to disasters. Addressing the high level of uncertainty and problems related to agriculture will be key to resilience-building efforts at the community level. Other livelihoods are also under pressure as unemployment is widespread in these communities.



### 6.8.1.1. Finding 1

The consensus from the focus group discussions is that disaster impacts generally affect women more or in a worse way. In Fancy, the female farmers have organized themselves into a group (Fancy Ladies) to offset negative impacts on their livelihoods. Women are particularly involved with livestock production (sheep, goats, pigs). It will be important to consider these gender dynamics during the implementation of the project.



### 6.8.1.2. Finding 2

While La Soufriere Volcano is a hazard that can have a direct impact on the entire island as well as in the neighbouring islands, the proposed communities are also exposed to floods, hurricanes, droughts, landslides and coastal erosion. These are also major concerns. The most recurrent events are hurricanes and tropical storms. Given the island's topography, the types of construction and the places where these have been built, frequently in unstable hill areas, rain and wind often cause severe damages to buildings, infrastructure and agriculture. Landslide is also a major challenge facing the communities due to the steep topography, friable soils, and localized rainfall events.

The situation is amplified in some areas by poor construction and land management practices which often lead to increased sedimentation and degradation of the marine environment. The proposed multi-hazard approach will ensure that a holistic approach is taken to reduce exposure to multiple stressors and shocks.



### 6.8.1.3. Finding 3

During the focus group discussions, the participants indicated the use of savings as the most typical coping strategy. Strong support from community members was also cited as a key coping strategy. The recovery process, or what people do after a hazardous event has impacted their household, seems to be based on a combination of factors: continuing with daily routines and activities, accessing assistance from the state, and using their savings or relying on their families and friends. The fact that the island is prone to the impact of multiple hazards means that recovering is made more difficult by the possibility that another hazard might impact soon after. For example, after the eruption in 1979, Hurricane Allan struck the island in 1980 and caused a lot of damage to crops that had been recently planted. Other problems, such as plant disease also impact farmers.





### 6.8.1.4. Finding 4

The main challenges facing the communities include:

- Marketing of agricultural produce (farmers are primarily dependent on Traffickers<sup>7</sup>)
- Land space and tenure access to arable land are limited in most of the proposed communities
- Pest & Plant disease: Farmers indicated that they had experienced an increase in the frequency of pests and plant disease
- Drought and heavy rains: Drought was identified as 'silent' stressor while the increased frequency of heavy rain is a major concern
- Extension service: Farmers expressed the need for improvement in extension services to their communities
- Quality of seeds and planting material:
- Praedial Larceny
- Landslides
- Social cohesion: strong but formal groups are relatively weak

### 6.8.1.5. Finding 5

The success of the Community Early Warning Systems (CEWS) will be dependent on the strength of the community groups. While groups exist in most of the proposed communities, their capacities are limited and will need strengthening to effectively support the implementation. Of particular importance will be the building of awareness of local income-generating opportunities. In general, the communities are not sufficiently informed about national plans for coping with geologic hazards and do not have adequate resources, training and information with which to mitigate their impact. Building community adaptive capacity to volcanic eruptions can be challenging. The indicators and outcomes should be revised to focus on the volcanic environment in general and to capture and address the multi-hazard risks facing the targeted communities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Traffickers" are not to be confused with illegal trafficking. This term is the popular term to define persons who are legally allowed to buy and sell produce. In other countries, they are sometimes referred to as "higglers".



In December, 2020, the La Soufriere Volcano became active once again and on April 9th 2021 it erupted explosively.

The explosive volcanic activity prompted mass evacuation of persons from communities in the red and orange zones (Figure 18) – the northeast and northwest of the island. Numerous farmers were been displaced from their communities and relocated to southern communities.

Late in April 2021, once the eruptions had subsided enough for Damage and Loss Assessments Teams (DaLAT) to formed and assessments to be conducted of the infrastructure and crop damage, Detailed Agriculture Damage Assessment (DADA) reports were prepared. This LBA report includes the data and information that were collected from these preliminary reports.

The Eruption precipitated a mass evacuation from communities in the northeast and northwest of the country with over 13,000 persons moving from the hazard zones to public and private dwelling within the safer zones in the south of the country. Numerous farmers have been displaced from their communities and relocated to southern communities in the process. Extensive acreages of crops have been lost or damaged as a direct and or indirect consequence of the eruptions or from secondary reasons related to the abandonment of the crops and free roaming animals let loose by farmers before they evacuated.

The eruptions both directly and indirectly affected agriculture, forestry, fishing and agriculture infrastructure throughout the country resulting in damages and losses ranging from as low as 7% in the Green Zone to 100% in a substantial number of commodities in the Red and Orange Zones.

Table 16 summarizes the estimated damage and loss by sectors. However, the Assessment team have suggested that while their preliminary report estimated a loss of \$54,000,000 (USD \$20,000,000) in general agriculture infrastructure, "the full extent of the damage and loss will need to be comprehensively assessed and may result in much higher estimates."

With respect to the livestock sector, the damage and loss was initially estimated to be low as farmers were advised to let their animals loose. However, "with the limited availability of feed and water in a highly ash contaminated environment, the prediction was that indirect losses in animals will increase ranging from 10 to 30 percent due to health and other complications." Overall, the preliminary DADA report indicates the estimated value of total damage and loss sustained by the crops, livestock, apiculture, fisheries and forestry sectors is \$142,628,402.00.

A further cropland damage assessment done on April 26 2021 by Ghosh et.al., and employed Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI)<sup>8</sup> analysis to assess the magnitude of ash damage to crop and vegetative cover and found that the changes in NDVI values are much higher in the surrounding areas of the volcano.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Normalised Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) "quantifies vegetation by measuring the difference between near-infrared (which vegetation strongly reflects) and red light (which vegetation absorbs) <a href="https://gisgeography.com/ndvi-normalized-difference-vegetation-index/">https://gisgeography.com/ndvi-normalized-difference-vegetation-index/</a>

**Table 13:** Crop Damage and Loss Assessment

Crop type	Acresgein	Yidd/acre	Expected Yield	Estimated.	Costof	Estimated total	Farm gate	Total Value of	Estimated total	Estimated total
	production	(lbs)	(Lbs)	Damage (acreage)	Production/ acre	Value of damage	price/Lb	Losses	Damage and Loss EC\$	Damage and Loss US\$
Arrowroot	98	9.000	882.000	98	\$5,700.00	\$558,600.00	\$1.00	\$887 000 00	1.440,600.00	533,555,56
Asparagus	5	8,000	40,000	0.2	\$3,705.00	\$741.00	\$10.00	\$16,000.00	16,741.00	6,200.37
Beet	1.5	4,000	6,000	0.5	\$4 268 00	\$2,134.00	\$1.00	\$2,000,00	4.134.00	1.531.11
Broce of fi	1.5	7,000	10,500	1	\$7,245,00	\$7,245.00	\$4,00	\$28,000.00	35,245,00	13,053,70
Cabbage	20	12,000	240,000	12	\$7,065.00	\$84,780.00	\$2.00	\$288,000.00	372,780.00	138,066,67
Carrots	60	8,000	480,000	54	\$7,685,00	\$414,990.00	\$2,50	\$1,080,000.00	1,494,990.00	553,700.00
Cassava	80	25,000	2,000,000	68	\$7,532,00	\$512,176.00	\$0.90	\$1,530,000.00	2.042.176.00	756,361,48
Cauliflower	11	9,000	99,000	6	\$6,885.00	\$41,310.00	\$6,00	\$32,4,000,00	365,310.00	135,300.00
Celery	3	6,000	18,000	3	\$6,073.00	\$18,219.00	\$3,25	\$58,500,00	76,719.00	28,414,44
Chive	66	8,000	528,000	59	\$8,054,00	\$475,186.00	\$1.75	\$82,6,000,00	1.301.186.00	481.920.74
Corn	48	12,000	576,000	7	\$4,783.00	\$33,481.00	\$1.50	\$126,000.00	159,481.00	59.067.04
Cucumber	35	18,000	630,000	35	\$6,33 6.00	\$221,760.00	\$1.00	\$63 0,000,00	851,760.00	315,466,67
Dasheen	400	14,000	5,600,000	100	\$4,166,00	\$416,600.00	\$0.80	\$1,120,000.00	1,536,600.00	569,111.11
Eddocs	550	11,000	6,050,000	138	\$4 100 00	\$565,800,00	\$1.00	\$1,518,000,00	2.083.800.00	771,777,78
Eggplant	6	15,000	90,000	6	\$6,853.00	\$41,118.00	\$2.00	\$180,000.00	221.118.00	81,895,56
Flavour pepper	8	15,000	120,000	1	\$9,342.00	\$9.342.00	\$2.50	\$37,500.00	46.842.00	17.348.89
Ginger	120	20,000	2,400,000	11	\$8,320.00	\$91,520.00	\$3.00	\$660,000.00	751.520.00	278.340.74
Hot Pepper	5	15,000	75,000	1.5	\$8,922,00	\$13,383,00	\$3,00	\$67,500.00	80.883.00	29,956,67
Lettuce	8	3,000	24,000	8	\$7,712.00	\$61,696.00	\$3,50	\$84,000.00	145,696.00	53,961.48
Melons	8	20,000	160,000	8	\$6.416.00	\$51,328.00	\$3.00	\$480,000,00	531.328.00	196,788,15
Ochro Parsicy	12	6,000 4,000	72,000 8,000	2	\$5,206.00	\$5,206.00	\$2.00	\$12,000.00	17,206.00	6.372.59
Parstey Pak-choi					\$6,277.00	\$12,554.00	\$6,75	\$54,000.00	66,554.00	24.649.63
Peanut	3	12,000	36,000	3	\$5,955,00	\$17,865.00	\$2.00	\$72,000.00	89.865.00	33.283.33
Pigeons Peas	32 20	3,000 10,000	96,000 200,000	22 14	\$5,525,00	\$121.550.00	\$8.00	\$528,000.00	649,550.00	240.574.07
Pu mpkin s	13	10,000	130,000	13	\$4,914.00	\$68,796.00	\$7.00	\$98,0,000,00	1.048.796.00	388,442,96
Radish	1	8,000	4,000	0.5	\$5,039,00	\$65,507,00	\$1.00	\$130,000,00 \$14,000,00	195,507,00	72,410.00 5,975.56
Serrel	8	5,000	40,000	6	\$4,268.00	\$2,134.00 \$31.188.00	\$3.50 \$3.00	\$90,000.00	16.134.00 121.188.00	44,884,44
Squash	5	15,000	75,000	5	\$5,303.00	\$26,515,00	\$3.16	\$237,000.00	263.515.00	97.598.15
String Beans	8	5,000	40,000	4	\$4,478.00	\$17,912.00	\$2.20	\$44,000.00	61,912.00	22,930,37
Sweet Pepper	55	7,000	385,000	33	\$5,683,00	\$187,539.00	\$4.00	\$97.4.000.00	1.111.539.00	411.681.11
S Potatoes	100	8,000	800,000	80	\$2,965.00	\$237,200.00	\$1.50	\$960,000.00	1.197.200.00	443,407,41
Tannia	150	9,000	1,350,000	45	\$5,983.00	\$269,235,00	\$2.50	\$1,012,500.00	1.281.735.00	474,716,67
Tom atoes	73	15,000	1,095,000	66	\$11,417.00	\$753,522,00	\$3.00	\$2,970,000.00	3,723,522.00	1,379,082,22
Turmerie	8	34,000	272,000	4	\$10,043.00	\$40,172.00	\$1.50	\$204,000.00	244.172.00	90,434,07
Water Melons	15	20,000	300,000	15	\$6,416.00	\$96,240.00	\$2,20	\$660,000.00	756.240.00	280.088.89
Other Yam	8	12,000	96,000	7	\$7,883.00	\$55,181.00	\$4.00	\$33,6,000,00	391.181.00	144,881,85
PYam	40	8,000	320,000	36	\$9,879.00	\$355,644.00	\$4,00	\$1,152,000.00	1,507,644,00	558,386,67
White Yam	110	12,000	1,320,000	99	\$7,883.00	\$780,417,00	\$4.00	\$4,752,000.00	5.532.417.00	2.049.043.33
Yellow Yam	8	8,000	64,000	7	\$8,159.00	\$57,113.00	\$4.00	\$22,4,000,00	281.113.00	104,115,93
Avocado.	123	9,000	1,104,000	49	\$2,209,00	\$108,241.00	\$0.80	\$705,600.00	813.841.00	301,422,59
Banana	593	20,000	11,854,800	534	\$11,340.00	\$6,055,560,00	\$0.92	\$9,825,600,00	15.881.160.00	5.881.911.11
Breadfruit	137	24,500	3,352,000	55	\$1,889.00	\$103,895,00	\$2.00	\$5,390,000,00	5,493,895,00	2.034,775.93
Breadnut	14	15,000	211,800	6	\$1,889.00	\$11,334.00	\$3.00	\$540,000.00	551,334.00	204,197,78
Carambola	15	9,000	135,000	6	\$2,268.00	\$13,608.00	\$2.00	\$216,000.00	229,608.00	85,040.00
Christoph enc	12	2,000	24,000	6	\$2,851.00	\$17,106.00	\$1.96	\$23,520,00	40,626.00	15.046.67
Clove	4	8,000	28,000	1	\$1,900.00	\$1,900.00	\$25,00	\$40,000,00	401,900.00	148.851.85
Cocoa	540	5,000	2,700,000	405	\$2,500.00	\$1,012,500.00	\$1.50	\$6,075,000.00	7,087,500.00	2,625,000.00
Coconut	1500	15,000	22,500,000	1350	\$1,689.00	\$2,280,150,00	\$0.50	\$20,250,000,00	22.530.150.00	8.344.500.00
Gold en apple	116	21,000	2,437,000	17	\$2,209.00	\$37,553.00	\$1.00	\$714,000.00	751,553.00	278,352.96
Grapefruit	10	20,000	200,000	1	\$2,028.00	\$2,028.00	\$1.00	\$40,000.00	42,028,00	15,565,93
Guava	24	24,000	576,000	5	\$2,099.00	\$10,495.00	\$1.00	\$240,000.00	250,495,00	92,775.93
Ju jub ce	5	24,000	112,686	3	\$2,268,00	\$6,804.00	\$3.00	\$432,000.00	438,804.00	162,520,00
Lemon	5	18,500	93,848	0.5	\$1,288.00	\$644.00	\$2.50	\$46 250 00	46,894.00	17.368.15
Limes	12	18,500	222,000	2	\$1,288.00	\$2,576.00	\$4.00	\$29 6,000,00	298,576,00	
Manderine	2	16,000	27,615	0.2	\$1,288,00			\$6,400.00		
Mangues	400	17,500	7,000,000	80	\$1,969.00	\$157,520.00		\$1,400,000,00		
Nutmeg	40	800	32,000	4	\$1,900.00	\$7,600.00	\$3.50	\$22,400.00	30,000.00	
Orange Presion Famile	15 10	27,000	405,000	1.5	\$2,367.00		\$1.00	\$81,000.00	84,550.50	
Passion Fruit	8	8,000	80,000 120,000	10	\$2,841.00			\$20 0.000.00	228,410.00	
Pawpaw	30	15,000	450,000	27	\$5,334.00	\$21,336.00		\$12,0,000,00	141.336.00	
Pin capple Plantain	700	15,000	_		\$7,098.00			\$3,240,000.00	3.431.646.00	
Sapodilla	_	30,000 18,000	21,000,000	595	\$8,092.00	\$4.814.740.00	\$1.00	\$17.850.000.00	22.664.740.00	
Soursop	14	20,000	36,000 287,000	0.2	\$1,900.00	\$380.00	\$2.00	\$14,400.00	14,780.00	
Sugarapple	8	12,000	287,000 91,000		\$1,914.00		\$1.20	\$96,000.00	99,828.00	
Tangerine	5	16,000	74,000	0.5	\$1,914.00			\$24,000.00		
Waxapple	10	20,000	200,000	2	\$1,288.00		\$1.00	\$16,000.00	16,644.00	
	10	20,000	20,000	-	\$1,900.00	\$3,800.00	\$1.00	\$\$0,000.00	83,800.00	31.037.04
TOTAL CULTIVATED	6,556.4		×			\$21,722,919.10	×	\$93,637,170.00	115,360,089.10	42,725,958.93
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Figure 20 shows that the entire region was affected after the eruption and clearly shows that the "changes in NDVI values are much higher in the surrounding areas of the volcano."

**Figure 20:** Vegetation changes (NDVI) using Sentinel 2 after April 10th 2021 (left: Jan1-Apr9 and Right: Apr10-Apr26)

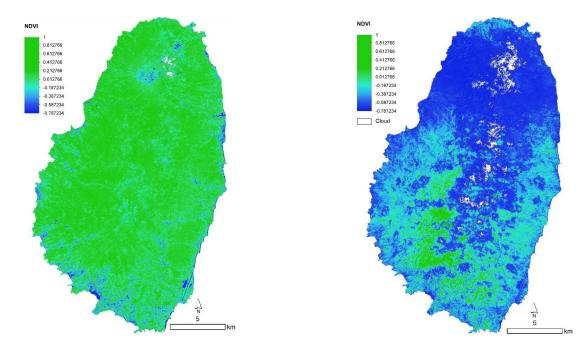
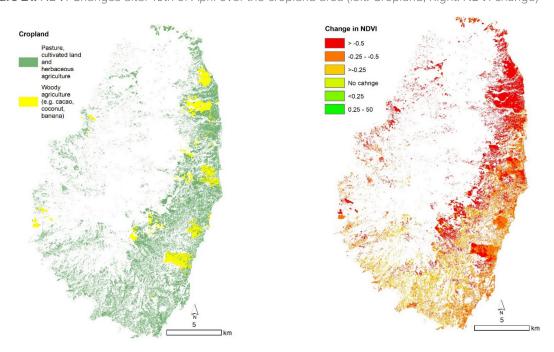


Figure 21 illustrates type of damage and changes in NDVI for specific types of land cover, including pasture, crops, and woody agriculture (tree crops).

Figure 21: NDVI Changes after 10th of April over the cropland area (left: Cropland, Right: NDVI change)



The NDVI analysis estimated that a total of 43% of all the cultivated lands in the island were severely impacted (roughly 3200 hectares), while 3000 hectares were partly affected and only 0.6% of lands were not affected.

Tables 14 and 15 provide further detailed estimated area of damage and the types of changes in vegetation and crop land in each of the hazard zones.

**Table 14:** Impacted cultivated land (ha) in Saint-Vincent Islands based on land cover, vegetation changes (NDVI), by hazard zones, land cover and administrative units

Hazard	Admin Units	Pasture, cultivated land and	Woody agriculture (e.g. cacao,		Impacted cul	tivated land (c	ropland)	
		herbaceous agriculture	coconut, banana)	Total	High	Medium	Low	No change
Red	Charlotte	1089.45	347.16	1436.61	1234.18	170.19	25.68	1.68
Red	Saint David	223.16	16.78	239.94	226.65	7.92	0.99	0.12
Orange	Charlotte	484.35	132.89	617.23	388.92	213.50	13.37	0.31
Orange	Saint David	196.55	6.28	202.83	138.05	56.54	6.52	0.06
Orange	Saint Patrick	5.21	0.00	5.21	2.77	1.87	0.33	-
Yellow	Charlotte	1017.34	127.19	1144.53	499.00	557.64	81.00	2.11
Yellow	Saint Andrew	1.19	0.00	1.19	0.30	0.27	0.45	0.01
Yellow	Saint David	7.58	0.00	7.58	2.81	4.03	0.43	0.04
Yellow	Saint Patrick	141.49	0.14	141.64	48.15	76.63	15.60	0.18
Green	Charlotte	1038.32	401.21	1439.53	448.07	795.65	184.73	6.12
Green	Saint Andrew	454.53	0.07	454.60	53.07	206.40	187.11	6.56
Green	Saint George	1680.96	4.06	1685.02	150.03	840.51	677.19	26.90
Green	Saint Patrick	83.37	56.65	140.02	48.39	73.63	15.53	0.67
	Total	6424	1092	7516	3240	3005	1209	45

**Table 15:** Impact severity (%) on cultivated land based on vegetation (NDVI) changes, administrative units and hazard zones

Hazard zones	Admin Units	Negative changes (based on NDVI) in cultivated areas (cropland)					
		High <-0.5	Medium -0.5 to -0.25	Low <-0.25	No change		
Red	Charlotte	85.91	11.85	1.79	0.12		
Red	Saint David	94.46	3.30	0.41	0.05		
Orange	Charlotte	63.01	34.59	2.17	0.05		
Orange	Saint David	68.06	27.88	3.21	0.03		
Orange	Saint Patrick	53.26	35.89	6.42	-		
Yellow	Charlotte	43.60	48.72	7.08	0.18		
Yellow	Saint Andrew	25.62	22.31	38.01	0.83		
Yellow	Saint David	37.10	53.18	5.71	0.52		
Yellow	Saint Patrick	34.00	54.10	11.01	0.12		
Green	Charlotte	31.13	55.27	12.83	0.48		
Green	Saint Andrew	11.67	45.40	41.16	1.44		
Green	Saint George	8.90	49.88	40.19	1.6		
Green	Saint Patrick	34.56	52.58	11.09	0.48		

**Table 16:** Total Effect of Volcanic Eruption to the Agriculture Sector

Category	Crops	Apiculture	Livestock	Forestry	Fisheries	Infrastructure	Grand Total EC\$	Grand Total US\$
Damage	21,722,919	116,500	447,662	20,832,500	423,947	54,000	43,597,528	16,147,232.59
Loss	93,637,170	110,250	522,243		4,815,211	•	99,084,874	36,698,101.48
Total	115,360,089	226,750	969,905	20,832,500	5,239,158	54,000	142,682,402	52,851,334.07

The Damage and Loss Assessment Team included officials from the Ministry Agriculture Planning Unit, Forestry, Fisheries, Extension and Advisory, Animal Health and Production Division, Banana Services Division, Inter American Institute for Cooperation Agriculture, Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) and Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO).

**Figure 22:** Map of St. Vincent Showing Agricultural Districts and Hazard Zones

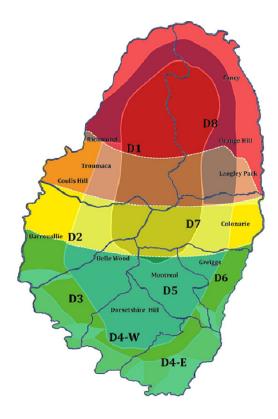


Figure 22 Composite map of St Vincent including Agro-ecological zones (CARDI), Agricultural Regions and Districts (MAFFRTIL) and Volcanic Hazard Zones (UWI SRC). Layers and overlays put together by Colville King, Diversification Officer MAFFRTIL, April 2021.

The National Emergency Management Organization (NEMO) reported that a total of 13,303 persons<sup>9</sup> were evacuated. Of these persons, approximately 2875 were registered farmers and 278 were fisherfolk who

were dislocated from the red and orange zones (Table 17). Additionally, some farmers and fishers from the Yellow Zone, especially on the leeward side, were evacuated.

**Table 17:** Farmers Disaggregated by Hazard Zones

Zones	Total numbers of registered farmers	Total number registered fishers	Total by zone
Red	1850	125	1975
Orange	1023	153	1176
Yellow	2569	2	2571
Green	4996	1468	6464
	10,438	1,748	12,186

Figure 25 is a map of St Vincent showing the Hazard Zones and Agricultural Districts and a table showing the demographic distribution of registered farmers and fishers. Table 19 shows the distribution of farmers according to the different Hazard Zones.

A mixed methodology was employed to conduct the DADA and included "field visits, telephone and personal interviews, the use of data from the Ministry and other institutions, review of past damage assessment documents and statistics from MAFFRTIL and the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning."

Crop loss was calculated using the acreages affected multiplied by the expected yield foregone multiplied by the market price. Loss calculations for tree crops were done using the extended period of 24 months since recovery for this commodity group will take 2 to 3 years before full recovery.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> National Emergency Management Organization update, dated April 19, 2021

Validation of these estimates was made using further resources and information from FAO, IICA and CARDI, as well as national statistics.

Livestock damage was calculated based on field visits and reports on deaths of animals and damage estimated using market values by type of animal. Losses were calculated based on production and farm gate prices.

Fisheries damage was calculated based on the estimated market value and repair costs to vessels, equipment and facilities affected. Fisheries losses were calculated based on two sets of variables (i) estimation based on vessels damaged (ii) an estimated 30% of the total fish landings for 2020.

Damage and loss in the forestry sector was not easily quantifiable due to the nature of the forestry ecosystem and services. Notwithstanding, observation and reports were used to estimate the damage done to plantation, primary and secondary forest. An estimate was made on the total number of acres of plantation and natural forest damaged and calculated using a multiplier.

The infrastructure estimation was done using visual observations from field visits and estimates of costs for damages.

# 7.1 CROP LOSS

The DADA provides detailed estimates for each of the main crops grown (primarily arrowroot, vegetables, root crops, bananas and plantains, and tree crops). Table 18 shows these DADA estimates in detail.

# 7.2 APICULTURE

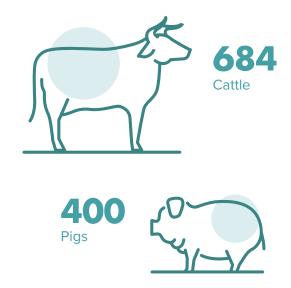
The DADA report found that country's "thriving apiculture industry" (with 713 hives) was not severely impacted since less than 10 percent of the hives are located in the red and orange zones. The total damage was estimated at \$116,500.00 and loss amounted to \$110.250.00.

# 7.3 LIVESTOCK

However, the extensive loss of vegetation (pasture and other forage on which to graze animals) in the red and orange zones will further exacerbate preliminary estimated livestock losses which were determined to be at least \$447,662.00 in the red and orange zones with an overall estimated loss \$522,243.00. Even if farmers can get their livestock to safe zones, there are significant costs "associated with the protection, feeding and veterinary support of these livestock and their relocation to the areas."

The estimated livestock farmers affected in the red and orange zones is 1,233.

The affected animal population in the red zone for small ruminants is 4990, cattle 684 and approximately 400 pigs. More losses are expected as a result of respiratory and dietary issues and other complications.



**Table 18:** Livestock Damage and Loss

	DAMAGES						LOSSES			
	PRIVATE			PUBLIC		PRIVATE			PUBLIC	
Commodity	No. of animals lost	Value of animals	Infrastructure damage value	No. of animals lost	Value of animals	Items	Infrastructure damage value	Farmgate loss	Production loss Apr-Dec	
Poulty	2872	\$59,720.00	\$89,550.00	0	\$0.00	Pens	\$10,000.00	\$304,875.00	\$0.00	
Sheep	45	\$26,000.00	\$32,000.00	9	\$3,250.00	Guttering	\$3,000.00	\$13,020.00	\$11,620.00	
Goat	90	\$52,320.00	\$4,704.00	8	\$13,200.00	Fencing	\$2,950.00	\$28,040.00	\$20,600.00	
Pig	59	\$45,725.00	\$22,308.00	10	\$850.00	Forage bank	\$12,585.00	\$57,520.00	\$37,708.00	
Cattle	17	\$63,500.00	\$6,000.00	0	\$0.00			\$42,560.00	\$6,300.00	
TOTAL	3083	\$247,265.00	\$154,562.00	27	\$17,300.00		\$28,535.00	\$446,015.00	\$76,228.00	

**Table 19:** Livestock Infrastructure Damage and Loss

	PRIVATE			TOTAL	XCD	USD
DAMAGE	No. of Animals	3083	27	3110		
	Value of Animals	\$247,265.00	\$17,300.00	\$264,565.00	\$447,662.00	\$164,769.41
LOSS	Infrastructure damage value	\$154,562.00	\$28,535.00	\$183,097.00		
	Farmgate Loss	\$446,015.00	0	\$446,015.00	\$522,243.00	\$192,220.18
	Production loss Apr- Dec	\$69,648.00	\$6,580.00	\$76,228.00		
	TOTAL	\$917,490.00	\$52,415.00		\$969,905.00	\$356,989.58

# 7.4 FISHERIES

The DADA reports that the fishery sector in the red, orange and yellow zones has been significantly impacted. Approximately 800 fishers have been affected among which 278 relocated.

The number of vessels damaged were reduced as the MAFFRIL provided prior advice to fishers to safeguard their vessels. It was reported that seven (7) vessels

with their engines and other equipment have been damaged.

As a result, the preliminary estimated damage and loss for fisheries is \$5,017,060.00 with \$361,850.00 representing damages and losses of \$4,655,210 (loss on fish landing, damaged vessels and aquaculture). International export of fisheries products also ceased due to the closure of the airport. The quantification of such loss is still to be determined.

Table 20: Summary of Fisheries Sector Damage

Number	Type/length	Boat	Engine HP	Beach Seine Net	Buoys / Fishing gears and auxillaries	Oars	Damage	Loss	Total
1			27,000.00				27,000.00	-	27,000.00
1	Pirogue 26ft	40,000.00	38,000.00				78,000.00	147,000.00	225,000.00
1	Double Ender 28ft + Beach Seine Net	20.000.00		35,000.00		800	55,800.00	324,000.00	379,800.00
3	Double Ender 14 (support boat) ft (x3)	13,000.00	-			300	13,300.00	147,000.00	160,300.00
1	Double Ender 11ft	5,000.00	-				5,000.00	36,750.00	41,760.00
1	Bow and Stern 13ft	20,000.00	15,800.00				35,800.00	73,500.00	109,300.00
1	Deck Boat 30ft	100,000.00	38,000.00		8,950.00		146,950.00	122,500.00	269,450.00
	Total	198,000.00	91,800.00	35,000.00	8,950.00	1,100.00	361,850.00	850,860.00	1,212,600.00

Table 21: Fish Landing loss

Fish landing weight	Fish Price (\$)	Fish value
559,636	7.00	\$3,804,460

# 7.5 FORESTRY

The DADA estimated that "established plantations and the natural forest suffered in excess of 65% damage in the Red, Orange and Yellow zones. The estimated damage is \$56,247,750."

Table 22: Forestry Damage

Forest area	Location	Cultivated area/ no. of trees/ stands (before disaster) Acres	Damaged/ Affected area/ no. of trees	Repair Cost (where applicable)	Replacement Cost (where applicable)	Ecosystem service value	Est. Value of Damage (USD\$)
Standing timber		569.47	No. Trees/ acre	Salvage/ Rehabilitation	Planting		
Plantation Forest			200				
Red & Orange zone		76.25	76.25/ 15,250	76,250.00	381,250.00		\$457,500.00
Yellow and Green		493.22	98,644	nil	nil		
Forest Access	Cumberland			10 miles	Tractor		
roads	Perseverance						
	Rabacca						
Natural Forest	Central	31,500	20,475			Wildlife, watershed	\$20,475,000.00
Upper Montane		10,500	Destroyed	Monitoring	Protection		
Montane							
Coastal							
Total		43,165.94					\$20,832,500.00 (XCD \$56,247,750.00)

### 7.6 AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE

Substantial damage was done to agricultural infrastructure in the Red and Orange zones, since most of the agricultural investments were in this area (Agricultural Biotechnology Center, arrowroot and cassava factories, fisheries complex, CARDI Field Station, Ministry of Agriculture Livestock Centre, Langley Park Palletisation Centre, and Perseverance Agricultural Station).

At the time the preliminary DADA was completed, the information on the extent of damage and loss to private sector infrastructure (shade houses, farm sheds, animals housing and equipment) were not yet fully assessed. However, it was very clear that "roadways in agricultural areas in the red and orange zones as well as a number of bridges and feeder roads" were affected. The damage to the bridges and roads was an indirect result of erosion due to heavy rains, lahars and pyroclastic flows, clogged streams and rivers due to fallen trees and vegetation.

The DADA recommendations include: "urgent attention to avoid catastrophic outcomes" such as flowing down stream and river pathways as was experienced in December 2013. The figure of \$54,000,000 was quoted in the preliminary report however, from qualitative reports provided the extent of the damage maybe more. Given the extreme flooding that also

later occurred in late April 2021, further damage to agricultural infrastructure will need to be documented. Table 23 presents and inventory of both public and private agricultural infrastructure and shows which assets are located in Sandy Bay Division which includes Fancy and what damage was noted during the DADA.

**Table 23:** List of General Agriculture Infrastructure

Location	Name Public	Name Private	Volcanic Zone	Impact	Proposed Relocation
Owia	Owia Fisheries Complex		Red	Ash accumlation	Not Applicable (NA)
	Arrowroot Factory		Red	Destroyed	No relocation recommended
Orange Hill	Orange Hill Agricultural Training Institute		Red	Ash accumulation	NA
	Apiaries ATI		Red	Total collapse	Botanical Gardens
	Irrigation Unit		Red	Ash accumulation	Recommend to be moved to acquired lands in South Union
	Orange Hill Biotechnology Centre		Red	Total green house collapse	Montreal Green House Park
Rabacca Farms	Rabacca Livestock Station		Red	Partial damage	Montreal Green House Park
CARDI Field Station	Rabacca Farms		Red	Partial damage	Montreal Green House Park
Langley Park	Langley Park Palletization Centre		Red	Ash accumulation	No relocation recommended Assistance in rebuilding, no relocation
Langley Park		Little Nut	Red	Total collapse of installation	No relocation recommended
Perserverance	Perserverance Agriculture Station		Red	Total green house collapse	No relocation recommended
Perserverance		Hadley Cocoa Drying Facility	Red	Ash accumulation	No relocation recommended
Congo Valley		Congo Valley Mountain Top	Orange	Ash accumulation, disruption of water	No relocation recommended
Mt. Young		Mt. Young ALCO Hatchery	Orange	Death of chicks	No relocation recommended
Byera		Mt. William Estate	Orange	Ash accumulation	No relocation recommended
Three Rivers	Three Rivers Agriculture Station		Yellow	Ash collection	No relocation recommended
New Grounds	New Grounds Nursery		Yellow	Ash collection	No relocation recommended
Montreal Garden	Montreal Green House Park		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Dumbarton Garden	Dumbarton Agriculture station		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
La Croix	La Croix Palletization Centre		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Rivulet	Rivulet Cannabis Authority		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Rivulet	Research and Development		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Kingstown	Kingstown: MAFFRTIL head office		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Kingstown	Plant Quarantine Port		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Kingstown	Aviary Old Montrose		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Kingstown	Fisheries Division Headquarters		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Campden Park	Plant Protection Unit head office		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Campden Park	Bureau of Standards		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Campden Park		East Caribbean Feed Mills	Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Campden Park		East Caribbean Flour Mill	Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Rillian	Taiwan technical Mission Pembrook		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Peters Hope	Peters Hope Germ Plasm		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Barrouaillie	Barrouaillie Fisheries Complex		Green	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Walliabou	Walliabou Agriculture Station		Yellow	In good condition	No relocation recommended
Belle Isle	Research and Development Plot at Belle Isle		Yellow	Ash accumulation	No relocation recommended
Belmont	Belmont Livestock Station		Orange	Partial damage	No relocation recommended
Chateaubelair	Chateubelair Fisheries Complex		Orange	Ash accumulation	No relocation recommended

# 7.7 VULNERABLE GROUPS

According to the United Nations<sup>10</sup> appeal, most vulnerable groups Vulnerable groups in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines will be disproportionately affected by the eruption, with a long and difficult road to recovery ahead of them. High-risk groups include poor and vulnerable households, single female-headed households with children and dependents, pregnant women and girls, farmers and fisherfolk, people living with disabilities, as well as those living with HIV/ AIDS, the LGBTQ<sup>11</sup> community, youth (aged 15-29) and children, especially those under five, and the elderly. Poverty is perhaps the broadest cross-cutting issue affecting vulnerable groups.

Prior to the eruption of La Soufrière, poverty was already expected to worsen significantly due to the impact of COVID-19 on livelihoods, projected to increase from 30.2 per cent to 38.5-43.8 per cent, while severe poverty was expected to jump from 2.9 per cent prepandemic to 11.9 per cent, significantly diminishing the resilience of affected people to recover from this crisis.

Tourism and agriculture are the backbone of the Vincentian economy, making workers in these sectors particularly vulnerable during the current emergency, especially women and youth. Unemployment disproportionately affects women (30.1%) and youth (ages 15-29), for whom joblessness is twice the national rate. Some of the poorest and most vulnerable populations, many of whom are dependent on agriculture and fisheries, reside in high-risk communities that have suffered losses and damages to housing, crops, livestock as well as the tools and equipment they depend on for their livelihoods. Those dependent on these sectors will be displaced from their source of livelihood, beyond the immediate shortterm, as the sector's recovery could take months, if not years.

The current volcanic eruption appears to be far worse than what has happened in previous years. Several communities have had to be completely evacuated from the island entirely and are now on cruise ships waiting indefinitely to return once the volcanic activity has ceased.

But the eruption has also produced excessive amounts of ash across the entire island and as far a field as Barbados and other islands. More importantly, the ash has been so have that it has disrupted electricity supply, completely covered crops, stressed livestock, weighed down and snapped trees, and very importantly contaminated the island's water supply.

Farmers<sup>12</sup> in St Vincent's breadbasket region are already counting thousands of dollars in losses after the decimation of their crops from the erupting La Soufriere volcano's ashfall.

Without water, livestock cannot be kept alive and crops cannot be salvaged.

# 7.8 LINKS/INTERACTION WITH COVID-19

The eruption of La Soufrière comes as Saint Vincent and the Grenadines is recovering from its largest COVID-19 surge amid the pandemic, and the region's worst Dengue outbreak in recent history. La Soufrière is likely continue to erupt in the coming weeks and maybe even months. The long-term effects of a protracted eruption on agriculture and tourism, which are the mainstays of the Vincentian economy and contribute about half of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP), will further exacerbate the already devastating socioeconomic impact of COVID-19. It will also reduce capacity for recovery and erode hard-earned development gains.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> United Nations. April 2021. UN Global Funding Appeal. Explosive Eruption of Soufriere Volcano: St. Vincent

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Trans, Queer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Smith, Kareem. Farmers dig out from tonnes of ash, face uncertain future. Barbados Today. April 17, 2021. <a href="https://barbadostoday.bb/2021/04/17/farmers-dig-out-from-tonnes-of-volcanic-ash-face-uncertain-future/">https://barbadostoday.bb/2021/04/17/farmers-dig-out-from-tonnes-of-volcanic-ash-face-uncertain-future/</a>

# 8 Livelihood Assessment and Contingency Planning



Livelihood assessment data are collected in advance about the normal emergency appeal timetable and other elements of the Livelihood of the population in an area likely to be affected by a hazard.

Livelihoods consist of the capabilities, assets (both material and social resources), and activities required for a means of living. A livelihood is sustainable when it can cope with and recover from stresses and shocks, maintain or enhance its capabilities and assets, and provide net benefits to other livelihoods locally and more widely, both now and in the future, while not undermining the natural resource base (*The Livelihood Assessment Tool-Kit*).

To plan for and evaluate the possible impact hazards may have on the livelihoods within a community, an understanding of the types of livelihoods present, the sources needed, the susceptibility of these livelihoods to hazards (natural and man-made) and the existing and required response mechanisms is needed.

## 8.1 LIVELIHOOD ASSETS

Focus group participants in Sandy Bay identified five (5) main types of livelihood categories, namely, Farming, fishing, carpentry, teaching and hunting.

### Table 24: Sandy Bay Asset Inventory

Activities	Skills Needed	Tools & Equipment Needed	Natural Resources
Farming Carrots, sweet pepper, cucumber, cabbage, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato, peas, plantain, dasheen, tannia, eddoes, livestock	Soil preparation, skills in reading McDonald Almanac, plant care (weeding, manure, insecticide, harvesting)	Cutlass, hoe, water boots, spray can, fork, scoop, pick	Land
<b>Fishing</b> Spear, net	Casting net, using spear gun, swimming	Fish gun, line, bait, net, life jacket, tube,boat, engine	Sea
Hunting Wildlife	Ability to shoot, tree climbing	Bird gun, cutlass, flash light, spike, dog, bird gun	Land
Vending	Customer service, math, culinary	Ice box, tray, table, umbrella	
Public Servants	Education	Stationary	

# 8.2 SEASONAL CALENDARS

Seasonal calendars indicate what type of livelihoods are taking place at any particular time of the year. This illustrates livelihood activities in a year without a hazard and the changes or coping strategies employed when there is a hazard event over the course of a year.

Seasonal Calendar shows livelihood activities in a year without a hazard and the changes or coping strategies employed when there is a hazard event over the course of a year.

Evidently farmers who depend on bananas and those persons who fall in the service provider livelihood category are most affected by the Hurricane. Banana farmers suffer significant losses to crops already planted, therefore harvest or reaping is drastically reduced leading to significant financial losses. In the case of the service providers, households seemingly cut back on their usage as more urgent recovery strategies, such as rebuilding and money for food take precedence.

**Table 25:** Sandy Bay Seasonal Calendar – Normal Year

Activities	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Farming:												
Peanuts								X (P)	×	X	X	X (H)
Dasheen				X (P)	X	X	×	X	X	X	X	X (H)
Potatoes				X (P)	X	X	X	X	×	×		X (H)
Peas			X (P)								X	X (H)
Tannia	X (P)	×	X	×	X	X	×	×	X	×	×	X (H)
Eddoes			X (P)	×	X	X	×	X	×	×	X	X (H)
Sweet pepper							X (P)	X	×	X	X	X (H)
Cucumber										X (P)	X	X (H)
Cabbage							X (P)	X	×	×	X	X (H)
Lettuce										X (P)	X	X (H)
Sorrel								X (P)		X	×	X (H)
Fishing												
Spear	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	X	×	Х
Net	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	×	Х
Hunting (Wild Life)	X									X	×	Х
Vending	X	×	×	×	×	X	Х	X	×	×	×	Х
Public Servant	X	X	Х	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Key: Plant (P) Harvest (H)

Table 26: Sandy Bay Seasonal Calendar – Hazard Year

Activities	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Farming:												
Peanuts				X (P)	X	×	×	X	X (H)			
Dasheen				X (P)	×	×	×	X	X (H)			
Potatoes				X (P)	X	×	×	Х	X (H)			
Peas				X (P)	X	×	×	X	X (H)			
Tannia				X (P)	X	×	×	Х	X (H)			
Eddoes				X (P)	X	×	×	X	X (H)			
Sweet pepper		×	X	X	X	×	×					
Cucumber		×	×	×	×	×	×					
Cabbage		×	×	X	X	×	×					
Lettuce		×	X	X	X	×	×					
Sorrel								X (P)	×	×	×	X (H)
Fishing												
Spear	×	×	X	X	×	×	×	X	X	×	×	X
Net	X	×	×	X	X	×	×	X	X	×	×	Х
Hunting (Wild Life)		×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X			
Vending	X	×	×	×	×	×	×	X	X	×	×	Х
Public Servant	×	×	×	Х	×	×	Х	×	×	X	×	Х

Key: Plant (P) Harvest (H)



Understanding how people cope with various hazards and disasters is critical to knowing how to plan and support them. People may have both positive and negative coping strategies. For contingency planning, it is important to find measures to support the positive coping strategies, while finding alternative measures of support to mitigate against the negative coping strategies.

Negative coping strategies for example might include selling all livelihood assets, selling livestock, using all of one's savings, taking children out of school, and so on According to the residents, the main strategies used by the residents to cope with fallout from the hazards are government assistance in the form of equipment and housing material, borrowing, remittances and doing odd jobs. Whilst these strategies help them to cope they also threaten negative longer term effects such as conflicts due to the borrowing, frustration and ultimately depression.

Table 27: Sandy Bay Coping Strategy Inventory

Likely Climate Impact	Positive Coping Strategies and Practices	Negative Coping Strategies and Practices
Job loss	Seek employment elsewhere	Additional cost of transportation to seek a job elsewhere.
Loss of crops	Assistance from government: seedlings	Having to start over from scratch with farming
Loss of livestock	Assistance from government: provide livestock	Cost of purchasing livestock
Damage to homes	Assistance from government: Materials provided	Relocation away from family
Road Blockage		Could not travel to work, More time to travel

# 10 Response and Recovery Typologies



With respect to the 2021 Volcanic Eruption, the DADA reports that have been completed identify both a number of short-term and long-term types of responses that should be implemented both at community and institutional levels. These are presented here:



- Protection of the public and private livelihoods assets in the red and orange zones (livestock, planting materials, tools/equipment, in-vitro facilities, etc.)
- Income support to farmers, fishers and farm workers.
- Initiative to make food readily available and accessible (to reduce food and nutrition insecurity).
- Policy on loan moratorium for farmers with financial institutions to reduce foreclosure.
- Infrastructure to support relocation of farm and farm assets.
- Identification of lands to relocate farmers (a land bank approach).
- Program to engage farmers, youth and women in initiatives at the evacuation centres.
- Procurement of planting materials, genetic stock for crop and livestock
- Clearing of rivers and streams especially in the upper watersheds in red and orange zones.
- Establishment of crop and livestock support systems.



### MEDIUM TO LONG TERM RECOVERY AND REHABILITATION NEEDS (NEXT 6 TO 12 MONTHS)

- A comprehensive plan for recovery and rebuilding of a modern, competitive agricultural sector
- Farm relocation
- Introduction of technology and innovation
- Incentive program to encourage young people into farming.
- Policy support for incentives, infrastructure, information and intelligence to build a modern agriculture sector.



# RESPONSE TYPOLOGIES IDENTIFIED FOR SANDY BAY

While individuals employ their own responsive mechanisms/coping strategies, external interventions are usually required for the effective and efficient restoration of livelihoods. In the event of a hurricane and/or storm surge, possible responses post-disaster could include the replacement of farming equipment for economic purposes and dwellings for Shelter. The clearing of the main drains in the district post-flood would alleviate excess flood waters.

**Table 27:** Sandy Bay Response Typology

Type of Response Needed	Geographical Area	# of Households likely to be affected	Required quantity (US\$)	Duration	Cost (US\$)	Responsibility
Replacement cost of plant material:	Sandy Bay					
Tannia Sweet Potato Eddoes		73 77 39	4,840 plants @\$0.74x23 ac 14,520 plants @\$0.37x22 ac 11,616 plants @\$0.74x9.3 ac	One-off One-off	82,377 118,193 79,941	Min. of Agri.
Cost of production per acre*:  Tannia Sweet Potato Eddoes	Sandy Bay	73 77 39	23 acres (ac)@\$2,216 22 acres (ac)@\$1,098 9.3 acres (ac)@\$1,519		50,968 24,156 14,127	Min. of Agri.
Landslide: Loss of Livestock: Goat and sheep			20@\$111	1-2 months	2,222	Min. of Agri.
Housing Assistance	Sandy Bay	300		3 months	55,556	Min. of Housing
Road Blockage	Sandy Bay	662		1 week		BRAGSA
Rental Assistance	Sandy Bay	20	222.22 per month	6 months	26,666	Min. of National Mobil.
Interim assistance benefit	Sandy Bay	40	184.19 Per month	9 months	66,308	Min. of National Mobil.
Basic amenities & disaster relief		40	444.44	One-off	17,778	Ministry of National Mobil.
Uniform assistance	Sandy Bay	100	\$55.56 per student	One-off	5,556	Min. of National Mobil.
Meals & transport subsidy	Sandy Bay	100	\$66.67 per student	9 months	60,003	Min. of National Mobil.

<sup>\*</sup>Cost of production per acre includes: labour operations (clearing, digging, planting, weeding, fertilizer application, moulding and harvesting); materials (herbicide, fungicide, insecticide, fertilizer, tools, other); other costs (transportation, land lease).



# ANNEX 1 - MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY AND LABOUR COMPENSATION LIST FOR AGRICULTURAL CROPS AND LIVESTOCK (2019)

Agriculture Region and District	No. of crops	Name of cash crop	Acres	Average number of farmers per crop	Plants per acre	Expected Yield (XCD\$)	Growing Duration (months)	Value at stage in mid of hurricane season (XCD\$)	Value (XCD\$)	75% dependent on crop grown above grown (XCD\$)	55% dependent on crop grown underground	Justification
					•	CHATE	AUBELAIR*					
REGION ONE District 1	1	Ginger	2	16	21,780	20,000	9	\$2.00 per plant	87,120		47,916	Roots and tubers are more like to be affected by flash floods as a result of run-off water from heavy rains
	2	Eddoes	1	28	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	23,232		12,778	
Leeward	3	Dasheen	1	6	7,260	14,000	7	\$2.00 per plant	14,520		7,986	
						FITZ	HUGHES					
District 1	1	Eddoes	2	15	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	46,464		25,555	
	2	Ginger	1	11	21,780	20,000	10	\$0.10per sq. ft.	4,356		2,396	
	3	Sweet Potatoes	1	14	14,520	7,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	14,520		7,986	
						ROS	SE HALL					
District 1	1	Carrots	7	60	264,000	8,000	3/4	\$0.10per sq. ft.	30,492		16,771	Flash floods
	2	Tomatoes	6	90	21,780	15,000	3	\$2.00 per plant	174,240	130,680		Plant like to be damaged/ destroyed by heavy rains and high winds
	3	Cabbages	3-4	90	14,520	12,000	3	\$0.30 per plant	14,810		8,146	Flash flood, heavy rains and drought
						SPRING	G VILLAGE					
District 1	1	Eddoes	30	134	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	696,960		383,328	
	2	Sweet potatoes	14	103	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	406,560		223,608	
	3	Corn	7	93	9,680	25,000	3/4	\$2.00 per plant	67,760	50,820		Plants are likely to be damaged by high winds

<sup>\*</sup>Hurricane intensifies in the latter half of the season and costs were based on this trend and period estimate for growth

Agriculture Region and District	No. of crops	Name of cash crop	Acres	Average number of farmers per crop	Plants per acre	Expected Yield (XCD\$)	Growing Duration (months)	Value at stage in mid of hurricane season (XCD\$)	Value (XCD\$)	75% dependent on crop grown above grown (XCD\$)	55% dependent on crop grown underground	Justification
						COL	ONARIE					
REGION THREE District 7	1	Plantain	4	12	1,210	30,000	11	\$12.00 per plant	58,080	43,560		Plants are likely to be damaged/ destroyed by high winds
	2	Sweet Potatoes	7	23	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	101,640		55,902	
Windward	3	Yams	4	7	4,840	12,000	9	\$5.00 per plant	96,800		53,240	
	4	Bananas	50	18	680	20,000	9	\$10.00 per plant	340,000	255,000		
						FA	ANCY					
District 7	1	Sweet Potatoes	5	20	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	72,600		39,930	
	2	Groundnuts	3	16	87,120	3,000	4	\$0.10 per sq. ft.	13,068		7,187	
	3	Eddoes	3	15	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	69,696		38,333	
						PAR	K HILL					
District 7	1	Yams (Portuguese)	7	18	2,723	20,000	7	\$5.00 per hole	95,305		52,418	Extensive dry periods can result in produce smaller in size or loss of plantlets due to the heat. The method of calculation can apply for loss during a drought.
	2	Sweet Potatoes	5	17	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	72,600		39,930	
	3	Dasheen	2	7	7,260	14,000	7	\$2.00 per plant	29,040		15,972	
						C	OWIA					
District 8	1	Sweet Potatoes	12	33	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	174,240		95,832	
	2	Tannia	9	32	4,840	9,000	9	\$2.00 per plant	87,120		47,916	
	3	Eddoes	7	25	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	162,624		89,443	

Agriculture Region and District	No. of crops	Name of cash crop	Acres	Average number of farmers per crop	Plants per acre	Expected Yield (XCD\$)	Growing Duration (months)	Value at stage in mid of hurricane season (XCD\$)	Value (XCD\$)	75% dependent on crop grown above grown (XCD\$)	55% dependent on crop grown underground	Justification
						OVERLAND	AND MAGN	UM				
District 8	1	Sweet Potatoes	12	47	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	174,240		95,832	
	2	Tannia	9.5	43	4,840	9,000	9	\$2.00 per plant	91,960		50,578	
	3	Eddoes	5	29	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	116,160		63,888	
						SAN	DY BAY					
District 8	1	Tannia	23	73	4,840	9,000	9	\$2.00 per plant	222,640		122,452	
	2	Sweet Potatoes	22	77	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	319,440		175,692	
	3	Eddoes	9.3	39	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	216,058		118,832	
						SOUT	H RIVERS					
District 7	1	Dasheen	8	24	7,260	14,000	7	\$2.00 per plant	116,160		63,888	
	2	Sweet Potatoes	14	37	14,520	8,000	4	\$1.00 per plant	203,280		111,804	
	3	Eddoes	5	18	11,616	11,000	6	\$2.00 per plant	116,160		63,888	

Please note that agriculture regions 1 and 3 tend to be severely affected by hurricanes and other natural disasters. Both regions are in the north of the country and experience a greater intensity of wind and heavy rainfall.

Livestock	Cost per animal	Infrastructure	e cost	
Sheep	300	\$35/sq. ft.	roof \$8/sq	8800/sq. ft. fencing
Goat	300	\$35/sq.ft.	roof \$8/sq	8800/sq. ft. fencing
Pigs	450	\$35/sq.ft.	roof \$8/sq	
Cattle Female	3000			
Cattle Male	4000			
Poultry Boiler	1.25			
Poultry Layer	4.25			
Peak layers	20			
Pre Peak	10			

A 20 ft. x 10 f.t pig pen (10 years plus and dilapidated was valued at \$2,500)

# ANNEX 2 - MINISTRY OF NATIONAL MOBILISATION - SERVICES OFFERED UNDER THE SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME (XCD\$)

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Ministry of National Mobilisation etc. is charged with the national portfolio of providing social protection to vulnerable households through the Public Assistance Programme guided by the Public Assistance Act. Due to societal changes during the past two (2) decades, additional types of monthly and emergency assistance were added to compliment the traditional services. The following are some of the services currently being offered under this programme:

- 1. Uniform Assistance (\$100&150/student once per year).
- 2. Rental Assistance (\$400-\$600/person per month for six months).
- 3. School fees & Exam Fees (\$200/student).
- 4. Meals & Transport Subsidy (\$180/student per month).
- 5. Basic Amenities & Disaster Relief (\$250&\$1200/person (one-off assistance).
- 6. Interim Assistance Benefit (\$500/family for nine (9) months).
- 7. Medical & Funeral (\$2000/person (one-off assistance).

# ANNEX 3 MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, INDUSTRY AND LABOUR - COMPENSATION LIST FOR AGRICULTURAL AND FORESTRY CROPS

FIELD CROPS	COSTS (XCD\$)	FIELD CROPS	COSTS (XCD\$)
Arrowroot	10 cents per sq. ft.	Grasses (cultivated)	5 cents per sq. ft.
Bananas	\$3.00 per plant up to 3 months	Ground Nuts	10 cents per sq. ft.
	\$6.00 per plant at medium stage \$10.00 per plant if bearing	Yams (Portuguese)	\$3.00 per hole when young \$5.00 per hole if matured
Plantain	\$4.00 per plant up to 3 months \$7.00 per plant at medium stage \$12.00 per plant if bearing	Dominic	\$2.00 per hole when young \$4.00 per hole if matured
MaughFaugh Baugh	\$1.00 per plant up to 3 months	Water	\$1.00 per hole when young
	\$3.00 per plant at medium stage \$6.00 per plant if bearing	White	\$3.00 per hole if matured
Grindy	\$3.00 per plant up to 3 months	Bascombe	75 cents per hole when young
	\$6.00 per plant at medium stage \$9.00 per plant if bearing	Others	\$2.00 per hole if matured
Sugar Cane	\$1.00 per hole	Sweet Potatoes	25 cents per hole when young \$1.00 per hole if matured
Cassava	30 cents per hole up to 3 months \$2.00 per plant when matured	Ochro	25 cents per hole when young \$1.00 per hole if matured
Corn	15 cents per hole up to 3 months \$2.00 per plant when matured	Ginger	10 cents per sq. ft.
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Pigeon Peas	\$1.00 per hole in pure stand \$6.00 per isolated tree	Sorrel	15 cents per hole when young 25 cents per hole if matured
Cotton	60 cents per hole up to 2 months \$2.00 per plant if bearing	Tobacco	50 cents per hole up to 3 months
Eddoes	50 cents per hole up to 3 months \$2.00 per plant if matured	Pineapple	\$1.75 per hole up to 3 months \$3.50 per hole up to 3 months \$7.50 per hole up to 3
Tannia	50 cents per hole up to 3 months \$2.00 per plant if matured	Dasheen	50 cents per hole up to 3 months \$2.00 per plant if matured

GREEN VEGETABLES	COSTS (XCD\$)	GREEN VEGETABLES	COSTS (XCD\$)
Beans	10 cents per hole non flowering 25 cents per hole if bearing	Lettuce	20 cents per hole for young plants \$1.00 per plant if bearing
Beets	10 cents per hole	Pepper (Llat or Swart)	25 cents - 50 cents for young plants
Cabbage	25 cents per hole when immature \$2.00 per plant when matured	(Hot or Sweet) Tomato	\$1.00 per plant if bearing  10 cents – 50 cents per young plant non flowering
Carrots	10 cents per sq. ft.		\$1.50 - \$2.50 per plant if bearing
Cauliflower	25 cents per plant when immature \$1.00 - \$2.00 per plant when matured	Pumpkin	10 cents -50 cents per hole when immature \$5.00 per hole if bearing
Christophene	\$1.00 per hole when immature \$5.00 per hole if bearing	Passionfruit	\$1.00 per non bearing vine \$5.00 per vine if bearing
Cucumber	10 cents per plant when immature \$2.00 per plant if bearing	Black Pepper	\$1.00 per plant not bearing \$5.00 per plant if bearing
Egg Plant	10 cents - 50 cents per plant when immature \$2.00 per plant if bearing	Pineapples	\$1.75 up to 3 months \$3.50 up to 6 months \$7.50 up to and over 12 months

#### **FOREST CROPS (XCD\$)**

SPECIES	BEARING TREES	DAMAGED OVER 10 YRS	DAMAGED OVER 5-10 YRS	DAMAGED 0-5 YRS
Mahogany	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Teak	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Red Cedar	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
White Cedar	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Суре	\$140.00	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Honduras Mahogany	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
W.I Mahogany	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Blue Maho	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Galba	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Pinus Caribbean	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Angeline	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Bamboo	\$100.00	\$60.00	\$30.00	\$20.00

## **ORCHARD TREES AND PERMANENT CROPS (XCD\$)**

SPECIES	BEARING TREES	DAMAGED OVER 10 YRS	DAMAGED OVER 5-10 YRS	DAMAGED 0-5 YRS
Breadfruit	\$120.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
Breadnut	\$90.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$25.00
Cocoa	\$80.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Coconut	\$100.00	\$70.00	\$60.00	\$45.00
Coffee	\$45.00	\$35.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Cashew	\$50.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Custard Apple	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$8.00	\$6.00
Golden Apple	\$75.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00
Sugar Apple	-	\$15.00	\$8.00	\$6.00
Guava	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00
Mango (other)	\$70.00	\$45.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Mango (grafted)	\$120.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$35.00
Mammie Apple	\$56.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Nutmeg	\$120.00	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$35.00
Pawpaw	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$10.00	\$5.00
Plum	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Plumrose	\$50.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$15.00
Sapodilla	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Pear (Avocado)	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Grapefruit	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Orange	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Tangerine	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Ortanique	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Lime	\$90.00	\$60.00	\$45.00	\$30.00
Soursop	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$15.00
Clove	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00
Cinnamon	\$70.00	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00
Mauby	\$50.00	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$15.00

## **ANNEX 4 - COST OF PRODUCTION**

Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Industry and Labour, SVG.

CROP: Ginger VARIETY: Jamaican ACREAGE: One (1) Acre DATE: 7/10/2018

MOI . Olliger VARIETT. Jamaican	ACKEAGE. One (1) Acre	DATE: 7/10/2010		
ITEMS	UNITS	RATE(\$)	NO,	COST(\$)
LABOUR OPERATIONS				
Land clearing (Cutlass & Clean) / spraying	M/day	40.00	12	480.00
Ranging	M/day	40.00	15	600.00
Gathering / preparation of planting material	M/day	40.00	5	200.00
Chopping holes and planting	M/day	40.00	6	240.00
Weeding manually ( X 2 ) & Moulding( X 1)	M/day	40.00	28	1120.00
Fertilising - Band application ( X 3 )	M/day	40.00	4	160.00
Harvesting (pull, cut, wash, dry, bag)	M/day	40.00	30	1200.00
Heading out of field	M/day	40.00	20	800.00
Subtotal				\$ 4,800.00
MATERIALS				
Planting Materials ()	Lbs	1.50	3000	4500.00
Grammoxone & pre-emergent	Gal			205.00
Fertiliser (NPK)	Sack	65.00	12	780.00
Tools(e.g.) Spray can Fork, Hoe, Cutlass, File		665.00	1	665.00
Other(Bags)		1.00	200	200.00
Subtotal				\$ 6,350.00
OTHER COSTS				
Land charges (Lease)	Acre	500.00	1	500.00
Transportation		300.00		300.00
Supervision				
Interest on loans (9 - 11%)				
Depreciation on tools & equipment				
Other				
Subtotal				\$ 800.00
Total cost of production				\$ 11,950.00
Total cost per unit of output(\$/Lb)				\$ 0.60
ASSUMPTIONS				
a) Plant spacing	1 X 3 Within Row X Betv	veen Row (Ft)		
b) Plant density	14,520 plants per acre			
c) Marketable yields	20,000 Lbs			
d) Losses & main cause	Negligible.(Due nemato	de)		
e) Maturation Period	10 Months			
f) Price per unit yield - Farmgate :				

CROP: Eddoe VARIETY: Black ACREAGE: One (1) Acre DATE: 31/12/2014

ITEMS	UNITS	RATE(\$)	NO,	COST(\$)
LABOUR OPERATIONS				
Land clearingSpraying/Cleaning	M/day	40.00	2	80.00
Digging Holes	M/day	40.00	15	600.00
Gathering and preparing plant material	M/day	40.00	4	160.00
Planting (Including heading and dropping)	M/day	40.00	8	320.00
Weed control (herbicide)(X2)	M/day	40.00	3	120.00
Fertiliser application ( X 2 )	M/day	40.00	4	160.00
Moulding (x1)	M/day	40.00	12	480.00
Harvesting (incl. Sort & heading)	M/day	40.00	12	480.00
Heading out of field	M/day	40.00	8	320.00
Subtotal				\$ 2,720.00
MATERIALS				
Planting materials (Slips)				
Herbicide -(Grammaxone)	Gal.	136.00	2	180.00
Fertiliser (types) N.P.K.	sack	100.00	9	900.00
Tools(e.g.) Fork, Hoe, Cutlass, File, Spray can				
Other (e.g.) Boxes, bags				
Subtotal				\$ 1,080.00
OTHER COSTS				
Land charges (Lease/ Rent/ Share)	Acre			
Transportation				300.00
Supervision				
Subtotal				\$ 300.00
Total cost of production				\$ 4,100.00
Total cost per unit of output(\$/Lb)				\$ 0.3
ASSUMPTIONS				
a) Plant spacing	2 X 3 Within Rov	w X Between Row (ft)		
b) Plant density	7,260 plants per	acre (plants/acre)		
c) Marketable yields(lbs)	11,000			
d) Losses (Rejects & Spoils)	Negligible			
e) Maturation Period	6 Months			
f) Price per unit yield - Farmgate :	\$0.75/Lb			

CROP: Dasheen VARIETY: Upland ACREAGE: One (1) Acre DATE: 31/12/2014

ITEMS	UNITS	RATE(\$)	NO,	COST(\$)
LABOUR OPERATIONS				
Land clearingSpraying/Cleaning	M/day	40.00	2	80.00
Digging Holes	M/day	40.00	15	600.00
Gathering and preparing plant material	M/day	40.00	3	120.00
Planting (Including heading and dropping)	M/day	40.00	5	200.00
Weed control (herbicide)(X2)	M/day	40.00	3	120.0
Fertiliser application ( X 2 )	M/day	40.00	4	160.0
Moulding (x1)	M/day	40.00	12	480.0
Harvesting (incl. Sort & heading)	M/day	40.00	12	480.0
Heading out of field	M/day	40.00	8	320.0
Subtotal				\$ 2,560.0
MATERIALS				
Planting materials (Slips)				0.0
Herbicide -(Grammaxone /Touchdown)	Gal.	170. /136	2	306.0
Fertiliser (types) N.P.K.	sack	100.00	10	1,000.0
Tools(e.g.) Fork, Hoe, Cutlass, File, Spray can				
Other (e.g.) Boxes, bags				
Subtotal				\$ 1,306.0
OTHER COSTS				
Land charges (Lease/ Rent/ Share)	Acre			
Transportation				300.0
Supervision				
Subtotal				\$ 300.0
Total cost of production				\$ 4,166.0
Total cost per unit of output(\$/Lb)				\$ 0.3
ASSUMPTIONS				
a) Plant spacing	2.5 X 3 Within Row	X Between Row (ft)		
b) Plant density	5,800 plants per ad	cre (plants/acre)		
c) Marketable yields(lbs)	14,000			
d) Losses (Rejects & Spoils)	Negligible			
e) Maturation Period	8Months			
f) Price per unit yield - Farmgate :	\$.60/Lb			

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