

Disaster Risk Reduction in EDUCATION

An Imperative for Education Policymakers



Why invest in DRR in education?



Investing 1, saves 7
Every dollar invested in risk reduction saves seven dollars in recovery efforts.¹



175 million children affected
The number of children likely to be affected each year by climate-related disasters over the next decade.²



Half a million deaths and 40 million homeless
The number of lives lost and people left homeless after major disasters in Asia and the Pacific since 2004: the Indian Ocean Tsunami (2004), the Kashmir earthquake (2005), the Sichuan earthquake (2007), Cyclone Nargis (2008), and the Pakistan floods (2010).



Safeguarding development
Areas experiencing extensive disasters can see decreased school enrolment rates and increased dropout rates.³ Investing in DRR in education is necessary to safeguard and sustain valuable gains made towards development goals such as EFA and the MDGs.



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