

Emergency Preparedness

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Emergency Preparedness

The importance of the audit



The risk: Large scale of emergency situation such as war, disasters, massive accidents, epidemics, fires, terrorist incidents and hazardous emissions can cause a large number of casualties and therefore can lead to disfunction in State activity.



The mission: Dealing with Large scale of emergency situations requires emergency preparedness, as well as pooling resources and capabilities in order to work effectively and efficiently.

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The audit objective:

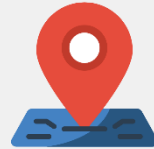
Examination of the preparation, cooperation and the range of responsibility of the organization involve in taking care of casualties during a large scale emergency situation.

Responsible bodies involved

National Security Council



Idf - Home Front Command



Local municipalities



Rescue org.



Government offices: Defense, Interior, Health, Religious services etc.



Police



Evacuation and Relief Authority



The National Emergency Management Authority - NEMA



Fire Brigade

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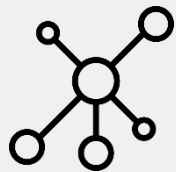
Key factors in the audit work:



Identification of responsible bodies involved



Studying the Regulations & Authority and responsibility of the bodies involved



Analysis of the Relationships between responsible bodies



Identification of failures and risks



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Dilemmas in the audit work:

1. Organization of handling fatalities – by whom?
2. Who is responsible for evacuation of fatalities?
3. Who is responsible for registration station or forensic medicine center ?
4. Responsibility for burial services.
5. Conflicting answers from the responsible bodies involved.



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5. Conflicting answers from the responsible bodies involved:

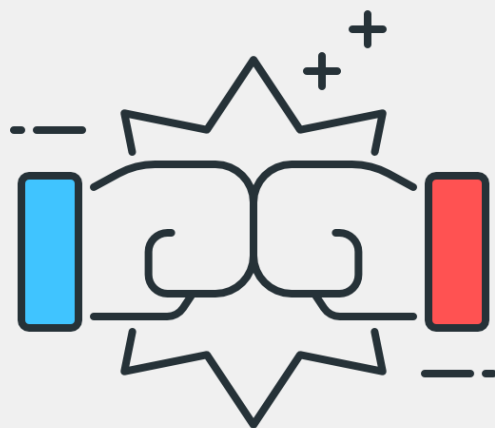
- a. Who leads the regulation and the administrative work to complete a draft of new government resolution to improve the preparedness.(The National Security Council or the National emergency management authority or Ministry of Interior?



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b. Who should be responsible for shipping the dead casualties?

Home front command or Ministry of Interior by Local municipalities?

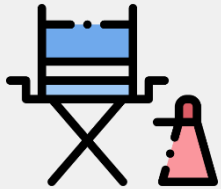


c. Localization of forensic medicine center.

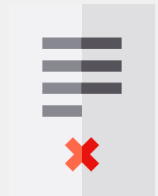
Should it be according to the Ministry of Health or according to the Ministry of Interior?

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In conclusion



The audit indicated that the absence of a guiding hand has prevented the solution of the various problems and has actually prolonged them.



These problems, are doing harm to the preparation for the handling the evacuation of fatalities in emergency events to the extent that there is a lack of national preparedness.

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The Ministry of the Interior should act quickly, together with the NEMA, to submit all of the problems involved in the handling of the fatalities at the time of an emergency, including the Minister of Defense, the Minister of Internal Security, the Minister of Religious Services, and the Minister of Health.

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Strong, effective audit can provide assurance that responsible authorities are managed well and assist the improvement of emergency preparedness.



Thanks for listening!

