

# TORQAID SHORT COURSE (SC) PROGRAM OVERVIEW<sup>1</sup>

## Overview

Complementary to the longer training programs which TorqAid facilitates<sup>2</sup>, the agency also offers seven Short Courses (SCs). These are:

- SC1 : The Disaster Risk Management Cycle (DRMC) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) diagrams, and their application to a combination of:
  - ✓ Floods and tropical storms<sup>3</sup>
  - ✓ Earthquakes and tsunamis
  - ✓ Drought
- SC2 : Australian bushfires, and psychosocial stress related to disasters
- SC3 : The Rohingya humanitarian situation in Bangladesh
- SC4 : The Ten Seed Technique (TST) as a fabulous, practical, ranking tool
- SC5 : Covid-19 and Risk Management
- SC6 : The DRR diagram and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- SC7 : Aspirations for, and challenges of, positive progress this year relating to Climate Change

These SCs are of 1.0 hour in duration, and are designed both for the Global Humanitarian or Development Professional, as well as for the interested tertiary or secondary students. Together they give an overview of some key issues relating to global humanitarian and development work.

## Training Delivery & Process

These SCs can be delivered in two alternative ways:

- As one hour online (eg through Zoom) training sessions
- Alternatively, as one hour face-to-face lessons

The process by which these courses are delivered includes:

- Liaison with the client to confirm content details
- Development of a one hour teaching/training session, this including power-points
- Delivery, either online (eg through Zoom), or face-to-face in a classroom setting
- Follow up with recording (eg, for Zoom), and notes (max. 2 pages<sup>4</sup>)



<sup>1</sup> See this paper at [www.torgaid.com/short-courses](http://www.torgaid.com/short-courses)

<sup>2</sup> See the TorqAid Toolkit – [www.torgaid.com/torgaid-toolkit](http://www.torgaid.com/torgaid-toolkit) for more details

<sup>3</sup> Namely tropical cyclones in the SW Pacific & Indian Ocean; hurricanes in the Caribbean; or typhoons in the East Asia

<sup>4</sup> This excludes any bibliography or agency information material which may be included

## **Overview of Short Course (SC) Material**

### SC1. The DRMC and DRR diagrams, and their applications to floods/tropical storms, earthquakes/tsunamis, and drought

- An overview of the key components comprising the Disaster Risk Management Cycle (DRMC) and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) diagrams
- Applications of this diagrammatic framework for a combination of:
  - ✓ Floods, and tropical cyclones in the South-West Pacific and Indian Ocean; hurricanes in the Caribbean; and typhoons in East Asia
  - ✓ Key earthquakes and tsunamis in Papua New Guinea, Indonesia, Japan, Nepal & Haiti
  - ✓ Drought in both Australia and sub-Saharan Africa

### SC2. Australian bushfires and Psychosocial Stress

- Causes of the 2019/2020 Australian bushfires; key initiatives in the DRMC Emergency Response and Recovery Stages; and DRR measures to counter future similar events
- Psychosocial lessons learnt from bushfires over the past 20+ years, combined with COVID-19 complicating factors in 2020

### SC3. The Rohingya humanitarian situation

- The causes of Rohingya exodus from Rakhine State, Myanmar
- The ongoing humanitarian operations in Cox's Bazar District, Bangladesh
- The various options relating to repatriation back to Myanmar

### SC4. The Ten Seed Technique (TST) ranking tool

- An overview of the TST process
- Examples of this TST process in development and humanitarian situations across both Australia and overseas

### SC5. Covid-19 and Risk Management

- An overview of the global Covid-19 pandemic since early 2020
- The various risk management measures combatting the occurrence and effects of Covid-19

### SC6. The DRR diagram and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

- An overview of the 17 Goals of the SDGs, and the relationship between these and the TorqAid Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) diagram

### SC7. Climate Change Aspirations and Challenges

- An overview of what Climate Change is
- Progress since the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement, and aspirations for the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 26) in November 2021

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