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Table Top Exercise under the Unified State System on Preparedness and Response to the Emergency Situations.

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On 29th and 30th of March 2018, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Tajikistan jointly with Committee of Emergency Situations and Civil Defense (CoES) under the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan conducted two days simulation exercise on response coordination to the large scale disaster for the twenty three Governmental entities members of the Unified State System. The main goal of the exercise was to enhance knowledge and capacities, examine preparedness of the government entities, and review available resources and emergency plans in managing complex and large scale disasters on the Government level. The table top exercise scenario presented helped to simulate response of an earthquake that damaged 18 small and large cities in Tajikistan.



The members of the Unified State System on Preparedness and Response to the Emergency Situations on the table top exercise.

The Head of Search and Rescue Department of CoES, Colonel Mr. Oleg Pilkevich noted the importance of districts authorities preparedness and knowledge of disasters along with the availability of all assets in the districts which need to be deployed in case of disasters. Simulation exercise helped to reveal the existing gaps and challenges, which need to be considered and further eliminated.

Participants were able to build their knowledge on response and plan actions in case of large scale disasters. In specific, the simulation exercise focused on coordination of activities of governmental entities on organization of response activities, dealing with search and rescue, and managing international assistance.

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