Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ERCC) – ECHO Daily Map | 31/08/2015 Tropical Cyclones ERIKA and FRED



1 CARIBBEAN - Tropical Cyclone ERIKA

- Tropical Storm ERIKA move through Lesser Antilles on 27 August, causing heavy rains and floods especially in Dominica. As of 31 August, in Dominica, there were 20 dead, several others missing, 300 people evacuated in 267 shelters, 48 houses destroyed and 84 damaged, nine areas categorized as special disaster areas, 50 % of the island was still without water provision on 30 August. Need assessments are still ongoing.
- Afterwards it moved over the Caribbean Sea, reaching the island of Hispaniola on 28 August, still as a Tropical Storm. Heavy rainfall affected Haiti and Dominican Republic during its passage, causing floods and ladslides. In the Dominican Republic, 700 houses were affected and 11 destroyed, while in Haiti, five people were killed and floods were observed in Gonaïves and Ganthier.
- ERIKA weakened and dissipated on 29 August, while it was moving over eastern Cuba.

Sources: GDACS, ECHO, NOAA, CDEMA, PAHO, Local authorities, Media

2 CABO VERDE - Tropical Cyclone FRED

- FRED formed over the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of western Africa on 30 August and it moved towards Cabo Verde, strengthening. In the morning of 31 August it reached Capo Verde as Category 1 Hurricane.
- Over the next 12-24 h it is forecast to continue moving north-west, through the north-western islands of Cabo Verde, still as a Category 1 Hurricane. Its center is forecast to pass near or over the north-western islands between 31 August afternoon and 1 September morning. Aftewards it will continue moving over the Ataltic Ocean, away from Cabo Verde, weakening.
- On 31 August 1 September heavy rains, strong winds and storm surge may affect several areas of Cabo Verde;
 a Hurricane Warning is in effect (NOAA, 31 Aug, 12.00 UTC).

Sources: GDACS, NOAA, Media





