

## Humanity Road – Haiti

Activation: Hurricane Matthew

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## Highlights

Hurricane Matthew made landfall near Les Anglais, Haiti around 700 AM EDT (1100 UTC) on October 4, 2016 as a Category 4 storm. The southern peninsula has been heavily impacted and has been damaged by winds and flooding. There are reports of heavy destruction in some coastal towns along with power and communications outages. Southern Haiti has effectively been cut off after the bridge linking it to the capital, Port-au-Prince, collapsed.

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## Situation Report No 2 – (period covered: October 4-5, 2016)

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### Situation Overview

#### Background:

Hurricane Matthew attained hurricane status on September 29, 2016 and became a Category 5 hurricane on September 30 in the Caribbean Sea. On October 1, it weakened to a Category 4. [Source](#) It made landfall near Les Anglais, Haiti about 700 AM EDT (1100 UTC) on October 4, 2016. [Source](#) Southern Haiti has effectively been cut off after the bridge linking it to the capital, Port-au-Prince, collapsed. The deputy mayor of the southern coastal town of Les Cayes described the scene there as "catastrophic". [Source](#) The National Meteorological Centre (CNM) of Haiti warns that the risk of severe flooding accompanied by mudslides and case coastal flooding remain evident across the country with a higher intensity for coastal regions. [Source](#)

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October 5:

- There has been heavy damage on the south peninsula. Roads are impassable, trees are down, the bridge on Route National has been wiped out. [Source](#)
- Unverified report: 5 dead, 1 missing, 10 injured, 1,855 flooded homes and 14,500 moved. [Source](#)
- Unverified report: 8 dead, 2 missing and 23 wounded. [Source](#)
- An MAF pilot conducted a 6 hour aerial evaluation of the entire South Coast of Haiti from Jacmel West, around the point at Dame Marie, and then the North coast back to Port au Prince. "From Zanglais west is bad. The worst of the devastation is Port Salut West to Dame Marie. Jeremie is close behind, and then Cayes. Decimated in each area. A major long term concern is the complete loss of gardens in these areas. Food is already scarce." [Source](#)

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## General Information

### Useful Sites

- Civil Protection of Haiti tweets in Haitian Creole and French. [Source](#)
- News website with updates. (FR) [Source](#) and (EN) [Source](#)
- Humanity Road [Haiti Twitter List](#)

### Situation Reports

- OCHA Situation Report No. 3, October 5, 2016. [Source](#)
- OCHA Situation Report No. 2, October 4, 2016. [Source](#)
- UNICEF Situation Report, Oct 4, 2016. [Source](#)
- OCHA Situation Report No. 1, October 3, 2016 [Source](#)

### Maps and Databases

- MapAction - MapAction is a humanitarian mapping charity ([source](#))

- International Federation of the Red Cross (IFRC) Hurricane Matthew Dashboard. [Source](#)
- Open Street Map in both Creole and English. [Source](#) and [Source2](#)
- Copernicus Emergency Management Service reference maps. [Source](#)
- Google Crisis Map. [Source](#)
- Hospital Information Map. Includes Medical Facilities & Demographic Information. [Source](#)
- ESRI Hurricane and Cyclone Public Information Map (Includes geotagged social media). [Source](#)
- Department of Defense has published a Hurricane Matthew APAN site [Source](#)
- ECHO Map from European Commission's Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations [Source](#)
- OCHA map - Haiti Road Network [Source](#)
- OCHA map - Haiti Ports [Source](#)
- Netperspective - Haiti Health Facilities database. [Source](#)

## Shelters

- Emergency Evacuation Shelters in Grand Sud (opens download window). [Source](#)
- Emergency Evacuation Shelters in Other Departments (opens download window). [Source](#)
- Temporary Shelter Management. [Source](#)

## Water

- Oct 4: Civil Protection warns to use only treated water, being the risk of water bringing cholera germs. (Creole: *Lè gen inondasyon, gen risk pou dlo pote tout kalte mikwòb, sitou mikwòb kolera. Fòk nou rete veyatif epi toujou sèvi ak dlo trete*). [Source](#)

## Communications

Oct 5:

- Oct 5: People are still having a hard time getting in touch with family in Aux Cayes and Jeremie. Many communication lines down. [Source](#)
- Matthew also caused serious problems to telephone and Internet communications between Port-au-Prince, the southern department of Grand'Anse and the southern cities of Jeremie, Anse D'haineau and Pestel, among others. [Source](#)

Oct 4:

- VoIP (Amateur Radio) Hurricane Net Updated Activation [Source](#)
- There are communication difficulties with the greater south of Haiti. [Source](#)

- DigicelHT confirms communications difficulties on the network particularly with Les Cayes and Jérémie. (*Digicel confirme difficultés de communications sur le réseau particulièrement avec les Cayes et Jérémie*). [Source](#)
- Director of Digital Communications for @moisejovenel and @phtkhaiti. Reported that in Leogane @digicelht is working fine but there is no electricity [Source](#)
- DigicelHT network restoration progressing well. Les Cayes and Saint Louis du Sud coming back online gradually. [Source](#)
- 1 pm: Alert for Digicel antenna located in the Rue Norgez zone impasse Germain # 4. Dangerous antenna. [Source](#)

## Transportation

Oct 4:

- National Road 2 (RN2) cut at Petit-Goave because of a bridge washed away. (*La Nationale 2 (RN2) coupée au niveau de Petit-Goave à cause d'un pont emporté par les eaux*). Unconfirmed [Source2](#)
- A landslide in Anse Milieu has disrupted traffic (between Les Anglais and Tiburon). (*Glissement de terrain à Anse Milieu provoquant la rupture de la circulation (Trajet Les Anglais et Tiburon)*). [Source](#)
- The Ladigue bridge in Petit-Goâve, connecting Grand'Anse, Nippes and South at the rest of the country collapsed. Unconfirmed
- Airports in Port-au-Prince and Cap Haïtien are closed from Monday at 6 am to Wednesday at 6 am (*Aéroports de Port-au-Prince et du Cap Haïtien fermés du lundi 3 octobre à 6 am au mercredi 5 octobre à 6 am*). [Source](#)

## Relief Efforts

Oct 5:

- USAID assistance will focus on water and sanitation to help prevent the spread of cholera. [Source](#)
- Caritas has food packages for people to take refuge in shelters in Cayes, a city of 70,000. In Jacmel, it is providing hot meals, water and hygiene products. An emergency team there is in contact with parishes. It has also been giving out blankets, bedding and toiletry kits. [Source](#)
- In partnership with international organizations MAP International and Hope for Haiti, IRT is airlifting a shipment of medical supplies worth over seven million dollars to Haiti. The shipment includes critical medicines such as antibiotics and analgesics to treat immediate medical emergencies and oral rehydration salts in preparation for a potential cholera outbreak, a disease that often plagues the country after natural disasters. [Source](#)

- Water Mission has 18 safewater treatment systems ready to deploy in Haiti. [Source](#)
- Samaritan's Purse will be airlifting 20 tons of water filters, heavy-duty plastic sheeting, hygiene kits, and blankets. A Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) will also be aboard our DC-8. They will join the field staff—already on the ground—in distributing these relief supplies. [Source](#)
- Télécoms Sans Frontières deployed a team on the October 4th. Intervention is focused on the towns of Jérémie and Les Cayes, with reinforcements standing by to support operations across the zone. The National Association of the Scouts of Haiti (ANSC) is deployed alongside TSF. TSF and the ANSC are working in collaboration with the National Civil Protection body and the National Emergency Operations Centre (COUN). [Source](#)
- MAP International is sending \$4.6 million in medicine to Haiti. The supplies are headed to Hope for Haiti, one of MAP's partners in Haiti. They can't predict when the medicine will arrive in Haiti because the airport and ports are all closed. [Source](#)
- Haiti Outreach responding with water and medical relief. [Source](#)
- Oxfam has mobilised teams. First response will concentrate on saving lives by providing safe water and hygiene kits to avoid the spread of cholera. Right now there are at least 10,000 people displaced from their homes, and in need of safe shelter, water and food. [Source](#)

Oct 4:

- The aircraft carrier George Washington and the amphibious transport dock Mesa Verde, supported by Navy and Marine aviation, are deploying to Haiti to provide relief assistance. The hospital ship Comfort is also preparing to deploy. [Source](#)
- NGO Food For The Poor Haiti is ready to deliver dry foods to affected locations. [Source](#)
- SIDR is in Jacmel and positioned to mobilize pumps to start pumping out homes. [Source](#)
- The Government is deploying its military engineering corps in Grand'Anse and Sud Departments. [Source](#)
- The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has deployed a Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) to the central Caribbean. USAID has pre-positioned relief supplies and is preparing to ship in additional needed supplies. [Source](#)

## Medical Teams

Oct 5:

- ISAR Germany is deploying an advance team of 6 members carrying basic medical equipment to care for 500 people for multiple days. Doctors/ Nurses/ Paramedics are on standby to deploy if needed and to set up a basic clinic. [Source](#)
- Action Against Hunger teams assessing the situation, delivering vital family nutrition and health services, rehabilitating water points to provide people with daily access to clean drinking water. UNICEF reported 10 cases of cholera in Gonaïves. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)
- International Medical Corps' team in Haiti is scaling up response capacity, the emergency response experts are making their way to Haiti's southwestern peninsula: responding to water, sanitation, and hygiene support needs, main issue being Cholera. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)
- Heart to Heart International is sending a Team of 10 Doctors/Nurses/"experts" to Haiti. Already have 130 local staff + some supplies in Haiti. [Source](#)
- Handicap International Team assessing damages and population needs. [Source](#)
- The Canadian Red Cross is responding, with two Canadians deployed to join Red Cross teams stationed in Haiti, and aid supplies sent including tarps and blankets. [Source](#)
- Project HOPE has deployed to assess medical needs in Haiti. [Source](#)

Oct 4:

- Humedica has deployed 6 medical and logistical personnel to assess the situation in Haiti. [Source](#)

## Impacted Areas

### [Artibonite Department](#)

Gonaïves:

Oct 5:

- There is a threat of mudslides and crop damage. [Source](#)

Anse-Rouge:

Oct 4:

- No information since landfall ([Pop 32,104](#))

### [Grand'Anse Department](#)

- Oct 5: Grand'Anse was seriously impacted and is in need of food, water, and supplies. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Grand'Anse need volunteers, storage space, food products, and relief supplies. (*Nous avons besoin de volontaires et d'espaces de stockage, de produits alimentaires, de produits de première nécessité...*) [Source](#)

- Oct 4: The Government has lost contact with the departmental delegate of the Grande Anse, according to the Minister of the Interior François Joseph (*Le gouvernement a perdu le contact avec le délégué départemental de la Grande Anse, selon le ministre de l'intérieur François Joseph*). [Source](#)

#### Bariadelle:

- Oct 4: The cemetery in Bariadelle has been devastated. Bodies have been found in the village. Some of the people died of cholera. [Source](#)

#### Jérémie:

- Oct 5: Photos: Aerial photos from Jeremie. The city is virtually destroyed. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Photo: Nothing left of a cement school close to the Jeremie. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: The 30,000 residents of Jeremie were said to be without water and also facing widespread destruction and no communications. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Satellite phone report from Jeremie: "not many lives lost, but everything not cement completely destroyed." [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Satellite phone report from Jeremie: "Some cement roofs ripped off but cement structures still in place." [Source](#)
- Oct 5: "Seems there is no power and/or cell towers and/or diesel to run them. The road/bridge (TiGoave) is out which connects Jeremie to the rest of Haiti which means no commerce to that area either. No word about the dangerous mountainous road between Cayes and Jeremie. Wondering about mudslides. And one report said that 80% of the crops have been destroyed and almost all of the plantain/banana trees." [Source](#)
- Oct 4: An orphanage in Jérémie is underwater, 123 children have been displaced including 17 disabled. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Roofs swept into town, sea level risen. (*toits emportés dans la ville, la mer qui monte*). [Source](#)

#### Dame Marie:

- Oct 5: Catholic Relief Services staff reported almost all of the buildings in Dame Marie, a town of 15,000 people, were destroyed. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: A lot of damage with roofs houses washed away and flood according to Daniel Gerard Rouzier. (*beaucoup de dégâts matériels avec toits maisons emportés et inondation selon Daniel Gerard Rouzier*). [Source](#)

### Nippes Department

- Oct 4: List of shelters in Nippes. [Source](#)

#### Anse a Veau:

- Oct 4: In Anse a Veau the sea has entered the bottom of the city. Several destroyed houses. (*Anse à Veau: la mer est entrée au bas de la ville. Plusieurs maisons détruites.*) [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Plantations destroyed. [Source](#)

#### L'Asile:

- Oct 5: The roofs were blown off of Saint Joseph School and L'EFA in L'Asile. (*Ne resterait que quelques maisons de tôle debout à Jeremie et aux Cayes, selon premiers témoignages en provenance de la zone*). [Source](#)
- Oct 5: L'Asile houses swept away by water, damage to plantations and cattle swept away. (*L'Asile maisons emportées par les eaux, dégâts au niveau des plantations et bétails emportés...*) [Source](#)

#### Miragoâne:

- Oct 4: Damage to Miragoâne (photo). [Source](#)

#### Petit-Trou:

- Oct 4: Reported damage in Petit-Trou and Baraderes. [Source](#)

#### Petite Rivière de Nippes:

- Oct 4: Per someone's message, Petite Rivière de Nippes is totally submerged. Grandparent's house by the sea destroyed. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo - Petite-Rivière-de-Nippes. [Source](#)

#### Plaisance du Sud:

- Oct 4: A lot of houses destroyed in Plaisance du Sud. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo - Damage in Plaisance du Sud. [Source](#)

### **Nord Department**

#### La Victoire:

- Oct 4: L'École de Fontaine in La Victoire was destroyed by wind. [Source](#)

### **Nord-Ouest Department**

#### Baie de Henne:

- Oct 5: Most houses on the Baie de Henne seafront were destroyed by waves, and there has been considerable damage in the town. (*La plupart des maisons situées sur le bord de mer de Baie de Henne ont été détruites par d'énormes vagues qui ont aussi envahi le centre-ville causant des dégâts considérables.*) [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Strong winds, big waves and heavy rains on Baie de Henne. Many people were evacuated. (Creole: *Forts vents, grosses vagues et fortes pluies sur Baie de Henne, dans le Nord-Ouest. De nombreuses personnes sont évacuées.*) [Source](#)

#### Bombardopolis:

- Oct 5: Action Contre La Faim estimates that at least 20 000 people are impacted just in Bombardopolis. (*Nous estimons qu'au moins 20 000 personnes sont impactées rien que sur Bombardopolis.*) [Source](#)

#### Môle-Saint-Nicolas:

- Oct 5: The Northwest Haiti Mission Christian Mission is damaged. Haiti 323 Project personnel have been unable to reach fishing villages and villages in the mountains today to assess. The Haiti 323 campus and the orphanage is

damaged. Some homes in town damaged while others were completely destroyed. 4 people may have died in the fishing village of Kapafu. There are a lot of displaced people. The charcoal is wet so no one can cook. [Source](#)

- Oct 5: “Mole Saint Nicolas my hometown, been devastated by this horrible hurricane.” [Source](#)

#### Port de Paix:

- Oct 5: “Haiti Red Cross / Port de Paix supported by American Red Cross reached high risk areas today & warned people to go safe. 100+ are in 3 shelters now.” [Source](#)

### Ouest Department

#### Croix des Missions

- Oct 4: The bridge from the Croix des Mission (RN8) is closed to both pedestrian and automobile traffic. (*Le pont de la Croix des Missions fermé a la circulation piétonne et automobile*). [Source](#)

#### Ganthier:

- Oct 5: Major floods in Ganthier. [Source](#)

#### Leogane:

- Oct 5: “Just heard from our translator in Leogane. He is reporting widespread damage, crops destroyed and bridge out.” [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Earthquake shelters finally destroyed. Housing solutions needed in rural Leogane. (photo) [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Photo of flooding in Leogane. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Photo of flooding in Leogane. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo of flooding. [Source](#)

#### Port-au-Prince:

- Oct 5: The zone of Vodrey in Cite Soleil has suffered severe damage. The Grey River breached its banks early this morning, causing massive floods in the area. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Malteser International Americas announced emergency relief measures for children and families, specifically to the community of Cite Soleil. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: 10 am - Power has been cut down. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: In Gressier, a local elected indicates that 80% of agricultural plots of communal section are totally destroyed. In Petionville wind threw trees damaging houses. The river Grise is in flood and threatens to leave its banks and flood the Cul de Sac Plain, including vulnerable communes of Damien, Tabarre, Cite Soleil and every neighborhood from Cazeau to Marin. In Petit-Goâve trees have fallen to downtown and it is impossible to move. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Rue Fleury Bathier: a high voltage cable out in the street, EDH is requested to take steps if it is not done yet. [Source](#)

- Oct 4: Zone Alerte Street, Street Champ de Mars problem of flooded street caused by cars parked on sidewalks obstructing the flow of water. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Rue Saint Martin: Potable water supply problem reported. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Director of Digital Communications for @moisejovenel and @phtkhaiti. Reported that in Leogane @digicelht is working fine but there is no electricity [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Port-au-Prince: equipment, mattresses, sleeping bags, basic necessities, emergency health kits needed. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo: Downed trees (photo). [Source](#)

#### Petit Goave

- Oct 5: 100 Families have taken shelter in a local school. ASB intends to supply food to them tomorrow. Planning further assistance in general. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: The Mayor of Petit Goave confirms that three people lost their lives so far. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Laboule road was closed because of falling trees causing a traffic jam. [Source](#)

### Sud Department

#### Arniquet:

- Oct 5: Photos of damage. [Source](#)

#### Aux Anglais:

- Oct 4: 50 houses have been destroyed in Aux Anglais. [Source](#) & [Source2](#)

#### Cavaillon:

- Oct 5: "Cavaillon mayor tells @RTVCaraibes they have at least 4 dead and at least "a thousand houses destroyed" [Source](#)

#### DanDann and Duverger:

- Oct 5: The MWTS Mission has an unfinished clinic that people are using as a refugee camp. The remaining trees are gone, and many houses have been destroyed. They will need help. [Source](#)

#### Les Cayes:

- Oct 5: "Most of tin-roofs are down from the history Catholic Cathédrale, sacre heart, to countless of houses from the city of Aquin to Les Anglais." [Source](#)
- Oct 5: There is no electricity in Les Cayes and damage to even substantial buildings, including the Church, schools and the roof of the hospital. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Photo: "That's what is left from St Anne church in my parents hometown in Camp Perrin, Cayes. We Still haven't been able to reach home to find out more about our people and home." [Source](#)

- Oct 5: Torbeck: This area was badly damaged by Hurricane Matthew. All trees are down, all livestock are gone, most houses badly damaged, and an antenna was knocked down. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo of major flooding. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: 09.30 am - Hurricane Matthew has hit Les Cayes. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: In Port-Salut communications are down. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: The Ravine to the South is flooded and inundated the city of les Cayes [Source](#)
- Oct 4: 12.20 pm - in Île à Vache up to 4 feet of flooding, houses damaged, farms lost. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Items needed in Les Cayes and Jacmel areas: generators, shovels, wheelbarrows, pumps to pull water out of homes, tarps & metal sheeting to cover areas, food, bottled water, ready to eat food, blankets. Housing for families is needed too. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Video - Building Destroyed. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo - Storm surge. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo - Major flooding. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Real time photos and videos on Radio Television Caraibes page. [Source](#)

#### Chardonnières:

- Oct 4: In Chardonnières people aren't able to reach their families or know what's happening. [Source](#)

#### Côteaux:

- Oct 4: One home fell and a pregnant woman was injured in Roche-à-Bateaux . *(Une maison est tombée et une femme enceinte blessé)*. [Source](#)

#### Gerard:

- Oct 4: Relief centers are flooded. City of Gerard is completely destroyed. [Source](#)

#### Plaj Gélée:

- Oct 5: Photo of damage. [Source](#)
- Oct 5: Photo of damage. [Source](#)

#### Port a Piment:

- Oct 5: 99% of houses have sustained heavy blows. The Catholic Church had its roof blown away. The neighborhood of Anbalarivyè has been taken over by the ocean .No homes are standing in that area. [Source](#)

### [Sud-Est Department](#)

#### Anse-a-Pitres:

- Oct 4: Photo of coastal erosion. [Source](#)

- Oct 4: Video of flooded border crossing at Pedernales and Anse-a-Pitres. [Source](#)

Belle Anse:

- Oct 5: Photos of flooding. [Source](#)

Cotes de Fer:

- Oct 5: Photo - Pont de Cotes de Fer (bridge destroyed). [Source](#)

Jacmel:

- Oct 4: Road to Province of Jacmel is broken. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: There are significant flooding concerns with the river and ocean. Many houses have been destroyed and trees have fallen. There is no electricity. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Significant coastal flooding and severe wind damage to buildings and trees. Cellular phone service continues to be scarce at best. Power is reported to be out within the entire central and western peninsula, making it near impossible for anyone to charge their mobile devices. [Source](#)
- Oct 4: Photo: Damage in Jacmel. [Source](#)