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### The Integrity Commission Establishes Monitoring Framework for Hurricane Relief Efforts

**February 4, 2026-** The Integrity Commission has developed and implemented a monitoring framework aimed at strengthening oversight of government procurement related to Hurricane Melissa recovery efforts. The framework's primary objectives are to monitor the award and implementation of hurricane-related government contracts, conduct post-contract audits of contracts awarded under emergency procurement arrangements and assess the use of public, donor and relief resources during the recovery period.

The framework focuses on the Government of Jamaica's immediate and short-term recovery spending, particularly in circumstances where procurement rules were relaxed to facilitate urgent response, restoration and reconstruction. Through this process, the Commission will identify potential red flags, assess risk areas and evaluate the effectiveness of emergency procurement measures. Where breaches or irregularities are detected, the Commission will investigate to determine the appropriate course of action and, where necessary, make recommendations to strengthen accountability and the management of public funds during national disasters.

To support effective monitoring, all procuring entities are required to **tag hurricane-related procurement activities as “Hurricane Melissa Recovery,”** ensuring that such transactions are clearly identifiable and traceable.

This initiative follows the passage of Hurricane Melissa in October 2025 and the Commission's November 3, 2025 advisory, which signalled its intention to deploy its monitoring and investigative resources to address acts of corruption or impropriety linked to hurricane relief efforts.

Procuring entities, public officers and members of the public are encouraged to report any suspected irregularities or acts of corruption related to Hurricane Melissa recovery procurement activities to the Commission through the following modalities:

**Visit or write to -**

Integrity Commission  
Information and Complaints  
Division  
Sagicor SIGMA Building  
63-67 Knutsford Boulevard  
Kingston 5

**By telephone –**

876-926-0001  
876-929-6460  
876-929-8560

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<https://www.integrity.gov.jm/report-corruption-or-impropriety>

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