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### Community-Based Disaster Risk Management in Vietnam

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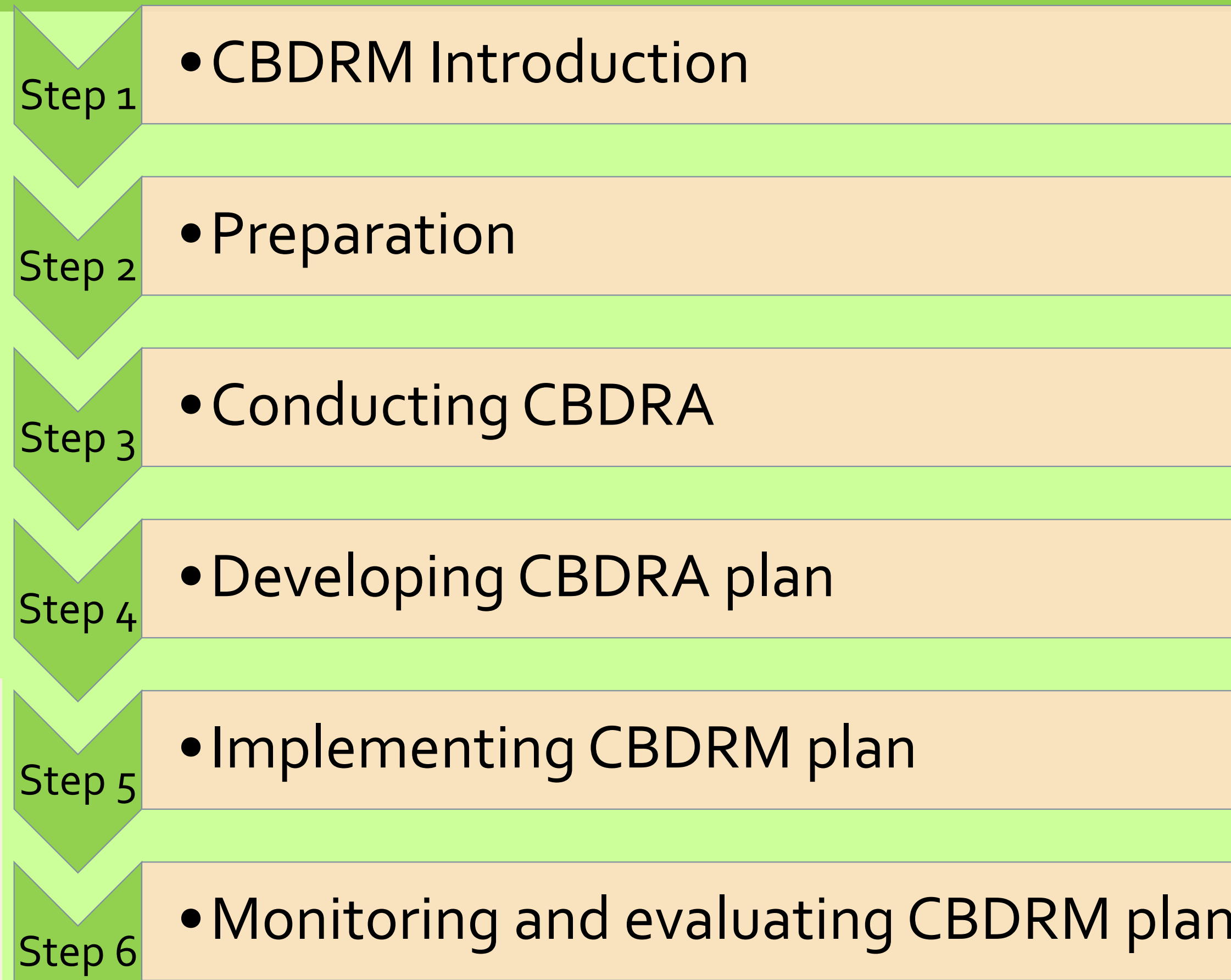
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**Introduction**

Vietnam ranks sixth in the top ten countries impacted by weather-related loss events. With around 70% of the country’s population exposed to natural disasters (Eckstein, et al, 2017) Vietnam loses more than 1.5 % of GDP(Xiaolan Wang, et al, 2010) annually due to disasters. Disaster risk management has become a challenging task for development in Vietnam.

**What Is CBDRM?**

Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) is approach in which at risk communities are actively engaged in identification, analysis, treatment, monitoring and evaluation of disaster risks in order to reduce their vulnerabilities and enhance their capacities. The product of CBDRM process is a CBDRM plan [3]



*Steps of CBDRM process*

**Difficulties in CBDRM**

**Development, Implementation**

- Lack of community participation in plan development
- Lack of budget for CBDRM activities

**Key Factors to Ensure a Successful CBDRM Model**

1. Disaster management should be integrated into social economic development goal: once the goal is set, there will be an appropriate budget line
2. Ensuring that people at grassroots level are always engaged in all steps of CBDRM
3. CBDRM plans revised annually based on the results from community meetings
4. Training provided to key officials and community members

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*First aid training . Source: ADRA in Vietnam*



*A beneficiary received a water jar to prepare for draught and saltwater intrusion in Mekong Delta, Vietnam. Source: ADRA in Vietnam*