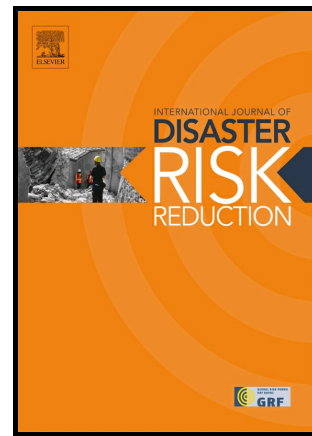


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### ABSTRACT

There has been an increase in disasters over the past 20 years. Community-based institutions and organisations such as local government, community neighborhood and international organisations have been recognized as important elements in disaster management. To be more effective, it is important that these institutions are integrating disaster reduction (DRR). For this study, the integration process of the community-based organisations and institutions was analyzed. The documentation and analysis were complemented with thirteen in- depth interviews with respondents from governmental and non-governmental institutions. Two focus group discussions with respondents were with community-based organisations such as the health neighbourhood members; community leadership and women group representatives were also involved. The analysis further sought to document and factors that have shaped or hindered the process.

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