

# STORM SURGES

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A satellite image showing a large, dark, swirling storm system over the Indian Ocean, with a bright eye in the center. The surrounding landmasses are visible in shades of green and brown, with some white clouds scattered across the region.

## CYCLONE NARGIS

“What we are witnessing is not an aberration, but rather a ‘curtain raiser’ on the future. These events are not abnormal; they’re what I call the ‘new normal.’ The number of recorded disasters has doubled from approximately 200 to over 400 per year over the past two decades. Nine of out every ten disasters are now climate related. Last year, my office at the UN issued an unprecedented 15 funding appeals for sudden natural disasters, five more than the previous annual record. 14 of them were climate-related.” —Sir John Holmes, Under-Secretary General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

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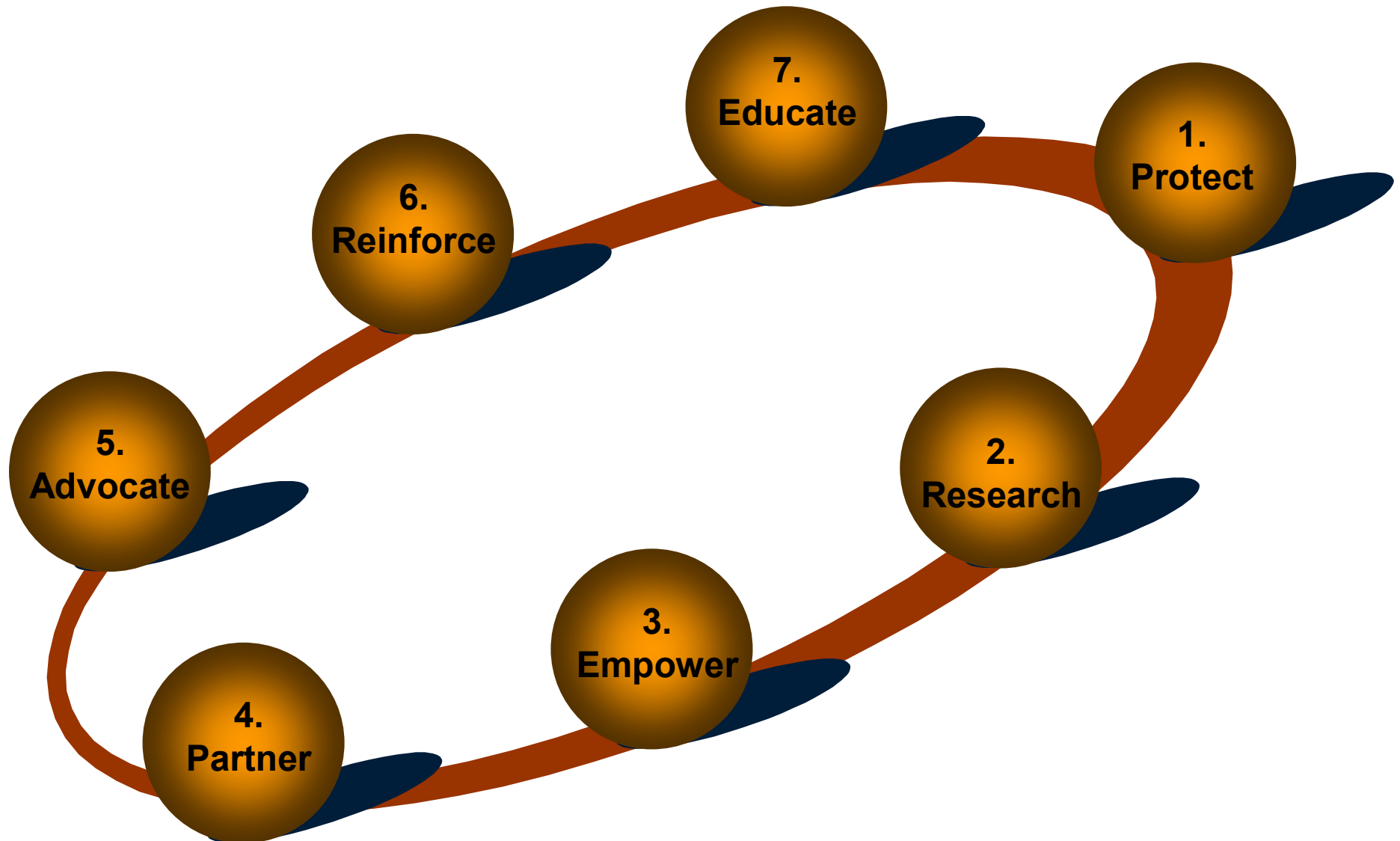
*“ For tomorrow belongs to the people who **PREPARE** for it today. ”*

*--African Proverb*

1. Climate Change
2. Climate Storms
3. Climate Preparedness

# CLIMATE PREPAREDNESS

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## Protect

1. Disasters destroy development
2. Preparedness protects progress
3. Climate change: potential to undo 50 years of human development



# RESEARCH PRIORITIES

