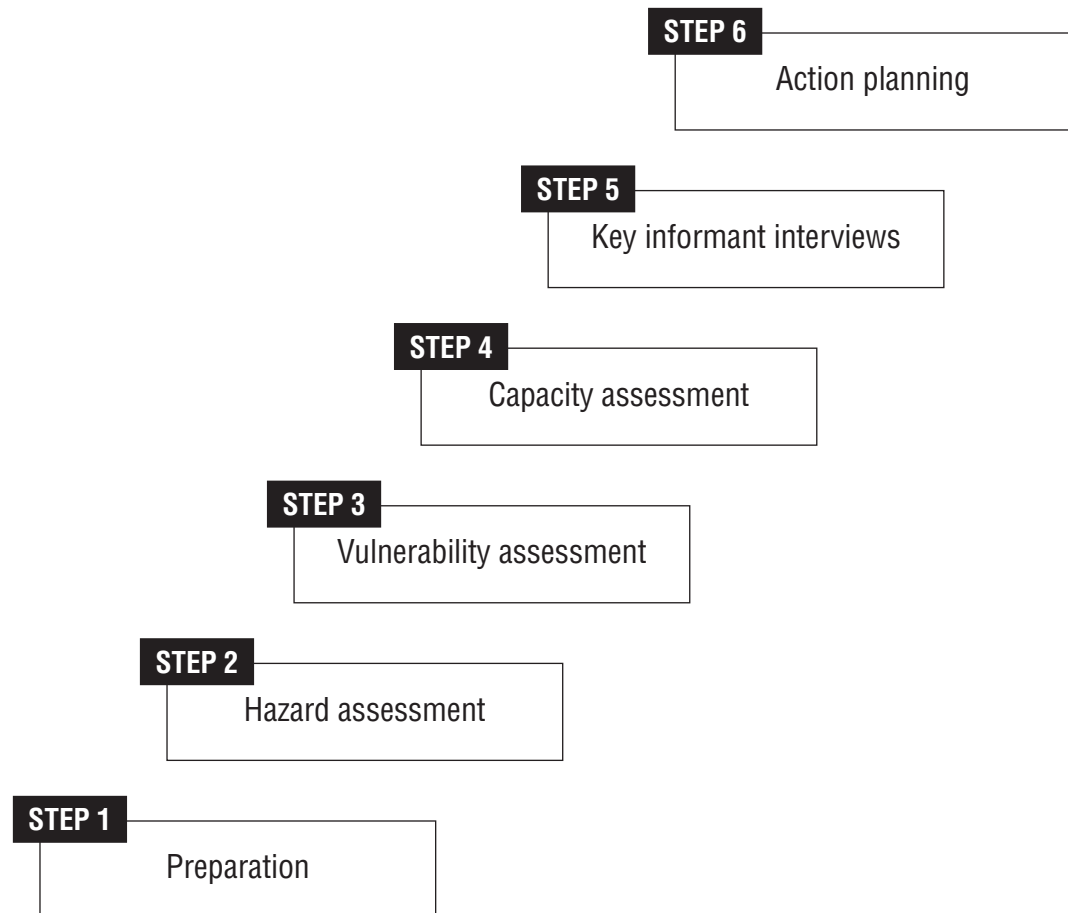


The six steps of Participatory Assessment of Disaster Risk



PADR is a process of six steps. Preparation must always come first. Vulnerability assessment can only occur after hazard assessment, as people's vulnerability relates to a particular hazard. Action planning must come last, once all the other steps have been carried out. However, within these constraints the steps can be varied. For example, focus groups may find it helpful to discuss capacities at the same time as vulnerabilities rather than later on. Some key informant interviews may occur at different points in the process.

The aim of PADR is for stakeholders (local people, facilitation team and key informants) to:

- understand the risks experienced by local people and the causes of their vulnerability
- understand local capacities
- identify activities that will be carried out to reduce the risk of disaster.