

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD  
Form 8-K  
September 21, 2005

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

**Current Report**  
**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **September 21, 2005 (September 21, 2005)**

## AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Bermuda**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-31721**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**98-0395986**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**106 Pitts Bay Road**  
**Pembroke, Bermuda**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**HM 08**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **441-296-2600**

**Not Applicable**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01**                      **Other Events.**

On September 21, 2005, AXIS Capital Holdings Limited, a Bermuda company, issued the press release attached hereto regarding net losses related to Hurricane Katrina.

**Item 9.01.**                      **Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c)                                      Exhibits

99.1                      Press Release dated September 21, 2005.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: September 21, 2005

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

By:            /s/            Carol S. Rivers  
  Carol S. Rivers  
  General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description of Document</b>
99.1	Press Release dated September 21, 2005.