PARTNERSHIP FOR DISASTER REDUCTION IN SOUTH EAST ASIA: THE UNESCAP and ADPC EXPERIENCE

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Partnership for Disaster Reduction South East Asia (PDR-SEA)

- Initiated in 2001 to promote CBDRM in SE Asia; Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Timor Leste, Vietnam, Philippines, Thailand

- Funded by ECHO and Implemented in collaboration with UNESCAP
Objective

An improved, enabling environment for CBDRM through promoting ownership in national programs and local entities, enhancing the capabilities of CBDRM practitioners and the expansion and strengthening of partnerships

PDRSEA Phase I- 2001-2002
PDRSEA Phase II- 2003-2004
PDRSEA Phase III- 2005-2006
PDR- SEA PROJECTS

- PDR-SEA has gone from Phase 1 to Phase 3 and strengthened networking

- PDA-SEA has grown stronger in CBDRM and produced a good number of tools and reference materials

- PDA-SEA has strengthened the foundation for a regional framework for cooperation on DRR before HFA

- PDA-SEA now has more regional and partners to make it more effective and more sustainable under HFA
Insights Gained in Partnership

• Take `helicopter’ view of the operating environment
• Take an `ant’s eye’ view of ground reality
• Network and identify opportunities for partnerships and maximizing impact
Generated Community Ownership and Action
Critical Guidelines for CBDRM

Rationale
- Diverse practices (at times) leading to confusion
- Assessing contribution to community lives
- Accountability of NGOs, donors, governments
- Challenges of integrating and mainstreaming
Critical Guidelines for CBDRM

Potential Application

- Serve as Benchmarks for the sector
- Guidelines for Project Planning & Design
- Indicators for Project Evaluation & Impact Assessment
- Basis for Advocacy & Policy formulation
- Materials for staff orientation/training
Critical Guidelines for CBDRM

Target Users

- Individuals, groups, organizations & departments concerned with the:
  - Planning, design and implementation of community based initiatives & projects;
  - Evaluation of community based initiatives;
  - Advocacy on mainstreaming CBDRM;
  - Policy making on community based disaster risk reduction;
Critical Guidelines on CBDRM (Standards)

• Process Indicators
  - Process 1: Undertake groundwork for CBDRD
  - Process 2: Select communities for CBDRM through risk assessment
  - Process 3: Build rapport and understand the community
  - Process 4: Participator disaster risk management planning
  - Process 5: Community-managed Implementation of Risk Reduction Measures
  - Process 6: Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation
Critical Guidelines on CBDRM

- **Outcome Indicators**
  - Outcome 1: Community based organisation (CBO)
  - Outcome 2: Community Disaster Risk Reduction Fund
  - Outcome 3: Community Hazard, Vulnerability, Capacity Map (HVCM)
  - Outcome 4: Community Disaster Risk Management Plan
  - Outcome 5: CBO Training System
  - Outcome 6: Community Drills System
  - Outcome 7: Community Learning System
  - Outcome 8: Community Early Warning System
Initiated the Integration of DRR in Development Planning

- To increase likelihood of implementation
- To reduce cost
- To help set the scientific and engineering research agenda to focus on DRR
- To benefit the most disadvantaged populations
Maximized Opportunities for Regional Networking

- Global / regional mechanisms
- Regional programs
- Meetings of regional organizations and regional offices of UN agencies
Opportunities for Regional Networking

- Regional newsletters
- Regional conferences
- E-forums, listservs, websites
Promoted Lender and Donor Support

- Change the context for donor-recipient interaction
- Make it easy for donors and lenders
- Promote accountability for losses
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Energetic
Active advocates
Convincing champions
Analytic
effective