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THE THIRD APEC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CEOs' FORUM 2009

(Ha Noi, 15-17 September 2009)

Organized by: APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness (TFEP)

Hosted by: Viet Nam

Tuesday, 15th September 2009 - Day 1

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08:00 - 09:00	CEOs' Forum Steering Committee meeting					
	Australia, Indonesia, Peru, Viet Nam, Japan, USA)					
09.00 - 09:30	30 Registration					
Opening Session	on					
09:30- 09.45 Welcome remarks						
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development						
	CEOs' Forum Introduction					
	Mr. Antony Charles Pearce (CEOs' Forum Steering Committee representative)					
09.45 - 10.00	Coffee break					
Session I: Over	rview of disaster risks and management in Asia	Pacific –				
Impl	ications to development growth and Regional c	ooperation				
Chaired by Mr.	Antony Charles Pearce					
Dire	ctor General – Attorney-General Department – E	mergency Management Australia				
10.00 - 10.30	Overview of disaster risks and management in	Mr. Chris Chiesa				
	Asia Pacific – Implications to development growth – Regional cooperation	Chief Information Officer				
	3	Pacific Disaster Center				
10.30 – 11.00	APEC cooperation on disaster and emergency preparedness – achievements and challenges With focus on: Reviewing the implementation of "Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the	Mr. Vincent Liu Program Director of APEC Secretariat				

	Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015"	
11.00 – 11.30	ASEAN's experience of disaster risks and	Mr. Tabrani
	management – Possible cooperation between APEC and ASEAN	DM Steering Council of BNPB
	THE UNITED IN	Indonesia
11.30 – 12.00	Public-private partnership in disaster	Mr. Yunsong Yang
	preparedness and management in Asia Pacific	Board member of Beijing Global Safety Technology Co. Ltd.
		President of XY Internation Group
		Representative of Viet Nam
12.00 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.00 – 14.30	Identifying CEOs' role in strengthening	Mr. Antony Charles Pearce
	regional cooperation with a view to mainstreaming disaster risk reduction into	DG of Attorney-General Department
	development	Emergency Management Australia
14.30 – 15.00	Discussion	
	Expected outcomes of discussion:	
	1. Reviewing the overall picture of disaster risk	and management in the region.
	2. Exploring the possibilities of strengthening multilateral) as well as public private partners.	
	4. Identifying the CEOs' role in this process (Spe	ecific Action to be taken by CEOs)
15.00 – 15.15	Coffee break	
Session II: Ove Learned	rview of disaster risk and management in the A	Asia Pacific – Practices and Lessons
Chair Viet Nar	n	
15.15 – 16.00	1. Australian Bushfire 2009 – presented by Aust	tralia
	2. One year after Sichuan earthquake: China rep	ort on her efforts - presented by China
	3. The situation and rapid recovery from Typhoo	on Morakot – presented by Chinese Taipei
	4. Viet Nam's experiences on disaster preparedn	ess and response – presented by Viet Nam
16.00 – 16.45	Climate Change Adaptation	
	1. Extreme weather and climate related disasters in APEC region: role of climate information in emergency preparedness with focus on public health, food and energy security 2. What's going on in APEC	Dr. Saji N Hameed APEC Climate change Center (APCC)

	Influenza A/H1N1				
16.45 - 17.15	1. Brief update on the current situation of H1N1 in Asia Pacific region – How to strengthen the regional cooperation in the fight against H1N1 and other epidemic influenza	Mr. Jean-Marc Olivé WHO representative in Viet Nam			
17.15 – 17.30	2. APEC Cooperation	APEC Health Working Group			
17.15 – 17.30	Discussion				
	Expected outcomes of discussion:				
	1. Sharing experiences among member economic	es			
	2. Exploring the possibilities of cooperation				
18.30 – 21.00	Welcoming Dinner				

Wednesday, 16th September 2009 - Day 2

Session III: Increasing awareness on risk identification and management							
Chaired by Mr.	Chaired by Mr. Tabrani						
TFE	P Co-chair						
9.00 – 9.30	Keynote speech: The importance of increasing awareness on risk identification and	Mr. Huy Nguyen Regional Coordinator					
7.00 - 7.30	management (Presenting the survey on the awareness of different sectors on emergency preparedness)	UN/ISDR Secretariat					
	prepareunessy	Asia and the Pacific					
	Panel: 1. Policies of disaster management and response and how to increase the public awareness – from government's perspectives	The United States					
9.30 – 10.30	2. Whole of Government approach to National Preparedness and the Private Sector"	Mr. Alphonse F. La Porta Advisor to US Foreign Ministry in Kosovo					
	3. CEOs' point of views on the issue – what and how CEOs can do?	Viet Nam Red Cross Association					
	4. Member economies share experiences and best practises	Member economies					
10.30 – 11.00	Discussion						

	Expected outcomes of discussion:					
	1. Reviewing the actual state of recognizing the importance of raising awareness of all stakeholders on disaster and emergency risk and management, especially in the context of high incidence of natural disasters and economic downturn.					
	2. Putting forward cooperative measures and recommendations, identifying the role of CEOs.					
11.00 – 11.15	Coffee break					
10.45 – 11.30	Integrating disaster risk awareness and mana	ngement education into school curricula:				
	1. Overview	Mr. Arghya Sinha Roy				
		Program Manager				
		Dept. Disaster Management Systems				
		Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre				
	2. Integrating disaster risk awareness and	Mr. Darren Taylor				
	management education into school curricula – Experience of Australia	Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority				
	3. How can APEC response to the instructions	Mr. Quinton Devlin				
	by APEC Ministers of Education in 2008.	TFEP Co-chair				
11.30 – 12.00	Discussion					
	Expected outcomes of discussion:					
	1. Developing possible recommendations relating management education into school.	ng to integrating disaster risk awareness and				
12.00 – 14.00	Lunch break					
Session IV: Str Asia Pacific Re	engthening the linkages and cooperation amon gion	ng emergency management agencies in				
Chaired by Mr.	Quinton Devlin					
TFE	EP Co-chair					
14.00 – 14.30	Reviewing CEOs' actions in 2008 and 2009 to promote the implementation of the Strategy and work plan in 2010	CEO from Peru				
14.30 – 15.00	Report on the outcomes of the APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques	Indonesia <tbc></tbc>				
15.00 – 15.15	Presentation of discussion paper on Emergency Management Volunteers	Australia				

15.15 – 15.30	Coffee break				
15.30 – 16.00	Reinforcing the CEOs' Forum and next steps	Steering Committee representative			
16.00 – 16.30	Japanese presentation on the 4 th CEOs' Forum	Japan			
16.30 – 16.45	Discussion				
	Expected outcomes of discussion:				
	1. Exploring measures to put forth the efficient in the role of public – private partnership is strength	1			
	2. Consolidating the CEOs' Forum, bringing out	guidelines of follow up actions.			
	3. Support outcomes of the APEC workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques and recommend to the APEC Task Force for Emergency Preparedness for its endorsement.				
16.45 – 17.30	Wrap up Session				
	Chaired by:				
	Mr. Tabrani, Mr. Quinton Devlin (TFEP Co-ch	nairs) and			
	Mr. Antony Pearce (CEOs' Forum Steering Committee representative)				
	Expected outcomes:				
	Draft of Summary Report and possible recomme	endations of the 3 rd APEC CEOs' Forum			

Thursday 17th September 2009 - Day 3

7.00 – 9.30	Leave Ha Noi for Quang Ninh Province
9.30 – 11.00	Meeting with Quang Ninh Province authority to share experiences in confronting with emergency cases.
11.00 – 16.00	Tour to Ha Long Bay
16.00 18.30	Come back to Ha Noi

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Key Decisions and Recommendations

- 1. CEOs underlined the importance of **public-private partnerships** in disaster preparedness, management and response, and agreed to share their economies' experiences and challenges ahead of the APEC Workshop on Public-Private Partnerships for Business Resilience in 2010 and to explore ways to foster corporate social responsibility, business resilience and operational continuity.
- 2. CEOs agreed that disaster risk education and communication was critical to business and community preparedness, particularly the integration of disaster education in school curricula and the use and effectiveness of hazard warnings to inspire action. CEOs considered draft principles on integrating disaster education in school curricula and recommended TFEP finalise APEC-wide guidelines.
- 3. CEOs recognised the important role that **volunteers** both government and non government play in disaster management and response, and agreed to share experiences and challenges. CEOs agreed to discuss this issue further at the next Forum and welcomed Australia's offer to investigate the possibility of a workshop.
- 4. CEOs underscored the importance of clarity on the potential impacts of **climate change** and extreme weather events so that the disaster management community can plan for the future.
- 5. CEOs welcomed in principle the TFEP's draft principles on **disaster damage and loss assessments**, highlighting the importance of capturing the full socio-economic impact to justify resource allocations for disaster risk reduction activities.
- 6. CEOs accepted Japan's invitation to **meet again in Kobe** in January 2010 with a view to sharing experiences and lessons learned on urban risk reduction and climate change adaptation. CEOs agreed to develop a business plan to set the strategic direction of the Forum. CEOs also noted the 4th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction next year in the Republic of Korea.
- 7. CEOs urged APEC Senior Officials to renew the mandate of the APEC Task Force for Emergency Preparedness (TFEP) until 2013, and reinforced the importance of APEC member economies supported by the TFEP implementing the *Strategy on Disaster Risk Reduction and Disaster Management and Response in the APEC Region 2009-2015.* CEOs also recommended SOM consider upgrading the TFEP to a permanent APEC working group.
- 8. CEOs agreed to enhance cooperation with regional institutions.



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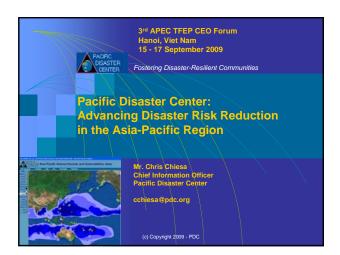


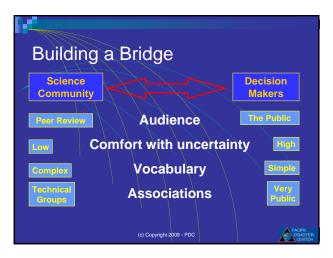
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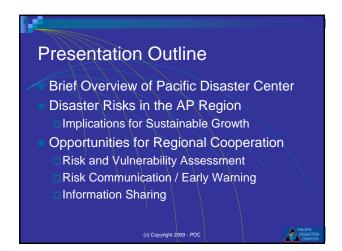
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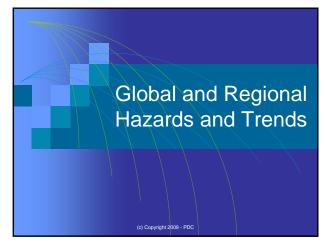


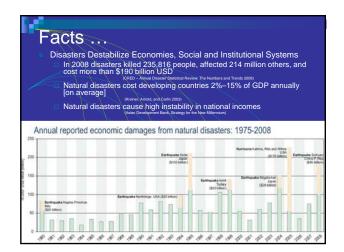


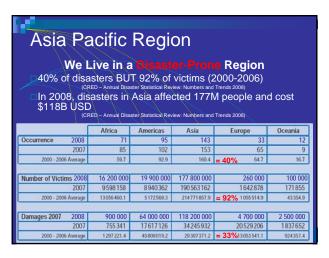


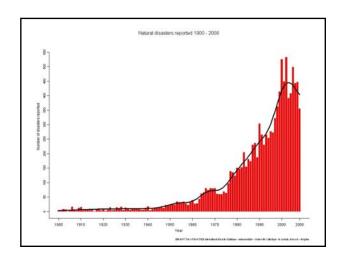


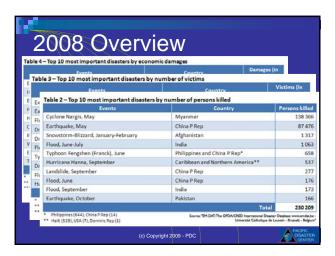


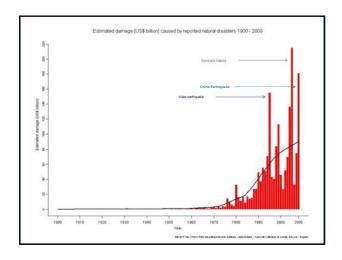


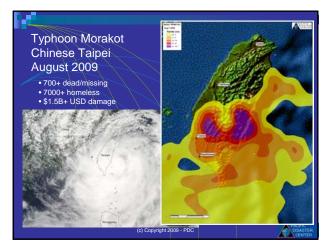


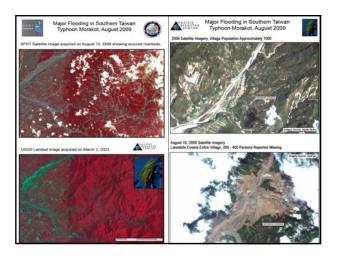


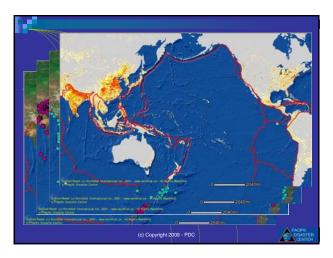


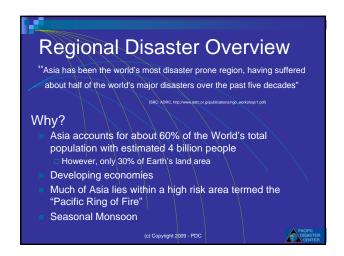


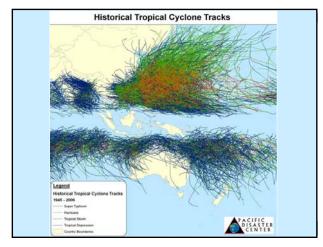


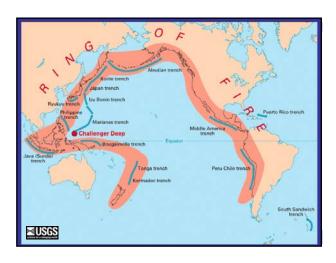






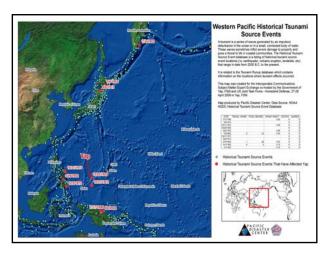


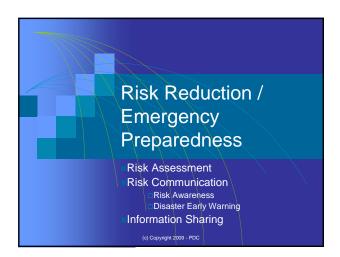


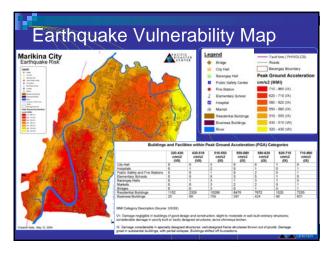


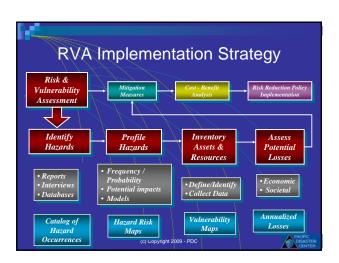






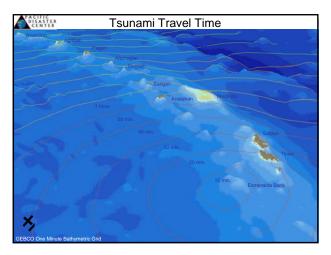






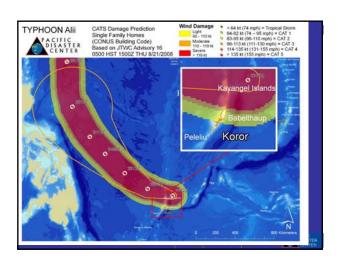


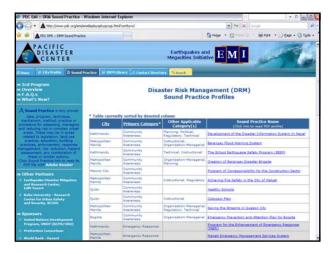




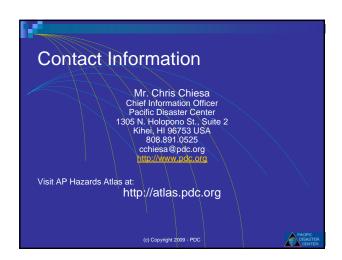












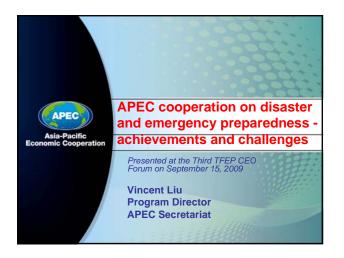


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APEC cooperation on disaster and emergency preparedness - achievements and challenges

Submitted by: Mr. Vincent Liu APEC Secretariat

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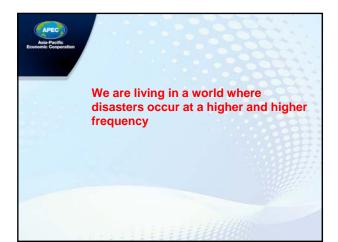
Overview on APEC cooperation on disaster and emergency preparedness

-Role of TFEP CEO Forum

-CEO Forum and Strategy

-TFEP Projects

-Achievements and Challenges



-- 2009 Morakot Typhoon hit Chinese Taipei and China, and earthquake hit West Java of Indinesia
--2008 earthquake in Sichuan, China
--2007 earthquake in Peru
-- 2005 Hurricane Katrina
-- 2004 Tsunami







- TFEP CEO Forum was initiated and planned by Australia. The first CEO Forum was successfully in held in Cairns in 2007
- In the 2008 Forum in Peru, subject to a biennial renewal of the TFEP mandate, it is proposed that APEC Emergency Management CEOs agree to continue to hold an annual Forum for at least the next five years - until 2013.

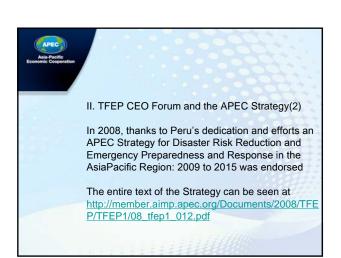


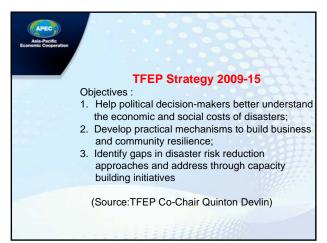
I. Role of CEO Forum (3)

It provides chance for TFEP to interact with other like-minded organizaions where we can learn from each other.

II. TFEP CEO Forum and the APEC Strategy(1)

In 2007, TFEP CEO Forum agreed to develop a 3-5 year strategic plan for the Task Force taking into account the human and political imperative for more effective emergency preparedness and risk reduction as well as more timely and effective disaster response;







TFEP Strategy 2009-15

Approach:

- 1. Disasters should be prepared for jointly
- 2. Recovery should be long-term
- 3. Risk should be managed prospectively
- 4. Supports Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA)
- 5. Complement, not duplicate

(Source:TFEP Co-Chair Quinton Devlin)



TFEP Strategy 2009-15

- This Strategy is a guideline for both governments and a guideline for APEC
- The strategy is based on APEC's own TFEP stocktake outcome and not to duplicate what has already been identified under the Hyogo Framework, but to develop actions that are more consistent with APEC's structure of action draw on Hyogo Framework For Action



TFEP Stocktake Outcome

(Drafted by Indonesia)

The most identified Disaster types in APEC region are:

- → Flood
- → Earthquakes
- → Typhoons/Hurricanes/Tornados
- → Urban Fire/Rural/Forest/Bush Fire
- → Agricultural/Animal Health Emergencies
- → Population Health Emergencies (such as Pandemics)



TFEP Stocktake Outcome

(Drafted by Indonesia)

With regard to TRAINING PROGRAMS

Priorities for Future Joint Regional Training
Programs, the most needed training programs
are:

- 1. Community Emergency Preparedness (CEPP)
- 2. Community Based Disaster Management
- 3. Vulnerability & Risk Assessment/Risk Map Analysis
- 4. Training of Trainers on Disaster Management
- 5. Emergency Relief Assistance

http://member.aimp.apec.org/Documents/2008/TFE P/TFEP1/08_tfep1_004.pdf



Hyogo Framework for Action (1)

There are five Priorities for Action:

- Ensure that disaster risk reduction is a national and a local priority with a strong institutional basis for implementation
- Identify, assess and monitor disaster risks and enhance early warning.
- Use knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels;



Hyogo Framework for Action (2)

- 4. Reduce the underlying risk factors
- Strengthen disaster preparedness for effective response at all levels.



These five priorities for action may shape APEC's agenda, and could include the following key issues, which are stated in the Hyogo Framework:

- Sustainable development, through disaster risk reduction and adequate environmental management;
- Resilience to adverse situations by strengthening capacities;
- Preparation plans for action in emergencies, contingency plans



(continued)

- Recovery after a disaster through cooperation and financial risk reduction programs by promoting the use of insurances;
- Scientific and technologic development for an adequate monitoring and early warning (information systems)
- Alliances, such as the coordination between the public and private sector
- Social responsibility translated into humanitarian support in crisis situations
- Development of indicators for measuring progress.



TFEP 2009 Workplan and Six Medium-Term Objectives

- 1. business and community resilience;
- 2. public-private partnerships;
- 3. disaster risk reduction;
- 4. cooperation and coordination among heads of APEC emergency management agencies;



TFEP 2009 Workplan and Six Medium-Term Objectives (2)

- 5. preparations for the recovery phase; and
- integration of disaster risk awareness and management education into school curricula.



- > Stocktake Outcome
- > Hyogo Framework for Action
- Annual workplan and medium-term objectives

Three sets of documents constitute foundation for implementing the APEC Strategy and APEC Cooperation for Emergency Preparedness

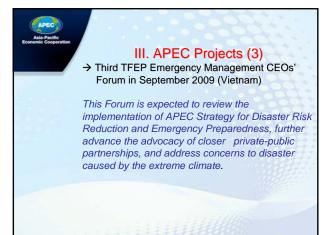


III. APEC Projects (1)

→ Workshop on Large-Scale Disaster Recovery in APEC in September 2008 (Chinese Taipei and China)

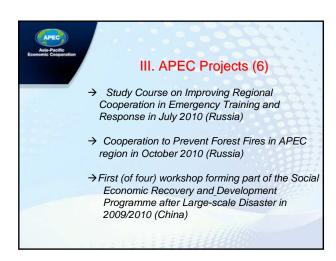
Shared experiences and information on disaster recovery and ways to further enhance the disaster management capacity of APEC member economies. and offer APEC member economies the opportunity to build-up cross border collaboration















IV Achievements and Challenge

Achievements (continued):

- agreed on a Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region 2009-2015, which was welcomed by Leaders and Ministers in Lima
- agreed on APEC Principles on Disaster Response and Cooperation, which were welcomed by Leaders and Ministers in Lima (China)
- Finalisation of an electronic library of disaster risk reduction school education material



IV Achievements and Challenges

Kuala Lumpur Declaration on Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia (December 2008)

- ➤TFEP Co-Chair Quinton Devlin was invited to make presentation on TFEP achievements at the Third Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction
- APEC's accumulated and ongoing efforts was recognized as part of a regional development to further the course of Disaster Risk Reduction in Asia and the Pacific in the KL Declaration.



IV Achievements and Challenges

In 2009 TFEP will collaborate with APEC Climate Change Center and begin to consider including the impact of climate change for disaster management into workplan. This keeps pace with the development of global concern over the disasters caused by extreme climate.



IV Achievements and Challenges

APEC member economies are also leading other international or regional cooperation in emergency preparedness and disaster risk reduction.

- -- Peru in ADEAN Community
- -- Indonesia in ADMC (ASEAN)
- Korea in UN/ISDR Northeast Asia and hosting economy of the 4th AMCDRR





Importance of the 2009 TFEP CEO Forum in Ha Noi, Viet Nam

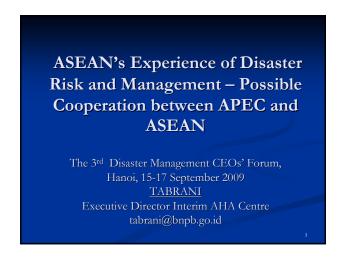


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ASEAN's Experience of Disaster Risk and Management – Possible Cooperation between APEC and ASEAN

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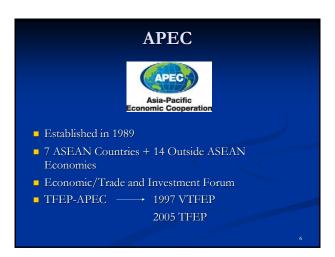




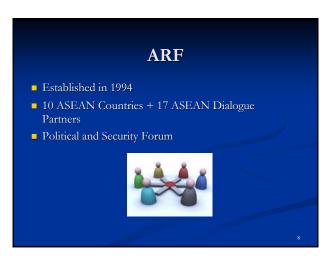






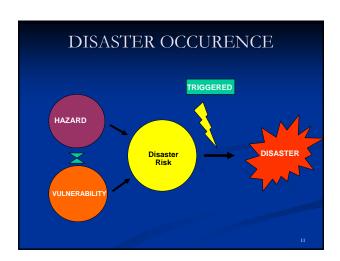


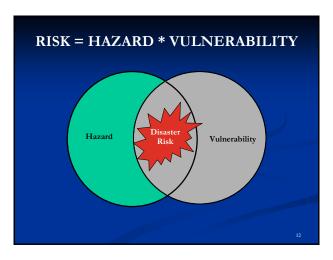


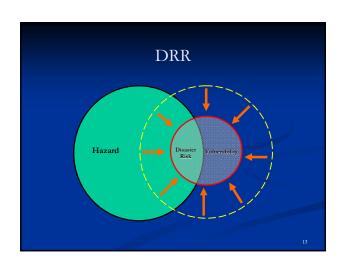


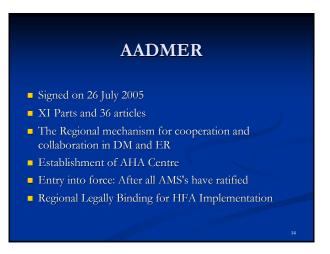


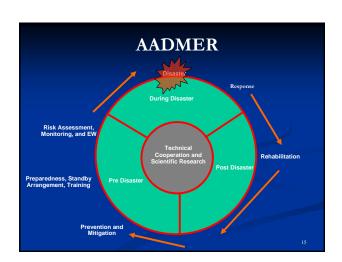














ASEAN Regional Programme on DM (ARPDM) 2004-2010

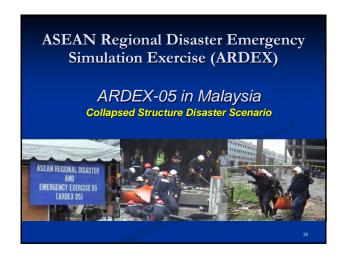
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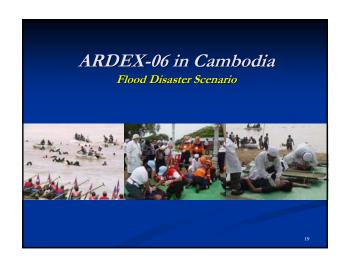
Component 2: Capacity Building

Component 3: Sharing of Information and Resources

Component 4: Promoting Collaboration and Strengthening Partnerships

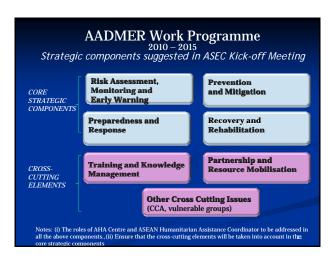
Component 5: Public Education, Awareness, and Advocacy











Working Groups (agreed in Geneva)	
Working Group	Proposed Composition
WG on Preparedness and Response (expanding the Sub Committee on SASOP)	Malaysia (lead), Singapore, Thailand, Philippines
WG on Risk Assessment, Monitoring and EW (expanding the Sub Committee on DISCNet)	Philippines (lead), Singapore, Cambod + Indonesia, Viet Nam
WG on Prevention and Mitigation (expanding the Sub Committee on PEA)	Lao PDR (lead), Thailand, Cambodia, Viet Nam, Philippines
WG on Needs Assessment, and Recovery and Rehabilitation	Indonesia (lead), Singapore, Philippine Brunei Darussalam, Myanmar



Possible Cooperation between APEC and ASEAN

Objectives:

■ To enhance national capacities/capabilities/resilience

Challenge

- Not all ASEAN States is a member of APEC Economie
- All programme must be approved by all 10 ASEAN Member states

Possible cooperation :

- Secretariat to Secretariat
- Center to Center
- Capacity Building, etc

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Emergency Management in China, Research and Solutions

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Contents

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Emergency Response Platform ——
 Our Research and Products
- 3. In 5.12 Earthquake and 2008 Olympics
- 4. Concluding Remarks

The increasing risks to mankind

- □ Along with the social/economic development, risks on: high-rise buildings, oil/gas/water/electricity lifeline system, important infrastructures, key facilities etc.
- □ Natural disasters and their secondary disasters cause great potential risk to lives and properties
- New challenges brought forth by high-tech and information security
- Nuclear and radiological threat
- □ Increasing possibility of foreign biological threat and disease with international trades
- □ The complexity and difficulties in emergency response are rising with the economic development and people's expectation for safety

Our Major Research Projects

We has conducted numerous major projects from government:

- ☐ Framework Design of National Emergency Response Platform System (National, Province, City, and County)
- Software and Database System Development for National ERP
- □ Integrated Prediction and Pre-warning System for National Emergency Response Platform (ERP)
- Emergency Response System for Sichuan Earthquake-Relief Commanding Center
- □ Digital Emergency Response Plan Management System for Beijing City Emergency Response Commander Center
- □ Digital Fire Safety Emergency Response Plans for All 2008 Beijing Olympic Stadiums and Training Centers

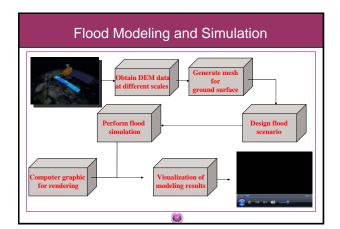
Emergency Response Related Research

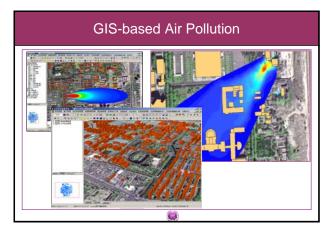
- ☐ Fundamental mechanism and dynamics on the causes of disasters and evaluation of crisis
- □ Multi-scale modeling and visualization on disaster evolution
- □ Risk analysis and pre-warning of disasters
- □ Inspection and detection systems using multiple sensors
- □ Human behaviors under disasters and during evacuation
- □ Human protection technology and equipment
- □ GIS-based prediction and intelligent decision support system
- □ Technologies for digitized emergency response plans
- □ Emergency platform design, hardware and software integration
- ☐ City's comprehensive disaster mitigation and prevention

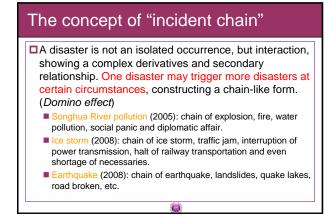
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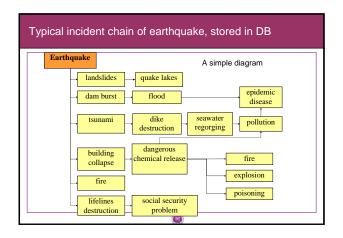


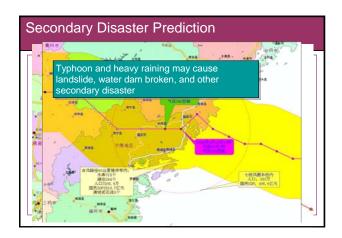
What make us UNIQUE Hardware: design & integration Software: design & development The concept of "model integration" The concept of "incident chain" The concept of "digital response plan" The concept of "data overlay" The concept of "data exchange" The best use of GIS Flexible interfaces with hardware/software







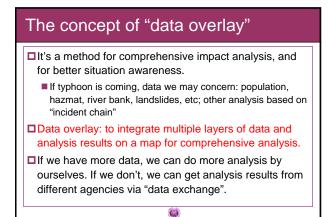


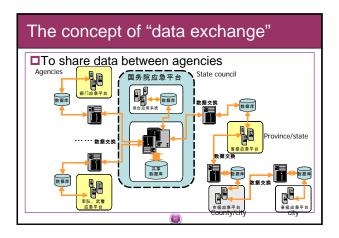


The concept of "digital response plan" □Turn paper works into electronic tables via the deconstruction of response plans □Basic plans: objectives, commander, basic procedures, related agencies, basic functions, etc. □Specific plans: assumed situation and resource dispatch table, procedures, maps and diagrams, etc. □Easy to use/refer to □Use digital response plan to assist the compile of IAP









Our Contribution in Sichuan Earthquake



CPSR and Beijing Global Safety Tech. Co. Ltd. were working in the situation room making situation maps on May 17, 2008



CPSR and Beijing Global Safety Tech. Co. Ltd. were working in Sichuan Emergency Rescue Commander Center







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Restoration and reconstruction Post-wenchuan Earthquake

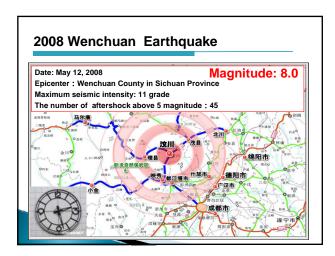
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Restoration and Reconstruction Post-Wenchuan Earthquake Zhang Yunxia Deputy Director Disaster Information Department of National Disaster Reduction Center of China

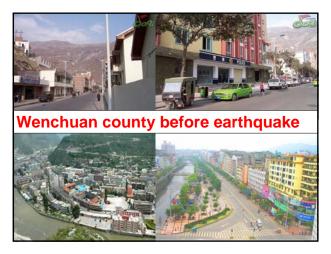
Overview

- Basic Information of the Wenchuan Earthquake
- Measures of Restoration and Reconstruction Work
- Progress of the present rehabilitation work









2008 Wenchuan Earthquake

This is the most destructive, the most widely spread earthquake, and the most difficult to provide relief since the founding of the PRC. !!!





Countermeasures of Restoration and Reconstruction Work The terrain conditions of affected area Disaster areas in this earthquake were mostly mountain valley areas with inconvenient traffic. The traffic, electric power and communication were disrupted by a large-scale. Wenchuan county

Countermeasures of Restoration and Reconstruction Work

Great challenge

- ☐ How to provide tens of thousands of people homeless for food, clothing, temporary shelter and clean water in the shortest period of time?
- How to restore the lives of affected people and production order in a short time?

Countermeasures of Restoration and Reconstruction Work

Target

□ Complete the main post-disaster reconstruction tasks and make the basic living conditions and economic and social development meet or exceed pre-disaster level in three years!!!

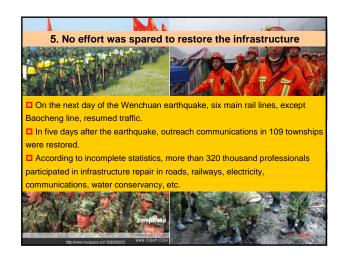
Countermeasures of Restoration and Reconstruction Work

- 1. Emergency relief funds were allocated in time
- ☐ The central government allocated 300 million yuan of emergency relief for the quake-stricken area at the first time.
- □ In 2008, the fund from the central government reached more than 100 billion yuan for disaster relief work.



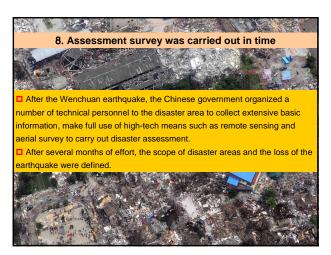


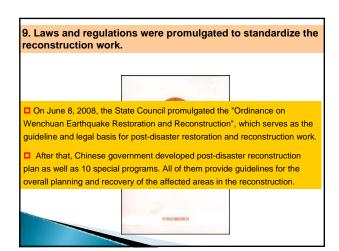




























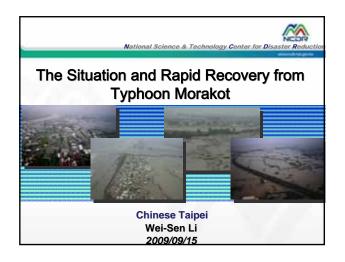


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The Situation and Rapid Recovery from Typhoon Morakot

Submitted by: Chinese Taipei

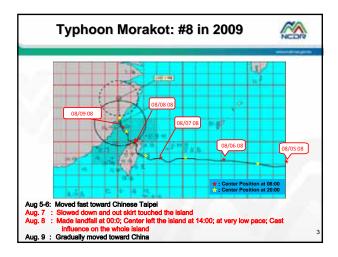
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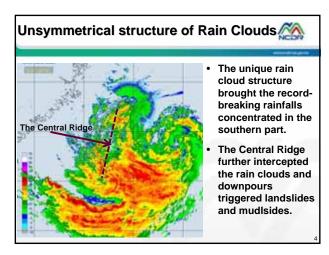


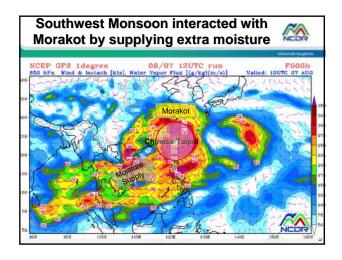
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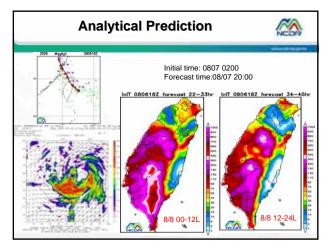


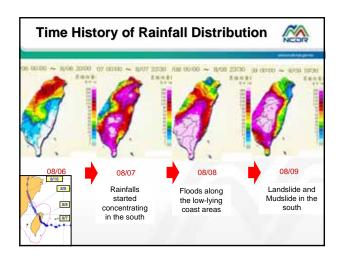
- Right after the unprecedented disaster, Chinese Taipei received rapid responses from the APEC member economies including
 - Canada; People's Republic of China; Hong Kong, China; Indonesia; Japan; Republic of Korea; Malaysia; New Zealand; The Russian Federation; Singapore; United States of America; Viet Nam
- All the supports warm hearts of the affected and encourage people devoting in recovery

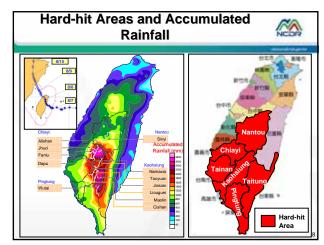


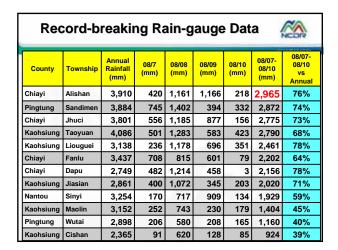


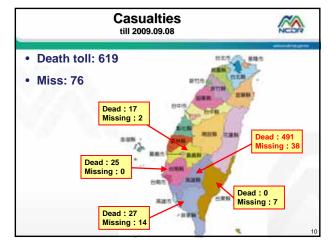


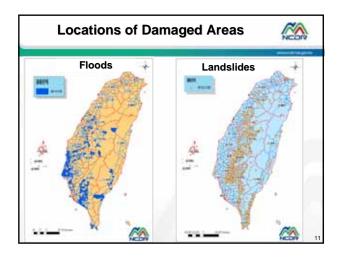


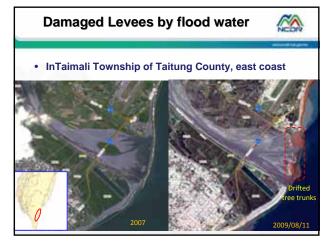




















Direction for Future Improvements



- Risk communication and perception
 - Leading to different attitudes in face of warning
- More frequent sever weather
 - Adaptation strategy for risk reduction
- Compound disaster and countermeasures
 - Typhoon triggers flood, landslide, mudslide and interruption of lifeline systems
- · Scenario-based measures by stages
 - Shelters, response plan and codes....
- Operation continuity of business and public sectors

Rescheduling Announcement



- Due to the heavy loads of primary recovery from Typhoon Morakot
 - "Workshop on the Framework of Long-Term Capacity Building for Disaster Risk Reduction in APEC" is rescheduled to November 30 and December 1

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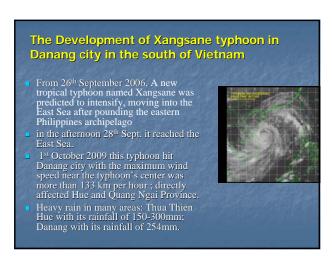
Lessons from the Xangsane typhoon in Viet Nam

Submitted by: Viet Nam

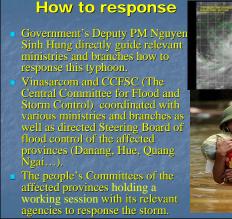
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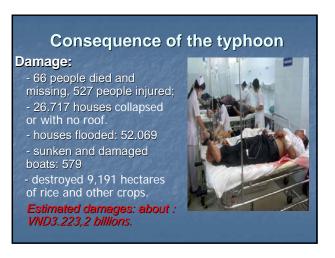


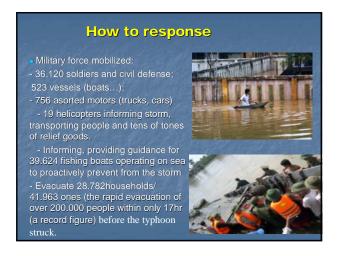












Affected-storm localities have also given necessary measures for caused-storm impact recovery in the aftermath of the typhoon

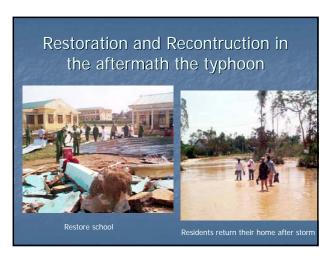
to support food and essential utensils for difficult households

especially beneficiaries of the social welfare, recourses mobilizing to help grassroots people repair damaged houses,

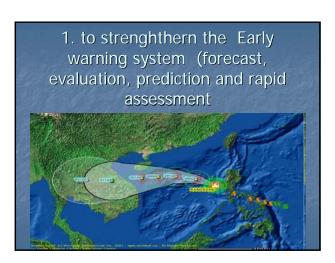
environment sanitation treatment, clean

water and health care supply to people.









2. Effective direction by the Government and close coordination among relevant agencies at all level

3. Rapid evacuation of the people out of dangerous areas

4. Strategic Guideline and 4 onsite principle

- Take the initiative in prevention, timely response, quick and effective recovery. The main policy: "Prevention is better than cure".
- Mobilize all resources in the society to participate in search and rescue activities, in case of emergency, implementation of the principle "4 on site".
- Attach much importance and develop the collective strength from the entire people, political system, promote the internal force as the main policy.
- Take advantage of the support, co-ordination from the international community, especially from APEC.

CONTENT OF Principle of "4 on-site"

a) On-site forces

Immediately mobilize, utilize the force of civil defense,

b) On-site facilities

Immediately mobilize, utilize all available means or means laid as planned. Even primitive tools must be prepared in

c) On-site Logistics

Immediately mobilize, utilize all material facilities for response. Each person, household, hamlet, commune, district, province and in each area and strategic direction, food, medicine, potable water, tents, lifebuoy, lifeboat ...must be reserved and prepared...for preparedness and self-response in a certain time before the force in charge to come.

d) On-site Command

In case of emergency, the Steering Committee of all levels must be established urgently.

- 70% of people and means rescued owning to the on-site forces. Remaining 30% is owning to the specialized force in charge.

SOME KEY MEASURES:

a) Before the disaster:

- preparedness and response capacity of all levels.

- -To Actively apply and develop technical science and technology for enhancing the capability of natural -disaster forecast, warning, assessment to make the effective preparedness and response plan.
- Dissemination, education for enhancing the public awareness of the whole society on natural disaster prevention and emergency response.
- Regularly maintain the SAR forces and means for preparedness and response to all situations.
- To conduct SAR duty on watch 24/24 to keep track of the situation and deal with timely all disasters or risks.

b) During disaster:

- In case of natural disaster the most important measure is urgent evacuation, removal of people and means out of dangerous area (on sea, on land, time) evacuation is an important measure.
- To set up command post and to ensure communications.
- To mobilize forces and means in timely manner
- To search and rescue and provide first aid to the victims
- Transport and provide relief goods.
- Ensure security, safety and social order in the disaster affected area.

c) After natural disaster:

- To Quickly overcome consequences , environmental sanitation, epidemic prevention.
- To Restore infrastructure, especially traffic roads, electricity, water, schools, hospitals, public agencies.
- To quickly stabilize people's life, production and other normal activities of the residents.





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Role of climate information in emergency preparedness

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Extreme weather and climate related disasters in APEC region

Role of climate information in emergency preparedness

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Outline

- A sampling of extreme weather/climate events
- Hydro meteorological disasters some statistics
- Climate Vulnerabilities
- Issues of climate predictability
- Role of climate information in emergency preparedness – illustration using case study of RVF episode in Kenya, 2006

Weather and Climate

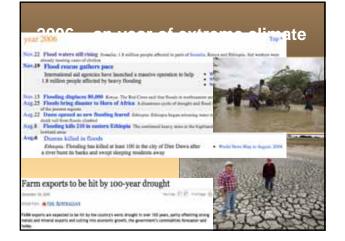
- Climate patterns of weather
 - Climate or average state of weather over a given region – could be controlled by forces other than that which creates weather itself.
 - Just as the average life expectancy of people in any region is controlled by certain factors, such as diet or quality of life, and is therefore predictable to some extent, so is climate predictable due to the same reasons.

Extreme Weather/Climate events

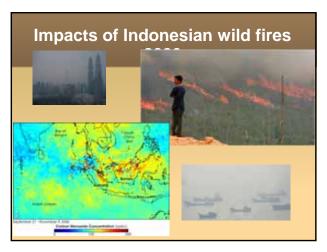
Hot Weather Turns Up the Heat on US Electric Power – NorthEast Blackout in USA and Canada, Aug 2003

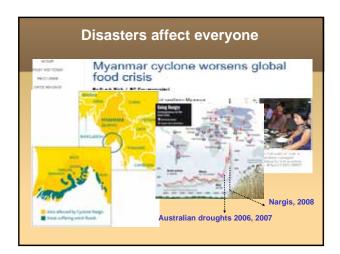
Snow disaster leaves 1.6 mln people frostbitten in NW China province – Jan 2008

London suffered its first October snowfall in 74 years as a winter chill set in across England – October 2008





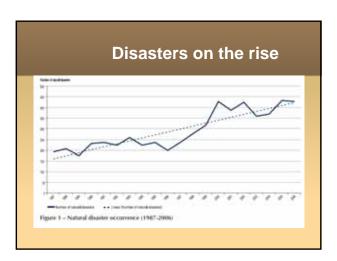


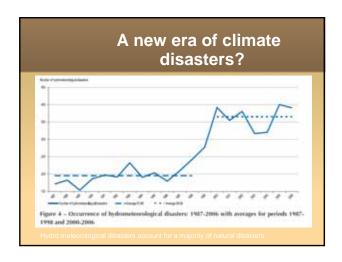


Is Climate to blame? Climate is ever changing, has changed in the past and will change again Some extreme events are predictable, but there are also many that are not predictable Some will never be predictable Extreme climate events affect everyone – the least developed are more affected. Ripple effects of local climate disasters affect everyone in a globalized economy It is not climate that should bear the responsibility for disasters, rather our vulnerability is to be blamed

Hydro meteorological disasters
some statistics

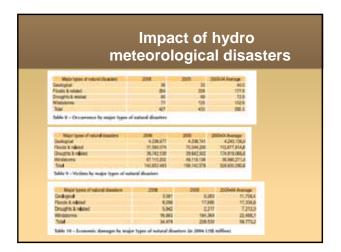
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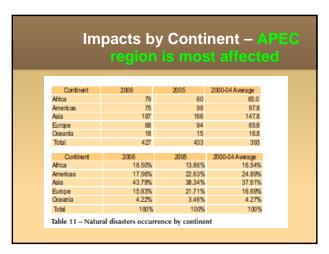


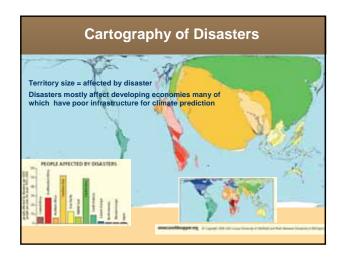


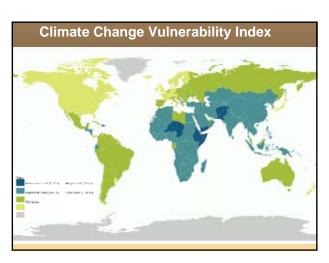
Impact of Hydro meteorological disasters

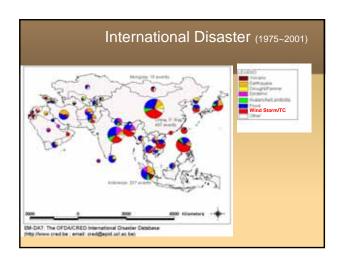
- Number of victims due to all natural disasters ranged between 100 Million to 300 Million on the average between 1987 and 2006
- 1987 drought in India affected 300 Million
- 1991 flood in China affected 210 Million
- 1994 flood (drought) in China affected 78 (80) million
- 2002 drought in India affected 300 million and 60 million in China, wind storm affected 100 million people in China and flood affected another 60 million

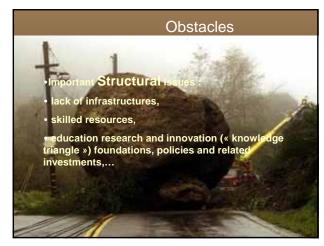


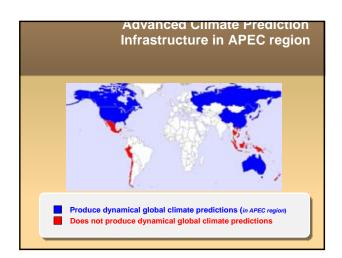


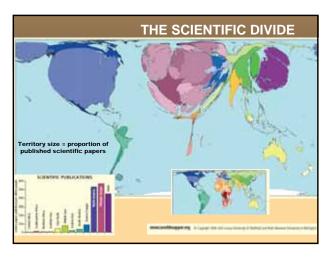












Making better use of climate information

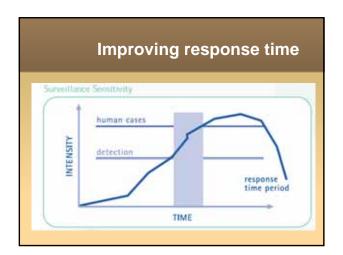
- Improved climate prediction systems
- Application Research and implementation
- Better Disaster Preparedness
 - Early Warning Systems
 - Capacity Building
 - Training
 - Technology Transfer
 - Investments in Education and Research

Role of climate information in managing infectious diseases

Case study of RVF episode in Kenya, 2006

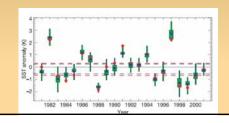
Climate Sensitive Diseases

- Cholera
- Malaria
- Meningococcal meningitis
- Dengue/dengue haemorrhagic fever (DHF)
- Yellow feve
- Japanese (JE) and St Louis encephalitis (SLE)
- Rift valley fever (RVF)
- Leishmaniasis
- African trypanosomiasis
- West Nile virus (WNV)
- Murray Valley encephalitis (MVE) and Ross River virus (RRV).
- Influenza



Status of Climate Prediction

Strengths: Predictions months/seasons in advance. In some cases, there is predictive skill 1 year in advance.



Status of Climate Prediction

Weakness: Lack detailed spatio-temporal evolution of climate event (quasi chaotic dynamics)

Spatial detail can be improved through downscaling techniques

Detailed evolution can be monitored in near real time from space

Monitoring from space

Real time monitoring of temperature, rainfall, soil moisture

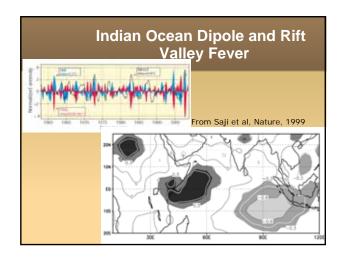
Environmental remote sensing

Vegetation indices

NDVI - Normalized Difference Vegetation index

Monitor changing vegetation and relate to changes in precipitation (thereby disease vector populations)

Indian Ocean Dipole and Rift Valley Fever From Saji et al, Nature, 1999



Rift Valley Fever

First identified – Rift valley, Kenya 1931 (a group of exotic sheep suffered severe losses)

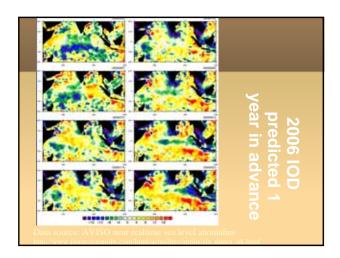
Transmitted by mosquitoes (Aedes) which breed in flooded low-lying habitats known as dambos.

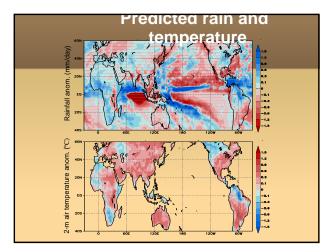
Trade bans since 1997 IOD and El Nino episodes cost \$300-500 million annually for GHA

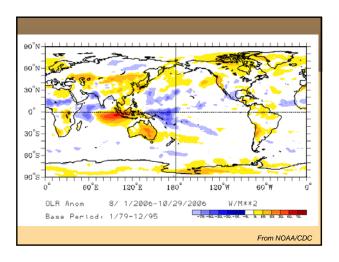
NDVI of 0.43 and above correspond to short-term flooding of mosquito breeding dambo habitats.

Periods of RVF epizootic activity correlates with persistent and excessive rainfall, with an apparent lag that allows 1-2 months of early warning based on monitoring of rainfall trends.

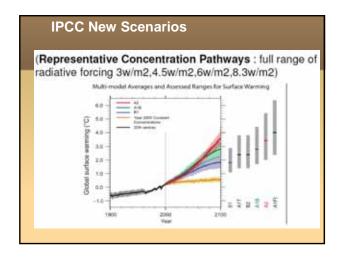
400 human fatalities in 1997

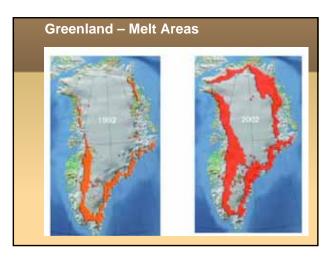






RVF Strategy: Anyamba et al NASA climate expert Dr. Anyamba tracks climate factors that influence RVF outbreaks. Assaf and team sprang into action by the end of October Notified affected countries through WHO and FAO Health officials were prepared and flew to Kenya within days of the virus' confirmation in December. Kenyan government outlaws sacrificing of cows,camels,goat and sheep during Eid to minimize contact between humans and infected animals. Believed to have cut the risk factor for virus transmission to humans Because of early warning measures in 2006, death toll was limited to about 100 people (cf. > 400 in 1997)





More Extreme Events in the Future Global Sea Ice Level 21th century Global sea level rise will affect hundreds of millions of people on our planet. World Bank, 2007 - 500 million people for 1 m rise (USGS) It is critical to get projections right for the planning of infrastructure: 30 cm of sea level rise can mean that extreme events you thought would happen conce in 1000 years will instead happen cnce in 10 years!

Summary

- Improved climate prediction systems will enhance lead time.
- Application Research and implementation needed to put climate science into useful products for decision making.
- Better Disaster Preparedness
 - Early Warning Systems
 - Capacity Building
 - Training
 - Technology Transfer
 - Investments in Education and Research

Brief Status report about APCC

Background

- 2004 APEC Science and Technology Minister's Meeting
- Recognition of importance of work of APEC Climate Network
- APEC Climate Center has been providing operational 3-month lead dynamical seasonal predictions through the multi-model ensemble (MME) technique (www.apcc21.net)
- 2007 Sydney Leaders' Declaration
- Called for members of APEC to support effective adaptation strategies to climate change
- High priority on strengthening emergency preparedness and promoting the economic benefits of risk reduction



Goals of APCC

Facilitating the share of high-cost climate data and information essential for emergency preparedness and disaster management

Capacity building in prediction and sustainable social and economic applications of climate information

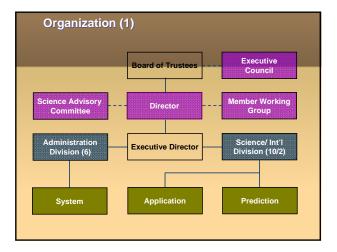
Accelerating and extending socio-economic innovation

Focus areas

- Improving lead time needed to prepare for climate related disasters by advancing technology
- Reduce vulnerabilities to climate events through capacity building activities, including:
 - Technology Transfer (help implement advanced climate prediction technologies in needed economies)
 - Training (provide training to members so as to implement best practises)

How APCC works

- · Multi economy and multi institutional networking
- Annual APEC Climate Symposiums provide forum for climate experts to interact with climate practitioners.
 - This feedback helps advance climate prediction science and to develop and implement best practices
 - Feedback from disaster managers are crucial to this process, and we would like to collaborate with TFEP and the CEO Forum to make this possible in the near future.

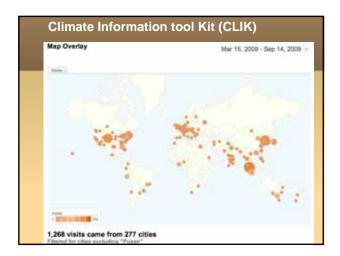


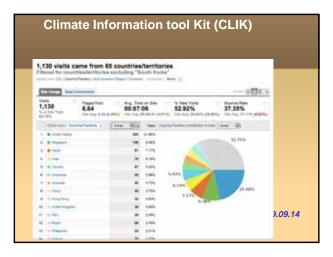
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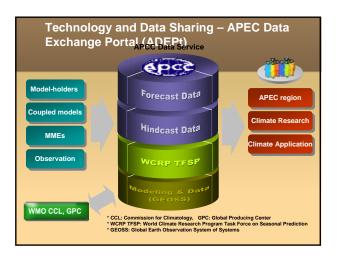
- State of the art climate prediction information
- Climate prediction technology
- Training in Best practices











APEC Climate Symposia Annual events held since 2006 - 2006 in Busan led to more frequent sharing and distribution of climate information - 2007 in Busan led to free and open sharing of digital climate information among stakeholders (first time in the world) - 2008 in Lima, Peru led to efforts to enhance extreme event prediction - 2009 in Singapore decided to develop an APEC wide position paper on "Adaptation to climate variability and Change in the region"

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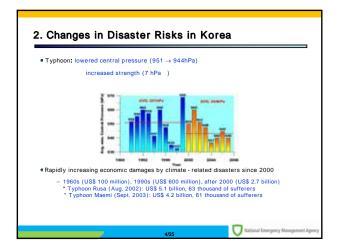
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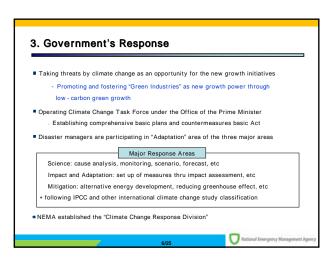
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I. Climate Change in Korea II. Changes in Disaster Risks in Korea III. Government's Response IV. Conclusions

1. Climate Change in Korea (4th IPCC Report) - Global temperature during the last Century: 0.74 - At the end of this Century in the East Asia: 3 4 - Average temp. in Korea during the last Century: 1.5 (two times to global average in six metropolitan cities) - At the end of this Century in Korea: 4 , rainfall 20% - Sub - tropical is moving North - ward - covering western & eastern coasts and central area of Korea - Ave. Temp. In the indivocation office - Expected Temperature Change (day C) - Asticular Exception Company - Basical Exception Management Agency - Ratical Exception Management Agency

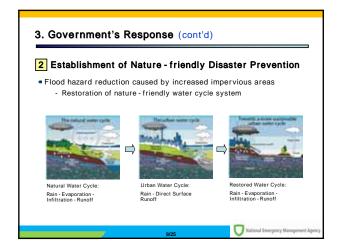




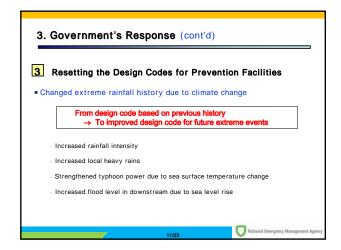




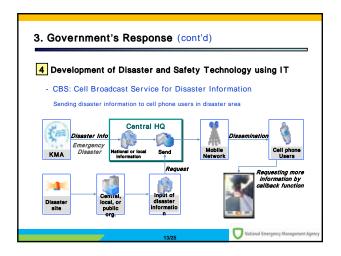


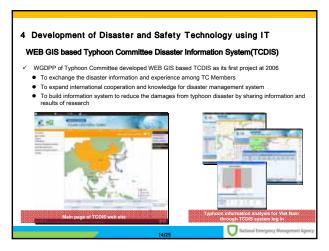






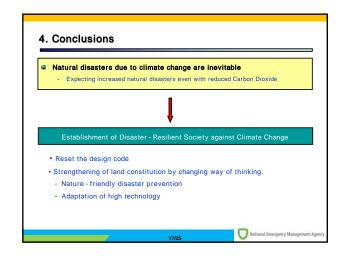
















Update on Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 in the Asia Pacific Region and Opportunities to Strengthen Regional Cooperation

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THE THIRD EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CEOS' FORUM
Ha Noi, Viet Nam – 15 September 2009

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Concerns about Pandemic Influenza

- Rapid global spread (morbidity and mortality); limited mutual aid
- Shortages and delays of vaccines and antiviral medications
- Increased burden on outpatient care facilities and hospitals
- Potential for disruption of national and community infrastructures

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Influenza Pandemics in the 20th century







1918: "Spanish Flu"

1957: "Asian Flu"

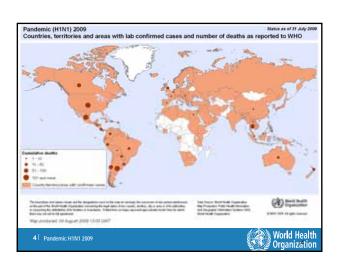
1968: "Hong Kong Flu"

>40-50 million deaths A(H1N1) 2 million deaths A(H2N2) 1 million deaths A(H3N2)

2009: Pandemic H1N1 cases? deaths?

Pandemic H1N1 2009





Epidemiology of Pandemic (H1N1) 2009 Virus Infection (I)

- So far overall severity falls within seasonal flu boundaries
 - Majority of cases show mild disease resolves without treatment
 - Some asymptomatic cases reported
 - CFR: < 1% of confirmed cases
- 5-45 yrs of age most commonly affected
- Hospitalization and case/fatality in young adults higher than seasonal influenza
- Epidemiologic and serologic evidence for low susceptibility in older adults, although at increased risk for severe complications
- At risk groups: Pregnant women, people with chronic diseases and underlying health conditions, young children, people with immunosuppression

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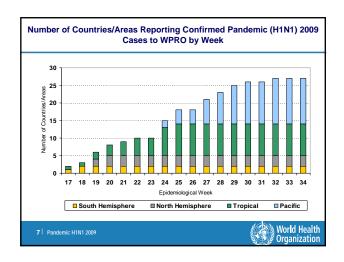


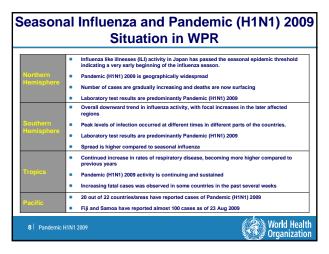
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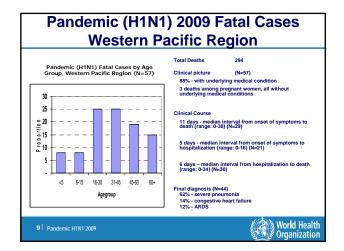
- Efficient, rapid person-person transmission
- International travel has facilitated geographical spread
- Cases have been reported in all regions.
- More cases in urban centers before wider geographical spread within the countries.
- Most countries reporting an increasing trend.
- Continued circulation outside of usual influenza season

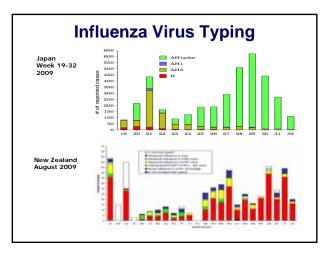
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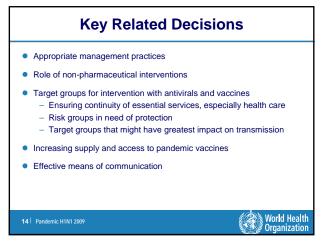


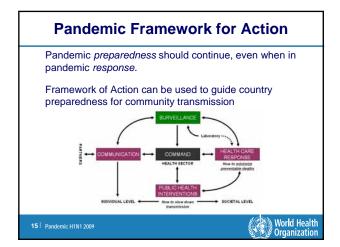


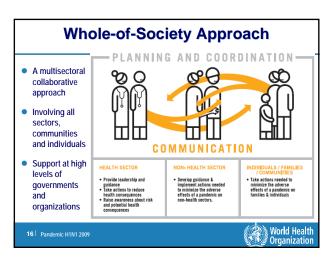
General Findings (I) Countries are following a similar path Sporadic imported cases → local transmission → widespread community transmission Appearance of severe cases/deaths Different responses are required for different stages There is a need to transition from Containment to Mitigation The decision to shift is difficult; should be based on a local risk assessment Many pandemic preparedness plans are not yet fully endorsed or made operational Preparedness for a human pandemic is often very weak, insufficiently detailed and insufficiently broad or multi-sectoral Preparations in sectors beyond health need to be strengthened World Health Organization

General Findings (II) Epidemiological patterns remain unpredictable Outbreaks in non-influenza season Sudden increases and decreases (triggers?) Majority of cases are self-limiting, but some severe cases (high risk groups) The pandemic is occurring at the same time as seasonal flu and other viral disease outbreaks in some countries Concurrent outbreaks confuse the clinical picture and can increase demand for health services Coordinated and strengthened regional information sharing is needed World Health Organization

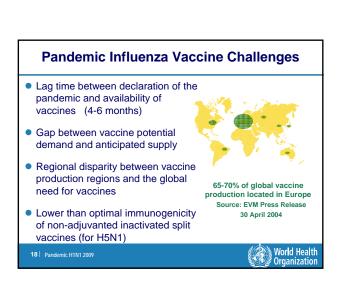
Monitoring of Pandemic Impact Pandemic impact still remains uncertain and is currently under monitoring Pandemic impact on a population has many dimensions: health, social, and economic consequences No severe impact on health-care services as a result of acute respiratory disease has been Low Moderate Pressures on local hospitals and Degree of disruption of health-care potential economic loss has been services as a result of acute respiratory reported in some countries

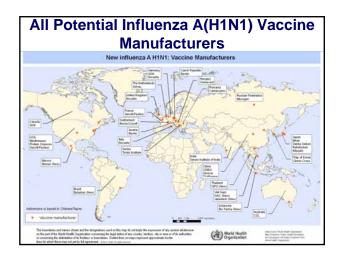


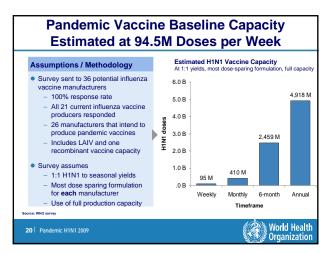




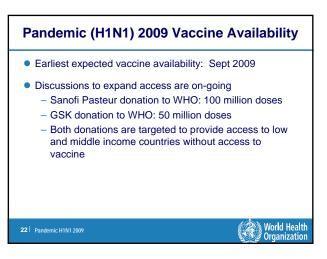








Countries are Drawing Against the Capacity in **Different Ways** % of H1N1 Capacity¹ Access Strategy Population Mostly open system: Countries negotiate contracts for vaccine with major, industrialized country manufacturers **High-income** (e.g., U.S., Canada, Europe, Japan, Facilities serve home countries and export to other markets Mostly closed system: Will procure vaccine mainly from within country Limited or no plans by manufacturers to export Low / Middle Income with local supply (e.g., China, Russia) Low / Middle No current access to H1N1 vaccine 2.662 M N/A ne without local supply World Health Organization



What Are Our Immediate Challenges? Monitoring seasonal, pandemic, and avian influenza and reducing opportunities for reassortment Reaching high risk persons Promoting behaviour change Recognizing possibility that pandemic may become more severe Country-specific situation Change in the virus Continuing planning and preparedness efforts Allocating limited resources, esp re: health care surge Non-health sector preparedness World Health Organization

Urgent Actions for the Next Twelve Months: Country Level Analyses and Response Capacity for planning and direction Disease surveillance Health care response Public health interventions Communication strategies Whole of society preparedness and response Preparedness support by UN agencies, funds, programs and partners Formation of a member-state based contact group World Health Organization

Urgent Actions for the Next Twelve Months: Global and Regional Level Response

- Advocating for further multi-sectoral pandemic planning, preparedness, and response

 Health care surge capacity

 - Continuity of operations in non-health sectors
- Monitoring disease progression
 - Epidemiological characterization, impact on the community, transmission characteristics, and clinical characterization
 - Geographic spread (localized / regional / widespread), trend and intensity of level of respiratory disease activity, and impact on health care infrastructure
- Generating and transferring knowledge
 - Selection, implementation, and effectiveness of interventions
 - Educational materials and training
- Accelerating access to laboratory diagnostic supplies, vaccines, and antivirals



Summary

- The pandemic situation is evolving
 - Concerns of unpredictable mutation of the pandemic virus
 - Concerns of co-circulating seasonal, pandemic, and avian viruses
- An efficient response is needed
 - Well-coordinated global, multisectoral, and collaborative
 - Timely sharing of information
- Key resources are limited
 - The supply of safe, effective vaccines need to be improved
- More information is needed to fully understand the virus, the disease and effectiveness of various measures
 - Information sharing needs to be timely and accurate





Influenza H1N1 2009 and APEC Cooperation

Submitted by: APEC HWG

INFLUENZA H1N1 2009 and APEC COOPERATION

THIRD APEC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT CEO'S FORUM

Ha Noi, 15-17 September 2009

Jan Bennett Chair, APEC Health Working Group

Health Working Group, August 2009 major focus on pandemic (H1N1) 2009.

- Recognised that the pandemic impact is different in different countries.
- Acknowledged the efforts of Mexico to alert the world to the emergence of H1N1.
- Noted the issues around modern day movement of people and the impact of travel.
- Noted that there was some concern about the issue of anti-viral resistance and the potential for future reassortment of the virus.

Health Working Group, August 2009 major focus on pandemic (H1N1) 2009.

- Recognised the importance of communication and information sharing.
- · Recognised the importance of pharmaceutical responses.
- Noted that economies need to be able to identify where in the pandemic it is and target it response accordingly.
- Emphasised the importance of maintaining essential services and not having unnecessary barriers to trade.

Health Working Group, August 2009 major focus on pandemic (H1N1) 2009.

- Recognised the importance of work being undertaken by other organisations such as WHO and ASEAN.
- Highlighted the important projects and work that the HWG has progressed.
- Emphasised the importance of continuing APEC action to strengthen capacity in the region to prepare for, respond to and mitigate human influenza pandemics.

Health Working Group Projects

- APEC Guidelines for Functioning Economies in Times of Pandemic.
- APEC Action Plan on the Prevention and Response to Avian and Influenza Pandemics.
- Establishment of the APEC Emerging Diseases Network.
- A training course conducted by China will build technical capacity for animal and human influenza surveillance.

Lessons Learned - APEC Economies

- Information is the cornerstone for effective management of the crisis.
- Increased focus on hygiene, prevention and healthcare strategies and social distancing measures were effective.
- Pandemic plans need to be flexible and adapted in order to respond to changing situations.

Lessons from Australia

- Border measures implemented were effective in gaining valuable time to prepare and activate response strategies in anticipation of the arrival of the infection on our shores.
- Having a stockpile of antivirals and personal protective equipment is imperative to be able to respond quickly.
- Naming the Australian phases (e.g. ALERT, DELAY, CONTAIN etc.) rather than using a numbered system worked well when communicating to the public.

Lessons from Australia

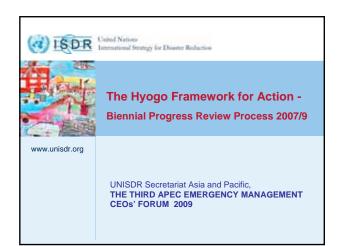
- The need to scale pandemic planning so that an appropriate and proportionate response.
- Recognising the moderate severity of this infection, Australia needed to develop a new phase to our plan.
- Australia has identified that there is a need to strengthen diagnostic laboratory capacity.
- The need for effective communication between all levels government, health professionals and the public.
- Closing schools as a public health measure has an enormous impact on the wider community, both in terms of social and economic costs. More research needed.

Lessons from Australia

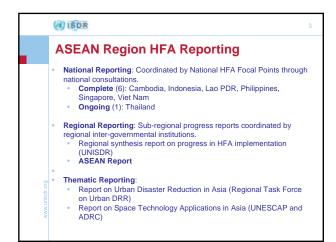
- Australia recognises that morbidity and mortality data can provide valuable insights into the severity of the virus.
- harnessing expert health advice is vital in responding to pandemic conditions.
- · public health workforce capacity.
- public and professional acceptance needs to be gained early in the planning phase.
- many aspects of existing legislative and regulatory frameworks which may have an impact on strategies.

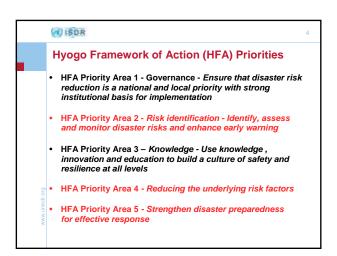
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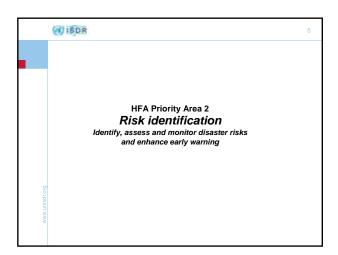
- Need to prepare for a second wave of infection or for a possible change in the viral strain that increases transmissibility or virulence.
- Important for the Health Working Group to continue its dialogue on H1N1 issues.
- Collaboration will be a key component of strengthening regional capacity to prepare for, respond to and mitigate the effects of human influenza pandemics.

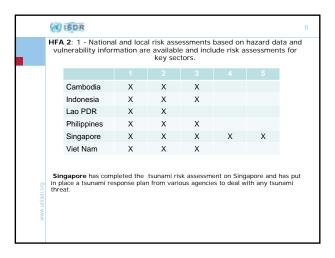


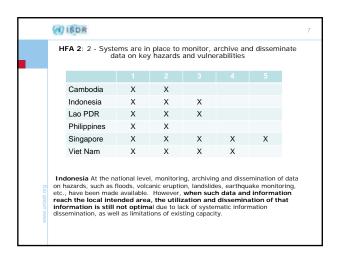


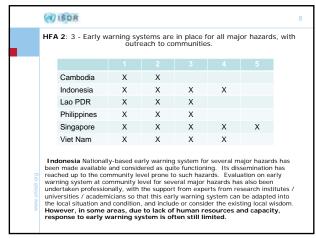


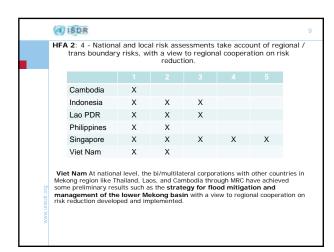


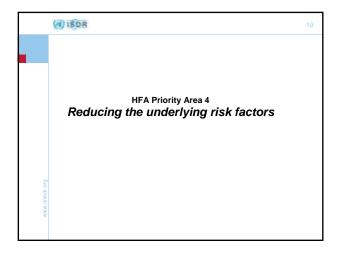


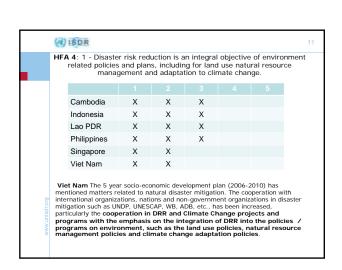


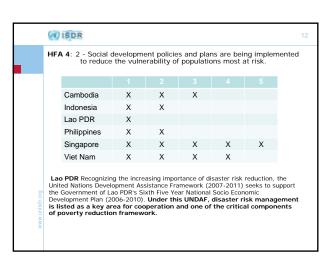


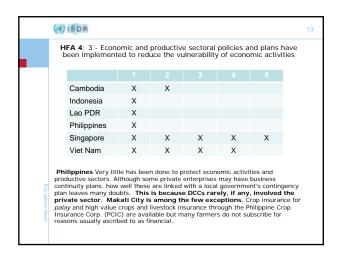


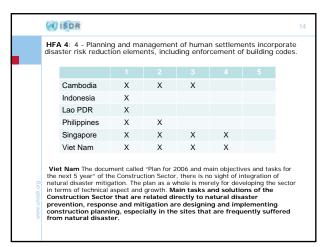


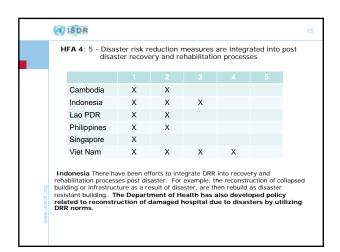


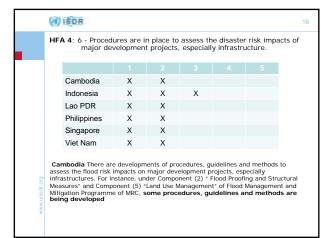


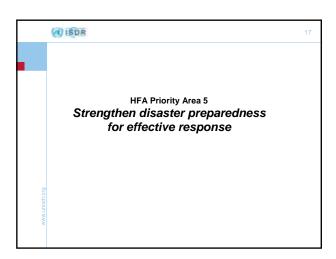


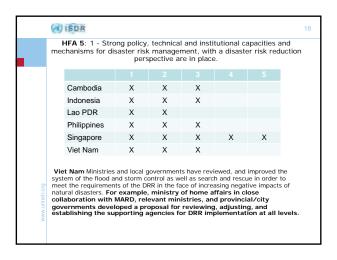


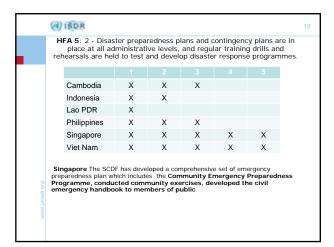


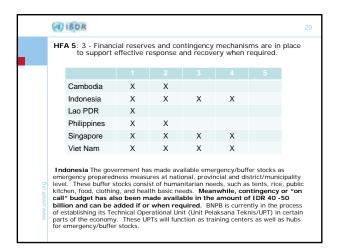


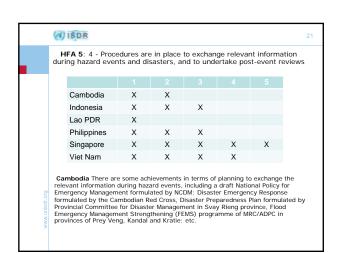


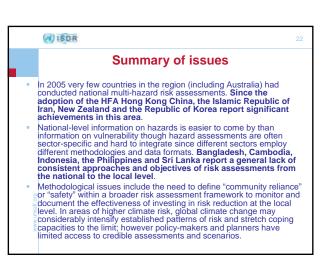








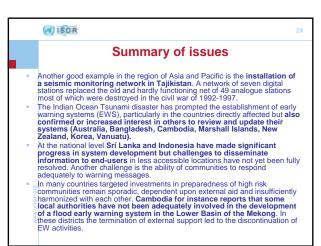






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Khuôn khổ hành động Hyogo -Tiến trình rà soát tiến độ hai năm một lần 2007/9

Submitted by: UNISDR

Cơ sở:

Tháng 11 năm 2008, các Bộ trưởng và Lãnh đạo APEC đã yêu cầu các cán bộ APEC hỗ trợ việc đưa giáo dục về vấn đề thiên tai vào chương trình giảng dạy ở học đường.

Năm 2008, các Bộ trưởng Giáo dục APEC còn nhận thấy tầm quan trọng của việc tiến hành các nghiên cứu thực tiễn và khoa học về các nguy cơ thiên tai và tình trạng khẩn cấp thông qua việc đưa giáo dục về vấn đề thiên tai vào chương trình giảng dạy ở học đường.

Hội nghị Bộ trưởng Châu Á lần 2 và lần 3 về Giảm thiểu nguy cơ thiên tai tổ chức vào tháng 11/2007 và tháng 12/2008, cũng đã kêu gọi các chính phủ làm cho trường học an toàn và đưa vấn đề giảm thiểu nguy cơ thiên tai vào chương trình giảng dạy và đây nên được xem là ưu tiên của từng quốc gia.

Hoạt động tiến hành hiện nay

Một bản báo cáo tư vấn do Úc tài trợ về "Giáo dục về nguy cơ thiên tai tại nhà trường" đã được Công ty CSR Châu Á soạn thảo. Báo cáo này sẽ được trình bày và thảo luận tại Diễn đàn lần 3 các Lãnh đạo Quản lý thiên tai ÂPEC tổ chức tại Hà Nội Năm 2009.

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Dự thảo nguyên tắc trong APEC

Báo cáo bao gồm một chương về các nguyên tắc sơ bộ như là khởi điểm cho việc thảo luận sâu hơn trong APEC nhằm đạt được mục đích chung là đưa vấn đề giáo dục về thiên tai vào trường học. The paper also includes a chapter with a preliminary list of principles as a starting point for further discussion within the APEC community on a common approach towards integrating disaster risk awareness at schools.

Khuyến nghị

Diễn đàn đóng góp vào việc hoàn thiện báo cáo và dự thảo các Nguyên tắc trong APEC về việc đưa giáo dục nguy cơ thiên tai vào trường học.



The Hyogo Framework for Action – Biennial Progress Review Process 2007/9

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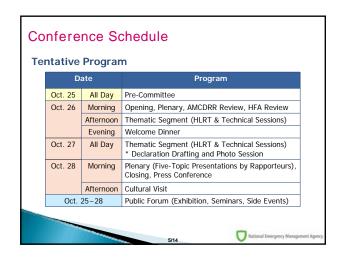
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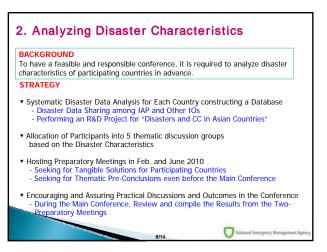


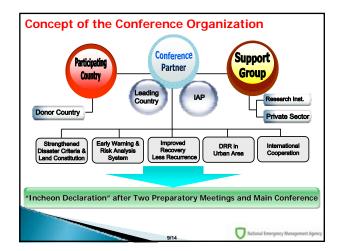


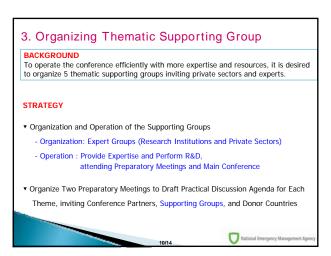


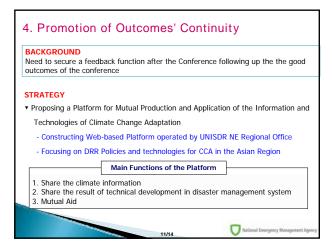




















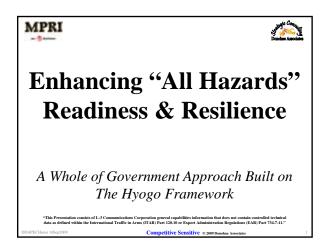
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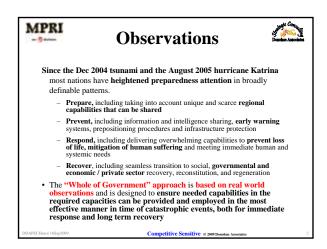
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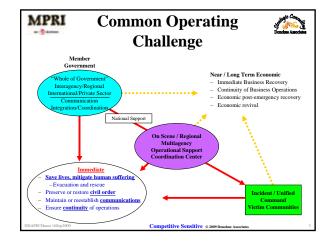


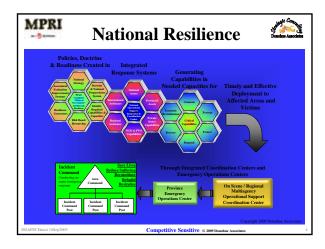
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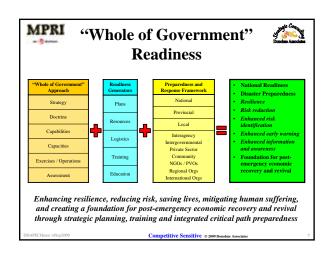
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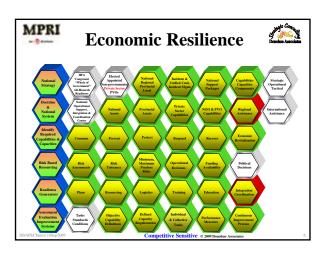


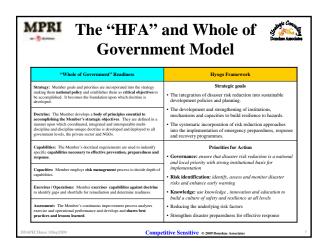


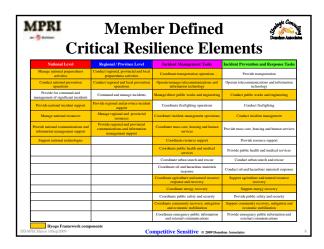


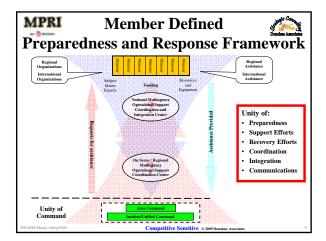


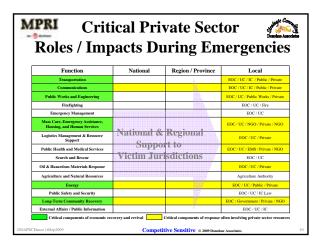


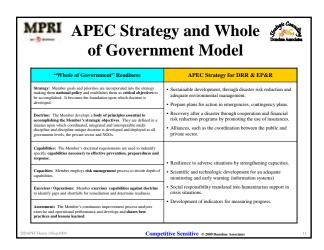


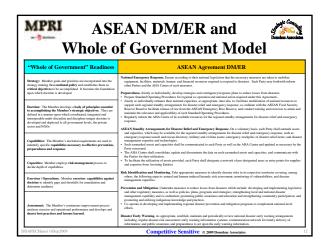


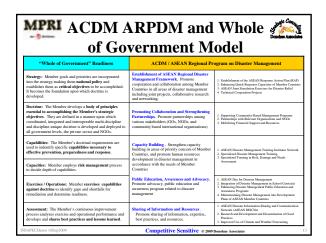


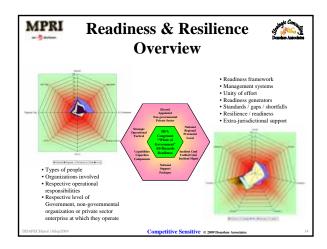














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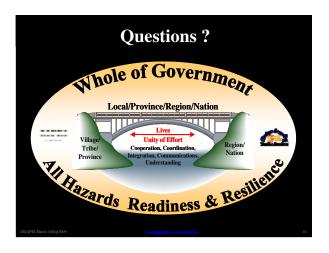


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- · Strategy development / enhancement at the national level
- Doctrine development / enhancement at all jurisdiction levels
- Capabilities development / enhancement across the interagency / intergovernmental, emergency management, emergency response, private sector, NGO / PVO spectrum
- Enhancing plans, training, resources, logistics and education; identifying gaps, shortfalls and inhibitors to readiness
- Developing and conducting training / exercises at all levels
- Developing / enhancing systemic assessment and improvement tools and practices

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Meansures on enhancing awareness and capacity in managing and confronting disasters

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Integrating Disaster Risk Reduction in Education Sector: 15 years experience of ADPC in Asia

Submitted by: ADPC



Why integrate DRR?



- Children are amongst the most vulnerable group;
- There is a multiplier effect of educating the public through the children;
- Schools are often used as evacuation centers during a disaster event;
- Educational institutions are a major public infrastructure, which can create long-lasting impact on future generations

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How to integrate DRR?

Integrating DRR in School Curriculum

2. Safer school construction

What does integrating DRR into school curricula mean?

- Aspects on DRR is taught as part of the formal and non formal school curricula
- Teaching aid available to support delivery of the formal curricula
- System in place for training teachers to deliver the DRR curricula
- Annual education sector budget includes cost for training teachers, developing teaching aid, printing text books etc.
- DRR component is recognized as an important aspect of the national education sector plan

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Approaches for integrating DRR in school curricula

Lessons learned from The Philippines, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Indonesia, Vietnam

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Integrating DRR concepts in formal School Curricula



- DRR can be integrated as new modules/chapters in existing subjects or as a new subject
- Curriculum framework plan to be developed – matrix of different subjects in each grade, content of each subject, identifying opportunities to integrate DRR in relevant subjects in specific grades
- The National Pedagogical department to take the lead in close partnership with National Disaster Management Offices
- Partnership with development partners involved in education sector agenda of the country in taking up integration for specific grades
- Integration would have budgetary implications- Essential to have political will, buy in from high level officials from Ministry of Education- involve Department
- Plan in advance of the curriculum revision cycle

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Integrating DRR concepts in non-formal School Curricula







- Non-formal curricula provides an opportunity to raise awareness among students on the issues related to surrounding environment including risk faced by the community
- Provides an opportunity to be local specific, Content would depend on Location of School, Socio economic condition of the area, characteristics of the community, common local disasters
- Higher chances of reaching out to the communities
- National Curricula usually have a certain percentage dedicated to nonformal curricula- school authorities could decide the content of this
- Work closely with local school authorities, NGOs, Red Cross Branches to integrate DRR in the extra curricula activities

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Training Teachers



- Teaching exemplars need to be developed
- Integrate in the regular teachers training courses, working closely with the National and subnational teachers training
- Have budgetary implicationneed endorsement from higher levels in Ministry of Education

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DRR teaching aid





- Supplementary teaching aid for better delivery of DRR module
- Local specific
- Work closely with partners, NGOs to use/adapt existing IEC materials on DRR

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Involve the children from the very beginning



- Involve the children in carrying risk assessment of the communities
- Adopt child oriented participatory risk assessment as a tool in incorporating children's perspectives, contributions, and capacities before, during and after a disaster

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Engage the community and other Stakeholders



- Education sector portfolio involves both Government and the private sector, hence develop partnership between various stakeholders
- Ways of engagement could range from parent and students clubs to formation of formal partnerships including local authorities, private sector, school authorities, communities

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Scale up-Strengthen collaboration with various stakeholders involved in the Education Sector



- Link pilot initiatives to larger education sector programs
- Dialogue with the National Education Sector Working Groups (UN Agencies, bilateral and multi lateral agencies) involved in education sector agenda of the country
- Undertake national programs on awareness raising on DRR in schools
- Reaching all at risk children and the communities

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Way Forward



- •Build on the past and ongoing local, national and regional initiatives in the region;
- •Do not use DRM curricula only to raising awareness on better prepared, but equally important pass the concepts of the underlying factors which contribute to the risk of natural disasters and actions necessary to reduce those risk;
- •Address challenges of increasing scale of implementation as well as the process of institutionalization, by connecting the pilot initiatives to ongoing large scale programs of the Education Sector for sustainability;

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Way Forward



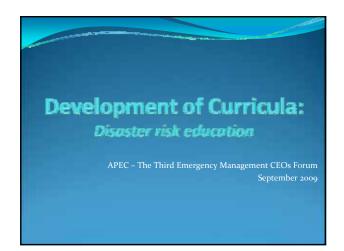
- •Work closely with the Ministry of Education and its various outreach services like teachers training institutes, sub-national departments of education, local authorities and in close collaboration with the teachers, parents and above all the children;
- •Build partnership_to implement the regional road maps laid down by the Bangkok Action Agenda, October 2007and to TAKE FORWARD the global campaign on School Education and Disaster Risk Reduction and

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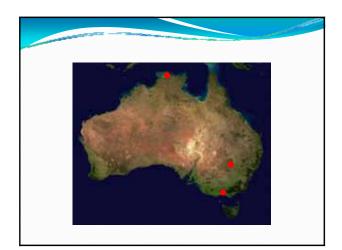


Development of Curricula: Disaster risk education Submitted by: Australia

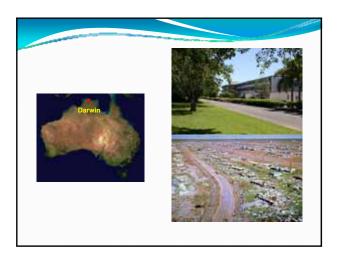


Outline:

- The 'school' in disaster risk education
- What is curriculum?
- Curriculum approaches to disaster risk education
- Curriculum development process









What is curriculum?

- Knowledge
- Understanding
- Skills

What society feels young people need to learn?

Drug education

Road safety education

Environmental education

Global education

Citizenship education

Sun safe education

Mental health education

Animal welfare education

What society feels young people need to learn? What society wants young people to be able to do? Think Drug education Road safety education Plan and organise Environmental education Locate information Global education Process information Citizenship education Evaluate context Sun safe education Mental health education Communicate effectively Animal welfare education Apply their learning

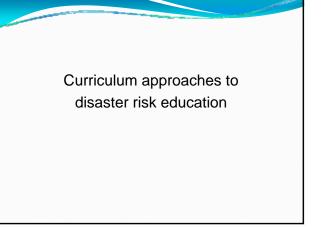
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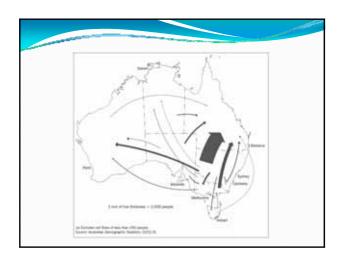
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General capabilities

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Information and communications technology (ICT)
- Thinking skills
- Creativity
- Self-management
- Teamwork
- Intercultural understanding
- Ethical behaviour
- Social competence

General capabilities and disaster risk reduction

- Creativity
- Teamwork
- Intercultural understanding
- Ethical behaviour

Curriculum development process

Four main stages:

- Curriculum Shaping
- Curriculum Writing
- Implementation
- Evaluation and Review













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Building Resilient Communities: The New Zealand experience

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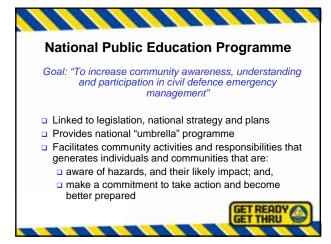
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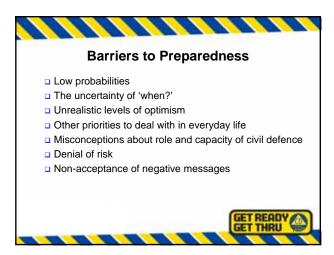






















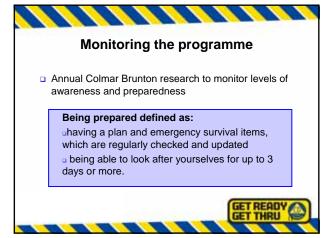
























Challenges Maintaining intensity of campaign with available funding Keeping the message in front of the public Some groups in the community are harder to reach and so are more at risk: eg Aucklanders / under 40 yrs / minority ethnic groups Local programmes should target specific groups







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Discussion Paper and Draft APEC Principles: 'Disaster Risk Education at Schools'

Submitted by: Australia

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Background

APEC Leaders and Ministers instructed in November 2008 that APEC officials support the inclusion of education on disaster issues in school curricula where appropriate.

APEC Education Ministers also acknowledged in 2008 that much importance should be attached to providing the necessary scientific and practical knowledge about disaster risks and related competencies through the integration of disaster risk reduction education into school curricula.

Separately, the Second and Third Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, held in November 2007 and December 2008, also called upon governments to make school safety and the integration of DRR into school curricula a national priority.

Current Progress

To assist in APEC consideration, Australia has arranged for the attached consultant report "Disaster Risk Education at Schools", by CSR Asia Pty Ltd, to be prepared as a discussion paper and presented at the Third APEC Emergency Management CEOs' Forum 2009 in Ha Noi.

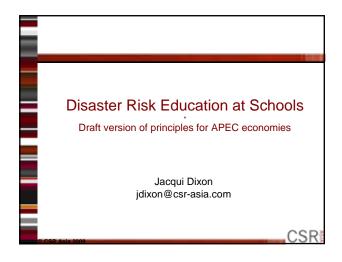
The discussion paper has been prepared in the form of a working document that can be finalised, if required, after the Forum on an out-of session basis, for presentation to the APEC Task Force for Emergency Preparedness. Therefore, consultation with representatives from the APEC Member Economies and discussions during the workshop will feed into the finalisation of this paper.

Draft APEC Principles

The paper also includes a chapter with a preliminary list of principles as a starting point for further discussion within the APEC community on a common approach towards integrating disaster risk awareness at schools.

Recommendation

That the Forum contribute to the finalisation of a report and Draft APEC Principles on Disaster Risk Education at Schools.



Background

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 - APEC Education Ministers also acknowledged that much importance should be attached to providing the necessary scientific and practical knowledge about disaster risks and related competencies through the integration of disaster risk reduction education into school curricula
- · Purpose of the discussion paper and this session:
 - Assist in the development of common definitions and language among APEC Member Economies for disaster risk awareness and management education in schools curricula
 - Prepare a draft list of APEC-wide best practice examples and school education principles

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Draft Principles

- Disaster risk education at schools should be embedded as a key pillar of broader public disaster risk education to enhance community resilience to disasters, gain support for school-led activities, and motivate citizens to participate in local and regional risk mitigation and planning.
- Disaster risk education should be integrated into school curricula because children are among the most vulnerable during a disaster and they are very effective communicators and disseminators of disaster risk reduction and preparedness messages at the family and community level.

Draft Principles

Education materials

- Schools should teach about all stages of the disaster risk reduction cycle, therefore education materials should introduce students to disaster prevention, mitigation, preparedness as well as response.
- Education materials should introduce students to land use planning, building codes, insurance and environmental stewardship as means of managing and reducing disaster risk.
- Education materials should supplement a range of academic subjects, must be rooted in existing learning materials, must suit the local context, and should be culturally sensitive taking into account indigenous and traditional knowledge.

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Pedagogy (teaching strategies)

- Disaster risk education should be cemented through learning extensions at home and the encouragement of child-parent and teacher-parent communication and activities such as community risk mapping, community-based fairs and exhibits, and publicized drills.
- 7. Disaster education in schools must highlight the importance of child-led disaster risk reduction and response cadres in and out of school at the community level and of reaching out to children with disabilities, their teachers and parents.

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Integration

- Disaster risk education should be integrated into formal education at pre-primary, primary and secondary levels, as well as non-formal education and into teacher education and training.
- 9. The development and integration of disaster risk education into national curricula should be led by the Ministry of Education, involve national and local governments from various sectors and be based on a multi-stakeholder approach engaging the private sector, communities as well as UN, donor and development agencies. Disaster risk education at schools is a continuous process that requires a constant collaborative effort from all stakeholders.
- 10. Integrating disaster education at schools must take into account the national education policy and the curriculum revision cycle so disaster risk awareness is introduced to the curriculum development board before or during the actual revision phase. Time is needed to develop and pilot the curriculum, train the teachers, and make budgetary arrangements. A disaster, while tragic, can be a useful trigger for changing education, research policies and practices.

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- 11. Local community and civil society stakeholders must be involved in the development of disaster risk education materials for schools to help identify local risks and response measures. Often, the schools themselves form part of the response plan. Equally, disaster risk education policies should be taken into account in local development planning and future growth strategies.
- 12. To ensure the effectiveness of disaster risk education, regular monitoring and evaluation should be carried out. This could involve measuring the ability of students to cope with and learn from a disaster, and whether an emergency management plan has been prepared and maintained by a student's family.

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Making schools safer

13. Resilience of school buildings must be ensured through adherence to building codes, land use planning, and emergency plans. School buildings should be retrofitted to meet safety standards, train local builders and raise public awareness.





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DISASTER RISK EDUCATION AT SCHOOLS

Best Practices and Principles for APEC Member Economies

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1. Executive summary

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2. Introduction

Asia-Pacific is one of the most disaster-prone prone regions. In 2008 natural catastrophes and man-made disasters caused 240,500 fatalities most of which happened in Asia (228,400).¹ Children are often among the most vulnerable. The Wenchuan Earthquake in Sichuan, China, killed about 7,000 students who were trapped in damaged school buildings. During the 2005 Kashmir earthquake around 8,000 school buildings collapsed and 18,000 children died.² In 2005 hurricane Katrina led to the closure of 700 schools; in Louisiana 40 schools were destroyed and 875 were damaged and in Mississippi 16 schools were destroyed and 287 were damaged. The congress had to appropriate US\$ 645 million to cover education costs for the 372,000 displaced school children for the 2006-2006 school year.³ This highlights the need for effective disaster response practices and mechanisms but in particular for improved pre-disaster risk reduction to decrease disaster vulnerability and mitigate impacts. Under the Hyogo Framework for Action education has been identified as key to mitigating the impact of natural disasters.

In August this year CSR Asia was commissioned by the Attorneys General Department (AGD) of the Government of Australia, on behalf of the APEC Task Force for Emergency Preparedness (APEC TFEP)

- to assist in the development of common definitions and language among APEC Member Economies for disaster risk awareness and management education in schools curricula and
- to prepare a draft list of APEC-wide best practice examples and school education principles for the Third Emergency Management CEO's Forum in Ha Noi, 15-17 September 2009.

On this account, the paper briefly outlines approaches for disaster risk education at schools in APEC Member Economies and elaborates on key strategies and lessons learned. A draft list of principles for integrating disaster risk awareness and education into school curricula is presented as a starting point for further discussion within the APEC community on a common approach.

This paper is a working document that will be finalised after the Third APEC TFEP Emergency Management CEOS' Forum. Consultation with representatives from the APEC Member Economies and discussions during the workshop will feed into the finalisation of this paper.

¹ SwissRe, 2009

² UNCRD, 2009

³ RiskRed et al., n.d.

3. Definition and scope of disaster risk education schools

The Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) was formulated as a comprehensive, action-oriented response to international concern about the growing impacts of disasters on individuals, communities and national development. It was adopted by 168 Governments at the World Conference on Disaster Reduction, held in Kobe, Japan, in January 2005. The HFA sets a clear expected outcome: "The substantial reduction of disaster losses, in lives and in the social, economic and environmental assets of communities and countries". In order to attain this outcome the HFA emphasizes the importance of disaster risk reduction (DRR) as a central issue for development policies and calls upon signatories to make DRR a priority. It stresses the "use of knowledge, innovation and education to build a culture of safety and resilience at all levels" as one of the five priorities of action with a focus on including disaster education in formal and non-formal education and protection of public facilities.⁴

Against this background, APEC Leaders and Ministers instructed in November 2008 that APEC officials support the inclusion of education on disaster issues in school curricula where appropriate. APEC Education Ministers also acknowledged in 2008 that much importance should be attached to providing the necessary scientific and practical knowledge about disaster risks and related competencies through the integration of disaster risk reduction education into school curricula. Separately, the Second and Third Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, held in November 2007 and December 2008, also called upon governments to make school safety and the integration of DRR into school curricula a national priority.

It is widely acknowledged that school disaster education programmes have the potential to build community resilience to natural hazards as:

- If properly planned, built, maintained and managed, schools provide a safe haven to the children who spend most of their waking hours at school and safe facilities for public shelter in the aftermath of a disaster
- Strong leadership of teachers has been proven to be very effective in dealing with emergency situations in disaster-prone countries⁵
- Incorporating risk awareness and risk reduction strategies into school curricula contributes to institutionalising the reach of these messages to the broader public as what is learnt in childhood becomes incorporated into collective knowledge and is carried into future decision-making. In most countries children are very influential and effective communicators and knowledge disseminators at the family level.⁶ It has to be considered, however, that with students learning from a broad range of sources, unless there is a prescribed activity (e.g. homework task to develop a family home emergency plan) students may not take home hazard-related learning and messages.⁷

4 UN/ISDR, 2007a

According to the OECD (2008) *risk awareness education* encompasses understanding natural and biological mechanisms that may create hazards and the human vulnerability to these hazards.

According to the UN/ISDR education for DRR is

"an interactive process of mutual learning among people and institutions. It encompasses far more than formal education at schools and universities, and affects all aspects of life through the concerted efforts to overcome universal barriers of ignorance, apathy, individual interests and lack of political will present in communities. It also involves the recognition and use of traditional wisdom and local knowledge for protection from natural hazards. Education is conveyed through experience, established learning arrangements, information technology, staff training, electronic and print media and other means that facilitate the sharing of information and knowledge to citizens, professionals, organizations and policymakers, among a range of other community stakeholders. (UN/ISDR, 2005)

Against this background disaster risk education programmes and activities need to cover:

- Preparedness conversion: Learning how to commence and maintain preparations for natural disasters.
- Mitigation behaviours: Learning what to do before, during and after a natural disaster
- Adaptive capability: Learning how to change and maintain systems, networks and build community competencies (e.g. skills, leadership) to minimise the impacts of natural disasters.
- Post-disaster learnings: Learning how to improve preparedness conversion, mitigation behaviours, and adaptive capability after a natural disaster.⁸

In the Philippines four strategies were suggested for integrating risk reduction into the education sector. The strategies, shown in Figure 1 below, very much reflect the ongoing discussion on this issue globally and include:

Community-school based disaster risk reduction and management: The Center for Disaster Preparedness (2008) stresses that in the Philippines schools are a fundamental institution that are very much embedded in communities. Thus, it is important to develop schools to become centers for disaster risk reduction for both the school and its community. Similarly, Dufty (2009) stresses the importance of viewing school natural hazards education as one possible component of a local community education package and of integrating it into a broader context of a learning process or activity that builds community⁹ resilience to natural hazards. Such a community education package would target a range of vulnerable groups and organisations such as the elderly, people of non-native speaking background, those living in especially high risk areas, and businesses. According to Dufty (2009) successful school programmes have integrated student learning with community risk preparedness programmes through learning extensions at

⁵ UNCRD, 2008

⁶ OECD, 2009

⁷ Dufty, 2009

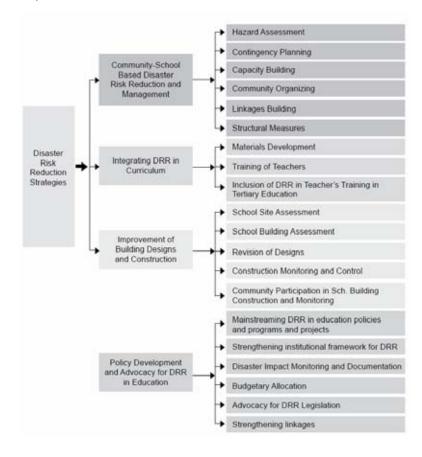
⁸ Duftv. 2009

⁹ The term community encompasses all spheres of government, business, industry and the general public.

home and the encouragement of child-parent and teacher-parent communication.

- Integration of DRR in the curriculum: To create a culture of safety, DRR has to be integrated within all levels of formal education, from the pre-primary to the advanced university levels, and particular attention has to be paid to curricula and school integration, teacher training, and the assessment of learning. Disaster risk education needs also to be integrated into non-formal education, which can take many forms such as community campaigns and emergency drills. Non-formal education activities can be the rapid entry point for DRR education. Within recent years indigenous and traditional knowledge and the realisation of its potential to improve DRR policies has been emphasized, especially through the linkage with disaster education and early warning systems.¹¹
- Improvement of the building design and construction: Safer construction of school buildings need to be mainstreamed and preparations to be made in order to allow school buildings to provide public shelter after a disaster. According to UNESCO (2009) a safe education facility is "that which is either located in a danger-free zone or has been built to be resilient to an extreme natural event". Educational facilities, new and old ones, can be made resilient through land use planning, structural reinforcement and emergency plans. 13
- Policy development and advocacy for DRR in education: Existing institutional set-ups need to be strengthened and DRR needs to be integrated in all policies and programs of a country's national Ministry or Department of Education. Linkages to other sectoral ministries and departments need to be established in order to ensure access to resources, capacity building, advocacy and support in times of emergencies but also to coordinate the different DRR activities ad increase efficiency.¹⁴ The aftermath of a disaster can be a turning point for changing policies and practices and for raising public awareness while simultaneously taking action to improve community safety.¹⁵

Figure 1: Strategies for Disaster Risk Reduction in Education (Source: Center for Disaster Preparedness, 2008)



¹⁰ UNESCO, 2009b

¹¹ UNESCO, 2009b

¹² Center for Disaster Preparedness, 2008

¹³ UNESCO, 2009b

¹⁴ Center for Disaster Preparedness, 2008

¹⁵ UN/ISDR, 2005

3.1. Infusing disaster risk awareness into school curricula

According to Dufty (2009) a critical success factor for the uptake of natural hazard education activities in schools is

"the ability to embed these activities in existing school programs that are already linked to learning outcomes in curricula and syllabuses. This helps to ensure that the school will accept the natural hazards program as a valid activity as part of its existing teaching program and not as a 'one off'. Moreover, as a natural hazard can occur at any time, this approach will also mean that 'natural hazards' will be taught each year." (Dufty, 2009)

He explains that curriculum-based programmes are developed by initially identifying opportunities for the inclusion of natural hazards education in appropriate state and territory curricula through a process known as 'curriculum mapping'. An OECD draft policy handbook on DRR education stresses the importance of elaborating the scope and sequence and competencies expected at each age level and of undertaking a full curriculum audit in all subjects to identify the appropriate insertion points. For expert advice, Dufty (2009) suggests involving the curriculum support section from the respective state or territory department of education and teachers in this process. ¹⁶

After this, programmes need to be designed with activities that link with learning outcomes and subject matter in the appropriate parts of the curricula and thus school programmes.¹⁷ This stage may also involve textbook revisions, development of supplemental teacher training material, introduction of the subject matter through teacher-training colleges and in-service training plans.¹⁸

Formal curricula approaches can involve infusion into existing courses at all grade levels, insertion of modules into existing courses, and supplemental stand-alone courses. Informal and co-curricular approaches can include special assemblies, drills, projects, competitions, festivals, exhibitions and performances.¹⁹

The OECD Handbook stresses the importance of developing leadership in teacher training through targeting both the education faculty as well as programmes for inservice training of existing teachers. Particular attention, therefore, needs to be paid to both curriculum and teacher support materials and their formal inclusion into national curricular guidelines.²⁰

The content of risk reduction and its adequate placement in school curricula is important. Historically, disaster awareness content has been placed in science and geography courses. But also school subjects in social studies, language and literature, environment, reading, health, communications, and even art provide important opportunities for cultivating hazard and risk awareness. In this regard

¹⁷ Dufty, 2009

building knowledge about local weather conditions, nearby geological risks, or careful use of natural resources is equally pertinent as practical guidelines for risk-wise actions, problem-solving skills for risk reduction, and education on financial tools for risk sharing and protection.²¹

The Asia Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) Regional Consultative Committee on Disaster Management (RCC), whose aim is to provide an informal consultative mechanism for development of action strategies for disaster reduction in the Asia-Pacific region and for the promotion of cooperative programmes on a regional and sub-regional basis, outlines the following key approaches for mainstreaming DRR into school curriculum:

- Plan in advance of the National Curriculum Development Cycle: In every economy the curriculum revision process is repeated every 3-5 years. For each grade the long revision process usually starts a year before the actual revision takes place and any new curriculum can only be taught from the beginning of a new revision cycle. It is essential to be aware of the national education policy and the curriculum revision cycle in order to take the necessary steps to introduce disaster risk awareness to the curriculum development board before or during the actual revision phase. Adequate timing is crucial in order to provide concerned agencies enough time to develop and pilot the curriculum, train the teachers, and make budgetary arrangements.
- Establish partnerships between Ministry of Education and the National Disaster Management Office (NDMO): Partnership between the Ministry of Education and the NDMO (the national agency mandated with the task of DRR) is important to ensure technical support to the Ministry as well as help in sourcing funds to initiate the process of integrating DRR into the national curriculum. The NDMO is a crucial partner in advocating for DRR integration and in generating political will.
- Adopt a consultative process: It is important to build consensus and adopt a consultative process by involving key national agencies such as Ministries of Planning and Finance since the whole process of curriculum change is linked to the development plan and the budget of the nation. Other important partners to involve include specific national hazard related technical agencies and research institutes as well as various international agencies specifically involved in education sector development such as UNICEF and UNESCO and donors like GTZ, ECHO, and JICA.
- Link with processes of the education sector programmes funded by the multilateral and bilateral agencies, and the education sector Working Group led by Ministry of Education: It is important to stay informed of education sector programmes and projects funded and implemented by various agencies and organisations in order to tap the potential of these programmes and to magnify the benefits. Among these are pipeline or ongoing programmes by multilateral, bilateral or national agencies focussing on curriculum development, construction of schools, or the publication of textbooks at different geo-political levels (e.g. provinces or districts).²²

¹⁶ Dufty, 2009

¹⁸ OECD, 2009

¹⁹ OECD, 2009

²⁰ OECD, 2009

²¹ OECD, 2009 and UNISDR, 2004

²² RCC, 2007

3.2. Disaster education material

An OECD Stocktaking Review on natural catastrophe risk awareness and education, published in 2008, found that much of the education material on risk awareness produced during recent decades continues to place significant emphasis on hazard identification, risk awareness, drills and emergency response. The material is often not adequately integrated with risk reduction education. Many programmes miss opportunities to introduce students to land use planning, building codes, financial pooling of risk and risk-wise environmental stewardship as means of managing and reducing disaster risk. Much of the education material for schools has been primarily developed by civic, private and public agencies with limited collaboration with regional or national education boards or ministries.

The OECD Stocktaking Review further found that material that conforms to national education standards is easier for teachers to integrate into their teaching schedules. This approach, however, typically relies on enterprising teachers and requires the integration of these materials into already full teaching programmes. The review points out that teachers "may not feel confident enough in the subject to teach it to their students, especially when student performance in other core subject material is heavily scrutinized". Therefore, support from teachers' unions, education ministries, and official mandates is important in order to fully integrate risk awareness and reduction education into school curricula.

Another finding of the review stressed the need for many countries, where innovative and in-depth education materials have been developed, to move from pilot projects to a thorough integration of these materials into national or regional curriculum standards. There is an urgent need to advance both curriculum and teacher support materials and to formally incorporate these materials into national curricular guidelines.²³

Examples of disaster education materials being used in APEC member economies are provided in ANNEX 1.

3.3. Ensuring the effectiveness of natural hazard education programmes

According to Dufty (2009) the effectiveness of school natural hazard programmes can be measured at several levels including:

- The program compared with learnings from education psychology and leading practice: Children's understanding of concepts such as causality and prevention are strongly influenced by age-related changes in cognitive ability. The acquisition of knowledge about risk and mitigation takes place in a social context, with some elements of social context exerting more influence than others.'
- Student's understanding of the natural hazards risk
- Student's understanding of appropriate preparedness behaviours
- The preparation and maintenance of an emergency management plan by the student's family

 If a natural disaster occurs, the ability of the student to cope with and learn from the event.

Dufty (2009) points out that a major weakness in disaster education programmes is the lack of evaluation to gauge the effectiveness using measures such as those listed above. The ongoing monitoring and evaluation of awareness and education efforts are, however, essential to assure accountability and transparency, increase public confidence in the outcomes and to further build up research knowledge to guide planning. Therefore, it is important to incorporate ways to evaluate the effectiveness of immediate outcomes (e.g. awareness, personal preparedness, transfer of learning to families) into all school natural hazards programmes.²⁴

²³ OECD, 2008

²⁴ OECD, 2009 and Dufty, 2009

4. International efforts and developments

Since the adoption of the HFA a large number of activities and initiatives have been implemented at international and regional level to advance disaster risk awareness and management education at schools. Some of these activities and initiatives are further explained in the following sections.

4.1. School Earthquake Safety Initiative 2005-2009

The UN Center for Regional Development (UNCRD) emphasizes the multifaceted role of schools in building resilience of communities and in propagating a culture of safety to communities. Its School Earthquake Safety Initiative (SESI), under the theme of "Reducing Vulnerability of School Children to Earthquakes", aims to ensure that earthquake safe schools in seismic regions and that local communities build capacity to cope with earthquake disasters.

The project is being implemented in Fiji, India, Indonesia, and Uzbekistan and comprises the following four components:

- Seismic retrofitting of school buildings: Seismic vulnerability analysis of selected schools and retrofitting of two to three schools typical to the region in each economy.
- Capacity building of communities: On-the-job training during retrofitting works for government officials and experts in the community such as masons.
- Disaster education and awareness raising: Development and wide distribution of educational materials for students, manuals for teachers, and guidelines for experts.
- Knowledge and experience dissemination: Regional and international workshops.

Best practices and lessons learned:

- The project seeks to transfer ownership of concepts and activities to governments and local stakeholders. School are therefore retrofitted in a participatory way engaging local communities, governments and resource institutions.
- School retrofitting provides an ideal opportunity to disseminate technology and train local masons about safe construction practices.
- Activities like retrofitting of schools and safe school construction can significantly contribute to raising the community's awareness of the importance of safe buildings in reducing disaster impacts. The final product 'safe school' is therefore equally important as the process of achieving this product.²⁶

²⁶ UNCRD, 2008

4.2. Decade of Education for Sustainable Development 2005 – 2014

The international implementation scheme of the Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005 – 2014) considers disaster preparedness and mitigation as crucial issues in achieving sustainable development. Under the scheme, in April 2005 UNESCO Bangkok's programme for Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) initiated a project entitled "Education for Natural Disaster Preparedness (ENDP) in Asia-Pacific in the context of Education for Sustainable Development" (ENDP-ESD). The goal of the project is to develop the preparedness of local stakeholder groups towards disaster prevention, recognition and preparedness in selected Asia-Pacific countries. ESD is employed as a framework to facilitate holistic and critical thinking as well as problem-solving in local communities threatened or affected by disasters.

During the UNESCO World Conference on ESD, held from 31 March -2 April 2009 in Bonn, Germany, a workshop on 'ESD and disaster risk reduction: building disaster-resilient societies' was conducted. In a concept note to the workshop the German Committee for Disaster Reduction (DKKV) and the UN/ISDR Thematic Platform on Knowledge and Education proposed the following recommendations to encourage education for sustainable development by DRR:

- Motivate political commitment and strengthen legal frameworks: High-level advocacy to Ministers of Education on Education for DRR is urgently required, so that it is recognized as one of the key priorities on the national education agenda and that it thus benefits from increased resource mobilization.
- Promote capacity building at all levels: In the field of DRR capacity building can include issues such as training, transfer of technology, application of traditional knowledge and know-how, as well as strengthening of institutional capacities at the community, national and regional level.
- Clarify responsibilities and promote networking and exchange between stakeholders: Acknowledging the multi-disciplinary approach of education for DRR, institutional networks with clear responsibilities have to be set up to support networking and know-how transfer.
- 4. Develop effective education strategies to achieve quality education and learning: It is imperative to ensure that DRR education is rooted in existing learning theories and firmly embedded in education programmes at all levels.
- Develop and apply minimum standards for safe and disaster-resistant schools and educational infrastructure: The safety of educational infrastructure needs to become a national priority. Older school buildings should benefit from effective retrofitting programmes.²⁷

In 2007 UNESCO and the ADPC published country reports on natural disaster preparedness and education as part of the "Educational Materials for Education for Natural Disaster Preparedness in Asia-Pacific in the Context of Education for Sustainable Development" project. Existing activities and materials in the following countries were analysed: Maldives, Thailand, Indonesia, India, and Bangladesh. The analysis highlighted the importance of the following issues:

²⁵ UNCRD, 2008

²⁷ DKKV and UN/ISDR, 2009

- Collaboration and consultation: Collaboration and consultation are essential to correctly identify needs and gaps, learn about a community's preferred learning styles and develop ongoing support for their projects.
- Affected communities are keen to help: Natural disaster affected communities want to be involved in projects that will lessen the impact of future natural disasters. They must be viewed as a valuable resource rather than passive recipients of donor aid.
- Language barriers: It is important to use local languages effectively in order to deliver natural disaster preparedness messages. However in doing so, the universality of the project may be lost. A lack of natural disaster preparedness terminology in local languages inhibits effective communication.
- Culture and religion: Culture and religion require sensitivity in order to develop innovative approaches that can build upon local culture and religion and promote communication and understanding where certain cultural beliefs and practices may present obstacles to natural disaster preparedness.
- Government/programmatic support: It is important to develop sustainable, ongoing commitment to local stakeholder initiatives. This can be at the national or local government levels and can include policy, financial or coordination efforts.²⁸

Islamabad Declaration and Action Plan 2008

The International Conference on School Safety was held from 14-16 May 2008 in Islamabad, Pakistan. The aim of the conference was to share lessons learned about issues related to school safety across the globe and to come up with recommendations for action at national and regional levels. Delegates to the conference adopted the Islamabad Declaration and Islamabad Action Plan.

The declaration outlines the role of governments, civil society and communities in promoting school safety while the action plan suggests strategic actions with regards to policy and institutional mechanisms, technical aspects, capacity development, integrating Disaster Risk Management (DRM) information in formal and informal education, community preparedness for disaster prevention and response, and public-private partnerships for safe schools.

Participants of the International Conference on School Safety in Islamabad declared

- The safety of our children is the goal of society and as such it is incumbent upon national governments to fulfil that obligation through comprehensive policies, programmes and financing mechanisms.
- School safety is an opportunity to establish innovative and effective partnerships between national government and state. local entities and community to ensure that school safety policy is implemented through priority actions.
- State governments can develop mechanisms, provide technical, financial and capacity support as needed to design and implement School Safety Action Plans. These plans can guide investments that address school vulnerabilities,

structural and non-structural; and reflect priorities of local governments and communities.

- Resilient schools policy and practice needs to be linked to and incorporated in local development planning and future growth strategies. Schools are community assets and as such are tools for local governments to translate and implement locally appropriate action plans that apply to broader community applications of disaster management, planning, finance and safe construction.
- Schools are multi-functional assets for communities. Schools are places of learning, community activities and can be safe havens in times of disaster. Communities play a critical role as safe haven managers and first responders to disaster situations. Communities are thus necessary partners of the school planning and development process including site selection, improved local technologies and the application of community skills in the school development process.
- Civil society and private sector organizations are critical partners in school safety action plan implementation through their provision of technical and project management expertise and financial support to national and local governments, and community groups.²⁹

4.4. Bangkok Action Agenda 2007

The goal of the Asia Pacific Regional Workshop on School Education and Disaster Risk Reduction, held in Bangkok from 8-10 October 2007, was to make a contribution toward reducing the vulnerability of school children to disasters and helping to decrease the loss of lives. It also aimed to improve resilience of school communities struck by disasters, or in hazard prone areas.

The workshop adopted the Bangkok Action Agenda as the regional blueprint to guide DRR implementation in the Asia Pacific region along four key priority areas of focus:

- Integration of DRR into school education: The Action Agenda stresses the importance of integrating and mainstreaming DRR into school curricula and into teacher education and training. It further highlights the need for broad stakeholder participation in the development of learning approaches and materials for both formal and non-formal DRR education and for children with various disabilities.
- Strengthening DRR education for community resilience: The Action Agenda calls to strengthen participatory mechanisms to involve communities in formal and non-formal disaster risk education, to take into account indigenous knowledge and to use socio-economic impact assessment to influence decision makers towards increased investments into disaster risk reduction education.
- Making schools safer: The Action Agenda suggests updating minimum standards for the construction and operation of school buildings to incorporate disaster mitigation, to facilitate the development of tools and guidelines for safe construction considering sub-regional characteristics, and to use national budget and infrastructure protection resources to make schools safe, with no funding cuts from the education sector.

²⁸ UNESCO, 2007

²⁹ Islamabad Declaration on School Safety, 2008

 Empowering children in DRR: The Action Agenda highlights the importance of developing child-led disaster risk reduction and response cadres in and out of school at the community level and of developing special outreach efforts to reach children with disabilities, their teachers and parents.³⁰

4.5. World Disaster Reduction Campaign 2006-2007

As part of the implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action and the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, UN/ISDR in cooperation with UNESCO coordinated The World Disaster Reduction Campaign 2006-2007 with the central theme of "Disaster Risk Reduction Begins at School". The aim was to encourage the integration of disaster risk education in school curricula and the safe construction and retrofitting of school buildings to withstand natural hazards.

The importance of raising awareness within school communities, building a culture of prevention and making school buildings safer was stressed. Acknowledging that awareness can trigger interest, interest can lead to attention, and attention can prompt action, diverse ways to raise awareness among school students, teachers and their communities were promoted such as training of teachers, bringing DRR into the classroom, organizing disaster quiz competitions, school contests on DRR knowledge, campaigning for disaster safety, and turning school students into catalysts and initiators.³¹

The campaign further promoted DRR as 'every one's business' and a culture of disaster safety within society. Suggested ways to building a culture of safety in and through schools ranged from developing disaster education material, to mainstreaming DRR into school curricula or national education systems, and using alternative or innovative ways to educate children, youth, teachers and parents. A number of initiatives engaged children in on-the-ground activities such as assessing vulnerabilities, mapping hazards and risks, carrying out preparedness and making response plans, taking part in mock exercises and emergency drills, and helping communities prepare against and respond to disasters.³²

The campaign also outlined the role of different key stakeholders in advancing DRR education at schools including among others governments, UN and other international organisations, donors and the private sector.

Governments are requested

- to commit to teacher training and curriculum development to support largescale teaching of DRR and
- to review the safety of their schools and develop a comprehensive policy toward school safety by taking all locally relevant hazards into account and using location of schools, maintenance of buildings, design and construction methods as risk reduction tools.

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30 Bangkok Action Agenda 2007

UN and other international organisations are called upon

- to work with professionals, educators, communities, children and youth to develop a short list of "quick win" actions that can rapidly increase the safety of schools and raise risk awareness among all those concerned with schools.
- and to dynamize coalitions and partnerships, facilitate the creation of knowledge networks including South-South exchange, build capacity and guide others to existing resources for training.

Donors are asked

- to link DRR education issues to all MDGs not just the education MDG, and
- to select "fast track" countries that have considerable numbers of schools in dangerous locations or otherwise at risk and show the potential for rapid scaling up of school protection.

Private sector:

 Professional organizations, involved with schools and building, are requested to work with governments to establish and enforce strict building codes of conduct so that high standards are met in school construction and a new culture of respect for building codes of conduct within professional bodies is established.³³

³¹ UN/ISDR, 2007b

³² UN/ISDR, 2007b

³³ UN/ISDR, n.d.

5. Status of disaster education in APEC member economies

A stocktaking review by the OECD of selected country efforts³⁴ to raise public awareness and education of the impact of natural hazards and to enhance awareness and education regarding risk mitigation measures found that:

- Most countries have taken the approach of supplementing curriculum with regional and national co-curricular education developed by civil protection agencies or civic organizations, often in conjunction with wider public education campaigns. China, India, Mexico, New Zealand, and Turkey have co-curricular risk education in regional or national curriculum. Japan also has co-curricular risk education in some schools, though it has been removed from the national curriculum. In Mexico, environmental awareness, the interaction of humans and the environment, and disaster risk reduction and preparedness are taught in secondary school geography classes. As part of these studies, students participate in risk mitigation activities in their communities.
- Some countries are currently considering adding risk awareness and risk reduction education into their educational mandates. In the United Kingdom, integration of hazard awareness and risk reduction is being discussed as part of a new citizenship curriculum. Segments of this citizenship curriculum may draw upon innovative risk awareness and reduction education in geography lessons developed by a secondary school teacher. These lessons ask students to learn about hazards in their neighbourhood, country of origin or holiday destination, create educational videos and help their families better prepare for natural hazard events. In other countries such as Canada, Italy, and the United States, teaching material for risk awareness and risk reduction education in the schools is implemented on a voluntary basis. 35

The review further found that a key factor in the success of disaster education school programmes was the integration of student learning with community risk preparedness programmes through learning extensions at home and the encouragement of child-parent and teacher-parent communication. The integration had been achieved through community based projects such as community risk mapping, community-based fairs and exhibits, and publicized drills. Public risk awareness and risk reduction education are crucial in developing a consciousness about the need for school and community-based disaster management planning and in motivating citizens to participate in local and regional risk mitigation and planning.³⁶

As part of the ENDP-ESD, UNESCO Bangkok coordinated with six countries in the Asia-Pacific in order to integrate education for natural disaster preparedness in school curricula, i.e. China, Japan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vanuatu. It

³⁴ The stocktaking was published in 2008 and covered the public, education, private and civic sectors of 13 selected OECD and emerging economy countries, i.e. Canada, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Portugal, Spain, Turkey, United States, United Kingdom, and the two largest emerging economies outside the OECD, namely China and India.

³⁶ OECD, 2008 and Dufty, 2009

was found that each of the six countries had different priorities and were at different stages of ENDP integration.

- China has always attached great importance to disaster prevention and mitigation work and thus has sufficient educational materials on this topic. However, a majority of schools in the country have not yet set up prevention and mitigation programmes and still lack quality disaster prevention and mitigation materials.
- Japan has the most successful education for natural disaster preparedness programmes in its schools.
- The Philippines is at the stage of recognizing and implementing policy to address the issues hindering ENDP.
- The significance of ENDP has only really come to light in Thailand after the 2004 tsunami. Therefore, Thailand is at a very early stage of ENDP implementation, starting in schools in the six coastal provinces affected by the tsunami.

Case studies of disaster risk education approaches in the different APEC member economies are provided in ANNEX 2.

³⁵ OECD, 2008

6. Principles

The brief outline of various approaches to integrating disaster risk awareness into school curricula has shown the multitude of pilot projects and programmes being implemented by different government, UN and development agencies. Various conferences were held at global, regional and national level in order to advance disaster risk education at schools but the shift from pilot activities to a consequent mainstreaming of disaster risk awareness at schools has yet to happen.

A preliminary list of principles is outlined below as a starting point for further discussion within the APEC community on a common approach towards integrating disaster risk awareness at schools.

Proposed Principles

- Disaster risk education at schools should be embedded as a key pillar of broader public disaster risk education to enhance community resilience to disasters, gain support for school-led activities, and motivate citizens to participate in local and regional risk mitigation and planning.
- Disaster risk education should be integrated into school curricula because children are among the most vulnerable during a disaster and they are very effective communicators and disseminators of disaster risk reduction and preparedness messages at the family and community level..

Education materials

- Schools should teach about all stages of the disaster risk reduction cycle, therefore education materials should introduce students to disaster prevention, mitigation, preparedness as well as response.
- Education materials should introduce students to land use planning, building codes, insurance and environmental stewardship as means of managing and reducing disaster risk.
- Education materials should supplement a range of academic subjects, must be
 rooted in existing learning materials, must suit the local context, and should be
 culturally sensitive taking into account indigenous and traditional knowledge.

Pedagogy (teaching strategies)

- Disaster risk education should be cemented through learning extensions at home and the encouragement of child-parent and teacher-parent communication and activities such as community risk mapping, communitybased fairs and exhibits, and publicized drills.
- 7. Disaster education in schools must highlight the importance of child-led disaster risk reduction and response cadres in and out of school at the community level and of reaching out to children with disabilities, their teachers and parents.

Integration

- 8. Disaster risk education should be integrated into formal education at preprimary, primary and secondary levels, as well as non-formal education and into teacher education and training.
- 9. The development and integration of disaster risk education into national curricula should be led by the Ministry of Education, involve national and local governments from various sectors and be based on a multi-stakeholder approach engaging the private sector, communities as well as UN, donor and development agencies. Disaster risk education at schools is a continuous process that requires a constant collaborative effort from all stakeholders.
- 10. Integrating disaster education at schools must take into account the national education policy and the curriculum revision cycle so disaster risk awareness is introduced to the curriculum development board before or during the actual revision phase. Time is needed to develop and pilot the curriculum, train the teachers, and make budgetary arrangements. A disaster, while tragic, can be a useful trigger for changing education, research policies and practices.
- 11. Local community and civil society stakeholders must be involved in the development of disaster risk education materials for schools to help identify local risks and response measures. Often, the schools themselves form part of the response plan. Equally, disaster risk education policies should be taken into account in local development planning and future growth strategies.
- 12. To ensure the effectiveness of disaster risk education, regular monitoring and evaluation should be carried out. This could involve measuring the ability of students to cope with and learn from a disaster, and whether an emergency management plan has been prepared and maintained by a student's family.

Making schools safer

13. Resilience of school buildings must be ensured through adherence to building codes, land use planning, and emergency plans. School buildings should be retrofitted to meet safety standards, train local builders and raise public awareness.

Proposed recommendations for individual APEC member economies (as appropriate)

- Motivate political commitment and strengthen legal support frameworks for the integration of disaster risk education at schools to move from pilot projects to the mainstreaming of disaster risk education at schools
- Promote inter-sectoral and inter-institutional support for the integration of disaster risk reduction into school curricula
- 3. Link disaster risk education initiatives to national development planning
- 4. Develop and enforce minimum standards for disaster-resistant schools

ANNEX 1: EXAMPLES OF DISASTER RISK AWARENESS MATERIALS IN APEC MEMBER ECONOMIES

Regional disaster education material

ACCU is a Japan-based non-profit organization which implements regional cooperative programmes in Asia-Pacific in the field of culture, education and personnel exchange in close collaboration with UNESCO and its member states. In 1997 ACCU launched a multi-media teaching-learning materials series called "PLANET" short for "Package Learning mAterials on Environment" with the aim to provide environmental education materials for learners in non-formal and formal education in order to generate motivation for improving current environmental conditions and raising environmental awareness. To date the following titles have been produced: Water Pollution (PLANET 1), Forest Conservation (PLANET 2), and Waste Management (PLANET 3). A fourth title of the series is under production, i.e. Natural Disaster Preparedness (PLANET 4). The overall PLANET scheme is based on the following three stages:

- Production of a regional English prototype version: Prototype learning materials are produced in cooperation between ACCU and regional experts. These English versions of education materials are sought to serve as references for local material developers.
- Production of local versions: Regional prototype materials are to be modified to depict country-specific contexts. This goes beyond simply translating materials into local languages and involves an adaptation of the materials' format, presentation, illustration and contents to take into account local needs, culture and environment. This requires the collection and integration of baseline data and workshops with local experts.
- Dissemination and utilization of local versions: Delivery and utilization strategies need to be based on needs and impact assessments and be plotted well before delivering materials due to their limited number.

ACCU stresses the importance of integrating local knowledge and resources into the adaptation of local learning materials and of aligning these with international and national agendas such as the MDGs.

The main target audience of the PLANET series includes neo-literates, school children, and learners in environmental education programmes in Asia and the Pacific. The PLANET materials have been used in primary and secondary schools, in educating community leaders as well as by state broadcast channels.

Lessons learned and major challenges:

- One of the biggest challenges was attaining universality for the regional prototype materials as there is a great variety in the disaster experiences of countries in the region. As a consequence the regional prototype prioritised the following five major disasters: typhoons, tsunamis, earthquakes, forest fires, and landslides.
- Another challenge lied in the varied response activities required to meet different disasters and in different cultural contexts. Different responses are required for different disasters and the cultures that underlie societies and people's lifestyles influence these responses. ACCU is considering producing a set of separate fact sheets so that people can obtain additional information on the disasters of particular relevance to their region.³⁷

³⁷ UNESCO, 2005

Emergency management for schools in Australia

The Attorney-General's Department Emergency Management for Schools program aims to provide nationally consistent educational resources to schools and teachers available through the dedicated website www.ema.gov.au/schools.

Disaster lesson plans, resources and interactive teaching tools are provided for teachers and educators to help young Australians understand what to do if a disaster or emergency arises. Materials are provided for three main types of school disaster education programmes: interactive programmes presented by emergency management authorities, teaching/learning units and lessons, and extracurricular activities. A few Australian emergency management authorities use all three types of programmes in an integrated manner, thus maximising opportunities for effective impacts.

A few innovative approaches are briefly explained in the following:

"Dingo Creek - The Disaster" is an engaging, easy-to-use multimedia learning tool, with associated classroom activities and resources. It provides interactive and engaging content for students and teachers and is based on real life issues and problems that affect a community during a disaster. Aimed at school students from years 5 - 9, the game introduces the broader concepts of disaster risk management and minimisation.

A companion learning object "Dingo Creek - The Recovery" takes students into a post-disaster situation and guides them in rebuilding the community, in physical, environmental, economic and socio - psychological aspects. Students are asked to assess the effects of the disaster in all these areas and design recovery strategies.

The Dingo Creek series was developed by the Attorney General's Department for primary and secondary age (middle years 10-15 year old) students. The cross-curricula, cross year level learning object is built using Adobe Flash and is structured to use in the classroom, supported by associated offline activities.

Best practices:

English/literacy, and personal learning

- Unlike most other disaster education activities online, 'Dingo Creek' explores
 the all-hazards approach. It explains issues around emergency risk
 assessment, analysis and treatment and thus develops an understanding of
 how the emergency services across Australia work to protect communities
 and minimise risk.
- The resources have been designed to be used flexibly so that the key messages of student empowerment, responsible and careful decision-making and positive actions within the local community can be applied in any area of school's curriculum across the middle years of schooling.³⁸

The "Living with Disaster" digital stories series was developed after the extreme bushfires of February 2009. The series presents the personal experiences and reflections of young people from different communities that have experienced disasters and talks about the impact of those events on themselves, their families, schools and communities. Participants use their own photographs, music, videos and

38 Materials explicitly link to the following school subjects: geography, personal development, health and physical education, science, technology, studies of society and environment,

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memorabilia to create short multimedia presentations through workshops facilitated by the Australian Centre for the moving Image (ACMI). Stories are presented as part of a teaching resource and are used as a base for discussion and classroom activities.

Best practices:

- By seeing, hearing and feeling the experiences of their peers students can more directly relate to the story and its message and better develop an understanding of the different impacts of disaster events.
- "People Get Ready", a culturally inclusive emergency management resource for schools, it aims to enhance the understanding of students (years 8 -10) from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds with regards to disaster prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. A web-based toolkit supported by 9 lesson plans incorporates the wide range of different cultures and life experiences into teaching and learning. It can be applied across a number of cultural backgrounds and be adapted for specific cultural, language and religious contexts. The toolkit encompasses:
 - "Teaching in a culturally inclusive way": This section provides practical hints and tips for teachers.
 - "About CALD students": This section highlights some of the experiences of students from culturally diverse backgrounds and how this might impact on the teaching of natural disasters and/or emergency management.
 - "The importance of family": This section highlights the dynamics and some of the experiences of families from culturally diverse backgrounds.
 - Comprehensive lesson plans on "Me and My Community", "Take the Communication Mission", "Experiences of Emergencies and Families Preparing Together".
 - Curriculum links to state or territory curriculum framework for each lesson plan.

Best practices:

Culturally sensitive disaster education materials do not only contribute to a
better understanding of disaster issues by students but also improves the
adoption of messages and behaviours taught as students can easier relate
those to their own living environment and experiences.

Disaster risk education material in China

In China, nearly 500,000 textbooks on natural disasters and mitigation have been produced for elective high school geography courses, covering characteristics and impacts of natural hazards in China, hazard monitoring, mitigation, preparedness and disaster relief.

In 2004, the National Text-book Authorization Committee for Primary and Middle Schools of China approved a text-book for senior middle schools on natural hazards which was distributed widely across the country: by 2006, there was a copy on every senior middle school student's desk. The book offers a thorough introduction to natural hazards in the world, with a more detailed focus on China, and pays particular attention to preparedness and DRR. In addition it provides a list of Chinese web sites that students and teachers can consult, including a site maintained by the Chinese Science Museum.

The website of the virtual Earthquake Museum, for examples, features interactive games on earthquake response (Escape from an Earthquake in 10 seconds) and information on a range of topics including basic hazard awareness, Chinese seismographic history and earthquake risk management. The website is addressing both children and adults.39

³⁹ OECD, 2009

ANNEX 2: ECONOMY CASE STUDIES ON DISASTER RISK AWARENESS

Japan: Guidance on School Retrofitting and Seismic Resistance

Mandatory risk education was removed from the national curriculum in 1951 due to concerns over declining achievement in other subjects. However, most schools have hazard drills and teach DRR in this context. A 2005 study showed that 80 percent of the high schools in five prefectures of Japan had participated in disaster education and a small percentage of schools in Japan have been recognized as pioneer schools in DRR education. Extensive materials for disaster awareness and risk reduction have been produced by municipalities, prefectures, engineering and scientific institutions and the General Insurance Association of Japan.⁴⁰

A survey carried out by the Fire Protection Agency and the Cabinet Office of the Japanese Government in 2001 and 2002, however, showed that public facilities including school buildings were not satisfactorily earthquake resistant: seismic diagnosis was carried out on only 30 percent of buildings built under the pre-1981 Earthquake-Proof Standards and only about 45 percent of government primary and junior high school buildings had been retrofitted. In response to this "Guidelines for the Promotion of Earthquake-Resistant School Buildings" were published in July 2003 which describe the basic concept of earthquake-resistant school buildings and outline methods for devising earthquake-resistant promotion plans as well as for determining the urgency of earthquake resistance projects. The basic principles outlined in the guidelines are as follows:

- Prioritize earthquake resistance measures for school buildings with high risk of collapse or severe damage
- Prompt the implementation of seismic resistance capacity evaluation and the development of a plan for promoting earthquake resistance
- Disclose the results of the seismic resistance capacity evaluation and of the plans for promoting earthquake resistance
- Check and take measures for the earthquake resistance of non-structural elements

Good practice examples:

 The guidelines took into consideration the crucial importance of competing priorities among public needs and therefore emphasized prioritization and urgency based on vulnerability assessment.

Lessons learned and major challenges:

- To implement projects related to earthquake resistant school buildings effectively, more attention needs to be paid to various issues such as selecting adequate construction methods for seismic reinforcement and methods for earthquake resistance improvements to non-structural elements, and adopting emergency reinforcement.
- Retrofitting vulnerable school buildings is costly and represents only one of many public needs. Therefore it is difficult to assign higher budgets to school buildings even in seismic areas where the occurrence of earthquakes is very likely.⁴²

⁴¹ UN/ISDR. 2007b

⁴² UN/ISDR, 2007b

New Zealand: Mandatory National Curriculum

New Zealand has a mandatory curriculum for risk awareness and reduction which is one of the most extensive ones in the Asia-Pacific region. Civil defence and emergency service personnel, supported by teachers, are responsible for developing and delivering community safety programmes in primary and intermediate schools, while national level committees are responsible for their production. The 2006 "What's the Plan Stan?", which targets primary and intermediate school children, teaches risk awareness and risk reduction by highlighting the four Rs of emergency management: reduction, readiness, response and recovery. The initiative seeks to support teachers to develop the students' knowledge, skills and attitudes to respond to and prepare for an emergency. In addition to curriculum resources, the initiative also provides simulation and practice activities, disaster activities and fact sheets, and a list of references and templates to be used by the teacher. The program increases its impact by encouraging students to talk with their parents about natural hazard risks and preparedness.⁴³

A study of children's natural hazard risk perceptions, levels of preparedness and participation in education programmes in Christchurch was published in 2004 for which 102 participating students from Cobham Intermediate School from the age of 10 to 12 years were surveyed. The study showed that

- The children's awareness of hazards impacting Christchurch was fairly accurate; however, the awareness of the risk from storms with heavy snow falls and tsunami was very poor.
- Overall the surveyed children had a good knowledge of safety behaviour with some vital safety behaviours better known by the children than other safety behaviour.
- A significant majority of the children have participated in a hazard education school programme conducted by Civil Defence personnel.
- Preparedness plans and practices were reported to be poorly adopted by the children's household: torches, first aid kits and smoke detectors were the principal preparedness measures adopted by the children's families while only less than one fifth of children have an emergency kit prepared. Only emergency practices at school had a majority of children participating.⁴⁴

Lessons learned:

- Continuing hazards education is necessary in order to increase understanding of the hazard types and impacts communities could face and to improve household preparation.
- An emergency management focused programme that emphasises children's interactions with their parents can increase home preparedness, e.g. providing children with homework to fill out a home preparedness checklist might be one avenue to translate increased knowledge into useful actions.

⁴⁰ OECD, 2008

⁴³ OECD, 2008 and RCC, 2008

⁴⁴ Finnis et al., 2004

The Philippines: MDRD-Education

In 2005 the Regional Consultative Committee on Disaster Management (RCC) adopted the Hanoi RCC 5 statement on "Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction into Development in Asian Countries", which prioritizes mainstreaming of DRR in the national development planning process as well as in six sectors, (i.e. agriculture, urban planning and infrastructure, education, health, housing and financial services). Within the education sector, the statement identified the following sub-themes to initiate mainstreaming of DRR:

- Integrating DRR modules into school curriculum
- Promoting hazard resilient construction of new schools
- Introducing features into schools for their use as emergency shelters

With the aim to mainstream DRR in the education sector ADPC, UNDP and ECHO initiated the project "Support to Implementation of Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) through Mainstreaming of Disaster Risk Reduction into Development Planning, Policy and Implementation in Asia: Advocacy and Pilot Implementation Project in Education Sector in 3 South East Asian RCC member countries (Cambodia, Lao PDR and the Philippines)" project (hereinafter referred to as MDRD-Education project).

In its Phase I (2007-2008) the MDRD-Education project formed a Technical Working Group with representatives from the Department of Education, National Disaster Coordinating Council, National Economic Development Authority and Department of Finance. This Technical Working Group spearheaded the implementation of the project and undertook the following activities:

- 1. Initiating the mainstreaming of DRR into secondary school curriculum
- 2. Studying the impacts of disasters on the education sector to develop an evidence-based rationale for mainstreaming DRR into the education sector
- 3. Conducting an advocacy workshop on mainstreaming DRR into the education sector.
- 4. Stakeholder consultation as follow up to the advocacy workshop

As a result of the first project phase the mainstreaming of DRR in the three project countries was advanced, networking among DRR practitioners strengthened and government commitment in making communities safer and upholding government responsibility to ensure public safety enhanced.

In the particular case of the Philippines the project achieved the following

- A country specific DRR curriculum was developed which includes a chapter on volcanic eruptions, a hazard very specific to the Philippines.
- The curriculum has been integrated into the science and social sciences subjects of Grade 7.
- The Ministry of Education has endorsed the DRR module and the Philippine government has integrated DRR in the education sector into the Strategic National Action Plan (SNAP)⁴⁵.

 The country authorities have expressed their commitment to elaborate or review the existing building codes and construction guidelines for school buildings.

Starting from October 2007, the DRR module was taught at three private and three public schools in three provinces, i.e. St. Bernard, Tabaco, and Basilan. Before this, 74 teachers and 24 officials were trained on the DRR module, lessons plan, and teaching techniques. A group of curriculum specialists⁴⁶ monitored the teaching of the DRR module in classrooms in December 2007 and January 2008 and based on their comments some lesson plans were revised.

In order to evaluate the teaching and the effectiveness of the module the ADPC initiated a School Safety Day which included activities such as hazard hunt, poster painting competition, and a quiz in the schools. The School Safety Day was held from January to February 2008 and also engaged students from other classes. 15 outstanding students from two pilot schools had a poster painting competition and were evaluated during the National Advocacy Workshop.

A survey of the impact of disasters on the education sector in the Philippines was conducted and showed that in order to improve the resilience of school constructions improvements were required in the following areas: fire prevention and safety, road safety, proper use of chemicals and gases in the science laboratories, location and environment of the school, and accessibility of school buildings.

A National Advocacy Workshops was conducted at the end of the first project phase on 31 March 2008 in Manila with the aim to showcase results of the MDRD Education project, to gather recommendations from the workshop participants on next steps, and to arrive at an endorsement by the Government of the Philippines of future programmatic activities for the integration of DRR in the education sector. Participants of the workshop included representatives from the government, NGOs, and from international donor and UN bodies.

Building upon the lessons learned from Phase I the ongoing Phase II of the PIP (September 2008-December 2009) aims to:

- forward the integration of DRR into school curricula in every country by:
 - Expanding the Technical Working Group and engaging with the Education Sector Working Group,
 - Institutionalising DRR modules in the national curricula and in the teachers training system (this includes the development of teaching aids for the delivery of the modules developed in phase I),
 - Reviewing existing national curricula in order to develop a Curriculum Plan for integrating DRR from primary to secondary level,
- Integrating hazard resilient features in school construction by reviewing, enhancing and developing school construction guidelines and promoting the application of these guidelines in ongoing school construction projects/programs supported by multilateral and bilateral agencies in the project countries.

 $^{^{45}}$ The "Strategic National Action Plan 2009-2015: Strengthening Disaster Risk Reduction in the Philippines"

⁴⁶ Specialists from the Ministry of Education, the National Disaster Coordinating Council focal point, project working group members and school principals/school directors from the three project countries.

Best practice examples:

- Development and testing of economy-specific DRR modules and research on the impact of disasters in the education sector
- Development of the curriculum module based on multi-department consultation under leadership of the Department of Education (e.g. Office of the Civil Defence, Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Energy, Philippines National Red Cross and Philippines National Police)
- National advocacy workshops to demonstrate and discuss the findings of disaster impact studies and school pilot activities with key stakeholders

Lessons learned and challenges:

- Efforts to integrate DRR in the curriculum must not only be piloted but mainstreamed at the national level.
- The integration of DRR in education should be both in the formal, as well as non-formal education, including adult education for different vulnerable groups such as people with physical, mental and emotional disabilities, the elderly, and those in occupational risks.
- The education has to include modules in caring for the caregivers such as teachers and disaster workers who could be both a victim and a service provider. Training in psycho-social intervention is also needed.
- DRR has to be incorporated as a subject in the tertiary education of teachers in colleges and universities to develop teachers' capability in handling DRR in teaching.
- The existing institutional set up of the DepEd for DRR has to be strengthened by developing the capacity and mobilizing the people who are supposed to play their roles and responsibilities. There has to be warm bodies of second liners who shall continue the work in DRR within DepEd to ensure that the experiences and the capabilities are institutionalized, and not dependent on a few individuals to whom the responsibilities are bestowed upon.
- Disaster damages, losses and impact have to be monitored and documented at the school level and transmitted to the higher level in the DepEd echelon to gather education sector-specific and relevant information.
- Significant resources need to be allocated for a successful mainstreaming of DRR in the education sector. In order to gain access to resources and capacity building linkages between different sector and different stakeholders need to be strengthened. As the focal agency for education, the Department of Education has to show greater leadership in maximising the potentials of collaborative work.
- Mainstreaming of DRR in the education sector needs to be supported by appropriate legislation at the national and local government units. The Department of Education plays a key role in advocating for DRR legislation.
- NGOs and the local communities have to be involved in the school construction, monitoring, repair and rehabilitation to ensure that there is ready and available local resources that can respond to immediate concerns.⁴⁷

UNICEF Philippines: Building Safe Learning Environment for Children (BSLE)

The BSLE project is a pilot project of UNICEF Philippines which was initiated after the devastating 2006 typhoons. The purpose was to pilot UNICEF's engagement in large-scale construction work as part of its humanitarian intervention. The project is being coordinated and managed by UNICEF, in partnership with the Department of Education, Department of Social Welfare and Development and concerned local government units. The project aims i) to improve the teaching-learning environment of pre-school and school-age children, day care workers and teachers and ii) to enhance their capacity for emergency preparedness and disaster risk management.

It comprises two project components: the Safe Schools sub-project and the Emergency Support for Day Care Centers sub-project. The main feature of BSLE Project is the structural component or construction and rehabilitation work for damaged day care centers and schools combined with non-structural components. The first covers the service delivery aspect of the project while the latter encompasses policy as advocacy, social mobilization of school-community stakeholders, participation and capacity building of school children and teachers, technical assistance and monitoring and evaluation.

The project covers four city school divisions and six provincial school divisions and two regional office- Southern Tagalog and Bicol Regions. To date, the project has contributed to the following:

- 1. Policy Advocacy and Social Mobilization:
 - Provided technical assistance to the Department of Education in developing its DRR Resource Manual which will serve as a guide for teachers and school heads on DRR concepts and strategies.

2. Service Delivery:

- Enhanced building and construction resilience at 18 school sites and provided basic school supplies in 29 recipient primary schools and to 780 teachers in the targeted elementary and secondary schools
- Enhanced the library collection and learning materials of 59 primary schools,
- 3. Project coordination, monitoring and evaluation:
 - Broadened multi-stakeholders participation (governments at different levels, NGOs, donors, private sector) and facilitated the sharing of lessons learned
 - Enhanced the quality of classroom repair and construction by maintaining close partnership with the Department of Education and engaging the services of an independent engineering firm to strengthen quality assurance monitoring
 - Strengthened the lead cluster role of the Department of Education and coordination among the education cluster members.

Best practices:

 School principals or school heads take charge of the implementation and management of the repair work and/or construction with the assistance of a project engineer. This approach has not only ensured successful and timely project completion but also empowered school communities to manage and eventually own and sustain projects.⁴⁸

⁴⁷ Center for Disaster Preparedness, 2008

⁴⁸ Center for Disaster Preparedness, 2008

United States: American Red Cross' Masters of Disaster® series

The American Red Cross' Masters of Disaster® series is an educational tool which teaches children how to prevent, prepare for and respond to disasters and other emergencies. The Masters of Disaster curriculum materials meet national educational standards tailored for lower elementary (K–2), upper elementary (3–5), middle school (6–8) classes, and high school (9–12). This also allows for easy adaptation for preschool or students with special needs.

Customized formats for both families and educators are available which help for example teachers to meet their required curriculum objectives while teaching disaster risk awareness and management. The Masters of Disaster curriculum intends to support teachers to integrate important disaster safety instruction into their regular core subjects such as language, arts, math, science, and social studies. By 2008, approximately half of the 756 local Red Cross chapters had implemented this program in schools within their community, reaching 5.2 million children in six years. As risk awareness and reduction education is not mandatory the use of this material varies widely. So

Good practice examples:

- The curriculum supplements core academic subjects rather than providing additional material.
- The Masters of Disaster Curriculum Kit contains ready-to-go lesson plans, activities, and demonstrations on disaster-related topics that teachers can incorporate within core subject areas.
- Designed for flexibility, materials/activities are non-sequential and teachers can integrate specific hazard-related modules into the core academic subjects.
- Step-by-step lesson plans and easy-to-follow directions enable the activities to fit a variety of time frames and learning environments.
- Cross-curricular activities tie key concepts within the lesson plan to a broad range of curriculum topics and can be used as reinforcement, enrichment or stand-alone assignments.

Vietnam: Disaster Preparedness Education at primary schools

The Vietnam Red Cross Society (VNRC) has put an emphasis on disaster preparedness activities since late 1990s. In 2001, it implemented a programme called "Introducing Disaster Preparedness in Primary Schools". The Programme's activities have been replicated since then and are under way in all 21 of the most disaster-prone provinces in Vietnam, aiming to reduce disaster risk among school-going children who are among the most vulnerable to disasters. The 12-month programme had the following specific objectives:

- Developing disaster needs assessment material and training national and provincial trainers and district and commune personnel in some 30 communes in a 12-month period
- Developing commune-level disaster preparedness material and training Community Development Boards in some 30 communes in a 12-month period
- Developing disaster preparedness material for Grade 4 and 5 school children and training trainers, school teachers and children in some 210 communes in a 12-month period

Targeted beneficiaries were teachers and children as well as VNRC staff and government personnel. Recipient schools in disaster-prone areas organized interprovincial competitions including drama, quizzes and painting competitions built around a disaster preparedness booklet and disaster preparedness teaching.

The programme developed a new package of disaster preparedness training material for Red Cross personnel, community leaders, teachers and children. The training package was made available with the help of the Vietnam Red Cross Society and relevant stakeholders. It is currently used by international NGOs in Vietnam. The programme further helped envision the integration of disaster preparedness education into school curricula in Vietnam. The country's current strategy for flood and storm control – that is valid until 2020 – requests the Ministry of Education to include disaster preparedness education in school curricula by 2010.

The Vietnam Red Cross Society intends to continue providing disaster preparedness training until 2010 to teachers and children in eight coastal provinces in northern Vietnam (from Quang Ninh to Ha Tinh Province), with financial support from the Japanese Red Cross.

An external evaluation of the project showed that, one or two years after the lessons, school children might not remember all the definitions, technical terms and types of natural hazards but a majority still remember how to react when a disaster strikes (30-40 percent when interviewed individually and about 80 percent when talking to their peers).

Good practice examples:

- A participatory training method was promoted and used with audio and visual facilities
- Economy-wide replication of the programme with long-term support from the Vietnamese government and from donors

Success factors:

 Active participation of relevant stakeholders, including teachers and children, in writing and finalizing the training and learning material

⁴⁹http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.d8aaecf214c576bf971e4cfe43181aa0/?vgnextoid=14c70c45f663b110VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD&vgnextfmt=default

⁵⁰ OECD. 2008

- Replacing the lecturing method with the facilitating method which enabled the children to participate in discussions
- Building strong cooperation and consultation among diverse stakeholders

Major challenges and lessons learned:

 The Programme faced a major challenge in trying to integrate a disaster preparedness component into the official training curriculum without overburdening school children. This challenge has not yet been overcome.⁵¹

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Reviewing CEOs' actions in 2008 and 2009 to promote the implementation of the Strategy and work plan proposal for 2010

Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015

Purpose: Information and consideration

Submitted by: Peru

Third APEC Emergency Management CEOs' Forum Ha Noi, Viet Nam 15-17 September, 2009

APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness

Third APEC Emergency Management CEOs' Forum Ha Noi, 15-17 September, 2009

Reviewing CEOs' actions in 2008 and 2009 to promote the implementation of the Strategy towards 2015 and work plan proposal for 2010

1. Background

In August 2008, APEC CEOs' Forum endorsed the "Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015". This strategy seeks to facilitate cooperation between APEC economies, international organisations and the private sector to attain the goals of the Task Force of Emergency Preparedness (TFEP), chaired at present by Australia and Indonesia.

As a consequence, in November 2008, APEC Leaders and Ministers:

- agreed that greater focus is needed on disaster risk reduction, emergency preparedness and building domestic disaster management capabilities;
- endorsed the priority APEC had given to promoting risk management, building business and community resilience, and public-private sector partnerships, and supported efforts to prepare economies for the recovery phase;
- endorsed the concept of holding Emergency Management CEOs seminars annually to 2013, and welcomed Viet Nam's offer to host the third seminar in 2009;
- instructed officials to undertake long-term capacity building projects aimed at accelerating recovery in disaster-affected areas in APEC economies; and
- supported integrating disaster education into school curricula.

The *APEC Strategy*, which was endorsed by the TFEP and welcomed by Leaders and Ministers in November 2008, identified that the core objectives of APEC economies and the Task Force during the period 2009 to 2015 should be that:

- political decision-makers in APEC economies better understand the economic and social costs of disasters and, equally, the human and economic costs of failing to take action;
- gaps in regional disaster risk reduction approaches are identified and shared to support the delivery of targeted capacity-building initiatives; and
- a suite of practical mechanisms is developed that will aid APEC economies to build business and community resilience.

In June 2009 in Geneva, Switzerland, the II Meeting of the Global Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, sponsored by UN-ISDR, presented the achievements and challenges for the implementation of the Hyogo Framework of Action and the creation and strengthening of regional and national platforms.

In July 2009, Peru was entrusted the *pro tempore* Presidency of the Andean Community (CAN) and INDECI received the Secretariat of the Andean Committee for Disaster Prevention and Assistance (CAPRADE) in a meeting held in Cusco City. During this meeting the Representatives of regional organizations CAPRADE, CEPREDENAC, CEDERA, and TFEP-APEC signed the Declaration of Cusco in which they express willingness to tighten cooperation ties between regional and sub-regional organizations in order to share knowledge, experiences and best practices for disaster risk reduction.

2. Emergencies and disasters during 2008 - 2009

The tendency of increased number and negative consequences of emergencies and disasters continued affecting the region and all over the world. Some of the most relevant are the following:

- On May 12, 2008 earthquake in China's Sichuan province that left nearly 90,000 dead or missing,
- The AH1N1 influenza pandemic, causing so far near 3000 deaths and which produced economic impact, particularly to Mexico.
- The August 8, 2009 Typhoon Morakot that flooded Chinese Taipei and the coast of People's Republic of China,

These and other emergencies and disasters in the region keep reminding us the importance of TFEP's work and the implementation of the Strategy to improve our potential action to reduce risks and to give a coordinated, effective and timely response if necessary.

3. Objectives of the "Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015"

The main objective or the Strategy is to strengthen disaster risk reduction, preparedness, response and recuperation against disasters in order to increase the resiliency of businesses, communities and national and local actors as a contribution to achieve the objectives of TFEP, APEC and sustainable development of the region.

It has the purpose to promote the systematization of mutual cooperation and joint action of APEC economies in order to prevent and attend the effects of disasters of natural origin and to be a supporting element for orientation, mutual understanding, and synergy building among the different actors in the region, contributing to the achievement of TFEP and APEC objectives, and strengthening relationships among economies in the region.

This Strategy seeks to integrate current TFEP and broader APEC activities, and to guide future APEC efforts to achieve three core objectives or end-states by 2015 that will ensure:

- Political decision-makers in APEC economies understand the economic and social costs of disasters and, equally, the human and economic costs of failing to take action to enhance disaster preparedness and facilitate efforts towards prospective risk management, which searches to prevent and control future risk factors in development initiatives.
- 2. The gaps in regional disaster risk reduction approaches are identified and shared to give the TFEP and APEC Member Economies as well as multilateral and bilateral development partners, international financial organizations and other international and regional bodies the foundation to offer and deliver targeted initiatives that enhance regional preparedness.

3. A suite of practical mechanisms, instruments and communication products for implementation in member economies that inter alia enhances business and community resilience and embeds more comprehensive disaster planning priorities into national and local government policy and legal aspects and tools to build capacity and remove gaps in local preparedness.

4. Strategic lines

To achieve the objectives of the Strategy, the Task Force and APEC economies are encouraged to explore three strategic lines or approaches when considering the scope of disaster preparedness activities:

- a. Disasters should be prepared for jointly;
- b. Recovery from disasters should be achieved using a long-term development approach; and
- c. Risk should be managed prospectively.

The broad spectrum of sectors in which APEC operates, the depth of the networks of public sector officials attuned to APEC issues, and the associations APEC continues to develop with the private sector and international organizations, provides a strong base from which to consider these strategic lines.

5. Strategy Implementation (Strategic Plan for 2015)

According to the TFEP 2009 Work Plan. in line with present TFEP mandate and the United Nations Hyogo Framework for Action (2005-2015), the Task Force seeks to help achieve the following in APEC economies by 2015:

- Reduced risk of disasters, including through increased risk awareness and assessment, improved knowledge development systems, strengthened public commitment and institutional frameworks, implementation of disaster risk reduction measures; and the establishment of effective early warning systems¹;
- Increased business and community resilience, including an increased ability to absorb
 the shocks of hazard impact, improved capacity to bounce back during and after a
 disaster, and increased opportunities for change and adaptation following a disaster²;
 and
- Better coordination and cooperation in terms of emergency and disaster preparedness and response efforts, including with other international organisations.

6. Actions in 2008-2009

After August's Second CEOs´ Forum, a workshop on Large-Scale Disaster Recovery in APEC was held in Chinese Taipei, September 22-25 and China, September 26-28, which addressed "the pressing demands of disaster risk reduction, and to identify the best practices, share experiences and facilitate public –private partnership.

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¹ UN Hyogo Framework for Action (2005)

² Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (2006).

Steering Committee

To drive the Task Force's objectives for 2009 and the medium-term (subject to the extension of its mandate beyond 2009), a Steering Committee was formed in November 2008 to assist TFEP and its co-Chairs advance the Task Force's mandate and work plans, and to assess Task Force projects. Australia, Canada, China, Indonesia, Peru, Singapore, Chinese Taipei and Vietnam volunteered to be members of the Steering Committee.

The TFEP has focused in 2009 by virtual means on strengthening six focal areas: business and community resilience; public-private partnerships; disaster risk reduction; cooperation and coordination among heads of APEC emergency management agencies; preparations for the recovery phase; and the integration of disaster risk awareness and management education into school curricula. The following activities were scheduled for 2009:

- a. Focus on the impact of climate change for disaster management professionals at the APEC Climate Symposium, Singapore, 14-16 July [APEC Climate Centre]
- b. Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques, Yogyakarta, 3-6 August [Australia & Indonesia], developed best practice guidelines for the conduct of post-disaster damage assessments. The improved knowledge about damage assessment and related economic systems will facilitate and accelerate communication and responses among aid recipient and donor economies in the immediate post-disaster period.
- c. Third APEC Emergency Management CEOs' Forum, Hanoi, 15-17 September [Vietnam]
- d. Workshop on the Framework of Long-Term Capacity Building for Disaster Risk Reduction in APEC, Taipei, late October [Chinese Taipei]
- e. Social Economic Recovery and Development Programme after Large-scale Disaster, Sichuan, December [China]. Subject to funding.
- f. Electronic library of disaster risk reduction school education material [TFEP & Human Resources Development Working Group (HRDWG)]
- g. Public-Private Partnership for Disaster Preparedness Workshop: Australia is seeking a partner economy to co-host a CEO-level workshop, designed to strengthen business resilience, and ways in which public-private partnerships (PPPs) can be utilised to build preparedness, response and recovery processes.
- h. Website updates: The Task Force will update the public website of the TFEP and the secure APEC Information Management Portal (AIMP) site to help strengthen coordination of APEC's work on emergency and natural disaster preparedness and information sharing between APEC members.

End of mandate Review

Also in accordance with the Task Force's Terms of Reference, towards the end of its mandate (end of 2009) the TFEP will review its achievements and outputs and invite Senior Officials to consider its future at CSOM.

7. Proposed Mechanism for the Implementation of the Strategy

To meet the objectives proposed in the Strategy it is necessary to establish a mechanism to guide its implementation process, with active participation of all member economies in the region, for which we propose the following scheme:

- I. Planning
- II. Monitoring System Strategic Plan
- III. Organization
- IV. Financing

I. PLANNING

It is necessary to develop strategic and operational instruments that enable the implementation of the three thematic areas identified in the strategy for the period from 2009 to 2015, formulating a Vision and Strategic Results of what is expected to be achieved at the end of the period.

- I.a Strategic Plan 2009 2015
- I.b Annual Operational Plans
- I.c Work Plan 2010

I.a Strategic Plan 2009 – 2015

- a.1. Agree the Vision and Strategic Results aligned with the three lines of the Strategy, to be approved at the Third CEO Seminar.
- a.2. Based on the projects and activities conducted in 2009 and receiving other proposed activities for the next years, formulate a draft of the Strategic Plan 2009-2015
- a.3. Socialization of virtual working paper.
- a.4. Consolidation, inputs and suggestions.
- a.5. Strategic Plan Approval.

Deadline: 60 days (October-November 2009).

Vision

Srengthened Economies on disaster risk reduction, preparedness, response and recuperation from disasters, along with a high resiliency of businesses and communities, which contributes to achieve APEC's and TFEP's objjectives and sustainable development of the region.

Priorities

In March 2008, APEC Senior Officials instructed the Task Force to:

- improve coordination and enhance intra-APEC cooperation and integration of best practice emergency and natural disaster preparedness and response efforts in APEC; and
- build capacity in the region to mitigate, prepare for and respond appropriately to emergencies and natural disasters.

In August 2008, the TFEP agreed that is priorities were strengthening:

business and community resilience;

- public-private partnerships;
- disaster relief coordination and cooperation, including donor management; and
- integration of disaster risk awareness and management education into school curricula.

I.b Annual Operational Plans, 2009 – 2015

After taking a decision on the list of projects it is necessary to prioritize projects and activities for every year.

- b.1 Projects and activities endorsed until now.
- b.2 Proposals from the Economies
- b.3 Prioritization

Deadline: 30 days. (December 2009)

I.c Work Plan 2010

Then Operational Plan for 2010 is as follows.

- c.1. Identify in a consultative manner the projects and activities to be performed for the three Strategic Results.
- c.2. Draft Operational Plan for 2010 to be circulated and to consolidate inputs and suggestions.
- c.3. Approval of Annual Operational Plan

Deadline: 30 days. (December 2009)

II. MONITORING SYSTEM FOR THE STRATEGIC PLAN

II.a Follow up mechanism.

It is necessary to develop a follow up mechanism with appropriate performance indicators that allow us to measure progress in achieving strategic plan objectives for decision making by the TFEP.

- a) Development of indicators proposed by Strategic Result in a consultative manner.
- b) Draft and circulation of proposal.
- c) Consolidation of contributions
- d) Approval of the document.

Deadline: 30 days (December 2009).

III. ORGANIZATION

The coordination of the strategy implementation will be in charge of the Steering Committee. It is proposed that all projects sent to TFEP for review should state how it fits to the strategic lines of the "Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015."

IV. FINANCING

- a. APEC Resources
- b. Contributions from the Economies
- c. Contributions from International Cooperation Organizations

SCHEDULE - MECHANISM FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION

- 1º Planning 75 Days: Oct –Dic 15th 2009
- 2º Monitoring System Strategic Plan, 30 Days: Nov 2009
- 3º Organization
- 4º Financing

8. Proposed priorities in 2010

Areas of interest identified are: disaster relief coordination and cooperation, including donor management; understanding about the economic impact of disasters in the Asia Pacific region; and disaster risk information systems and tsunami early warning systems.

As considered in the 2009 Work Plan TFEP should continue to explore:

- Follow-up activities to the workshop on large-scale disaster recovery: This workshop, conducted in September 2008, made a number of recommendations for future TFEP activities.
- Expanding APEC's library of disaster reduction, preparedness, management and recovery principles.
- Implementing one or more of the initiatives annexed to the APEC Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region.
- Promoting the integration of disaster risk reduction education into school curricula.
- Assisting governments to absorb the shock of a hazard impact (disaster risk reduction).
- TFEP advisory group to improve coordination with international/outside organisations.
- Collaborating further with other APEC fora, including possibly on logistics recovery
 following a large-scale disaster, the economic benefits of risk reduction for SMEs, climate
 change and disasters, gender integration in disaster management, and the structural and
 non-structural measures associated with disaster risk reduction.
- Promoting business continuity plans (BCPs) as a component of disaster recovery strategy in the private sector.
- Food security concerns in its activities on disaster preparedness, risk reduction and recovery.
- Encouraging disaster reduction institutes in the APEC region to jointly provide comprehensive, integrated and long-term training courses.

9. Expected outcomes/deliverables for 2010

As considered also in the 2009 Work Plan, the expected TFEP deliverables for 2010 should be in the line of:

- Further practical mechanisms to aid APEC economies to build and increase business and community resilience.
- Better coordination and cooperation in terms of emergency and disaster preparedness and response efforts, and also
- Systematisation of APEC's and other regions' experiences and better information sharing on disaster risk reduction

The Co-Chairs' Progress Report (July 2009) consider the following activities in 2010:

- 1. Fourth APEC Emergency Management CEOs' Summit, Kobe, 17 January [Japan]
- 2. Workshop on Public-Private Partnerships for Business Resilience, Thailand, early 2010 [Australia & Thailand]
- 3. International Disaster Management Course, Singapore, early 2010 [Singapore] **
- 4. Study Course on Improving Regional Cooperation in Emergency Training and Response, Moscow, July 2010 [Russia] **
- Cooperation to Prevent Forest Fires in APEC region, Russia, October 2010 [Russia] **
- 6. Second (of four) workshops forming part of the Social Economic Recovery and Development Programme after Large-scale Disaster, China, 2010 [China] **

** subject to funding

Implementation of the Strategy – Strategic Plan 2009 – 2015

(Working Paper: Member Economies are encouraged to suggest further activities and projects for each strategic line).

Title of the Action	Implementation of the Strategy – Strategic Plan 2009 - 2015					
Main Objective	Strengthen disaster risk reduction, preparedness, response and recuperation against disasters in order to increase the resiliency of businesses, communities and national and local actors as a contribution to achieve the objectives of TFEP, APEC and sustainable development of the region.					
Purpose	Promote the systematization of mutual cooperation and joint action of APEC economies in order to prevent and attend the effects of disasters of natural origin and to be a supporting element for orientation, mutual understanding, and synergy building among the different actors in the region, contributing to the achievement of TFEP and APEC objectives, and strengthening relationships among economies in the region.					
	Strategic Results	Activities and Projects	Expected Products ³	Performance Indicators		
Strategic Line 1 Develop joint disaster preparedness actions	APEC member economies have a coordinated mechanism for disaster and emergency response with improved tools and capacities.	 Sharing of information and technical capacities, particularly related to technology, training, and related human and material resource development Development of promotional and advocacy activities, such as seminars and exhibitions, to enhance awareness and to learn from other experiences in the region Enhance mutual assistance in preparing and readying emergency responses Exchanges of good practices, lessons learned and gaps in disaster preparedness, as achieved through 	 Database and shared access to information relating to disaster risk Systematisation of outcomes of previous CEO meetings (Baseline) Pilot program to foster Government and private sector disaster management collaboration implemented Mutual assistance guidelines and harmonized existent tools for humanitarian aid⁴ 	•		

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³ Considering the list of possible APEC initiatives included in Annex B of the Strategy.

	 the TFEP's 2008 stocktake of best practice and capacity-building needs. Support for the development of information systems or geospatial data infrastructure for regional hazard monitoring, early warning and disaster response in real time, particularly, the implementation and reinforcement of end-to-end tsunami early warning systems that reach vulnerable communities. Strengthening the resilience of local communities and businesses, given that local communities are often the most affected and the first line of response. 	 Contingency plan including intervention protocol Disaster Risk Information Systems in the Asia-Pacific linked together (Example: CAPRADE's SIAPAD) Tsunami Early Warning System Final Mile Gap Assessment for the APEC Region Disaster Preparedness Guide for Small and Medium Enterprises in the APEC Region
Strategic Line 2 Support to recovery processes in disaster affected economies through long- term development approach Recovery processes in the disaster affected economies in APEC region are managed more effectively promoting local and business resilience to guarantee sustainability.	 Prepare small and medium businesses, other economic actors and local communities to be ready for and respond well to disasters, minimizing livelihood and production losses Promote public-private partnerships to enable a collaborative approach to disaster risk reduction Encourage the private and non-government sector, including individuals, local NGOs, businesses and international organizations, to provide support for the protection and strengthening of critical public facilities and physical infrastructure. Relief/recovery processes facilitated by regional and national harmonization of international disaster relief guidelines. 	 Effective business continuity and critical incident tools and guides for small and medium enterprises for reducing vulnerability and promote resilience Recovery management models are shared and analyzed to gather replicable measures and methodology Disaster relief guidelines

⁴ Humanitarian aid guidelines and website showing available humanitarian aid stock in each member economy and cooperation possibilities and humanitarian

aid principles transferred to the private sector.

To this end, document and information sharing on preparing for and responding to disasters would assist; synergies with other actors working at the communal level should be sought; tools for developing self-reliance and minimizing dependence on external assistance should be promoted; and, the production of toolkits tailored to the local needs and culture will help ensure long-term sustainability

Strategic Line 3 Prospective	Social and economic development planning of APEC	•	Evaluation of economic and social costs of disasters and projections for future disasters in the APEC Region	•	Establishment of risk indicators, including social and economic effects	
Risk Management	member economies use disaster risk analysis to enforce effective measures for risk reduction	•	Development of public policies that are informed by the successful experiences of other member economies in the fields of land use planning and territorial organization, environmental management, public and private investments and other related topics	•	Risk Transfer mechanisms analyzed and implemented Encouraging Business to take Account of Non-Economic Risks Relating to Disasters	
		•	Development of financial mechanisms (including to transfer risk) and incentives, including for small and medium-sized enterprises	•	Disaster Risk Management Package for Local Communities Experiences of Local territorial	
		•	Promotion of diversified income options for populations in high-risk areas to reduce their vulnerability to hazards		planning using risk analysis methods are shared and implemented.	
		•	Joint research on risk, vulnerability and specific instruments for risk reduction and control	•	Disaster Risk Information Systems in the Asia-Pacific linked together (Example: SIAPAD)	
		•	Inclusion of existing information related to El Niño Phenomenon (ENSO) into the public and private development planning process, as well as economic and technical cooperation initiatives in APEC	•	Development of an APEC Regional Platform for disaster risk reduction.	
		•	Introduce climate variability issues into economic projections.			
		•	Addition of "risk assessment considerations" into the planning process for both private and public investments portfolios			
		•	Promotional and advocacy activities, such as seminars and exhibitions, to enhance risk awareness and to learn from other experiences in the region			



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Report from APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques

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Report from APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques

Submitted by: Australia & Indonesia

The third Emergency Management CEOs' Forum
Viet Nam
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Background

Following the devastating earthquake in China's Sichuan Province in 2008, Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono committed to intensify joint efforts to strengthen the region's disaster preparedness and management capabilities.

As part of this commitment an APEC workshop on damage assessment techniques was proposed, to harmonise efforts across 21 of the Asia-Pacific region's key economies. The aims of the workshop included development of:

- common understanding regarding post-disaster damages assessment techniques and policies.
- · greater competencies and skills for the conduct of post-disaster economic analysis, and
- · best practice guidelines for the conduct of post-disaster damage assessments.

The APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques was held in Yogyakarta, Indonesia on 3-6 August 2009, co-hosted by Indonesia and Australia.

The workshop is part of the vigorous effort being made by the APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness (TFEP) in building the capacity of the region to mitigate, prepare for, and respond to emergencies and disasters.

The workshop formulated a set of principles on disaster damage and loss assessment and agreed to recommend these principles to the TFEP, via consideration at the APEC TFEP Emergency Management CEOs' Forum 2009 (Ha Noi, Vietnam), for its adoption.

Current Progress

To assist in APEC consideration, the Workshop submits the attached paper: Report from APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques Yogyakarta, 3-6 August, 2009 including Draft APEC Principles - 'Currently Available Guidelines and Best Practice for Post –Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment'. [Note - This paper has the workshop text. In a later 'published' version it will have photos from the workshop and the like}

Draft APEC Principles

The paper includes a chapter with proposed principles for a common approach towards postdisaster damage and loss assessment within the APEC community.

Recommendation

That the Forum contributes to the finalisation of Draft APEC Principles on Post-Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment.

DRAFT

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Currently available guidelines and best practices for post-disaster damage and loss assessment

Report from APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques,
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Asia-Pacific region is home to 70 percent of the world's disasters, and the intensity and frequency of disasters in the region is expected to continue to increase. Yet, little is known about the full economic and social impact of disasters because of the lack of holistic damage and loss assessment methodologies and measurement challenges.

A strategic process for post-disaster damage and loss assessment is, however, important to provide objective information to decision makers at all levels upon which to base the analysis and development of recovery and reconstruction plans as well as mitigation proposals and the development of new policies or development plans. Results of a damage and loss assessment provide the fundamental basis in considering whether proposed investments can be economically justified.

Recent post-disaster assessments increasingly seek to identify rehabilitation and reconstruction needs in addition to measuring the direct damages and indirect losses of a disaster. Considering cross-sectoral and macro-economic impacts, such as the impact on gross domestic product and the environment or the differential impact of disasters on women, is becoming common practice in post-disaster assessments.

Participants of the APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness (TFEP) Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques, held in Yogyakarta from 3 to 6 August 2009, recommend APEC Emergency Management CEOs and then the Task Force endorse common principles for damage and loss assessment.

These principles are provided in this document. They outline the general objective and scope of damage and loss assessments and advocate taking into account the human dimension of disasters and engaging local community stakeholders. The principles further highlight the need to look beyond short-term emergency needs and to set the scene for mainstreaming disaster risk reduction and broader long-term sustainable development, including climate change adaptation.

APEC member economies are further recommended to agree on easily understood assessment terminology, standards, and procedures and to recognise the importance of continuous learning and sharing of experiences and lessons learnt.

DRAFT APEC PRINCIPLES ON DISASTER DAMAGE AND LOSS ASSESSMENT

The various approaches to post-disaster damage and loss assessment being used in the APEC region indicates the variability of methodologies being applied and the ongoing discussion on how to appropriately measure disaster effects on a certain economy. It is evident that disaster damages and losses can only be estimated and that it is not possible to arrive at an exact incontestable figure. Even if the same methodology would be applied loss estimates typically vary greatly between similar events or even for the same event. This is due to the differences in philosophy brought to the loss assessment, the inherent complexity of such assessments and due to the variations in funds, expertise and time available for assessments. The emphasis for the economic assessment of disaster effects should therefore be on achieving a transparent and consistent approach that allows for a reasonable degree of accuracy.

Developing a consistent (national or regional) approach to post-disaster economic damage assessment does not mean achieving a detailed uniform approach, but one that produces comparable results and is based on agreed principles. In the following, a preliminary list of principles is outlined that is to be understood as a first basis for further discussion within the APEC community. In addition, best practices steps are outlined, which were derived from an evaluation of currently available post-disaster assessment guidelines.

The following two sections record

- the APEC principles on disaster damage and loss assessment as they were agreed upon by participants of the TFEP Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques as well as
- recommendations for individual APEC member economies on the management and implementation of such assessments.

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¹ EMA, 2002

(Draft) APEC Principles on Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment

(Developed by participants of the TFEP Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques)

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Participants of the APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness (TFEP) Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques in Yogyakarta from 3 to 6 August 2009 recommend APEC Emergency Management CEOs and then the Task Force endorse the following principles, and that the TFEP urge APEC member economies to consider the recommendations below.

For the purposes of this document, damage and loss assessment includes the quantification of direct, indirect, economic, social and psychological damage incurred by a disaster.

Proposed Principles

- Disaster damage and loss assessments must be credible, meaningful and holistic to secure the commitment and resources of governments and civil society in the disaster recovery phase, and importantly, to build community and business resilience and reduce the risk of potential disasters in the affected area and throughout the wider economy.
- APEC economies should work towards harmonising damage and loss assessment techniques in the region to allow the compilation of credible region-wide data to help build regional support and consensus for disaster risk reduction policies and initiatives, and to ensure region-wide resilience.
- 3. Economic damage assessments should be consistent and transparent, and based on primarily economic principles and robust evidence.
- 4. The damage, loss and needs assessment processes should be integrated, and prioritized, address all hazards, and accommodate the need for, and different objectives of, a rapid assessment, early recovery assessment and an in-depth assessment for longer-term rehabilitation, reconstruction and recovery.
- 5. To be comprehensive, in addition to direct damage and indirect losses, the damage and loss assessment methodology should allow for an estimation of macro-economic impacts (eg. national income, government debt, trade deficit, development prospects) and, to the greatest extent possible, intangible impacts (eg. social, psychological, environmental, loss of life).

- The human dimensions of disaster should be a key consideration in damage and loss assessment, including the impact on vulnerable groups.
- 7. When assessing needs, the longer-term recovery phase should be viewed as an opportunity to boost and accelerate development and economic growth, and to mainstream disaster risk reduction initiatives to build communities with greater prosperity, resilience and preparedness than before the disaster.
- Assessors and planners should look beyond short-term emergency needs and consider broader long-term needs for sustainable development, including climate change adaptation needs.
- Disaster damage and loss assessment should be coordinated by one government agency, involve multi stakeholders, and include national and local government agencies.
- Local community stakeholders must be involved and surveyed in every stage of the process to ensure a realistic picture of damage, loss and reconstruction and rehabilitation needs, as well as to identify the capacity of the affected community.
- 11. To be meaningful, damage and loss assessments must have relevance and applicability to the jurisdiction of the decision-makers whether national, sub-national or local and whether public, private or civil sector.

Proposed recommendations for individual APEC member economies (as appropriate)

- Agree on easily understood assessment terminology, standards, procedures and arrangements to allow comparable results; and train and exercise regularly a sufficient pool of assessors to use the standardized system.
- Put arrangements in place ahead of the disaster so baseline and post-disaster data (including gender-segregated data and imaging), as well as data collection procedures and standards, can be accessed and employed quickly by the assessors.
- 3. Review damage and loss assessment methodologies with a view to allowing an estimation for, and consideration of:
 - a. cross-sectoral effects, including the impacts on the environment, land-use, infrastructure, employment, and livelihoods
 - b. social and psychological impacts, including on culture and values
 - c. disproportionate effects on vulnerable groups, including women, children, the elderly, ill and disabled
 - d. resources available to survivors such as savings, insurance and volunteers.

- Re-evaluate assessments regularly to ascertain needs and priorities, as well as to assess the effectiveness and appropriateness of responses, and to identify lessons learned.
- Recognising the importance of continuous learning, share data, experiences and lessons learnt in damage assessments to build consensus and support for disaster risk reduction, and to strengthen assessment methodologies, knowledge and information management.

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS FROM THE APEC WORKSHOP ON DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES

The APEC Workshop on Damage Assessment Techniques was held in Yogyakarta, Indonesia on 3-6 August 2009, co-hosted by Indonesia and Australia. Representatives from Australia, China, Indonesia, the Philippines, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, the United States and Viet Nam participated in the workshop. Representatives from the World Bank and United Nations Development Program also participated.

The workshop is part of the vigorous effort being made by the APEC Task Force on Emergency Preparedness (TFEP) in building the capacity of the region to mitigate, prepare for, and respond to emergencies and disasters. The main objective of the workshop was to develop a common understanding regarding post-disaster damage assessment techniques and policies, increase greater competencies and skills for the conduct of post-disaster economic analysis, as well as to develop a preliminary draft of best practice guidelines for the conduct of post-disaster economic damage and loss assessment.

The workshop formulated a set of principles on disaster damage and loss assessment and agreed to recommend these principles to the TFEP for its adoption.

DAY 1

Opening Session

In her welcoming speech, Mrs. Artauli R.M.P. Tobing, Head of the Policy Analysis and Development Agency, Department of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia, highlighted the importance of responding proactively and effectively to the challenges posed by disasters through expanding regional cooperation in disaster preparedness.

Mr. Bakri Beck, Deputy for Rehabilitation and Reconstruction of Indonesia's National Agency for Disaster Management explained Indonesia's efforts in incorporating disaster management into the country's legislation. Disaster management in Indonesia comprises a wide range of policies that include disaster risk reduction, disaster prevention, emergency response and rehabilitation and reconstruction. He emphasized the importance of using the Damage and Loss Assessment (DaLA) method to ensure that development of affected areas can meet the needs of the people. He expressed his hope that through exchange of experiences and best practices the workshop will be able to develop common principles and a definition for quantifying post disaster economic damage assessment for the APEC region.

In his introductory speech, Mr. Martin Studdert, First Assistant Secretary, Attorney-General's Department of Australia, explained the role of the Attorney-General's Department in emergency management and its approach to disaster management. He also explained the aim of the workshop to improve regional capability on conducting damage and loss assessment following disasters. The outcomes of the workshop will help the TFEP to develop APEC's principles on damage assessment.

General Perspectives of Disaster Assessment

Under the theme of 'General perspectives of disaster assessment', participants heard presentations and discussed issues around existing disaster assessments, techniques used

in the economic assessment of disasters, applied disaster assessment procedures, and gender perspectives in disaster assessment.

Existing Disaster Assessment

Mr. Bakri Beck shared his views about the lessons learned from the recovery efforts of the Aceh-Nias tsunami and Yogyakarta earthquake. He concluded that a disaster recovery policy must be formulated on a case by case basis, taking into account the culture, social system, and geographic condition of the affected region.

Mr. Neil Head, Director, Information and Public Awareness, Attorney-General's Department of Australia elaborated on the report of the last TFEP CEOs' Seminar held in Peru on 12-14 August 2008, where TFEP members agreed on the APEC Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction and Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Asia Pacific Region: 2009 to 2015. He outlined the draft discussion paper prepared for the workshop and initiated a discussion among the participants on a common approach for post disaster economic damage and loss assessment.

Techniques Used in Economic Assessment of Disasters

Mr. Iwan Gunawan, Senior Disaster Risk Management Adviser, World Bank Office Jakarta, presented best practices from the field. He informed the forum that since 1970, 7,000 disasters have occurred worldwide, killing 2.5 million people and causing US\$ 42 trillion in material loss. Economic assessment is therefore not only important and crucial for the rehabilitation and reconstruction phases after a disaster but also crucial for developing risk reduction strategies in anticipation of future disasters. However, due to the lack of standardized definitions and methods for measuring damages and losses, there is limited knowledge about how economic assessment can be implemented. This point was emphasized as he explained the various assessment approaches applied by the different organizations and governments. He provided some recommendations for the development of common APEC principles for such assessments.

Overview of Disaster Assessment Procedures

Ms. Retno Winahyu, Project Consultant for the UNDP, explained the concept of Post Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA). PDNA is an integrated assessment framework to provide data and information for different stakeholders. PDNA consists of two components: valuation of physical damages and economic losses for the Damage and Loss Assessment (DaLA), and identification of societal recovery needs for the Human Recovery Needs Assessment (HRNA). She explained on the sectors that must be taken into account when implementing PDNA, such as food and agriculture, environment, water and sanitation, shelter, education, health and nutrition, as well as cross cutting issues (livelihood, HIV/AIDS, gender, disaster risk reduction, and governance). She recommended a number of tools to implement PDNA, i.e. social impact assessment methods, sustainable livelihood framework, and promotion of baseline preparation at the village/community level.

Gender Perspectives in Disaster Assessment

Mrs. Yulfita Rahardjo, Gender Expert from the Indonesian Institute of Science (*LIPI*), gave a presentation on the *Study on Women in Times of Disaster* conducted by the APEC Gender Focal Point Network. The study found that women are a particularly vulnerable group and that gender perspectives in times of disaster and emergency have been acknowledged and to some extent mainstreamed into national development policy. However, these perspectives have yet to be fully integrated into disaster management policy. Gender perspective in disaster assessment recognizes the importance of differentiating the roles and

situations of women and men and the need to empower both women and men to respond to crises.

Summary and Introduction of Draft APEC Principles

Mr. Neil Head and Mr. Iwan Gunawan led the discussion on possible headings for the draft APEC principles. The workshop discussed and identified four main headings, i.e. predisaster planning, methodologies, special considerations, and future developments.

DAY 2

National Perspectives of Disaster Assessment

The workshop participants visited several locations that were damaged by the 2006 Yogyakarta earthquake and heard case study presentations from Indonesia, Australia, China, Thailand, and Chinese Taipei.

Site Inspection of the 2006 Yogyakarta Earthquake

The participants of the workshop visited Pasar Niten, a traditional market destroyed in the 2006 Yogyakarta earthquake, and the newly-built and relocated market. The participants also visited Kesangon Village, the center of ceramic crafts, which was damaged by the earthquake.

Following the site visit, Mr. Gendhut Sudharto on behalf of the Bantul Regency presented information about the local government's strategy to rebuild the region. Two key factors were the self-reliance of the people of Bantul in the recovery of their region, and the full trust they placed on their local government in planning and executing the development policy. He emphasized that every region needs different policies to recover from disasters, depending on the socio-cultural conditions.

Introduction and Discussion of Case Studies

Mr. Gary Gaffney from Victorian Bushfire Reconstruction and Recovery Authority Australia (VBRRA) shared experiences in handling the aftermath of the Victoria Bushfire. He emphasized that the response to the devastation required a multi-dimensional approach, which included immediate bushfire fighting, emergency relief, as well as rehabilitation and reconstruction. At the same time, each approach had numerous elements. To implement rehabilitation and reconstruction, the VBRRA had adopted a disaster recovery framework, comprising four key planning components that focused on people, environment, economy, and reconstruction, with the community at the centre – ensuring a structured and interactive approach to reconstruction.

In order to implement this plan successfully, the VBRRA activities were governed by principles that take into account the safety and welfare of the people, resource allocation to areas of greatest need, community involvement, integrity of services and resources, and tailored solutions. As a concrete action, Victoria established Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements with funds totalling A\$ 51 Million, which included packages for tourism and small and medium enterprise (SME) development.

Ms. Yuan Yi of the National Disaster Reduction Center, Ministry of Civil Affairs, China, gave a presentation on the Wenchuan Earthquake that struck in 2008 and its subsequent assessment. Considered as the most destructive earthquake in the history of modern China, the Wenchuan earthquake hit 10 provinces, took 69,227 lives, and destroyed 7.967 million houses and buildings. The total economic loss was US\$ 125.3 billion.

She explained the National Disaster Reduction Center's initiative to cooperate with related ministries, commissions, and scientific research institutions in conducting rapid assessment. She highlighted the need for the economic loss assessment to include direct and indirect losses and suggested the use of the replacement cost method for the calculation of economic losses complemented by both the market comparison method and the income method. She further suggested a series of assessments of different scope conducted before, during, and after a large-scale disaster.

Mr. Kriengkrai Khovadana, Expert from Thailand's National Disaster Warning Center (NDWC), explained the establishment of the NDWC as well as its role and responsibility in managing the early warning system. NDWC works together with other agencies of the Thai government and international organizations. Its beneficiaries include the central government, local governments, rescue units, affected communities, and the general public. He also explained about the massive tsunami drill conducted by the NDWC in 2008 in Thailand's six provinces, aimed at disseminating information to the people as well as familiarizing them with the siren, evacuation routes and shelters. In addition, Thailand has established an emergency call centre, which facilitates the collection of crucial disaster information provided from various sources, including the general public.

Mr. Wei Sen Li of the National Science and Technology Center for Disaster Reduction of Chinese Taipei talked about the basic damage assessment process, based on Chinese Taipei's experience of several major disasters of various magnitudes. He emphasized the need to assess the affected area from a bird's eye view as well as from a more detailed view, and the importance of assessment standards, community involvement, and technology application. He shared best practices of Chinese Taipei's damage assessment, which builds upon well-defined operational mechanisms and procedures, data and information collection before, during and after a disaster, a comprehensive evaluation, traceability of the final report, and regular trainings.

Discussions of the draft APEC principles

Mr. Stephen Frost from CSR Asia led the discussion on possible draft APEC principles on post-disaster damage and loss assessment. Participants to the workshop discussed and provided inputs to the draft principles

DAY 3

Expert Comment on Disaster Assessment

Mr. Koeswiyanto from the National Development Planning Agency Indonesia (BAPPENAS) explained the recovery system approach, which includes post disaster assessment, policy planning process, action plan for rehabilitation and reconstruction, and monitoring and evaluation.

He compared lessons learned from the recovery program of the Aceh-Nias tsunami and the Yogyakarta earthquake, and concluded that the difference was in coordination. The Aceh-Nias recovery program was coordinated by BRR with locally guided policies, while the Yogyakarta earthquake recovery program was coordinated by BAPPENAS with nationally guided policies. He also explained that the future post disaster assessment methodology will be aligned with a rehabilitation and reconstruction guidelines which also take into account disaster risk reduction concerns.

Discussion on APEC Principles on Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment

The TFEP Co-Chairs led the discussion on APEC Principles on Disaster Damage and Loss Assessment. The participants agreed on a draft of ten Principles on Damage Assessment.

The principles highlight the importance of a credible, comprehensive, and relevant damage and loss assessment that involves local community stakeholders. The draft principles will be circulated to all TFEP members for endorsement and reported to AMM and AELM in November 2009.

APPENDIX – DISCUSSION PAPER PREPARED FOR THE APEC WORKSHOP ON DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES

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1. Introduction

Following the devastating earthquake in China's Sichuan Province last year, Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and Indonesian President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono committed to intensify joint efforts to strengthen the region's disaster preparedness and management capabilities. As part of this commitment an APEC workshop on damage assessment techniques to harmonise efforts across 21 of the Asia-Pacific region's key economies is being held in Yogyakarta from 3 to 6 August 2009. The aim of this workshop is to develop

- common understanding regarding post-disaster damages assessment techniques and policies.
- greater competencies and skills for the conduct of post-disaster economic analysis, and
- best practice guidelines for the conduct of post-disaster damage assessments.

The workshop is being organised by the APEC Task Force of Emergency Preparedness, chaired by Australia and Indonesia, as part of the Task Force's vigorous effort in building capacity in the region to mitigate, prepare for, and respond to, emergencies and disasters.

The purpose of this paper is to initiate a discussion among representatives of the APEC economies participating at the workshop on a common approach for post-disaster economic damage assessment. On this account, the paper briefly outlines the most commonly used methodologies and tools for such assessments and discusses a few basic ideas and concepts of damage and loss assessments. In addition a preliminary set of principles for economic damage and loss assessment is provided, which serves to guide thoughts and considerations around a common standardised approach to economic damage assessment in the APEC region.

2. Definition and scope of post-disaster damage and loss assessment

Disaster loss assessment is the estimation of losses that have occurred or that could occur as a result of some specified event defined in space and time. It is a critical element of disaster management, as the techniques and estimates of loss assessment support the risk management process by evaluating risk management strategies and determining relief and recovery needs.²

A damage assessment presents, usually quantitatively and often also in monetary terms, the physical, and much less often the social and psychological, damage incurred by a disaster.³

To get a better understanding of the impact of disasters, post-disaster assessments usually aim to analyse both the damages and losses that communities experience. The aim is to define the magnitude of the damage and loss attributed to a disaster event, and the physical, and thus financial, resources needed for recovery and their appropriate allocation. Assessments that go further and help understanding the causal factors that underlie losses allows synthesis of losses for given risks and assists in evaluation of alternative mitigation strategies.

A comprehensive outline of a loss assessment process can be found, for example, in the Disaster Loss Assessment Guidelines published by Emergency Management Australia (see Figure 3 in Annex 1)⁴

2.1. Scope of post-disaster assessments

To ensure that reconstruction after a disaster takes into account disaster mitigation and vulnerability concerns, immediately after the emergency stage, an assessment must be made of the direct and indirect effects of the event and their consequences on the social well-being and economic performance of the affected country or area. This assessment need not entail the utmost quantitative precision, but it must be comprehensive in that it covers the complete range of effects and their cross-implications for economic and social sectors, physical infrastructure and environmental assets.

Common damage assessment and loss assessment (DaLa) approaches usually focus on determining

- Direct damages: Assets affected by a disaster, including immovable assets and stock (such as final goods, goods in process, raw materials, materials and spare parts). The main items in this category include the total or partial destruction of physical infrastructure, buildings, installations, machinery, equipment, means of transportation and storage, furniture, damage to farmland, irrigation works, reservoirs and the like. A distinction should be made between public and private sector damage in order to determine where the weight of the reconstruction effort might fall.
- Indirect losses: The flows of goods and services expressed in current values that will not be produced or rendered over a time span that begins after the disaster and may extend throughout the rehabilitation and reconstruction periods. Indirect damages result from the direct damage to production capacity and social and economic infrastructure. Examples include losses of future harvests due to flooding or prolonged droughts; losses in industrial production due to damage to factories or a

resulting shortfall in access to raw materials; and greater transportation costs as the need for alternative routes or means of communication imply longer.⁵

Damage data are crucial in defining reconstruction needs while loss data are an indicator of economic recovery needs.

A broadly acknowledged and applied DaLa methodology is provided by the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and commonly used by the World Bank. In addition to direct damage and indirect loss this methodology also considers macroeconomic effects.

Macroeconomic effects: Describe the effects of the disaster on the functioning of the economy and the resulting macroeconomic imbalances arising from the event. Macroeconomic effect estimates are a complementary way to assess direct damages and indirect losses from a different perspective. The most important macroeconomic effects of a disaster are those that have a bearing on growth in gross domestic product and in sectoral production; the current account balance (due to changes in the trade balance, tourism and services, as well as outflows to pay for imports and foreign services, etc.); indebtedness and monetary reserves; and public finances and gross investment.

Direct damages usually occur at the moment of the disaster or within the first few hours and can be easily evaluated during a quick assessment. Depending on the magnitude of the disaster, the indirect losses and macroeconomic effects can extend over a period of up to five years and will only become apparent at different times after the disaster and are, therefore, more difficult to identify during a rapid assessment. Adding the direct damage and indirect losses will provide an estimate of the total losses caused by the disaster. Since macroeconomic effects reflect the repercussions of direct damages and indirect losses, they must not be added.

It has to be considered that disasters may also have a positive result. A damage and loss assessment, therefore, needs to be aimed at determining the net effect, giving due consideration to both negative and positive results.⁶

Indirect losses and intangible damage/benefits

Most of the indirect losses are not evident when the assessment is carried out, and although they can be identified when the damage is estimated, it is not always possible to measure them in monetary terms. In this respect, indirect effects in cases of slowly evolving disasters (such as droughts or extended flooding) will occur for as long as the causing phenomenon lasts. The estimate of these effects must be extended throughout the period required to achieve the partial or total recovery of the affected production capacity.

Some major indirect effects may be difficult to identify and impossible to quantify, which may lead to socalled "intangible" damage or benefits, which are those not easily expressed in monetary terms such as loss of lives, health impacts, memorabilia, ecological damages, destruction of community life or cultural artefacts.

A comprehensive evaluation of the disaster effects must include an assessment or at least a global discussion of such intangible damage or benefits, since they considerably affect living conditions and standards.

Source: UN ECLAC, 2003 and Handmer, 2003

² Handmer et al., 2005

³ Kelly, 2008

⁴ EMÁ, 2002

⁵ UN ECLAC, 2003

⁶ Ibid.

2.2. Valuation criteria

Objective and accurate criteria are needed to assess the impact of disaster damage and losses in order to arrive at a true assessment which can provide the basis for defining rehabilitation and reconstruction programmes. Valuation criteria may vary over a range or variety of situations as more than one alternative for the monetary estimate or valuation of disaster damage and losses and the impact to the economy of the affected country or region need to be applied. This is due to the fact that damage valuation criteria depend on how the results of the evaluation are to be used and because of the diversity of the goods affected by a disaster which requires the use of many sources and information that are not always comparable.

The decision for what valuation option is applied depends on the needs of the analysis, the characteristics of the asset being valued, the availability of information at the time the valuation is made and, most importantly, the time the sectoral specialist has available to carry it out. The most common damage valuation criteria include:

- The depreciated value of lost assets or "book value": The value of the lost or damaged asset is estimated in its pre-disaster condition, taking its age into account in order to arrive at the value of its remaining useful life. This valuation method would be suitable for fixed production assets and others that, while not necessarily used in production processes, are subject to depreciation and obsolescence. In countries that have high inflation rates, the book value is not representative of an asset or good's actual market value and an attempt could be made to estimate its original value and adjust it for inflation. As this process, however, is complicated there would be no alternative but to use the replacement cost (with or without depreciation).
- The replacement costs: Replacement costs need not only account for certain technological advances (because of the age of a lost asset, it is unlikely that an identical product would still be on the market), but also for features making a replaced good more resistant to the impact of future incidents.

Alternatively an intermediate position could be chosen that would involve valuing asset damage on the basis of its replacement cost with the same characteristics as its original design and without deducting the asset's depreciation over its useful life. This valuation would be useful in determining the financing needs of the state or the private sector to replace their destroyed or damaged assets.

Regardless of the valuation option that is adopted, damage to assets should initially be quantified in physical units as this will facilitate defining the most appropriate valuation criteria. Examples of physical units include for example number of pieces of machinery and production equipment, square meters of construction destroyed, kilometres of highways by class, hectares of crops affected, tons of agricultural products lost.⁷

Valuation of indirect damages

Indirect damage stemming from the interruption of the production or service flows over a given period must be valued at producer or market prices, as appropriate.

- In the case of production sectors, losses must be assessed at producer prices because they represent the value of what was not produced as a result of the disaster.
- In the case of interrupted service production (e.g. number of medical consultations or transportation costs increased due to detours) the most suitable approach is to value services not generated as a result of the destruction of infrastructure, based on the prices or fares paid by the final consumer or end user

Costs and prices must be considered in "real" terms, which means that financing costs would not be brought into the damage assessment. Such costs refer to commissions, interests, discounts, insurance and reinsurance, subsidies, and all free forms of post-disaster financing, paid or free of cost, domestic or foreign. Transfers within the economy are also excluded from the disaster's costs (or benefits) because they are transactions that do not use resources or produce goods and services.

When calculating indirect effects it is advisable to try to estimate them both with and without the disaster; in other words, to make a comparison between what outputs would have been obtained if there had been no disaster and what was actually produced with the effects of the disaster. However, it may not be feasible to apply this approach to most sectors when the goal is a rapid assessment of damage.

Source: UN ECLAC, 2003

2.3. Economic analysis

Sound economic analysis builds the decision basis for mitigation proposals and expenditures. In the U.K., for example, for decades, central government funds have been made available for flood works only if the proposals satisfy cost-benefit criteria following government guidelines.

The principles of economics are different from those governing financial accounting in private-sector enterprises. The objective of an economic analysis is to assess the impact of an event on the economy of the area under concern which is usually a large political jurisdiction with responsibility for economic management. Selection of other smaller areas, such as a region or town, involves a large degree of judgment and acceptance that much of the economic activity flowing into and out of the area will not be captured.

In summary economic assessment is about:

- Losses and gains for all members of a defined economy, rather than individual commercial entities or households
- Changes to economic activity in the defined economy of a specified region, rather than to components within it
- Counting all impacts on this defined economy, both positive and negative
- Depreciated rather than replacement values, with the interest being on the market value of the asset or activity damaged by the disaster
- Avoiding double counting, by counting losses once and not counting losses made up later or by other businesses in the same economy⁸

Thus it appears that economic assessment is not about distributional affects or commercial profit and loss of an individual business, property or household. The following example clarifies the difference between a financial and an economic analysis: A food production facility has suffered income losses as it was not able to transport its goods to its customers due to blocked roads from flooding. However, another competitor was able to substitute the

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⁷ UN ECLAC, 2003

⁸ Handmer et al., 2005

goods from its own stock and therefore had an increased income as an indirect effect of the flood. Therefore, this incidence would not affect the economic impact of the flood.⁹

2.4. Gender perspective in post-disaster assessment

There is a growing awareness in the international community that full development can only be achieved when women and the resources they represent are fully integrated in the development process and women are empowered to improve the economic, social and political conditions of developing countries within a framework of sustainable development.

The UN ECLAC Handbook for Estimating the Socio-economic and Environmental Effects of Disasters, therefore, points out that it is important to treat the differential impact of disasters on women as

"a broad theme that cuts across the entire spectrum of social, economic and environmental sectors. Similarly, this theme should not be considered the exclusive province of women, nor should analysis of such issues be relegated exclusively to a team member chosen to conduct gender analysis. Instead, it should be seen as a social subject of multisectoral scope on which all specialists in each discipline must cooperate." (UN ECLAC, 2003)

Against this background estimating a disaster's overall impact on women includes

- quantification of all the direct damages sustained by women taking into account all the property they possess and
- estimating the indirect losses that only affect women including loss of productive employment outside the home, loss of household production and income, the increase in reproductive work, and other damage of a financial nature stemming from outstanding debts or loans.¹⁰

Integrating a gender perspective into post disaster assessments, thus, involves considering not only the direct macro-level impact of a disaster but also the indirect impact at micro level, for example by not only accounting for the total number of destroyed houses but also the loss of household goods directly linked to women's income generation (e.g. weaving tools, cooking equipment, income-generating property such as poultry or compound garden). It involves collecting sex disaggregated data and identifying the particular needs of women, such as particular needs that need to be addressed by women relief workers. The inadequate recognition of this micro aspect hinders the development and implementation of effective gender-responsive disaster management programs and activities. ¹¹

¹¹ Raharjo, 2009

3. Overview of different approaches to damage and loss assessment

This chapter provides a brief overview on available guidelines and tools for post-disaster (economic) assessment. The different guidelines and tools are not described in full length but rather their underlying principles and concepts for economic damage assessment are pointed out.

Table 1 attempts to provide an overview on the different approaches to post-disaster assessment. It has to be noted that this is an evolving area where a number of new approaches are currently under development such as the post-disaster needs assessment or early recovery needs assessment approach.

Table 2 provides an overview of the post-disaster assessment guidelines and tools discussed in this paper and list their main distinctive features.

Table 1: Different post-disaster assessment approaches

Assessment approach	Description
Damage assessment	Analyses the total or partial destruction of physical assets, both physical units and replacement cost.
Loss assessment	Analyses the changes in economic flows that occur after a disaster and over time, valued at current prices.
Needs assessment	Estimates (usually based on the damage assessment) the financial, technical, and human resources needed to implement the agreed-upon programs of recovery, reconstruction, and risk management. Also evaluates and "nets out" resources available to respond to the disaster.
Rights-based assessment	Evaluates whether people's basic rights are being met. Has its origins in the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights
Joint Damage, Loss and Needs Assessment (JDLA)	Combines a damage assessment and needs assessment with sector-based needs assessment. Helps identify short- to long-term recovery and reconstruction needs. Predecessor of the PDNA
Early Recovery Needs Assessment (ERNA)	Under development by UN: Allows capturing needs at lower geo-political levels, e.g. district or village level.
Post-Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA)	Under development by UN, EC, World Bank: Combines the DaLa and ERNA approach
Socio-economic impact assessment	Allows capturing the socioeconomic impact for intangible elements such as health, the environment, and memorabilia in addition to the economic impact.
Rapid assessment	Undertaken after a major event, and conducted in one week or less. Provides immediate information on needs, possible intervention types, and resource requirements.
In-depth assessment or sector assessment	More specialised and separate assessment for certain sectors which is usually carried out at a later stage. Indepth assessment in order to guide reconstruction planning.

⁹ WMO and GWP, 2007

¹⁰ UN ECLAC, 2003

Table 2: Overview of different post-disaster assessment guidelines

Guideline/tool	Scope and purpose	Methodology
UN ECLAC Handbook	Provides guidance in the assessment of the social, economic and environmental effects of disasters Focuses on the value of lost assets and the definition of reconstruction requirements	Considers cross-sectoral subject areas such as environmental damage and the differential effects on women and the overall macroeconomic effect. Distinguishes 3 types of break-downs for damages and losses: total direct damage and indirect losses; total damage to assets and production and increased costs or decreased income in the provision of services; total damage to public and private sectors
World Bank Handbook on Post-Disaster Housing and Community Reconstruction	Assists public officials and World Bank staff engaged in large-scale post-disaster housing reconstruction programs Provides principles and procedures for organising and carrying out Post-Disaster Needs Assessments (PDNAs)	Under development ¹²
WMO and GWP Flood Loss Assessment Tool	Provides guidance in conducting flood loss assessment	Outlines hierarchy of different types and stages of flood loss assessments Categorises different types of flood loss
EMA Disaster Loss Assessment Guidelines	Provides guidance in estimating direct and indirect losses	Application of an averaging, synthetic or survey approach in measuring losses Measuring potential losses as opposed to actual losses Measuring the net loss to the economy Calculation of annual average damages (AAD) for cost-benefit analysis of mitigation options
Hazus-MH MR 3 Earthquake Model	Provides tool to make earthquake loss estimates at a regional scale Focuses on economic losses that can be directly derived from building and infrastructure damage	Addresses regional earthquake impacts Displays inputs and outputs on GIS-based maps Modular framework for flexible application Provides default values and data sets for the estimation of damage and loss estimates Direct economic loss estimates are derived from damage state information for buildings and lifelines
Socio-economic impact assessment (SEIA) model for emergencies	Provides a framework for measuring the socio-economic impact of emergency incidents and for identifying the resilience and recovery ability of a regional economy	A 'with and without the emergency' comparison Outlines methodologies to measure the cost and value of environmental loss and impact

¹² Draft Handbook available at http://tcgi.centraldesktop.com/postdisasterhousinghandbookpubliccommentspace/FrontPage

3.1. UN ECLAC Handbook for Estimating The Socio-Economic And Environmental Effects Of Disasters

The Handbook for Estimating the Socio-Economic And Environmental Effects Of Disasters¹³ developed by the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) was initially used in Latin America and the Caribbean region, but since the late 1990s it has been applied in post-disaster assessments worldwide. The framework outlined in the UN ECLAC Handbook represents a damage assessment and loss assessment (DaLa).

The purpose of framework is to determine an amount of damage that can reflect the socioeconomic impact of a disaster on the economic performance of an affected country or region with the aim to inform on the domestic capacity for dealing with reconstruction tasks and the need for international cooperation.

However, to reduce the costs of conducting parallel needs assessments, the DaLa is complemented by sector-specific assessments, which provide more detailed insight into the socio-economic impact of a disaster. For this purpose, cross-sectoral subject areas such as the environment and employment and income are considered. The framework further considers the differential effects on women, whose action is essential both during reconstruction and in mitigating the future impact of disasters. Methodological considerations with regards to the cross-sectoral and macroeconomic effects are briefly outlined in Annex 2.

The *Handbook* classifies disaster damages and effects into direct damages, indirect losses and macroeconomic effects (as defined in section 2.1) and is aimed at determining the net effect, giving due consideration to both negative and positive disaster effects. While damage is measured in physical units and valued at replacement costs, losses are valued at current prices.

In order to estimate the overall monetary impact of a disaster national accounts are used as a means of valuation. This allows determining the value of destruction of physical assets and of changes in the flows of all sectors of economic activity down to the level covered by the national accounts of the affected country.¹⁴

The methodology allows for the quantification of the damage caused by any kind of disaster, whether man-made or natural, whether slowly evolving or sudden.

Once the social, economic and environmental impacts of a disaster have been assessed, the handbook suggests a recapitulation of damages in order to arrive at an analysis overview, which marks the culmination of the assessment and lays the basis for the subsequent macroeconomic analysis. The overview should include the total amount of damage and losses, together with breakdowns that identify the most affected sectors, geographic areas and population groups. In addition to quantifying the total impact in monetary terms, this overview must make it possible to identify the sectors and geographical areas requiring priority attention in order to provide valuable input for defining reconstruction strategies, plans and projects.

The following three types of breakdowns should be made:

- Total direct damage and indirect losses
- Total damage to assets and production and increased costs or decreased income in the provision of services
- Total damage to public and private sectors: The breakdown of the total damage into public and private sectors will enable the determination of some characteristics of

¹³ UN FCLAC 2003

¹⁴ Jovel, R. personal communication on 30 July 2009

reconstruction programmes, by defining the relative efforts required from the state and from private individuals or enterprises. Even though the cost of reconstructing public infrastructure must be met by the government – which allows a determination of the amount of future public financing requirements – the latter may also have to establish financial schemes or credit lines for the private sector affected by the disaster, especially in the case of the lowest-income population or of strategic sectors of the national economy.

Best practice process steps and success factors:

Experience from past damage and loss assessments based on the UN ECLAC methodology has shown that:

- Not all disasters are at scale justifying a 'full-blown' assessment
- Maintaining consistency between different levels of assessment detail is crucial
- Ensuring traceability of the original data source is important as is keeping central repository of all assessment reports and their original data sources for long-term and macro analysis
- Pre-disaster arrangements and preparations are a condition precedent to ensure an efficient assessment process and include at a minimum arrangements for baseline data availability and clarified roles and responsibilities¹⁵

3.2. Post-Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA)

According to Kelly (2008) there are two significant disadvantages of the damage assessment and loss assessment (DaLa) approach:

- Damage assessments tend to be challenged in capturing social or psychological impacts. Thus real damage experienced by the disaster survivors may be underreported and recovery assistance may be less than needed to address the full impact of a disaster.
- Damage assessments do not usually take into account resources available to the disaster survivors. In some circumstances, survivors may have considerable resources with which to engage in recovery (e.g. savings and insurance). This could lead to more assistance being provided than is really needed.

Based on these limitations Kelly (2008) argues for amalgamating the damage, needs and rights-based approaches into a single assessment process that meets the principle-based requirements of the rights-based approach, but has the practicality of the damage or needs-based approaches.

In contrast to a DaLa, a post-disaster needs assessment (PDNA) estimates (usually based on the damage assessment) the financial, technical, and human resources needed to implement the agreed-upon programs of recovery, reconstruction, and risk management. It also evaluates resources available to respond to the disaster and considers them in calculating the disaster net effect. It provides

"an integrated assessment framework and process to support the identification and selection of response options covering recovery interventions from early- to long-term recovery in a Recovery Framework 16"

Specialised assessments are often carried out to refine the results of an initial PDNA in a particular region or sector, or to develop data needed for project planning, such as site-

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related risk assessments and house-by-house damage assessments or a full housing sector assessment ¹⁷

The PDNA comprises two components:

- 1. The valuation of physical damages and economic losses through a DaLa
- The identification of societal recovery needs through a Human Recovery Needs Assessment (HRNA)

The elements of a PDNA are described in Figure 1 which highlights the unique feature of the PDNA which is the consideration of both early recovery needs and long-term development concerns:

- An early recovery view generally focuses at local level (constituencies, villages, and households) and basic needs and the ability to resume and sustain vital functions of the society. An early recovery assessment usually takes place at the time of relief efforts and can take up to 18 to 24 months. The data source is primary and secondary and to a large extent qualitative. The aim is to provide information crucial for stimulating life sustaining projects.
- The assessment of long-term needs generally takes place at a macro geographical level (regional and/or national) and can take up to two to three years or even longer. As opposed to early recovery assessment the focus is on damages, losses, and recovery requirements related to public goods, industry, markets, and investments. This requires the collection of primary and secondary quantitative data in addition to qualitative data which are crucial in developing programmes that ought to strengthen the regional or national economy.¹⁸

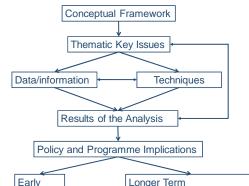


Figure 1: Elements of a PDNA (Source: Winahyu, 2009)

The PDNA provides a series of sector reports that conform to an agreed template and support the development of the Recovery Framework. It further provides prioritised response options drawn directly from the assessment which are proposed by and represent the advocacy stance of the sector teams. In case a sufficient baseline is available, the PDNA

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¹⁵ Gunawan, I. and Adriani, M. (2009)

¹⁶ The Recovery Framework provides a strategic plan for guiding and reflecting all the decisions that need to be made to coordinate the recovery of a geographical area after a disaster.

¹⁷ World Bank, 2009

¹⁸ Winahyu, R. 2009

can also indicate the overall opportunities for "building back better" through shifting development patterns. ¹⁹

Efforts to create unitary assessment procedures are underway, such as the *Handbook on Post-Disaster Housing and Community Reconstruction*, which is currently being prepared by the World Bank support of the Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR). The handbook which is expected to be publicly available in the fourth quarter of 2009, aims to provide a decision tool for use in the field by the World Bank staff, counterpart organizations, and other international practitioners who develop and carry out large-scale post-disaster local housing and community reconstruction projects. The handbook will outline the principles and procedures for organising and carrying out Post-Disaster Needs Assessments (PDNAs).

The development of the handbook and the PDNA concept has been motivated by interagency communication at national and global level, formalised in the 'Joint Declaration on Post-Crisis Assessments and Recovery Planning', signed in October 2008 by the United Nations, European Commission and the World Bank²⁰.

The PDNA guide to be outlined in the Handbook is supposed two bring together the two strands of DaLa and Early Recovery Needs Assessment (ERNA) in order to provide a full geographical breakdown in assessment results down to the district or village level.²¹

Best practice process steps and success factors:

- Close interaction between the national government and the respective countryrepresentatives of the United Nations, the World Bank, the European Commission and other international partners at a headquarters level to ensure well coordinated resources support.
- Pre-disaster planning of the PDNA and early collaboration between the relevant partners
- One assessment team, one assessment process and one assessment output.
- Clear management structure including high level management team, PDNA coordination team, sectoral teams, technical support cell, and report secretariat.

3.3. WMO and GWP Flood Loss Assessment Tool

The World Meteorological Organisation (WMO) and the Global Water Partnership (GWP) have published, as part of their Associated Programme on Flood Management (APFM) and the 'Flood Management Tool Series', guidelines to conduct flood loss assessments. As indicated by its name, this tool focuses on flood losses only and can therefore not readily be applied to the damage and loss assessment procedure for other disasters.

The tool outlines a hierarchy of different types and stages of flood loss assessments (see Figure 2 below) which builds upon the following three types of assessment:

A. Rapid assessment:

The purpose of a rapid assessment is to inform emergency relief coordination during the flood. Emphasis of actions is therefore on having a basis for avoiding (further) losses of life, minimising misery and suffering of the affected population and avoiding

¹⁹ Winahyu, R. personal communication on August 3, 2009

knock-on effects (secondary disasters). As such, the focus of assessment during this phase is placed on emergency response rather than loss assessment.

B. Early recovery assessment:

This includes an initial assessment of damages in the first few weeks (1-3 weeks) after the flood (peak) in order to inform and guide the recovery process and in providing early indications for reconstruction, for example in an insurance context, for allocation of recovery funds from national budget or for guidance to external aid agencies. The focus of assessment at this stage is necessarily on tangible and direct losses, as most the of the intangibles need longer times to be assessed and the indirect losses may not yet be fully apparent or might not have fully materialised yet. A standard and internationally accepted methodology, applicable to all kinds of disasters, is provided by the UN ECLAC (see previous section). WMO and GWP advise to base early recovery assessments on actual costs and damages, i.e. how much it would costs to replace the assets and income lost according to their original specification and location (replacement costs).

C. In-depth assessment of flood losses:

This assessment will usually be carried out 3 to 6 months after the flood in order to guide reconstruction planning as well as future flood management policy adjustments. WMO and GWP suggest that the best time to conduct an in-depth assessment is after 6 months, as most losses, including indirect and intangible losses can be assessed with sufficient reliability. As in-depth assessments may receive a number of data collected in the earlier phases, planning and delimitations that have been undertaken for the earlier appliances of loss assessments are crucial. The assessment at this stage can usually be based on reconstruction costs²³, according to a (preliminary) reconstruction plan that may provide for reconstruction in different locations according to different specifications.

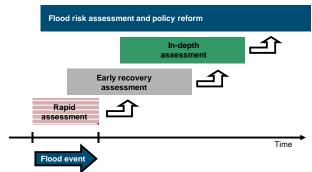


Figure 2: Types of flood loss assessment in various phases (WMO and GWP, 2007)

One of the basic decisions to take in any flood loss assessment relates to which loss categories to include and how to assess each one of them. An overview of different flood loss categories as provided by the Flood Loss Assessment Tool is provided in Figure 4 in Annex 3. Loss categories are categorised into tangible direct losses, intangible indirect

²⁰ United Nations, European Commission and the World Bank, 2008

²¹ Roberto Jovel, personal communication on July 30, 2009

²² Winahyu, R. personal communication on August 3, 2009

²³ The cost of reconstruction includes the replacement of lost assets but excludes the value of production losses and the amount of increased spending and decreased revenues in the provision of services, and must also include the financial cost of reactivating production when necessary. (UN ECLAC, 2003)

losses and intangible human and other losses. These three categories of losses are further divided into primary, secondary and tertiary losses. The WMO and GWP tool does not suggest which categories to include in a loss assessment. This decision will not only be influenced by the type of assessment carried out, but also by the time and resources available for its completion.

Another important distinction made by this tool is between actual and potential flood losses. The determination of actual flood losses takes into account preparatory actions taken to reduce the impact of a flood while the determination of potential flood losses is based on the experience of past floods or synthetic stage-damage relationships. Again, the tool does not make a general suggestion on which type of losses to estimate.

3.4. EMA Disaster Loss Assessment Guidelines

The Queensland Department of Emergency Services, other Queensland agencies, Emergency Management Australia (EMA) and the Bureau of Meteorology collaborated with the Centre for Risk and Community Safety at RMIT University to produce a set of guidelines on loss assessment that is applicable at sub-national and local level (in the following referred to as the EMA Manual 27 Guidelines).

The EMA Manual 27 Guidelines seek to be easy in implementation without requiring in-depth specialist training or extensive experience in loss assessment. They cover direct and indirect losses and under both loss categories tangible as well as intangible losses.

They provide a step-by-step procedure (see Figure 3 in Annex 1) from identifying the purpose of the assessment through to presenting the results, which can be thought of in terms of five broad tasks:

- Define the purpose, identify the stakeholders and resources available, and define the area and time frame
- 2. Select the type of assessment, i.e., averaging, synthetic or survey approach
- 3. Establish the information base about the hazard, people, assets and activities, and types of loss
- 4. Measure the loss
- Analyse and present the results to be consistent with the purpose of the assessment and as appropriate consider actual and potential losses, average annual losses, and net economic loss

While this procedure has been set-up for inundation hazards, with minor modifications it can be applied to other hazards (see Table 3 in Annex 4).

The guidelines set out tree general approaches to measuring losses which are as follows:

- a.) The averaging approach: This approach is based largely on pre-existing average data on losses for example an average loss per flooded property. It is the least expensive and quickest method, enables comparability, and only requires limited expertise. While it may be the most appropriate approach in the future as data sets are developed and tested, currently it has certain limitations: it may under or over value indirect and intangible losses. In addition it treats very serious and dangerous flood hazards the same as shallow flooding which results in little damage.
- b.) The synthetic approach: This approach is a detailed assessment based on preexisting databases covering a range of average building types and contents. It is probably the most flexible and currently the most widely used of the three approaches. It can make use of a variety of existing computer packages with their own stage-damage curves for calculating residential and small business direct

- losses. However, EMA (2002) argues that the extensive use and availability of calculation packages disguises considerable debate over the accuracy of the stage damage curves and resulting figures.
- c.) The survey or historical approach: This approach is based on detailed surveys of a recent event to establish the actual loss. It is different from the synthetic approach as it generalises from loss data obtained from the area in question whereas the synthetic approach applies loss data generated synthetically or from other areas. A characteristic of the survey approach is that it incorporates all the unique attributes of the event in question including the details of the response and people's preparedness. This makes the approach less suited for comparisons and difficult to use without a recent disaster to generate losses. It is also very sensitive to the resources and expertise used to collect the data.

Table 4 in Annex 5 outlines for each approach how the different loss categories are being measured and clearly shows that only surveys enable collection of detailed data for some categories of loss. In most assessments some combination of the three approaches will be necessary. Data collected by 'synthetic' or 'averaging' approaches are usually used to estimate losses of a hypothetical hazard event.

The EMA Manual 27 Guidelines recommend that, wherever possible, potential losses should be used rather than actual losses. This is due to the fact that actual losses, which take into account all kinds of measures that people take to minimise the damage wherever possible (e.g. heeding warnings or moving cattle and valuable items to high ground), may discriminate against well prepared or poorer communities. Also it is difficult to determine the correct ratio between actual and potential or predicted loss.

Since they are based on economic principles, the guidelines require measuring the net loss to the economy of the area of analysis. The guidelines highlight that assessment of benefits is particularly important within a regional context because post-disaster aid and insurance payouts are more likely to partly offset the tangible losses suffered, as the area of analysis becomes smaller.

Care is, however, needed in the application of net economic loss and it may not be appropriate as an indicator of what should be spent on mitigation. The EMA Manual 27 Guidelines do not include intangible losses and benefits as part of the calculation of "net economic loss" because the current state of knowledge about intangibles does not support the level of quantification necessary for this calculation. Therefore the guidelines suggest that any assessment should calculate the total and net economic losses and then set out why one approach is selected for use. This transparency would highlight local economic circumstances and assist with comparability.

While the EMA Manual 27 Guidelines do not provide any guidance in the estimation of (reconstruction) needs, they outline steps to calculate annual average damages to conduct cost–benefit analysis to assess mitigation options. Since the future pattern of disaster events cannot be known any investment in disaster mitigation has to be economically justified in terms of benefits expected on average every year which can be achieved by calculating annual average damages.²⁴

²⁴ For further details on calculating annual average damages see EMA, 2002

3.5. US Federal Emergency Management Agency's HAZUS-MH MR 3 Earthquake Model

The Hazards U.S. Multi-Hazard (HAZUS-MH)²⁵ is a risk assessment methodology for analysing losses from floods, hurricanes and earthquakes. It applies geographic information systems (GIS) technology to produce estimates of hazard-related damage before, or after, a disaster occurs. Developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) HAZUS-MH provides three models: a flood model, a hurricane model, and an earthquake model. In addition to these three hazard-specific models HAZUS-MH can perform multi-hazard analysis by providing access to the average annualised loss and probabilistic results from the hurricane wind, flood, and earthquake models and combining them to provide integrated multi-hazard reports and graphs.

Loss estimates analysed in HAZUS-MH include:

- Physical damage to residential and commercial buildings, schools, critical facilities, and infrastructure
- Economic loss including lost jobs, business interruptions, repair and reconstruction costs
- Social impacts including estimates of shelter requirements, displaced households, and population exposed to scenario floods, earthquakes and hurricanes

Extensive national databases are embedded within HAZUS-MH, containing information such as demographic aspects of the population in a study region, square footage for different occupancies of buildings, and numbers and locations of bridges which allow the use of default data in the calculation of loss estimates.²⁶

In the following features of the earthquake model are explained in further detail, since the assessment approaches applied by the flood and hurricane model are based on these and follow similar principles. The HAZUS-MH MR 3 Earthquake Model is based on an earthquake loss estimation methodology which addresses regional impacts of earthquakes such as service outages for lifelines, estimates of fire ignitions and fire spread, potential for a serious hazardous materials release incident, and indirect economic effects. One of the model's strength is the ability to readily display inputs and outputs on GIS-based maps that can be overlaid.

Based on the needs and particular resources (e.g., ability to provide required data) of the user, three different types of analyses can be conducted, i.e. default data analysis, user-supplied data analysis and advanced data and models analysis.

The methodology is built upon a modular framework which allows the user to select the estimation of certain losses. Loss estimates analysed in HAZUS-MH MR3 Earthquake Model include:

- Direct physical damage to general building stock, essential and high potential loss facilities, lifelines-transportation systems and lifelines-utility systems
- Direct social losses including casualties and displaced households
- Direct economic losses of buildings and lifelines
- Indirect economic losses such as those related to supply shortages and demand effects

²⁵ Federal, State and local government agencies and the private sector can order HAZUS-MH free-of-charge from the FEMA Publication Warehouse.

²⁶ With an increasing interest in the application of the HAZUS loss estimation methodology and software application for international use, the National Institute for Building Sciences (NIBS) has led efforts to evaluate steps that need to be taken to develop an internationally applicable version.

In the following the methodology for estimating direct economic building losses and indirect economic losses will be briefly explained.

Direct economic losses: buildings. The HAZUS-MH MR3 Earthquake Model converts damage state information for buildings and lifelines²⁷ into estimates of dollar loss for structural and non-structural repair costs caused by building damage and the associated loss of building contents and business inventory. Building damage can also cause additional losses by restricting the building's ability to function properly. To account for this, business interruption and rental income losses are estimated. This estimation module is limited in its consideration of the economic loss to those losses that can be directly derived from building and infrastructure damage, and that lend themselves to ready conversion from damage to dollars. The types of economic data that the user will be expected to supply include repair and replacement costs, contents value for different occupancies, annual gross sales by occupancy, relocation expenses and income by occupancy. Based on the availability of data and the desired depth and accuracy of analysis default values provided by the model can be used.

Indirect economic losses. The Indirect Loss Module is a computational algorithm that accounts for earthquake induced supply shortages and demand reductions. It is a version of a computable general equilibrium model designed to rebalance a region's inter-industry trade flows based on discrepancies between sector supplies and demands. It is based on input-output modelling techniques, which are widely utilised to assess the total economic gains and losses caused by sudden changes in the demand for a region's products²⁸. Running this module requires a number of user inputs such as the current level of employment and income or the composition of the economy. The module produces two reports on the results: i) The percent and level of indirect economic impact for the study region economy in terms of employment and income effects for a region that receives outside aid after the disaster. ii) The percent and level of indirect economic impact for the study region economy in terms of employment and income effects for a region that does not receive outside aid after the disaster.

As outlined above, the HAZUS-MH MR 3 Earthquake Model is based on complex algorithms in order to arrive at estimated damage and loss assessments. Economic assessments are used for the estimation of direct and indirect losses with results of direct economic loss estimations being dependent on the quality of direct damage estimates. A major benefit of the model is the provision of default values which allows a fast and easy calculation of loss estimations. It is apparent that the provision and use of default values is based on a comprehensive compilation and calculation of historic data for the U.S. and cannot be readily applied in damage and loss assessments elsewhere.

3.6. Socio-economic impact assessment (SEIA) model for emergencies

The SEIA model was developed by a Ministerial Taskforce on Bushfire Recovery of the Victorian Government (Australia) with the aim to address in particular one issue that has been challenging the EMA Disaster Loss Assessment Guidelines and similar frameworks, i.e. the challenge of capturing the socioeconomic impact for intangible elements such as health, the environment, and memorabilia. With the development of the SEIA it was sought to provide a framework for measuring the socio-economic impact of emergency incidents

²⁷ Damage state information is the result of the direct physical damage calculation and is predicted in terms of one of four ranges: slight, moderate, extensive, and complete.

²⁸ Input-output modelling traces the flows of goods and services among industries and from industries to household, governments, investment, and exports. These trade flows indicate how much of each industry's output is comprised of its regional suppliers' products, as well as inputs of labour, capital, imported goods, and the services of government.

that would also enable identifying the resilience and recovery ability of a regional economy and that regions' social wellbeing.

The model's distinctive features include:

- A 'with and without the emergency' comparison:
 - A comparison of social and economic impacts and conditions based on the occurrence of the bushfire, compared to circumstances if the bushfire had not occurred was made. This comparison included the benefits from government, State Government Recovery insurance and other non-government recovery support sources in order to establish the net-economic impact. It has to be noted that this is a methodologically inappropriate approach. Rather the appropriate methodology of an economic analysis is to compare social and economic conditions with and without the emergency, to establish the impact of those bushfires.
- Social and economic profile:
 - A social and economic profile of the residential and business sectors of the region prior to the emergency was established in order to assist in the analysis of intangible and indirect costs and benefits. For this local government profile data and population based surveys (household surveys) were used to collect data on a range of indirect and intangible impacts and costs.
- Other concepts that assisted in measuring intangible losses include the 'expected value procedure' as a method of estimating 'willingness-to pay', defining criteria to address 'household disruption' as an indirect loss element and specific economic formulae such as 'contingent valuation method' and 'value added forgone' to measure the cost and value for example of environmental loss and impact.

The SEIA model was tested in the economic assessment of the 2006/07 Great Divide bushfires.

Challenges and obstacles faced were:

Sourcing of relevant data and information: a major obstacle was lack of data and the variable means of data collection which affected data quality. There were major data gaps in particular with regards to small business other than tourism where there is usually limited post-emergency impact data collected and where information is only obtained through survey and direct interview.

Best practice process steps and success factors:

- In order for the SEIA-Model to be replicable for emergencies that occur in Victoria, and to enable it to be efficiently implemented, it is essential to identify and use existing data sources and regularly collected post-emergency databases.
- The SEIA-Model's implementation essentially relies on a whole of government approach, whereby the collection, use and analysis of post-emergency information is shared and coordinated across various government departments and organisations.
- A commitment to standardise and consistently collect essential loss, damage and impact data post an emergency incident.
- Where there are difficulties in obtaining the specific data required, averaging and extrapolation techniques become relevant.29

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4. Review of post-disaster assessment reports

A look at past post-disaster assessments indicates an evolution from an approach focussing on damages and losses to an approach taking increasingly into account post-disaster needs through JDLNAs or PDNAs. A number of post-disaster assessment reports are provided on the GFDRR website³⁰ and the World Bank website³¹.

Earlier post-disaster reports focused on preliminary estimates of a disaster's damage and reconstruction costs. The 2005 Pakistan Damage and Needs Assessment Report³², for example, presents estimates for the loss of public and private assets (direct damage at book value), the loss in income (indirect loss), and the cost of short and medium to longer term reconstruction of private and public assets (at replacement costs). Reconstruction costs measure the cost of rebuilding lost assets and restoring lost services and in the case of this report, are defined to include the additional costs incurred for earthquake resistance. The report focuses on damage and needs estimates for the following sectors: social and environmental aspects, housing, livelihoods, agriculture, transport, education, health, water supply and sanitation, energy, governance and institutions, and the industry and services.

In Indonesia the DaLa approach was applied to both the assessment after the 2006 Yogyakarta Earthquake and the 2004 Tsunami in Aceh Province. Both assessments were conducted by a multi-agency expert group including the National Development Planning Agency (BAPPENAS), Provincial Development Planning Agencies (BAPEDAs) and international donor agencies such as The World Bank, ADB, GTZ, JBIC, ILO, and various UN organisations. Both assessments included an estimation of damages and losses as well as of the economic and social impacts for the following sectors and areas

- Social sector, e.g. housing, education, health, family planning, religion and culture
- Infrastructure, e.g. transport, energy, communications, water supply and sanitation
- Productive sector, e.g. agriculture, fisheries, enterprises, industry, trade, and tourism
- Cross-cutting sectors, e.g. public administration, financial sector, and environment

In addition the economic and social impact was evaluated which included a closer look at impacts on employment, livelihoods and the fiscal system. Results of the assessment were used to derive recommendations for the rehabilitation and reconstruction process. Experience from these assessments showed that a strong involvement of provincial governments and local communities and other relevant local stakeholders is crucial in order to arrive at a realistic picture of damages, losses and needs as well as recovery capacities.³³

After the 2008 earthquake in Wenchuan China the National Disaster Reduction Center of China initiated a rapid assessment of the affected population and infrastructure. Based on historical and socio-economic data of the affected region it was possible to complement the rapid assessment with a vulnerability analysis. Dynamic monitoring of the affected area was made possible through the usage of remote sensing images from 22 satellites provided by the international community as well as aerial photographs. The rapid assessment was followed by a more comprehensive assessment to determine the spatial intensity distribution of the earthquake and by an assessment of direct economic losses. Indirect economic losses were evaluated qualitatively while direct economic losses were assessed through

²⁹ Office of the Emergency Services Commissioner, 2008

³⁰ Post-disaster assessment reports by GFDRR available at

http://qfdrr.org/index.cfm?Page=Track%20III:%20DRR%20in%20Recovery&ItemID=14

³¹ Post disaster assessment reports by World Bank available at http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/TOPICS/EXTURBANDEVELOPMENT/EXTDISMGMT/ 0,,contentMDK:20196047~menuPK:1415429~pagePK:148956~piPK:216618~theSitePK:341015.00.h

³² Asian Development Bank and World Bank, 2005

The Consultative Group on Indonesia, 2005 and The Consultative Group on Indonesia, 2006

applying the replacement cost, market comparison and income approach. Experience from the Wenchuan Earthquake assessment showed that large-scale disasters require consecutive assessments of different scope and analytical precision which should ideally start with baseline data arrangements before a disaster occurs.³⁴

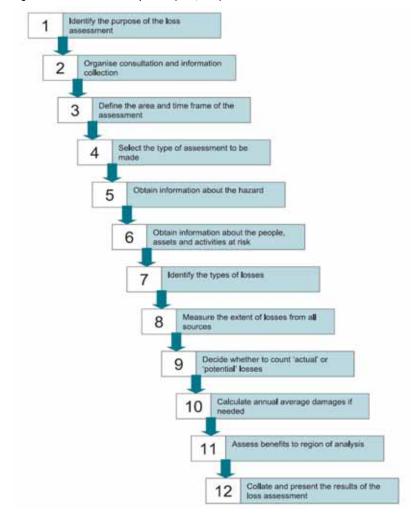
An increasing number of reports go much further in assessing post-disaster needs. The Yemen Damage, Losses and Needs Assessment Report³⁵ for the October 2008 tropical storm and floods, for example, does not only provide an estimation of damages and losses but also reports on estimated recovery and reconstruction needs

- to restore the livelihoods of the affected individuals and households and the output of enterprises back to pre-disaster levels and
- to rebuild back the destroyed physical infrastructure assets and restore the services to their pre-disaster functioning level.

The recovery and reconstruction needs, which serve as the basis for the preparation of a detailed recovery and reconstruction plan, are expressed in monetary terms are outlined for the following sectors: productive sector, social sector, infrastructure, cross-cutting sectors (including religious facilities, cultural heritage, and environmental protection) and livelihoods.

Annex 1: The loss assessment process according to the Queensland Guidelines

Figure 3: The loss assessment process (EMA, 2002)



³⁴ Yuan Yi, 2009

³⁵ Government of Yemen et al., 2009

Annex 2: Methodological considerations for estimating cross-sectoral and macroeconomic effects

Economic assessment of the impact of a disaster on the environment

To carry out the economic assessment of the impact of a disaster on the environment, the UN ECLAC Handbook outlines a procedure of successive stages which are to be conducted in close co-operation between environmental specialists, sectoral specialists and macroeconomists. Those stages are as follows:

- Description of the environmental state before the disaster, representing the baseline for assessment
- 2. Identification of the impacts of the natural disaster on the environment:
- 3. Qualitative environmental assessment
- 4. Classification of the effects on the environment
- 5. Economic valuation of the environmental impact
- 6. Overlap with other sectors

This procedure is based on the acknowledgement of the use value of natural resources which from an economic perspective, are considered assets (natural capital) from which goods and services are derived that help increase people's well-being.

(UN ECLAC, 2003)

Macroeconomic assessment

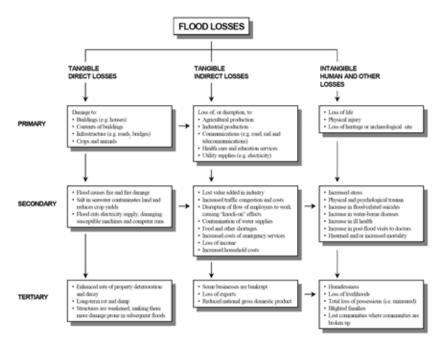
The macroeconomic assessment should provide a summary of the damage that offers an overview of the full magnitude of the disaster's socio-economic impact, both for the country's economic development as a whole and for each of its main variables. It should determine and specify the sectors or areas in which the effects were most severe and the period of time for which they will continue to be felt. Consequently, it should include, not only the disaster's effects on the economic growth rate, income, the external sector, public finances, employment, price levels and inflation, but also possible damage to natural resource endowments.

The overall assessment essentially measures a "delta" value, that is, the difference between the situation expected in the period before the disaster happened and the situation that the affected country or region is expected to experience as a result of the direct and indirect damage.

(UN ECLAC, 2003)

Annex 3: Categorisation of flood losses by WMO and GWP

Figure 4: Categorisation of flood losses (WMO and GWP, 2007)



Annex 4: Applying economic analysis to disaster mitigation measures

Table 3: Factors to be considered in applying economic analysis to disaster mitigation measures, compared to flooding (EMA, 2002)

Factor	Bathles	Cyclone	Earthquike	Flood	Severa starm"
Flair definition:					
Ease of mapping exposure to histard	Good, fast event setwet depends on many local factors	Good, but individual tracks unlenges until happen. Much lose in from associated weather	Good for known faults and soil conditions. Poor for intra-plate earthquakes. More-position possible	Good from past data and models. Events have predictable extents but floods cen- scour anywhere	Poor
Probability estimates for AAD	Difficult, Flat changes over time with find baid.	Possible	Possible tut requires detailed study	Good, for river floods on bases of past records	Some information
Post records	Yes	Yee	Yes	Yes	Poor
Loss severity					
Function of ponervetore	Loudinnel factors for example, slope), Hazard characteristics for example, fuel, wind. Building juncticies	Hispard parameters (distance from coset, velocity, depth of others earge etc). Building parameters	Histord pursmeters inhole etc.; Soil conditions, Building type and details. Associated fee risk	Function of Bood depth and velocity: duration, warring time. Building types and contexts	Local situres characteristics/wind, run, test, floods). Building construction
Part line records	Some, percentage subaged not clear	Same, needs to be altergregated	Good for regim wwette. Poor otherwise	Yes, but financial rather from economic. Can be existrated	No. Difficult to standardise
Prequency	Recurrent, quite briquest.	Arrusi sessor. But strikes interpret for most away	Infrequent, 125e seperance	Relatively frequent and resulment in hugardous press	Frequent, Sut rare in some area
Mtigator opportunities					
Preventory exclusion	Yes, Requires public participation	No for high winds Yes for atoms surge	No	Ves. Either for larger area or individual properties	No
Long-term individual loss reduction	Yes: construction improvements	Yes: improved buildings, sea defences	Yes: improved buildings	Yes improved buildings	Yes, improved buildings
Short terre loss reduction	Year individual responses, fire tighting	Yes response to esamenge	Yes; sow lives and reduce building and other losses	Yes: response to warrings and flood information:	Yes: in response to warmings

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Annex 5: The three approaches to loss assessment

Table 4: Review of basic elements of the three approaches to loss assessment (EMA, 2002)

Loss assessment	Direct loss		Indirect loss	Intangible loss	
approach	Houses/small business	Commerce, farming (>1000 m ³)	Infrastructure		
I Averaging	Average loss per flooded structure	Average loss per m2 for types of enterprise and surveys	Average per km of road and surveys	Examine \$ flow and use surveys or % of direct	Identify types and magnitude Surveys
II Synthetic	Standard stage: damage curves for type of property	Stage: damage curves applied to m3 for different types of business	Stage: damage and average loss per km depending on type of infrastructure	Examine \$ flow and use surveys	Identify types and magnitude Surveys
II Survey (based on sampling)	Survey: new stage-damage curves	Surveys	Surveys	Surveys	Surveys

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Background

Australia is a nation prone to a range of natural hazards and emergencies. These include fire, flood, severe storm, cyclone, tsunami, earthquake and others.

Volunteers are a vital and significant component of Australia's emergency management sector. Some 500,000 people of the total 20 million population in Australia volunteer their services in some emergency management capacity on an annual basis.

Some 350,000 of those are directly involved in emergency first response. First responders include the various rural fire services, the State Emergency Services (SES) and volunteer ambulance services.

And the employers who support those emergency management volunteers that are full-time workers, to leave work and volunteer in times of emergency or disaster, are also much valued.

Support for Emergency Management Volunteers

The Australian Government supports and encourages the emergency management volunteer sector, including the employers of the volunteers – refer **Appendix One** attached.

Challenges Ahead

There is growing evidence that the changing nature of volunteering in the emergency management sector and an increasing number of external pressures are affecting the capacity to attract and retain such volunteers, and for employers to support the volunteers. The attributed factors relate to economic and demographic changes, such as the changing nature of Australian industry and an ageing population profile for Australian rural communities. This is occurring at a time when disaster events appear to becoming more frequent and more severe, possibly related to Climate Change factors.

Discussion Point

Australia would be interested in the experiences of other APEC member economies in terms of harnessing, attracting and retaining emergency management volunteers. If member economies were interested, Australia would be happy to share its experiences and challenges in greater detail.

Options

If there was interest in exploring the issue further:

- (i) CEOs could agree to discuss the matter further at the 2010 APEC Emergency Management CEOs Forum; and/or
- (ii) The TFEP could be encouraged to hold a workshop on emergency management volunteers in 2010 or 2011, possibly leading to the development of APEC principles on emergency management volunteers.

APPENDIX ONE: SUMMARY OF CURRENT AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES FOR EMERGENCY MANEMENT VOLUNTEERS

Support for Emergency Management Volunteers

The Australian Government supports and encourages the emergency management volunteer sector.

Within the Attorney-General's Department key aspects of this assistance include:

- 1. Support for the Australian Emergency Management Volunteer Forum the Forum is a peak advocacy body, which aims to attract, retain and recognise volunteers. Some of the key issues currently before the Forum are:
 - The cost of being a volunteer
 - Proposals for volunteer leadership training
 - Improved links to 'culturally diverse' groups in the community
 - Greater support and recognition for employers
- 2. The Australian Government provides funds for a National Emergency Volunteer Support Fund. The money is made available in grants for projects which are aimed at boosting the recruitment, retention, skills and training of volunteers. These projects range from the purchase of audio-visual training equipment and enhancing the quality of training provided to volunteers, to recruitment campaigns, targeted volunteer training activities, and the construction and fit-out of dedicated training facilities.

Furthermore, other Australian Government Departments and also the State and Territory Governments also provide support for emergency management volunteers, within a broader context of a rich tradition of community volunteering that involves most of the Australian population.

Looking ahead, the Ministerial Council for Police and Emergency Management, which is responsible for providing national leadership and strategic direction on emergency management in Australia, has agreed that firm action is required to ensure the future sustainability of Australia's emergency management volunteers. A broad range of options for the attraction, support and retention of emergency management volunteers is currently being developed for consideration by the Council in November 2009.



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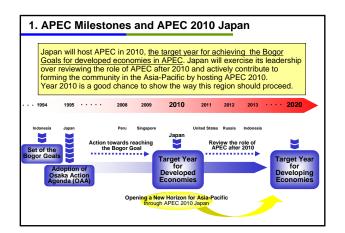
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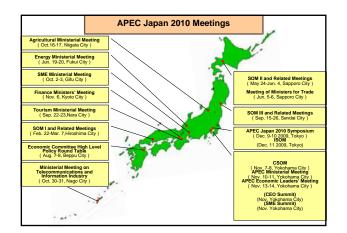
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2. BACKGROUND - The 4th CEO Forum

- A high-incidence and increasing impact of natural disaster in the region due to climate change & growing urbanization.
- APEC Leaders and Ministers agreed on the need to further strengthen APEC's efforts to build community resilience & preparedness for natural disasters through enhanced international cooperation & coordination with private sector, international organizations & NGOs.
- TFEP decision to hold the CEO Forum annually for 2009-2013.
- Japan's host year 2010 marks the 15th anniversary of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake & the midpoint for Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015.

3. The 4th CEO Forum

: 18-20 January 2010 Date

: Kobe, Hyogo, JAPAN Venue

Title :"International Symposium & Expert

Meeting on Urban Risk Management

for Sustainable Development

Co-host: Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Japan, UNCRD, (APEC)
Yomiuri Shimbun,

Hyogo Prefecture Government

DAY 1: Monday, 18 January 2010 Open Symposium (half-day)

DAY 2: Tuesday, 19 January 2010 Expert Meeting (whole-day)

DAY 3: Monday, 18 January 2010 Field Trip

DAY 1: Monday, 18 January 2010 *Open Symposium* Venue: Yomiuri Kobe Hall

13:00-13:05 Opening Remarks by Director of UNCRD

13:05-13:10 Opening Remarks by MOFA, GOJ

13:10-13:15 Welcome Remarks by Governor of Hyogo Prefecture 13:15-13:20 Remarks by President of Yomiuri Shimbun Co.Ltd

13:20-16:55

Keynote Speech (TBC)

Part I: Economy Reports (selected APEC economies)
Part II: Public-Private Partnership in Urban DRR

Part III: Urban DRR, incl. response to H1N1

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Part V: Recovery from Disast Part V: Panel Discussion

16:55-17:00 Closing Remarks

DAY 2: Tuesday, 19 January 2010 Expert Meeting (Closed)

Topics of Discussion (Tentative):

Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)
Gender in Urban DRR
Disaster Education
Strategies of Strengthening Facilities for DRR
Community-Based Disaster Management (CBDM)

DAY 3: Wednesday, 20 January 2010 Field Trip

Mark the Calendar!

Look forward to your active participation in the 4th CEO Forum from 18-20 January 2010 in Kobe, Japan.