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## NATIONAL PLATFORM ENHANCEMENT

### Sri Lanka

Civic Force and Consortium of Humanitarian Agencies completed the second year of the Capacity Building Project on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sri Lanka, and HQ staff visited Colombo in February 2016 to launch its 3rd year of the CF project as well as the 2nd year of the A-PAD project, which focuses on building the capacity of A-PAD Sri Lanka at the national level. Both projects are funded by the Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA). The CF project will continue its community- and district-level activities.

### Philippines

Citizens' Disaster Response Center (CDRC) conducted MoFA-funded project since March 2015 with a budget of JPY 73.8 million. Towards the end of this project period, the A-PAD National Platform in Philippines (A-PAD Philippines) was officially launched in March 2016, with CDRC and Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) as its co-chairs. By the end of the 1st year project, the Minutes of Understanding were signed between twenty-five organizations and A-PAD Philippines (represented by CDRC before its launching) to specify their roles and functions to respond to disasters as well as to provide emergency relief in case of disaster. Ten more organizations are willing to agree on mutual collaboration in case of disaster. Thus multi-sectoral collaboration among local government unit (LGU), business sector and NGO/CSO was reinforced in the three pilot areas: Bicol, Visayas and Mindanao.

### South Korea

A-PAD Korea was officially established after they held international symposium declaring the launching of A-PAD Korea in 22th, October 2015. KDR, A-PAD's Korean partner organization is broadening its collaboration with A-PAD by construction rainwater harvesting system in an island in northern Cebu, Philippines, in collaboration with MO and A-PAD Philippines.

### Indonesia

The newly established Secretariat of the Indonesian National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (PLANAS) with nine staff members conducted various activities within the MoFA-funded project (March 2015-March 2016) including capacity building of its personnel working on disaster management at national level, discussion on reviewing the current Disaster Management Law to be proposed at the National Disaster Management Agency (BNPB). At provincial level, both in East Java and Bengkulu, PLANAS and Local Forums introduced Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR) to local government, private sector, NGOs, academia, media, youths, and discussed disaster preparedness practices at local and community levels. PLANAS is continuing the 2nd-year project that covers Bali and West Nusa Tenggara Provinces with a budget of JPY 43.6 million.

### Bangladesh

The NGO registration process is going on under the name of Dhaka Community Hospital Trust (DCHT)'s NGO entity 'Community Initiative Society (CIS)'. DCHT organized the national workshop titled 'Basics of environmental and occupational safety and health science (EOSH) and practice,' and the international conference titled 'A new era in EOSH in Bangladesh' from November 19 to 23, 2015.

## NETWORKING AND MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

### International Symposium /Sri Lanka



**A-PAD Sri Lanka hosting symposium on October 5**

On October 5, A-PAD Sri Lanka hosted an international symposium titled “Public-Private Partnership Towards Disaster Resilience and Sustainable Development” in Jaffna. About 180 participants from seven Asian countries and from multiple sectors such as NGO, business, and government attended it, discussing how to share and utilize knowledge and experience of each country. The symposium attracted attentions in Sri Lanka, as four national newspapers reported about it.

### International Symposium and Round Table /Korea

A-PAD Korea/MO hosted two symposiums in Seoul: “HOW TO SAVE LIVES: The Cooperation beyond borders and sectors” (sponsored by Sasakawa Peace Foundation) on October 22, and “International Symposium on Disaster Management in the Asia Pacific Region” (co-hosted by National Diet Social Contribution Forum) on the following day. On October 22, the inauguration of “Korean National Platform,” which is a mechanism to enhance cooperation among the NGO, business, and public sectors, was declared. A-PAD also organized “the preparation roundtable to establish diet member forum” to enhance cross-border collaboration in a disaster, inviting Mr. Yasuhisa Shiozaki, the Minister of Health, Labor and Welfare.



**A-PAD and parliament members from Japan and Korea**



**Mr.Shiozaki giving speech in roundtable**

### Sendai Disaster Preparedness forum /Japan

A-PAD participated in Sendai Disaster Preparedness forum 2016 (hosted by Government of Sendai) on March 12. In this forum, A-PAD arranged desk to introduce each member country and their projects with emergency relief project A-PAD have been participated. A-PAD also shared ideas with many stakeholders participated in the forum.



**A-PAD's booth in forum on March 12**



### International staff training /Japan

9 international staff members of A-PAD national platform from Bangladesh, Philippines, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Korea participated international staff training in Tokyo for 4 days. This training aims to share best practice of mutual collaboration in disaster management and enhance mutual understanding and collaboration between A-PAD national platforms.



**A-PAD international staff during training in Tokyo**

### Symposium on Public-Private Partnership on Disaster Management /Indonesia

A-PAD and Indonesian National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction (PLANAS) jointly hosted international symposium on January 19. With its title “The Way Forward: Public-Private Partnerships in Disaster Risk Management”, the main focus of the symposium is to address the role of private sector in disaster management and to share the best practices of the private sector’s involvement in the area and of public-private cooperation in building community disaster resilience.



**A-PAD Indonesia hosting symposium**

### Disaster Management Training /Indonesia

A-PAD conducted disaster management training workshop for junior program coordinators from five A-PAD member countries from July 19 to 22 in Bali, Indonesia. This workshop was conducted as a part of one year project supported and funded by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation. Twelve program coordinators from Bangladesh, Indonesia, Japan, the Philippines and Sri Lanka who have been working in humanitarian aid organizations participated in training about Indonesian experience of disaster management, community based disaster risk management (CBDRM).



## A-PAD emergency response/humanitarian assistance

### Emergency relief assistance to affected families after Typhoons Lando and Nona / Philippines

Typhoon Lando (International name Koppu) that made landfall at Casiguran in Luzon Island on October 18 was the worst storm to hit the Philippines in 2015. A-PAD pre-positioned items including plastic container for water and tarpaulin were distributed together with procured foods (rice and canned foods). The 1,000 hygiene kits were donated through PDRF network and



**A-PAD Philippines staffs distributing relief items**

distributed to affected people. About two months later another Typhoon Nona (International name Melor) made landfall on December 14th in the Philippines and caused damage to several parts of Luzon and Samar islands. Through the A-PAD platform, collaboration with private companies and the government went smoothly and quickly. The local government undertook transport of goods. Four government trucks were used to transport the relief goods from the Operations Center of APAD Philippines in Daraga, Albay to the beneficiary communities in the towns of Casiguran and Irosin in the Sorsogon Province.

### Construction of temporary school for students in affected area completed / Nepal

In collaboration with local partner ISAP (Institution for Suitable Actions for Prosperity), A-PAD constructed school building for students for Bhumesthan Lower Secondary School and Shree Kyaullethana Lower Secondary School which is located 170km away from capital Kathmandu. These school buildings are all destroyed by earthquake happened in April, 2015. Since then students have been studying outside without having classroom reconstruction done. Now A-PAD newly constructed classrooms for students, they have place to study without worrying about whether.





### A-PAD supported SAR team after the earthquake / Taiwan



In response to the magnitude 6.4 earthquake, which struck the city of Tainan in southern Taiwan in the early morning hours of February 6, killing five people and injuring 150, the Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management (A-PAD) provided financial support for a local search and rescue (SAR) team led by the about-to-join A-PAD Taiwanese staff member (Huang), to procure machinery

and items to be used for SAR operation at the building-collapsed site.

### A-PAD responses to Kumamoto earthquake / Japan

Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management (A-PAD) Japan, Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) and Civic Force have jointly been working in Kumamoto area immediately after the earthquake in April 2016. At first, search and rescue team was dispatched with rescue dog Yumenosuke and searched for survivors under collapsed houses in the two most seriously affected areas, the town of Mashiki and the village of Minamiaso. The joint team has also set up an inflatable shelter (Balloon Shelter) in affected town of Mashiki. Having shifted to emergency tent village operation for the families with pets, the team constructed unit house to provide safer and more comfortable living space. To make this unit house comfortable, team set up café and community place. Team will continue support people as the recovery may not be completed in short time.



**Search and rescue operation**



**Tent village in Mashikimachi**



**Unit houses in Mashikimachi**



**Volunteers in Kumamoto operation**

## **MUTUAL COLLABORATION IN DISASTER RESPONSE**

### Japan x Korea x Philippines collaborate to provide drinking water in islands in Cebu



Through A-PAD network in Japan, Korea, Philippines worked together to construct rainwater harvest system in islands in northern Cebu. KDR(Korea Disaster Relief Association), funded by Samsung Display, suggested A-PAD to improve drinking water supply system in remote island in Cebu, based on their emergency relief experience in the Philippines. When disaster such as Tsunami and Typhoon hits

those island it's hard to secure drinking water because only way to get clean drinking water for people in island is to go to mainland and buy water, which can danger people's lives in emergency situation. In collaboration with A-PAD MO and CRRC, construction of 3 rainwater harvest system has been completed with are now managed by village member's organization.

### A-PAD Sri Lank and Korea's staff members visited affected area in Kumamoto

Two A-PAD's international staff members visited Mashiki town- Sona Park, then Program Coordinator for A-PAD Korea, and Jayanthi Somasekeram, Senior Program Coordinator at A-PAD Sri Lanka. Sona and Jayanthi arrived in Japan on April 11 to participate in A-PAD Upgrade Project conducted at A-PAD Management Office. Both were taking part in a meeting on networking at the Hiroshima headquarters of A-PAD's sister organization Peace Winds Japan when the first of the devastating quakes struck Kumamoto. Both headed for Kumamoto on April 20 to observe and assist in the affected areas. Jayanti said she was impressed by the sight of so many people connected with A-PAD, Civic Force and Peace Winds Japan doing their all to help disaster-stricken evacuee families. "I have seen a lot here that I would like to apply to disaster management in Sri Lanka," said Jayanti.

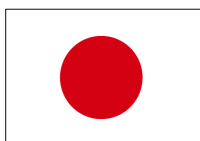
## MANAGEMENT AND FUNDING

- ❖ Asia Pacific Alliance Japan (hereinafter referred as *A-PAD Japan*) was established in November 2015 with its headquarters in Saga-city, Saga Prefecture. A-PAD Japan serves as a secretariat to promote multi-sectoral platform in disaster preparedness as well as disaster management in close collaboration with Civic Force, a sister organization of A-PAD.
- ❖ The annual report and financial report for 2015 were approved.
- ❖ The MO obtained general contributions worth JPY 100 million from the Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the fiscal year 2016. Towards the end of the fiscal year 2015, the MO obtained both supplementary contribution worth JPY 100 million, earmarked for infectious diseases response and management and additional contribution worth approx. JPY 30 million. The MO is working hard to make the best use of the newly available funds for further enhancing the outcomes of its activities.
- ❖ The MO completed the third year grant from Sasakawa Peace Foundation for fiscal year 2015 by submitting a project completion report at the end of March 2016. The new grant for A-PAD institutional capacity building has been approved starting from fiscal year April 2016.
- ❖ The NGO grant proposals for the Philippines, Indonesia, and Sri Lanka were approved by MoFA and the projects were launched in the first quarter of 2016.

## SUPPORTERS



A-PAD is proudly supported by the grant from the Sasakawa Peace Foundation since its inception in 2012. The total grant amount is JPY 7.5 million for this year ending in March 2017.



The Japanese government has confirmed a financial contribution of JPY 100 Million for the fiscal year starting April 2016.