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NATIONAL PLATFORM ENHANCEMENT

<u>Sri Lanka</u>

"First Civil-Military Cooperation Search & Rescue Training in Sri Lanka"

In cooperation with the Sri Lankan Air Force (SRAF) and the locally based Disaster Management Center (DMC) organized and conducted a 3 day search and rescue (SAR) training exercise at the SRAF base in Koggala, Sri Lanka in November 2017 with support from the Sasakawa Peace Foundation. 20 military and 25 volunteers from local civil society organizations took part in the drills. A-PAD SL hosted its Annual International Symposium November 22, 2017. The theme was "Urban Resilience: **Building Inclusive and Competitive Cities** amidst Disasters", graced by Ambassador of Japan, Deputy Minister, Ministry of National Policies and Economic Affairs, Commander of Sri Lanka Air Force, Commandant Special Task Force. Around 200 people participated as a representative of government, private sector, civil society, NGO / INGO, diplomats, military officials and the media.



Philippines

Regional Platform launched

A-PAD Philippines is set to launch a total of six regional platforms in pilot areas. The Regional Platform is an alliance of various institutions from the civil society organizations (CSOs), business sector, media government units and the academe dedicated to understand disaster management and provide timely and relevant disaster preparedness and response.



South Korea

Public-Private Partnership of KOICA program

A-PAD Korea applied for the Public-Private Partnership INCUBATING program in KOICA and was selected. The project aims to regenerate a region that had been affected by disaster through promoting community- based tourism that would create jobs and vitalize local economy. With help from A-PAD Sri Lanka, the project team proposed Trincomalee district in Sri Lanka as project target area.



<u>Indonesia</u>

Strengthen Emergency response

On the 4th of May, An Indonesian humanitarian aid organization ACT (Aksi Cepat Tanggap meaning Care for Humanity in Engliash) and A-PAD Indonesia signed a MoU to collaborate to develop the ACT-Disaster Management Institute for Indonesia (DMII), in which capacity building training programs, research and consultation related to disaster and emergency management and information sharing can be conducted.



Bangladesh

MoFA funded capacity building project began

A-PAD Bangladesh in collaboration with Community Initiative Society (CIS) and A-PAD is implementing oneyear project on Disaster Management in Bangladesh. The project aims at the establishment of sustainable disaster management and emergency medical response platform in Bangladesh for integrated disaster preparedness and reduction. The project aims at more than 21,000 beneficiaries.



<u>Japan</u>

In September 2017, A-PAD Japan introduced a dedicated aircraft and, with assistance from the Advanced Medical Emergency Center, Saga University Hospital, launched a project called "Airborne Rescue with Medical Team" for quickly dispatching search and rescue teams and medical staff to affected areas. A-PAD Japan showed its airplane to the press at Saga airport in southwestern Japan. The airplane of the emergency unit, based at the airport in Saga Prefecture, is a twin-engine turboprop made by Gulfstream Aerospace Corp. with a capacity of 10 passengers and one crew member. By utilizing the aircraft with a flight range of some 3,800 kilometers, the team can offer its service in other Asian countries and on remote islands

NETWORKING AND MEBERSHIP DEVELPOPMENT

AHA Center ACE Programme Japan Tour 2017

Between October 22 and 31, A-PAD coordinated the 10 day Study Trip for the Fourth Batch of ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre) Executive Programme (ACE Programme) that is a part of 6 month disaster management training

to enhance the capacity of the officers from National Disaster Management Offices (NDMOs) of ASEAN Member States.

During the trip, 17 ACE Programme participants and 4 AHA Centre staff were given lectures on Japanese disaster management system and related overseas aid programs by government agencies, such as MOFA and JICA, and NGOs including Japan Platform. The visitors also had a chance to become acquainted with how private companies and institutes such as Yahoo Japan, BEANS, Dentsu, and Miyagi Prefecture Fisheries Cooperative Associations, supported disaster preparedness and emergency response through collaboration with NGOs



ACE Programme visit to Yahoo Japan Mr. Huang presents at the international Conference

The International Conference on Crisis and Emergency Management Local Resilience Forum

The International Conference on Crisis and Emergency Management Local Resilience Forum was held from December 15 to 17, 2017 in Seoul, Korea. Chun-Yuan Huang, leader of the A-PAD International Search and Rescue (SAR) team, delivered a presentation on A-PAD's work in the five years since its founding. Huang also reported on the NGO network system and relief operations in Kumamoto and northern Kyushu in the wake of flooding due to heavy rain. Approximately 80 people from Japan, China, Korea, Taiwan, Indonesia, Thailand, and Nepal participated in the 11th such conference. A-PAD, participating for the first time, delivered a presentation introducing the mechanism of A-PAD.

Search and Rescue Team / Disaster Response Corporation

On May 12, A-PAD MO signed a MoU with a Chinese civil organization RAMUNION, Taiwan Medical Association for Disaster and Emergency and A-PAD to participate in the collaborative disaster response activities. The partners agreed to assist one another when a disaster happens in Asia Pacific region, and the MoU entails working together toward a mutual goal to respond efficiently and effectively to save more people in less time.



AMCDRR 2018

A-PAD attended at the 2018 Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR) held from July 3 to 6 in Ulaanbaatar. On July 4, A-PAD member organizations, The Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation (PDRF) and Dhaka Community Hospital Trust (DCHT), participated in two separate events by presenting their Disaster Preparedness activities.

On July 5, A-PAD gave a presentation titled"Power of Cooperation Beyond Sectors and Countries: Asia Pacific Alliance for Disaster Management's Lessons Learned and Future Challenges"at the AMCDRR Ignite Stage. In the beginning of the presentation, chairperson Faisal Djalal stressed the importance of cooperation among different sectors and disaster prone countries and showed an A-PAD introduction video.

EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

<u>Floods of Typhoon 27th "Tembin"</u> (Philippines) / December 2017

On December 22, 2017, Typhoon 27 (Tembin) brought severe damage to vast areas of the southern Philippine island of Mindanao causing flooding and mudslides that killed some 200 people and displaced more than 70,000 others. A-PAD PH provided hot meals in the collective centers.



<u>Mt. Mount Mayon Eruption (Phillippines) /</u> Jan 2018

PHIVOLCS raised the Alert Level to No. 4 (hazardous eruption imminent) as lava fountains as high as 200m-500m and more voluminous lava flow were observed. The Danger Zone has been extended to an eightkilometer radius. Volcanic ash posed a threat to aircraft flying close to the volcano summit. A-PAD PH delivered plastic sheets to Mayon evacuees in need of temporary shelter. The Disaster Preparedness Committee (TABI-DPC) at Taladong Elementary School will ensure proper installation of the plastic sheet roofing.



<u>Taiwan Earthquake (Taiwan) / February</u> <u>2018</u>

A magnitude 6.4, centered 14 miles northeast of the coastal city of Hualien on February 6. The earthquake caused at least eight deaths, 63 people were reported missing, and more than 240 injured.

A-PAD dispatched its Search and Rescue (SAR) Team leader Chun-Yuan Huang to the most severely affected city Hualien to join the Taiwanese rescue team known as Tekkantai, A-PAD's partner organization in Taiwan and they looked for survivors amid the rubble of collapsed buildings, while medical team members treat the injured.



Lombok island Earthquake (Indonesia) / August 2018

A strong magnitude 7 earthquake that struck northern areas of Lombok Island in West Nusa Tenggara (Nusa Tenggara Barat, NTB) province on August 5 caused more than 560 people killed, 1,000 injured and more than 417,000 displaced. To assist our local partners ACT (Aksi Cepat Tanggan) and A-PAD Indonesia, A-PAD and A-PAD Indonesia dispatched an emergency response team consisting of 20 members of search and rescue (SAR), medical, and logistics staff and three rescue dogs.



Western Japan Flood (Japan) / July 2018

A-PAD and Peace Winds Japan jointly deployed its search and rescue team and relief team immediately after the heavy rain. The SAR team conducted search and rescue missions while the relief team distributed under-ware donated by Gunze, sleeping matless from Mitsui Chemicals to thousands of families in emergency shelters.



MUTUAL COLLABORATION IN DISASTER RESPONSE

Camp Assistant Project (Bangladesh) Bangladesh x Korea x Japan

In response to the massive influx of Rohingya refugees, an ethnic minority of Myanmar, the A-PAD Bangladesh launched an aid program in the end of August 2017 to provide food and medical care for infants and pregnant mothers in the refugee camps along the border. Facing the emergency appeal from A-PAD Bangladesh, MO and A-PAD Korea started fundraising in their each country. The project has been conducted throughout the year.

Rohingya Refugee Camp Pandemic kit Distribution (Bangladesh) Bangladesh x Turkey x Japan

With the cordination of A-PAD MO, A-PAD Bangladesh and DCH Dhakka Community Hospital, GEA Team from Turkey, consisting of 7 medical and logistic team members, are mobilized to Bangladesh. GEA, together with local partners carries out medical scanning and treatment activities as well as preparation and distribution of GEA Pandemic Kits from in October 2017 in

Balikhali Union, where about 127,800 asylum-seekers lived in Hakimpara and Mynarhgona Village, where 76,100 asylum seekers live in Cox's Bazaar.

GEA-A-PAD Pandemic Kits –epidemic diseases prevention set- which are prepared for disasters and emergency cases and including basic necessities such as first aid materials, blankets, mosquito nets, towels, glasses, plates as well as daily hygiene materials for a family of 6 were delivered to 4200 asylum. Being forced to migration, difficult environmental conditions and health problems arose by limited opportunities in camps made life even more difficult for refugees. Health scanning and outpatient surveillance for Rhohingya refugees facing serious health problems have been conducted by volunteer doctors and health officials in GEA team.

MAMAGMENT AND FUNDINGS

The annual report and financial report for 2017 were approved during the board meeting.

The MO obtained financial contributions worth JPY 100 million from the Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA). The fund is to be used for program support and emergency assistance.

The NGO grant proposals for Sri Lanka, Philippines and Bangladesh's country projects were approved by MoFA and the projects were launched in the first quarter of 2018. Nepal and Indonesia's country projects will be prepared in coming next fiscal year.

FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS AND PARTNERS



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