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Welcome to the first edition of APAD Indonesia's 2025 quarterly newsletter. In this edition, you will find **updates and highlights from the first quarter of our 2025-2026 program**, supported by Ministry Of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) Japan. The program focuses on building sustainable and disaster-resilient tourism villages across three regions: Bali, West Nusa Tenggara (NTB), and East Nusa Tenggara (NTT).

PROGRAM ACTIVITIES COVERED IN Q1-2025

PROGRAM INCEPTION MEETING

The meeting brings together stakeholders from regional, district, and village levels to ensure a shared understanding of the project and explore opportunities for collaboration. A similar meeting will be held mid-program as a progress review, and again at the end of the project as an evaluation workshop.

ESTABLISH DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION (DRR-CCA) FORUM

The Forum at the village level plays a vital role in building the resilience of tourism villages.

As a multi-stakeholder platform, it leads efforts in disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation by coordinating the planning, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of related activities.

The Forum also educates and empowers communities, encourages collaboration across sectors, and raises disaster awareness and preparedness.

In times of crisis, designated members are responsible for leading emergency response efforts—making it a central force in achieving sustainable, disaster-resilient development.

DEVELOP DISASTER AND CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS AND ACTION PLAN

Disaster risk analysis involves the process of identifying, assessing, and mapping potential hazards—such as earthquakes, floods, or landslides—in a specific area. It helps pinpoint vulnerable zones and estimate potential impacts on infrastructure and communities.

The findings guide the development of risk reduction strategies, including resilient infrastructure, evacuation plans, and public education on emergency preparedness.

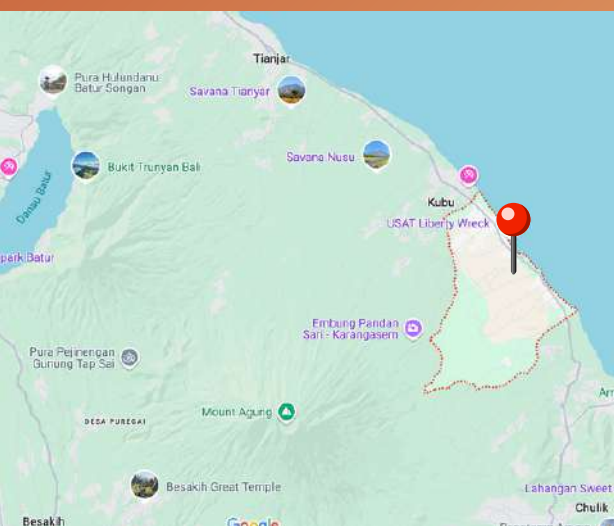
BALI

TULAMBEN VILLAGE

Tulamben is a small coastal village on the northeast coast of Bali, best known for its world-renowned diving sites, especially the USAT Liberty shipwreck.

The village is divided into six sub-villages:

- Muntig
- Batudawa Kaja
- Batudawa Kelod
- Dusun Tulamben
- Dusun Behulu Kangin
- Dusun Behulu Kauh



BUILDING RESILIENCE IN TOURISM VILLAGES

Bali's iconic landscapes and vibrant tourism economy are vital to local livelihoods—but they're also at risk from earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and climate-induced hazards.

In March 2025, APAD Indonesia officially launched its Disaster-Resilient Tourism Village Program in Bali, with activities centered in Tulamben (Karangasem Regency).

This initiative aims to strengthen local disaster preparedness by building on existing community structures, promoting inclusive planning, and fostering partnerships between tourism actors and Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) stakeholders.

KICKOFF MEETING

10 MARCH 2024

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION AND STAKEHOLDER ALIGNMENT

The 2025 program was officially launched on March 10 in Karangasem with a kickoff meeting attended by representatives from the Karangasem District Disaster Management Agency (BPBD), the Department of Tourism, village officials, local tourism businesses, youth groups, and APAD Indonesia.

Participants group photo during the 2025 kickoff meeting in Bali



A Board member from APAD Indonesia delivered remarks during the opening ceremony



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DISASTERS ARE REPETITIVE. THEY CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE, ANYTIME —BUT THEY WILL HAPPEN AGAIN.

The Secretary of BPBD Bali underscores the urgency of disaster preparedness, mitigation, and strategic planning to reduce future risks.



COLLABORATION STRATEGY IN TULAMBEN

- Strengthen partnerships between tourism actors and FPRB at village and regency levels.
- Leverage local resources and networks without adding burdens.
- Support community-led disaster risk reduction efforts.

LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR RESILIENT TOURISM

The meeting set the stage for a year-long effort focused on integrating DRR into the region's fast-evolving tourism development. Discussions emphasized the growing need for collaboration between government agencies and tourism stakeholders—especially in high-risk areas like Tulamben, where rising visitor numbers also mean rising exposure to disaster threats.

MOBILIZING ACTION FOR SAFER TOURISM VILLAGES

Participants explored ways to strengthen early warning systems, increase community awareness, and mobilize tourism actors as key partners in resilience-building.

The session closed with a collective commitment to work together toward a disaster-ready future for Bali's tourism villages.

DRR-CCA FORUM

25 APRIL 2024

REVIEWING THE TULAMBEN DRR-CCA FORUM

Resilience isn't new to Tulamben. Since 2022, the village has operated its own Disaster Risk Reduction-Climate Change Adaptation Forum (DRR-CCA Forum). In April 2025, APAD Indonesia supported the Forum in updating and refining its action plan to meet today's challenges.



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**TOURISM IS OUR VILLAGE'S
IDENTITY. PROTECTING IT STARTS
WITH PROTECTING OUR PEOPLE.**

A powerful reminder from Tulamben's DRR-CCA Forum member on why resilience begins at home.

Karangasem District BPBD shared how Tulamben Village can restructure its Disaster-Resilient Village program into a Disaster-Resilient Tourism Village.



TULAMBEN PRB FORUM ACTION PLANS

- Raise climate change awareness through locally funded media campaigns
- Train villagers using interactive tools and discussions
- Map hazards and update evacuation routes
- Expand volunteer networks across key community sectors

STRENGTHENING LOCAL STRUCTURES AND OUTREACH

The Forum introduced new working groups focused on health and tourism resilience, while also updating local hazard maps and reassessing evacuation routes. To further strengthen community preparedness, the volunteer network was expanded to include key sectors such as education, social welfare, and environmental management.

The Forum also initiated plans for media campaigns to raise disaster awareness, with support from village funds and local community donations.

LEADING THROUGH LOCAL WISDOM

By tapping into local wisdom and institutional support, Tulamben's DRR-CCA Forum is leading by example—showing how community-driven disaster action can strengthen both safety and sustainability.

DRR-CCA ANALYSIS

28-30 APRIL 2024

DISASTER AND CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS WORKSHOP

In a 3-day workshop, the Tulamben DRR-CCA Forum came together to better understand disaster risks, local vulnerabilities, and how to plan for a safer future. They identified key threats, mapped out risks, and developed a 3-year Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Adaptation Plan—supported by practical actions for the next six months.



Group exercise: Tulamben's DRR-CCA Forum members created a disaster and climate risk assessment matrix for Tulamben's major threats.



Tulamben's DRR-CCA Forum members learned about the characteristics of Mount Agung, eruption history, and risk zones associated with the volcano.

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WE ARE PREPARED TO STAY SAFE,
WE ARE READY TO SAVE OTHERS.

Tulamben's DRR-CCA Forum created this chant during the forum review session to capture the spirit of community resilience.



KEY FOCUS AREAS FROM THE WORKSHOP

- Mapped high-risk zones in tourism sites
- Identified priority hazards: volcanic eruption, flash flood, and storm surge
- Highlighted local vulnerabilities
- Drafted early action plans to reduce disaster risks and boost preparedness

UNDERSTANDING RISKS AND LOCAL VULNERABILITIES

In group discussions, participants mapped out high-risk zones and pinpointed key hazards like volcanic eruption, flash flood, and storm surge.

They also explored how local issues such as inadequate drainage, unsafe construction practices, and limited access to hazard information can worsen disaster impacts in tourism areas.

TOWARD A SAFER, SMARTER TOURISM FUTURE

On the final day, participants developed initial action plans focused on raising awareness, improving signage, and strengthening coordination between the DRR-CCA Forum and tourism stakeholders.

They also emphasized the importance of aligning tourism development with climate adaptation efforts to ensure long-term safety and sustainability.

EAST NUSA TENGGARA

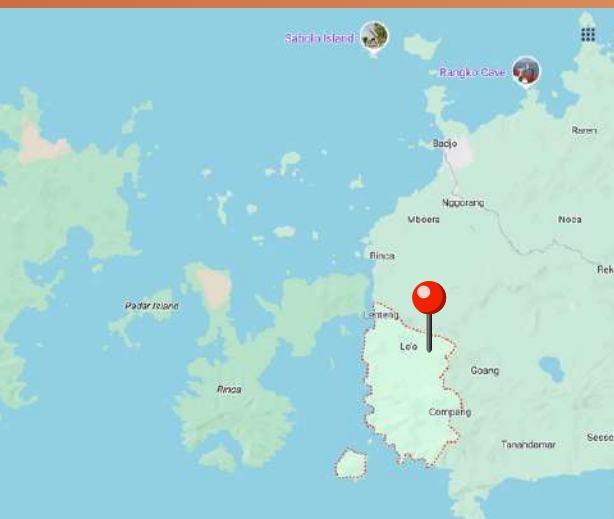


GOLO MORI VILLAGE

Golo Mori is a coastal village located on the western tip of Flores Island in East Nusa Tenggara (NTT), known for its panoramic views of Komodo National Park and its growing role in tourism and development initiatives.

The village is made up of four sub-village:

- Dusun Lenteng
- Dusun Lo'ok
- Dusun Jarak
- Dusun Compang



ADVANCING DISASTER-RESILIENT TOURISM

In the heart of West Manggarai, Golo Mori village has been selected as a pilot site as part of APAD Indonesia's 2025 program for developing disaster-resilient tourism.

Through strong partnerships with local government institutions and community leaders, APAD Indonesia is supporting efforts that not only strengthen disaster preparedness but also ensure that development in this fast-growing tourism destination remains safe, inclusive, and sustainable.

These initial activities mark the beginning of a one-year program to build long-term, community-driven resilience across the region.

KICKOFF MEETING

08 MARCH 2024

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION AND STAKEHOLDER ALIGNMENT

Attended by tourism stakeholders and local leaders, the meeting aimed to align the objectives of the APAD 2025 program with village priorities, build a shared understanding of the initiative's vision and timeline, and begin identifying the specific support needed to develop disaster-resilient tourism villages.

Participants group photo during the 2025 kickoff meeting in East Nusa Tenggara



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WE NEED MORE OUTREACH TO HELP PEOPLE BETTER UNDERSTAND AND INTERPRET DATA FROM THE NATIONAL WEATHER AGENCY.

The Head of Golo Mori Village emphasized the need for better disaster warning dissemination and training locals to interpret alerts effectively.

The project manager of the APAD 2025 program introduced the 2025-2026 Disaster-Resilient Tourism Village Program



KEY CHALLENGES TO TACKLE IN GOLO MORI

- Conducting community training to build disaster preparedness through local education.
- Ensuring all stakeholders have timely access to BMKG updates.
- Addressing gaps in emergency response knowledge and post-awareness actions.

LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR RESILIENCE

During the meeting, key discussions focused on the importance of preparedness training for community members, improved access to timely disaster information—especially from the Indonesian Agency for Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysics (BMKG)—and the need for concrete follow-up mechanisms for emergency response.

Participants also began outlining tailored action plans for their respective institutions. These initial steps laid the foundation for stronger collaboration among government agencies, community groups, and tourism stakeholders.

Such dialogues are helping ensure that disaster preparedness is integrated into the village's tourism development, with customized support and clear action plans for each stakeholder moving forward.

DRR-CCA FORUM

19 MARCH 2024

ESTABLISHING THE GOLO MORI DRR-CCA FORUM

To enhance coordination at the village level, APAD Indonesia—together with the West Manggarai District Disaster Management Agency (BPBD), facilitated the establishment of the Golo Mori Disaster Risk Reduction–Climate Change Adaptation (DRR-CCA) Forum on March 19th.

The meeting's opening ceremony was attended by a representative from the Regional House of Representatives (DPRD) of West Manggarai.



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GOLO MORI IS LUCKY TO BE SELECTED AS A PILOT VILLAGE. I HOPE THIS PROGRAM CAN BE REPLICATED ACROSS WEST MANGGARAI.

At the opening session, a representative from the Regional House of Representatives (DPRD) of West Manggarai shared their support.

Participants learned the basics of disaster response, village resilience assessment, and climate adaptation measures.



KEY OUTCOMES FROM THE FORUM ESTABLISHMENT

- Empowered residents to take an active role in disaster planning and coordination efforts.
- Improved the community's ability to mobilize volunteers during emergencies.
- Enabled continuous knowledge-sharing and discussion on disaster risks.

BUILDING LOCAL LEADERSHIP IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

The Forum is designed to empower community members to take an active role in disaster mitigation planning, cross-sector coordination, and volunteer mobilization.

Its formation strengthens grassroots leadership and ensures that local voices remain central to risk reduction strategies.

Beyond planning, the Forum also serves as a platform for knowledge-sharing, mapping local risks, and fostering continuous dialogue between residents and government actors—enhancing risk governance from the ground up.

Local support for the initiative has been strong. Representatives from the West Manggarai Regional House of Representatives (DPRD) acknowledged the Forum's value and expressed interest in replicating the model in other villages.

DRR-CCA ANALYSIS

15-17 APRIL 2024

DISASTER AND CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS WORKSHOP

APAD Indonesia and the Golo Mori DRR-CCA Forum, held a three-day workshop to assess disaster and climate-related risks in the area. Participants identified key hazards and explored how environmental degradation, climate change, and human activities are intensifying these risks and increasing community vulnerability.



A member of the Golo Mori's DRR-CCA Forum presented detailed risk maps and evacuation plans for high-risk areas in Golo Mori.



Group exercise: Golo Mori's DRR-CCA Forum members identified key local hazards that could threaten homes, crops, and livestock.

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WE DON'T WANT TO BE BYSTANDERS —WE WANT TO BE PART OF THE CHANGE

Head of Golo Mori Village Consultative Body (BPD) reflected the community's desire to actively shape the village's future amidst rapid development.



PROPOSED ACTIONS FOR RISK REDUCTION

- Plant bamboo along the coastline to reduce wave impact
- Repair damaged irrigation channels to prevent drought and flooding
- Set up early warning systems for faster response
- Reforest hillsides to prevent erosion and landslides
- Designate elevated evacuation routes

LAYING THE GROUNDWORK FOR RISK-INFORMED DEVELOPMENT

Participants identified flooding, drought, and storm surge as the top three disaster threats, based on their likelihood and potential impact.

Each threat was analyzed in depth: flooding was linked to deforestation and poor drainage; drought to prolonged dry seasons and water scarcity; and storm surge to climate-induced weather changes.

Using a sustainable livelihoods approach, the community mapped local risks and gained clearer insight into vulnerabilities and capacities. These insights laid the groundwork for a long-term Disaster and Climate Risk Management Plan, which will be integrated into village development policies.

In addition, a short-term action plan was drafted to guide immediate priorities in prevention, mitigation, and preparedness over the next six months.

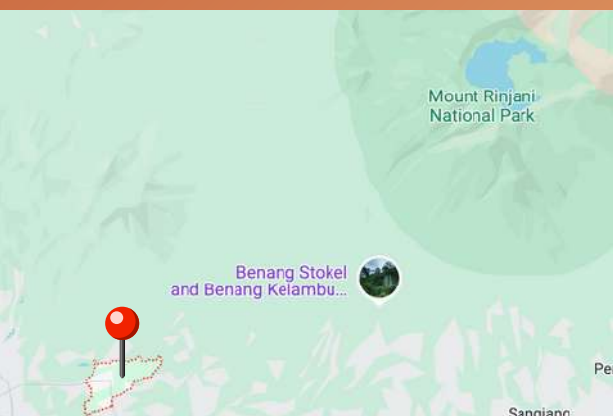
WEST NUSA TENGGARA

BATU KUMBUNG VILLAGE

Batu Kumbung is a village located in Lingsar District, West Lombok, West Nusa Tenggara (NTB). Nestled between rice fields and hills, the village is known for its strong community traditions.

The village is organized in eight sub-village:

- Dusun Manggong
- Dusun Batu Kumbung
- Dusun Pondok Buak
- Dusun Tragtag
- Dusun Presak Sidekarye
- Dusun Pongonong
- Dusun Montong Tangar
- Dusun Karangmas



PATH TO SAFER TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

Batu Kumbung Village in West Lombok has been chosen as the focal point of APAD Indonesia's disaster-resilient tourism initiative in West Nusa Tenggara (NTB). As a pilot site under the 2025 program, it is leading efforts to integrate disaster preparedness into local tourism development.

With strong support from government agencies and community stakeholders, the program aims to help Batu Kumbung grow as a tourism destination that is inclusive, sustainable, and disaster-ready.

These early activities are part of a year-long initiative, which includes around nine planned programs focused on building long-term community resilience across the province.

KICKOFF MEETING

06 MARCH 2024

PROGRAM INTRODUCTION AND STAKEHOLDER ALIGNMENT

APAD Indonesia officially launched its 2025 program in Batu Kumbung with a kickoff meeting involving the Regional Disaster Management Agency (BPBD) of West Nusa Tenggara (NTB), Department of Tourism, Regional Development Planning Agency, and village representatives.

Participants group photo during the 2025 kickoff meeting in West Nusa Tenggara



Presentation by the Head of the Prevention and Preparedness Division of the West Nusa Tenggara (NTB) Regional Disaster Management Agency (BPBD).



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EVERY PROJECT SHOULD BE DATA-DRIVEN AND RETAIN VALUABLE INSIGHTS FOR THE FUTURE.

The Regional Development Planning Agency (BPBD) in Batu Kumbung is committed in ensuring disaster preparedness efforts are informed, sustainable, and impactful.



KEY DISCUSSIONS TO STRENGTHEN DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

- Stronger collaboration between tourism and disaster response.
- Community training on climate and disaster readiness.
- Promoting tourism that's inclusive and sustainable.
- Community-driven monitoring & knowledge-sharing.

INTEGRATING TOURISM DEVELOPMENT WITH DRR-CCA

The meeting provided a collaborative platform to align local tourism priorities with Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation (DRR-CCA) strategies.

Stakeholders explored ways to more systematically integrate community preparedness, climate awareness, and inclusive development into tourism planning.

The kickoff also emphasized the importance of cross-sector collaboration and building local DRR-CCA capacity—from climate education and emergency drills to practical action planning.

Key priorities included improving access to accurate weather and disaster information, promoting community volunteerism, and embedding disaster preparedness into both village policies and everyday practices.

DRR-CCA FORUM

15 MARCH 2024

ESTABLISHING THE BATU KUMBUNG PRB-API FORUM

Recognizing that disasters can disrupt tourism and impact livelihoods, the Batu Kumbung community successfully formed the Disaster Risk Reduction–Climate Change Adaptation (DRR-CCA) Forum and appointed representatives to its organizational structure.

In a group exercise, a participant presenting types of disaster risk in Batu Kumbung Village



KEY OUTCOMES FROM THE FORUM ESTABLISHMENT

- New sectors like tourism and business were introduced to broaden disaster mitigation efforts
- The Forum's structure and volunteer coordination were strengthened
- Local leaders and youth reaffirmed their commitment to resilience

Participants presented the results of their discussion on disaster threats, risks, and past mitigation efforts in Batu Kumbung.



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WE NEED TO BOOST RESILIENCE, STRENGTHEN CAPACITY, AND INCREASE COLLABORATION AS A RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE TOURISM VILLAGE

This shared goal now drives the newly formed Batu Kumbung DRR-CCA Forum forward.

BUILDING LOCAL RESILIENCE WITH COLLABORATIVE ACTION

Understanding risks is key to effective mitigation.

To support this, the Forum brought together local government, village leaders, and community members to build consensus on disaster risks and strengthen coordination.

During the meeting, participants took part in a group exercise to identify local disaster threats and discuss practical solutions.

The Forum is designed as a multi-stakeholder platform that supports village-level risk mapping, preparedness campaigns, and community training.

It also enhances coordination between residents, volunteers, and local authorities, enabling more responsive and inclusive disaster management.

DRR-CCA ANALYSIS

23-25 APRIL 2024

DISASTER AND CLIMATE RISK ANALYSIS WORKSHOP

APAD Indonesia and the Batu Kumbung Disaster Risk Reduction-Climate Change Adaptation (DRR-CCA) Forum conducted a three-day workshop on disaster and climate risk analysis and action planning. The sessions offered community members a space to assess local hazards and understand how these intersect with tourism vulnerabilities.



Members of Batu Kumbung's DRR-CCA Forum discussed the results of a group exercise to rank disaster threats in the village.



Batu Kumbung's DRR-CCA Forum members discussed and charted their village's most pressing threats, exploring how these impact daily life and tourism.

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IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT NATURAL DISASTERS—WE ALSO NEED TO PRIORITIZE HEALTH OUTBREAKS, AS WE LEARNED FROM OUR EXPERIENCE WITH COVID-19

This was a key point raised by the Batu Kumbung DRR-CCA Forum during their planning session.



KEY ACTION PLANS FROM THE WORKSHOP

- Identifying how growing populations and damaged ecosystems increase disaster risks.
- Improving evacuation routes, tree planting, and safety protocols for tourists.
- Enhancing teamwork between tourism players and disaster response groups for faster emergency response.

MAPPING RISKS THROUGH LOCAL INSIGHT

Through group discussions and participatory mapping, participants identified hazard-prone areas in their village by drawing on local knowledge, past experiences, and shared concerns.

They assessed major risks—including earthquakes and health outbreaks—and examined how these threats affect both daily life and the local tourism economy.

TURNING INSIGHTS INTO ACTION PLANS

Building on these insights, participants developed two key outputs: a three-year Disaster and Climate Risk Management Plan and a six-month multi-hazard action plan addressing immediate priorities.

Proposed actions include early warning systems, health awareness campaigns, water system improvements, and community response drills.

RAPID RESPONSE SPOTLIGHT

MARCH - APRIL 2025

APAD Indonesia's Country Director and representatives with DoctorSHARE members during the Bekasi flood relief effort.



EMERGENCY RELIEF IN FLOODED AREAS OF WEST JAVA

Heavy rains across JABODETABEK triggered severe flooding in Bekasi City, impacting seven sub-districts. The worst-hit area, Pondok Gede Permai in Jatiasih, saw water levels over 300 cm, submerging more than 1,500 homes.



Affected residential areas in Bekasi, West Java

From Assessment to Action

Based on the needs assessment, APAD Indonesia, supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) of Japan, distributed essential aid to 1000 households.

The relief package included:



Family kits



Clean drinking water



Hygiene products



Ramadhan break-fasting meal

RAPID RESPONSE SPOTLIGHT

MARCH - APRIL 2025



APAD Indonesia supported sanitation workers by distributing lunchboxes during the clean-up phase.



Volunteers from APAD and DoctorSHARE provided free medical services to flood-affected communities in Bekasi.

MEDICAL CHECK-UPS

Two rounds of free medical check-ups were organized in collaboration with **DoctorShare** and **IGCN** on March 23 and April 13



Pondok Gede Permai



Cipayung Village

The services provided include:

- Simple laboratory tests (blood sugar, uric acid, cholesterol)
- Skin specialist consultation
- Mobile ultrasound for pregnant women
- General clinic for all age groups
- Free provision of medicines and vitamins

MEDICAL CHECKUP BENEFICIARIES: 915 PEOPLE

Thank You for Your Support

APAD Indonesia extends our sincere gratitude to Indofood, Unilever, DoctorShare, and IGCN for their generous support and contributions during the Bekasi flood emergency response.

Your assistance and donations made a meaningful difference for affected communities, and we deeply appreciate your solidarity in times of crisis.



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EVERY EFFORT COUNTS IN DISASTER RESPONSE AND RESILIENCE-BUILDING

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Q2 2025

MAY 2025

Develop a Business Continuity Plan/Management for the DRR-CCA Forum

JUNE 2025

Universal Design/Disability Inclusion Training

JULY 2025

Improved Resilience Training for Sustainable Tourism Destinations