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NATIONAL PLATFORM ENHANCEMENT

Sri Lanka

Civic Force and Consortium of Humanitarian Agencies completed the first year of the Capacity Building Project on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sri Lanka and HQ staff visited Colombo in February 2015 to launch 2nd year of the CF project as well as the 1st 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 for 3 years. The CF project will continue its community and district level activities. In May, A-PAD Sri Lanka had been officially accepted into the National Disaster Management Coordinating Committee.

Philippines

The MO facilitated a meeting in March 2015 between Citizens' Disaster Response Center (CDRC) and Philippine Disaster Recovery Foundation (PDRF) to discuss collaboration opportunities through the Philippine National Platform. PDRF is a private sector arm composed of large businesses contributing to disaster recovery activities in the Philippines. In addition, CDRC launched the approved MoFA project in March 2015 with a budget of JPY 73.8 million. It aims to launch the A-PAD Philippines and build the capacity of its regional centers in responding to emergencies through private sector partnership and prepositioning of goods among others.

South Korea

The MO and Korea Disaster Relief Association (KDR) continued to hold consultations regarding the planned establishment of the Korea National Platform, the A-PAD Korea, set for the latter part of 2015. KDR also utilized its local network to raise funds for the A-PAD emergency response project after the Nepal earthquake and the Philippines rainwater system project.

Indonesia

In April, MO staff visited Jakarta and met with PLANAS representatives to discuss the implementation of the MoFA project which will run from 13 March 2015 to 12 March 2016. The project, "To strengthen local resilience and disaster risk reduction through development of national and local multi-stakeholders platforms" is budgeted at almost JPY 51.7 million and will be implemented for 3 years under the NGO Grant Assistance Program.

Bangladesh

The Bangladesh country project proposal is continuing to be developed by A-PAD MO and DCH Trust for submission during fiscal year 2015.



A-PAD Sri Lanka national platform networking meeting



Launch of Indonesia MoFA project with PLANAS representatives in Jakarta

NETWORKING AND MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Public Forum in WCDRR, Sendai

On March 14th A-PAD successfully hosted a Public Forum side event during the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, which was held in Sendai, Japan. A-PAD's public forum entitled "The forefront of disaster response with private sector partnership: Innovations to achieve disaster risk reduction, response, and reconstruction beyond sectors and national borders" was held on the opening day of the WCDRR and was attended by more than 70 participants. A-PAD also set-up a Public Forum exhibition booth during the conference week from March 13 to 18 at the 5th floor of Sendai Mediatheque.



A-PAD's Public Forum event at the 3rd UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction

AHA Centre Executive Programme Japan Tour

Civic Force and A-PAD also jointly hosted 16 disaster management officers from 8 ASEAN countries seconded to the AHA Centre Executive Programme. They participated in a study tour to build capacity on disaster management through examples in Japan. The program took place for May in Tokyo, tsunami-affected areas in Northeast Japan, as well as affected areas of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake in Kobe.

UNESCAP 2015

On May 19, 2015, A-PAD, represented by Chairperson Faisal Djalal, was invited to the UNESCAP roundtable discussion on disaster resilience entitled "Making the Sendai Framework work for Business", which was attended by more than 30 participants from the private and civil society sector.



ACE Programme Officers in Minamisanriku Town



A-PAD at UNESCAP roundtable discussion

A-PAD EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

Tropical Storm Fung-Wong (Philippines) / September 2014

Citizens' Disaster Response Center (CDRC) and its regional partner Ilocos Center for Research, Empowerment and Development (ICRED) conducted food packs distribution to 550 families in Ilocos Norte. A-PAD tarpaulins were also donated to barangays for shelter needs.



Mayon Volcano Evacuees Relief (Philippines) / October 2014

CDRC and its regional center TABI (Mutual Aid for Bicol) implemented emergency humanitarian assistance for evacuees in Albay province, Philippines. The food/NFI distribution project was worth 92,000 USD and benefited 5,000 families.



Landslide Relief (Sri Lanka) / October 2014

A-PAD Sri Lanka conducted a relief program for families affected by the Koslanda landslide. Utilizing A-PAD emergency funds of 30,000 USD and donations from more than 20 local member companies, A-PAD Sri Lanka donated emergency search lights and distributed food and non-food items.



Top: A-PAD donates tarpaulins to typhoon-affected barangays
Middle: Distribution of NFIs to Mayon volcano evacuees
Bottom: Emergency Search Lights Donation in Sri Lanka



Flood Relief (Sri Lanka) / December 2014

A-PAD Sri Lanka distributed food and non-food items to 8 districts affected by severe flooding. A-PAD released 41,000 USD of emergency response funds while A-PAD corporate members donated cash and in-kind goods.

Typhoon Hagupit Predeployment and Relief (Philippines) / December 2014

A-PAD and Peace Winds Japan predeployed its emergency response team to Cebu in anticipation of Typhoon Hagupit. With support from A-PAD emergency response funds, CDRC also distributed 650 relief packs to affected families in Northern Samar.



Water Contamination Relief (Sri Lanka) / March 2015

At the end of February, ground water pollution in Jaffna district called for a humanitarian response through provision of drinking water. A-PAD Sri Lanka, through the support of A-PAD and the cooperation of local government bodies distributed 50 water tanks to affected communities to help families obtain their daily requirement of water supply.



Top: A-PAD/PWJ joint search and rescue team predeployed before Hagupit

Middle: A-PAD Sri Lanka supports communities affected by water contamination

Bottom: A-PAD Sri Lanka distributes emergency relief

Nepal Earthquake Emergency Response and Relief (Nepal) / April 2015

A-PAD and Peace Winds Japan deployed its search and rescue team and relief team immediately after the earthquake. The SAR team conducted search and rescue missions while the relief team distributed food packs to 500 families in Sindupalchowk district. DCH Trust also deployed a medical team from Dhaka to provide healthcare assistance to the injured in Kavre district.



Typhoon Soudelor Predeployment (Taiwan) / August 2015

A-PAD and Peace Winds Japan predeployed a search and rescue team to Taiwan in anticipation of Typhoon Soudelor. After the typhoon had passed, they immediately conducted search and rescue operations in cooperation with Taiwan Root Medical Peace Corps north of Taipei where landslides and flooding had occurred.



Top: A-PAD/PWJ joint team conducting search and rescue in Taiwan
Bottom: Relief distribution to earthquake-affected communities in Nepal
Left: DCH Medical Assistance Program in Nepal

MUTUAL COLLABORATION IN DISASTER RESPONSE

Community Health Project (Bangladesh) Bangladesh × Korea × Japan / February 2015

Korea's Samsung C&T has funded a community health project in Habiganj, Bangladesh jointly implemented by A-PAD, KDR, and DCH Trust for one year from February 2015. The project site in Teghoria is frequently affected by flooding.

School Reconstruction (Myanmar) / July 2015 Myanmar x Korea x Japan

A joint project between A-PAD, KDR, and Myanmar NGO Community Development Association was implemented to construct a new school building at Damikarama Pyo Oo Yiw Monastery in Yangon Division, Myanmar. The new construction will double as shelter in case of disasters. KDR provided JPY 5 million raised through its Hope-T Campaign, to which Korean corporations including Kookmin Bank and Daewon International contributed.

Drinking Water Project (Philippines) / April 2015 Philippines x Korea x Japan

Through cooperation with CDRC and its regional center CRRC, KDR and experts from Seoul National University conducted an assessment for a rainwater reuse project in Gibitngil and Mambacayao Islands in Cebu. The funds are donated by Samsung Display through KDR's Hope T Campaign.



Top: The new school building constructed in Myanmar

Bottom: Residents in Teghoria receive healthcare at local clinic set up by DCH Trust

MANAGEMENT AND FUNDING

- ❖ A-PAD held a General Assembly and Strategic Dialogue in Sendai, Japan in March 2015. It was attended by all Executive Committee members from the 5 member countries.
- ❖ The Executive Committee unanimously voted Dhaka Community Hospital Trust, represented by Chairman Quazi Quamruzzaman, M.D., as an official member

of A-PAD, bringing the total number of country members to six.



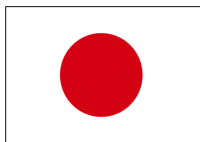
A-PAD General Assembly in Sendai, Japan in March

- ❖ The annual report and financial report for 2014 were approved during the board meeting.
- ❖ The MO obtained financial contributions worth JPY 100 million from the Japan Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The fund will be used for program support and emergency assistance.
- ❖ The MO completed the second year grant from Sasakawa Peace Foundation for fiscal year 2014 by submitting a project completion report at the end of March 2015. The grant for the 3rd year has been approved starting from fiscal year April 2015.
- ❖ 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 2015. The proposal for Bangladesh country project is being redeveloped for fiscal year 2015 funding.
- ❖ The Management Office has moved to a new location from April 27th. The new office is in Tomigaya, Shibuya ward in Tokyo and is shared with Peace Winds Japan.

SUPPORTERS



A-PAD is proud to be the recipient of a grant from the Sasakawa Peace Foundation for the fiscal year starting April 2015. The total grant amount is JPY 15 million for the second project year ending in March 2016.



The Japanese government has confirmed a financial contribution of JPY 100 Million for the fiscal year starting April 2015.