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Regional Community Safety and Resilience Unit (CSRU)

Overview of Activities

RCRC Participation in ACE Programme



Based on the <u>Joint Action Plan</u> between Red Cross Red Crescent and AHA Centre, the latter offered to colleagues from National Societies to join some modules of the AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme as trainees together with the NDMOs from 8 South-East Asian countries. This great opportunity not only allowed NSs' representatives to enhance their capacity and expertise in the related

thematic fields but also promoted the mutual learning and strengthened the collaboration between RCRC and respective government participants.

Module	Date	National Society	Name Position	
Communication for Disaster	25-26 May	Lao Red Cross	Dr. Kaviphone Southy Director of Disaster	
Professionals Training (by UNOCHA ROAP)	2015		Management Department	
Camp Coordination and Camp	01-05 June	PMI – Indonesian	Mr. Taufig Jeremias Head of Health in	
Management	2015	Red Cross	Emergency Sub-Division	
(by IOM Bangkok and		Dhilipping Dod	Ma Lina Sisan National Field	
Indonesia)		Philippine Red Cross	Ms. Lina Sison National Field Representative, Health Services	
Incident Command System and EOC Training (by USFS)	08-15 June 2015	Thai Red Cross Society	Ms. Sukanya Supudommungmee Head of Relief Unit, Relief and Community Health Bureau	
		Vietnam Red Cross	Mr. Tran Quoc Hung Director, Disaster Management Department	
Rapid Assessment (by UNOCHA ROAP)	16-18 June 2015	Lao Red Cross	Mr. Bounyong Phommachack Deputy Head of Disaster Preparedness Division	
5 th ERAT Induction Course (by AHA Centre)	19-29 June 2015	PMI - Indonesian Red Cross	Ms. Andreane Tampubolon Head of Restoring Family Link sub-division (PMI DM	
		Thai Red Cross Society	Division) Ms. Kanungnij Chantaratin Nurse 7, Relief Unit, Relief and Community Health Bureau	
Civil-Military Coordination Training (by UNOCHA ROAP)	02-03 July 2015	PMI – Indonesian Red Cross	Mr. Ridwan Disaster Management Division	
,,,		Philippine Red Cross	Ms. Maycarol Layugan Manager, Operation Center	

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Lao Red Cross

Thai Red Cross

Philippine Red Cross

Vietnam Red Cross

Regional Disaster Law Forum for South-East Asia



Forum group photo

Group session: Thai Red Cross and Thai NDMO

On 10-11 June, over 60 representatives gathered in Bangkok at the 'Regional Disaster Law Forum for Southeast Asia'. These included National Society leaders and technical staff, NDMOs, ministries of foreign affairs, parliamentarians, United Nations organizations, NGOs and the ASEAN secretariat. The Forum discussed disaster law developments at the national, regional and international levels. This included a 'stocktaking' of national disaster law developments (including where states and national societies have worked together to develop or review disaster management laws and regulations); enhancing engagement with ASEAN and preparation for the post-2015 AADMER work programme; developing a regional disaster law advisory group; and discussion of key disaster law themes and pledges coming before the 32nd International Conference of the Red Cross Red Crescent in December 2015.



Maung Maung Khin (MRCS) and Arifin Muhammad (PMI) as panelists

The outcomes of the Forum demonstrated how Southeast Asia is a leader when it comes to developing national disaster laws, and the important role National Societies have to play as the bridge between the community/local level and national level law and policy making processes. An article about the Forum and disaster law developments in southeast Asia was featured in the Bangkok Post on the opening day of this event (see

http://www.bangkokpost.com/opinion/opinion/588021/ disaster-law-reforms-start-to-gather-momentum), and a formal report and recommendations are currently being prepared.



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Community Health Workshop (CBHFA)



The Community Based Health and First Aid in Action (CBHFA) workshop was conducted in Bangkok, Thailand, by AP Zone with the support of SEARD office. The five-day workshop was organized to facilitate knowledge sharing of good practices and lessons learned on evidence-based community health programming – which will ultimately contribute to the enhancement of capacity of NS health managers and coordinators to design, implement and manage programmes. About 26 persons from the NSs from AP zone participants participated.

The workshop also came up with issues and new directions that will also help IFRC and the secretariat in Geneva to think about the issues around paradigm shift in CBHFA towards making it smarter, evidence based and more cutting edge, community led approach.

The workshop was more of an empowering tool for the national societies that they could understand the nuances of community led programming across different context and be able to collect evidences that the future course of actions are decided upon solid evidences and mot mere assumptions. It was also realized that the technical content and technical minimum standards can be offered across the secretariat but the implementation mechanisms may be contextualized and tailor made at the country level.

Post Emergency – Flood Preparedness Programme

Pilot Community Safety and Resilience (CSR) Initiative

- Thai Red Cross DM team went to Ratchasarn district, Chacheungsao, on 28 May 2015 to present the finding from baseline survey to 36 community people (31 males/5 females) comprises of Village Headman, Sub-district Headman, Community Leader, SAO members.
- During the field visit, the team together with community people plan for community capacity building activity for 80 locals from 16 communities (5 from each community) in July 2015.

Challenges:

- 1. Timing from the first contact to baseline survey is left too long; making it is difficult to connect. The team will need some time to build relationship, and mind-set on disaster preparedness
- 2. The local communities tend to think that they are prepared for disaster and blame the problems to external parties.

Information, Education and Communication (IEC) Materials - Disaster Information

- Printed and delivered 1,000 copies of the manual on health promotion and basic first aid care when a disaster strikes, within the manual, two main highlighted chapters are:
 - Chapter 1: Infectious Diseases after a Disaster strikes
 - Chapter 2: Basic First Aid

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• The printing of 1,000 copies of the Guideline of CBDRR steps is postponed to Quarter 3 of 2015.

Platform to the Warehouse: Water Purification Vehicles and Flat-bottomed Boats Storage The project has been completed and handed over on 17 June 2015.



Platform to the Warehouse

Psychosocial Train of Trainer (TOT) Workshop

- The team completed with the localization of the training manuals (trainer and participant manual) then the workshop was held during 8-12 June 2015 at Kao Yao with 28 participants (1 from ICRC, 3 Department of Mental Health (MoHs), 25 TRC staffs). Most participants had psychosocial work related or worked as the field trainer, they were chosen based on their knowledge and background on psychology in order to understand the TOT subject well.
- PSS team also created a network of TRC's PSS trainers, department of Mental health (MoH), ICRC and IFRC to develop and expand the capability of PSS. The team will also work on project sustainability.
- The PSS team is proposing to print 500 sets of PSS training manuals using Post Emergency budget to IFRC during Q3 of 2015. The team is also proposing to set up mental health forum and PSS ToT Training session in Southern Thailand to maximize the PSS potential.



Picture for Psychosocial Train of Trainer (TOT) Workshop

Community Disaster Preparedness program in Phang-Nga Province

Baan Kao-pi-lai community :

Brainstorming for problems and solutions to reduce the impact from disaster, improve mitigation, resilience, and prioritize the disaster preparedness capacity building activities

- o Review the problem tree/mind map session
- Analyse and classify the problem (group discussion), and propose the problem solving guideline/ activities
- Prioritize the capacity building activities and mitigation



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- Knowledge about ICS
- o Review roles and responsibilities of committee members
- o Schedule for the table top exercise in August 2015

Baan Hin Rhom community:

Disaster risk reduction measure or community's resilience from climate change or human activities that are affecting the communities:

- o Review the problem tree/mind map session
- o Analyse and classify the problem (group discussion), and propose the problem solving guideline/ activities
- o Prioritize the capacity building activities and mitigation
- Knowledge about ICS
- o Review roles and responsibilities of committee members
- \circ $\,$ Schedule for the table top exercise in September 2015 $\,$

First Aid Youth Volunteer Network

The training was conducted on 2-3 June in Mukdaharn province. There was a total of 102 people participated: 78 youth from 13 Red Cross Provincial Chapter and 11 accompanying teachers. A 2-day training in which youths learn about basic first aid on day 1 and then they teach these skills to community on day 2 as a part of the volunteering spirit.

CPR and choking training for youth network

- Youth Bureau team has scheduled for the monitoring and supports of 50 Organisation Non Informal Education(ONIE) districts to rolling out the CPR and choking training session for ONIE students. The roll out schedule is one day training per a district on weekend during the end of May September 2015. The target participant per one district is 100 ONIE students.
- There is the collaboration among 50 ONIE districts in BKK as one training session will need about 10 CPR dummies, 5-10 teachers (among ONIEs' 150 teachers who went through TOT session with Youth Bureau). The schedule and collaboration is all set. One trainer from Youth Bureau attends each training session to monitor, evaluate, and support.
- ONIE students are youths who either did not have the opportunity of being employed. The group also accepted some people who are senior citizen that wanted to learn. ONIE provided the opportunity for all those who want to learn and develop.
- Youth Bureau has been working with ONIE both in Bangkok and up-countries provided trainings on Red Cross Principle, CPR and Choking as well as reinforcing volunteer spirit, with the Youth Bureau volunteer network. One Youth Bureau trainer shared the testimonial from a youth student of how she remembered an emergency number 1669 taught during the session and made a call while running from someone who tried to assault her. The help came within 5 minutes and she was saved.



CPR and choking training for youth network



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Training volunteer in community

- The first session was organized at Chanthaburi on 19 June 2015 with 100 Civil Protection Volunteers as participants from 10 communities from Chanthaburi province. The training is the collaboration between DDPM (Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation) and the Red Cross Volunteer Bureau. The training session focused on the following areas:
 - 1. Civil Protection Volunteer's Roles and Responsibilities
 - 2. One Red Cross to One Community Volunteer Team
 - 3. The Red Cross Principles
 - 4. Basic First Aid
- Due to the large number of participants, the session was mainly conducted on lecture and demonstration. Participants did not have a chance to practice the skill. However, the Volunteer bureau was able to build network with DDPM and create volunteer database.

School-based Disaster Risk Reduction (SBDRR) Project in Myanmar

Advocacy Meeting at Township Level

The advocacy meetings were organized in three townships; Kyauktan, Tharkayta and Hlaing Thar Yar respectively from June 19, 20 and 21; 2015. The meeting mainly focused on plan of implementing the SBDRR Pilot Project in the respective schools within townships and their to implement the project. Township Red Cross, Township Education official and other stakeholders were part of the workshop.

Project Orientation Meeting at School Level

In June 2015, the following sensitization meetings in each project schools have been undertaken for implementing the SBDRR Pilot Project. The meeting mainly has three agenda; presentation of project activities by the consultant, presentation of current DRR status of the school and advocacy to form (or) upgrade the School Disaster Management Committee. The meetings were concluded with discussion and Q&A.

Challenges : The followings are challenges of the SBDRR project implementation;

- Activities for programmes need to find in between the school formal sessions. So there may be limited time to implement SBDRR activities.
- School safety needs both structural and non-structural but the scope of this project is only non-structural activities only.

Youth empowerment

IFRC SEARD has developed a tool of YABC integrated SBDRR and planned to organise one training as a pilot in Myanmar Red Cross from July 7-10.

- The tool included some sessions of YABC, adapted tools from SBDRR, and some interesting scenarios for students and teachers to engage with SBDRR, develop their School Based Disaster Management Committee and its action plans.
- If the pilot project is successful, it can be adapted as a regional tool to roll out to the NSs in the region having an interest to implement SBDRR in their school safety programmes. And it will be a meaningful way to engage youths (students), teachers and community (if necessary) at the same time in one integrated workshop for SBDRR and also is using YABC sessions for youths to engage the SBDRR programme not led by teachers but with their own interest and will. It will be one of the perfect integration between youth and DRR at the regional level. After the training, the regional office will develop its case study for further expansions of the programme.



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CBDRR Program Evaluation: Ubon Ratchathani and Petchaboon Province

Thai Red Cross (TRC) has completed the Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction Project (CBDRR) at 20 communities of five provinces in September 2014. The project was supported by Canadian Red Cross through IFRC(from 2011-2014). The Canadian Red Cross (CRC) has hired one consultant to evaluate their similar kind of the project globally.

During 15th to 19th June, 2015, the CRC consultant, TRC and IFRC carried out the final evaluation trip of CBDRR project in Ubonratchathani and Petchaboon provinces. The purpose of this evaluation are:

- To assess the overall relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, impact and sustainability of the DRRI programme in terms of its objectives and changes in the lives of intended beneficiaries.
- To assess lessons learned which can feed into future DRR/DRM work.
- To assess lessons learned from the 'donor modality' CRC used for this programme and make comparisons with other ways in which CRC works paying particular attention to those options CRC is most actively considering.

The key finding from this evaluation are: *Disaster in Thailand*

- Apart from the impact of the tsunami in 2004, Thailand's flood impacted more on livelihood than loss of lives.
- The biggest impact in the past 20 years was the big flood in 2011, whereby 65 out of 77 provinces of Thailand experienced unprecedented flooding.

Project outcome

- Health station of Thai Red Cross and Relief Bureau of Thai RC engaged to implement CBDRR programmes. by following the same methodology from CBDRR guideline.
- Health station has more advantages to continue following up with community as the location wise they are closer with communities.
- The consultant recommended TRC to do more advocacy about livelihood; crop insurance and livelihood program. However, TRC is focusing on community preparedness.
- In term of resilience, the consultant suggested that 3-year program is not enough to be resilient. In this regards, TRC need to do more advocacy for development program.
- Overall of the project, communities have increased their awareness and knowledge about DRR. The achievement is that the communities now have a DRR plan and are able to apply this plan before, during and after disaster happen.

Tsunami Residual Fund

Experience sharing meeting among community leaders and community health volunteers was arranged at Deevana Plaza Hotel in Ao Nang, Krabi province with 114 participants from 30 target communities in 6 tsunami affected provinces in southern Thailand. The participants were given a session to review achievements and challenges of their works on health promotion, create a tentative future work plans and share/ exchange them with other participants from different communities. Refresher training on first aid with more advanced techniques and the use of first aid appliances, training on nursing care for patient with chronic illness, and training on nursing care for patient with paralysis were also provided to strengthen knowledge and capacity of the participants on providing health care services. Thai Red Cross College of Nursing will support the 30 target communities on guidance and techniques on health and coordination with relevant health sectors for future works.

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Training/Workshop/Meeting/Webinar

Thai RC YABC training

- There convened a meeting with the Thai Red Cross and confirmed to hold first national YABC Peer Educators (PE) training in July 20-24, Bangkok. Four facilitators were mobilised to carry this training such as IFRC youth and volunteering officer, youth deputy director from Pakistan RC and two staffs (YABC PEs) trained in Singapore. The CSRU has completely supported to fund this training with an integrated approach of YABC into First Aid under the post recovery programme.
- This training has two synergies 1) It will be the first training in the region to involve Singapore PEs (who were trained by the IFRC youth and volunteering officer) to mobilise as YABC facilitators with hand-on experience in the oversea field. 2) After training, the trained YABC PEs of TRC will do some sessions of YABC in the upcoming FA trainings in August to motivate the youths to join the FA training by their own will for being agents of change.

Communication Workshop with PMI

A need to integrate communication for advocacy into the existing work and programmes of PMI has been identified. To respond to this, a workshop focusing on communication and advocacy is held for 3 days, from 28 June – 1 July 2015, in Jakarta, Indonesia, with the following objectives:

- Promoting communication and enhancing capacity for communication in PMI
- Engage management for promotion of communication
- Communication support for IFRC and PNS
- Emergency communications

MERS Webinar

A webinar on Middle-East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) took place on 24th June 2015, with the support of the Korean RC. Here is the <u>webinar link</u> (of 1 hour and 2 minutes long), and here are some related references: <u>AP</u> <u>Country Plans</u>, <u>IFRC Service Continuity Plan</u>, <u>AP Zone Briefing on MERS</u>, <u>slides</u> and <u>notes</u>, as well as <u>Korean RC MERS</u> <u>response</u>.

CSRU's Support for RDRT Deployment for Nepal Earthquake

There are 3 RDRT were deployed in June for one month mission:

- 1. **Dindo Rolando Melendrez** | Watsan from Philippine RC | starting date 1 June 2015.
- 2. **Saowanee Saowakul** |Health and Relief from Thai RC | starting date 15 June 2015.
- 3. Ahmad Rully Mawardi Rully |IT from PMI| starting date 12 June 2015.

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THAILAND

Community-Based Psychosocial Support Training of Trainer Workshop



The Community Based Psychosocial Support Training of Trainer Workshop conducted in Nakornratchasima province by Relief and Community Health Bureau, Thai Red Cross, on 8-12 June. There were 28 participants (including 1 person from ICRC, 3 persons from Ministry of Public Health, and 25 persons from TRC staff) attended the workshop which aimed to increase their knowledge and skills and for the next step those will be the PSS Trainer for volunteer in the communities. The SEARD Health Representative provided the technical support on the topic of Module 7: supporting volunteers and staff.

LAOS

World Blood Donor Day



On the World blood donor day on 14 June 2015, the IFRC SEARD supported The National Blood Transfusion Centre (NBTC) of Lao Red Cross in its celebration of the day. The objectives of the event are: 1) to acknowledge and appreciate blood donors, 2) to encourage people to participate in blood donation, 3) to raise public awareness and to increase the number of voluntary non-remunerated blood donors. This year theme is "Thank you for saving my life".

During this event, the NBTC collected 383 blood units for immediate medical needs and to buffer stock at central level. The target of blood collection in 2015 is 38,000 units and it will gradually increase year by year to reach 60,000 by 2020. Many regular Blood Donors will be recognized by the public for their contribution, encouraging their return to improve blood safety and availability in Lao. More than 1,000 people attended the event, which include the participations of Lao government members, WHO, and IFRC SEARD.

Gender and Diversity for Resilience Toolkit

IFRC's South-east Asia Regional Delegation (SEARD) views gender and diversity as a high priority and fundamental to all its work. A key focus for SEARD is the integration of gender and diversity approaches into all national and



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regional policies and programs, to achieve reduced vulnerability to disasters of communities in Southeast Asia. The Gender and Diversity for Resilience Toolkit is an important step towards supporting a gender and diversity inclusive approach within National Societies' work. The Toolkit comprises a comprehensive but selective set of resources available to National Societies, partner national societies IFRC and external organizations and individuals, to practically integrate gender and diversity within all aspects of their work. The toolkit includes practical information, approaches, guidelines and tools to support gender and diversity as a crosscutting in sectors such as disaster risk reduction, disaster management, health, gender-based violence, shelter and water, hygiene and sanitation (WATSAN). The toolkit framework will be translated into nine regional languages and be available in English so that it can be accessible globally. For more information on the toolkit, and of gender and diversity in Southeast Asia please visit SEARDs online library and click on the 'Gender and Diversity for Resilience Toolkit Brief'.

SEA Regional Gender and Diversity Network

The SEA Gender and Diversity Network is expanding and we have now received endorsement from six National Society leaderships as well as the endorsement of National Society Gender and Diversity Focal Points within these National Societies. We would like to welcome Brunei Darussalam Red Crescent Society, Cambodia Red Cross, Laos Red Cross, Malaysian Red Crescent Society, PMI and Thai Red Cross to the Network. In addition to this all National Societies are working on excellent initiatives to mainstream gender and diversity issues within their activities including CVTL, Myanmar Red Cross Society, Philippines Red Cross, Singapore Red Cross, and Viet Nam Red Cross.

The SEA Regional Gender and Diversity Network will provide a platform that aims to strengthen and enhance the quality and effectiveness of National Societies existing and future programs in areas such as DRR, disaster management, violence prevention and health to better understand and address the needs of the communities we work with. This will be achieved through a platform to enhance stronger collaboration, sharing of knowledge and peer to peer support, ensuing a coordinated approach and enhance strategic direction across the region to reduce gender and diversity equality. For further updates on the SEA Regional Gender and Diversity Network please visit SEARDS online library and click on the 'SEA Gender and Diversity Updates for June 2015' Link.

Knowledge and Information Management





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The SEA RCRC societies online library at <u>https://sites.google.com/site/drrtoolsinsoutheastasia/regional-csr-forum</u> is work in progress with constant updating. There is an increase of number of users visiting the library, now reaching 329 users and 1,631 page views during the month of June. Latest addition/update to the library includes:

- ARF DiREx
- Updates on Epidemic Control for Volunteers (ECV)
- Updates on <u>Migration</u>

Additionally, the office hard copy/CD library (including books/guides/manuals/overview booklets) **inventory list** is now available to help users to search through our office library <u>here</u>.

Publication



Indonesia Epidemic Preparedness (ECV case study) has been published. The case study outlines the adaptation and roll-out of an Epidemic Control for Volunteers' (ECV) Toolkit and Training Manual in Indonesia by PMI and includes background on the country's health-related vulnerabilities, the application, analysis and outcomes of the intervention, the challenges, and finally, the way forward.

For more information about Epidemic Preparedness and the review of the roll out, as well as other case study, please refer to <u>online library</u>.

The translation of the **Sphere Handbook** text in Thai is still on the proof reading step.

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The interview of the interview

Indonesia Epidemic Preparedness

Upcoming Events for July and June 2015

29 July 2015	National Disaster Law Workshop in Laos	Vientiane
4-6 August 2015	Regional Community Safety and Resilience (CSR) Forum	Jakarta, Indonesia
Second week of	Climate Change Adaptation Training in Myanmar	Myanmar
September (date tbc)		
September (date tbc)	Climate Change Adaptation Training in Vietnam	Myanmar
August	Induction for Board Members on Gender of Diversity	Timor Leste

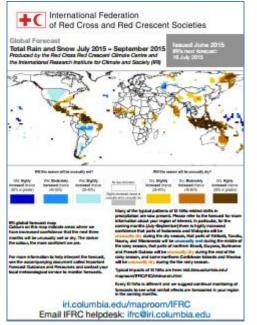
Advance Notice: For DRR day on 13 October, CSRU will be putting a request for concept note in mid-July



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Weather Forecast

Forecast for July until September 2015 (see IFRC IRI's Forecast for July to September 2015)



Indonesia | Highly Increased chance of dry conditions during end of the rainy season Malaysia | Highly Increased chance of dry conditions during end of the rainy season Brunei Darussalam | Highly Increased chance of dry conditions during end of the rainy season Philippines | Moderately increased chance in parts of the Philippines of dry conditions during the rainy season.

*Highly increased chance: probability is 55% or greater *Moderately increased chance: probability is 45-50%

Meteorological agency in the respective South-East Asian countries: <u>Brunei Darussalam</u> | <u>Cambodia</u> | <u>Indonesia</u> |<u>Laos</u> | <u>Malaysia</u> | <u>Myanmar</u> | <u>Philippines</u> | <u>Singapore</u> | <u>Thailand</u> | Timor-Leste | <u>Vietnam</u>

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