# **Building Urban Resilience** in Southeast Asia

## Viet Nam



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The 18-month Building Urban Resilience in Southeast Asia project, funded by the European Commission's Humanitarian Aid Department (ECHO), supports Red Cross Movement partners in four countries, Cambodia, Lao, Vietnam and the Philippines, to build capacities of National Society staff, government officials, school teachers and school children, Red Cross youth and volunteers, and partners, through a coherent, regional strategy building on good practice and using innovative methods. The action emphasizes gender equity and social inclusion, among poor, vulnerable people, including people with disabilities and older people.

### Viet Nam Country Profile

The Viet Nam Red Cross is one of the leading humanitarian actors in Viet Nam with more than four million members and branches in



Viet Nam Red Cross supports local government staff and Emergency Response Team members in the preparation for a drill using GIS risk maps, Quy Nhon Jerome Faucet

1 city (Qui Nhon)
5 high-risk urban wards
<b>25</b> organisations
70,251 individuals

all 63 provinces and major cities, down to district and commune levels. As a key actor in the National Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) Programme, the Viet Nam Red Cross provides expertise in capacity-building and awareness-raising at national and local levels.

Since 2007, the German Red Cross has supported the Viet Nam Red Cross in emergency response, recovery, water and sanitation, and CBDRM, piloting new tools, including climate risk assessment methodology; promoting DRR initiatives in schools; supporting evaluation of the Vulnerability and Capacity Assessment tool; and conducting a comparative analysis with the Community Based Disaster Risk Assessment of the Government. Since 2013, the focus has shifted from rural to urban DRR with successes including adaptation of an innovative risk mapping methodology.

## Outcomes



Safer behavior, improved preparedness and social change of vulnerable groups through innovative public awareness and public education



Increased disaster risk management capacity of local government authorities and the Red Cross through the application of an innovative risk mapping method  Adaptation of IFRC's PAPE manual and PAPE training curriculum

- package for the Vietnamese context
  Training of Viet Nam Red Cross staff, Red Cross Youth and volunteers
- Review of the current risk mapping methods and tools for urban context
- Development of an innovative user-friendly risk mapping method for urban DRR
- Training of Red Cross staff and local authorities to develop local urban risk maps

- An innovative risk communication campaign engaging young people
- A national workshop sharing the learnings and final PAPE manual

 New risk maps for simulation exercises and disaster management plans

 Knowledge and experience-sharing at provincial, national and regional levels

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