



SOUTHEAST ASIA RCRC YOUTH TRENDS

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Southeast Asia Youth Network Action Plan 2016-2017

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ASEAN Youth Regional Workshop for the development of Youth Development Index (YDI)

An invitation on the Regional Workshop for the Development of ASEAN Youth Development Index (YDI) from the ASEAN Secretariat was sent to the IFRC CCST Bangkok office. Mr. Novey Robert Dolde, Philippines Red Cross youth council President and SEAYN Chair and IFRC Youth and volunteering officer attended the Workshop in Jakarta, Indonesia from November 28-29, 2016.

IFRC was invited to participate the workshop and share relevant experiences and suggestions on the development of ASEAN YDI.

One of main outcomes of the workshop was that IFRC became a key stakeholder to the ASEAN Youth development together with the ASEAN Member States (AMS) and relevant UN organisations such as UNICEF, UNFPA and UNESCO including UNV. IFRC will be the attendees into the next Senior Officials Meeting on Youth (SOMY) to finalise the first YDI report. Youth officer and SEAYN Chair proposed some more practical key indicators to the Domains and Indicators developed by the ASEAN consultant and it was decided to reflect the ASEAN YDI report. Further coordination and discussion is needed with the ASEAN secretariat.



YOUTH LEADS !



Thai Red Cross Society



In December 2016, 82 youth volunteers from schools and universities around Bangkok attended the two day Road Safety activities. During the two days, the youths studied about the road accidents happening in Thailand which resulted in severe injuries and death and how to prevent an accident and protecting themselves.

The youths had the opportunity to learn and practice first aid with the guidance of the Thai Red Cross Youth (TRCY) staffs. They also had the chance to practice what they have learnt. On the second day of the session, the youths were placed in six different check points such as bus and train stations around Bangkok. They were provided with four safety signs as 'Drink not Drive,' 'Fasten your seatbelt,' 'Put on Helmet' and 'Slow Down your Speed'. With strong support from the Royal Thai Police, the youths encouraged drivers, riders, passengers and pedestrians to practice safety during the New Year.

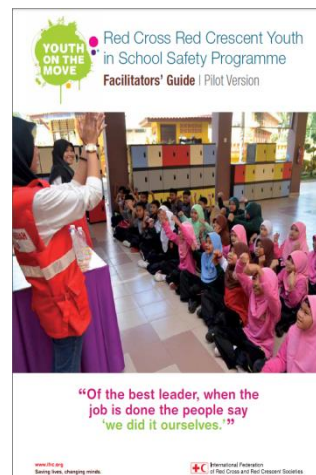
The Road Safety Campaign will be held again in April during the Thai traditional holidays. Around 500 youths and volunteers are expected to join the program.

REGIONAL PLATFORM



7th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (AMCDRR) was held in New Delhi, India on 2-5 November 2016 and Mr. Lai Wai Keat, youth member from Malaysian Red Crescent, former SEAYN Chair attended the conference and presented on behalf of the Children and Youth group in the final plenary. He presented also the children and youth on behalf of all stakeholders in the thematic session #5 "Education" and promoted Educational Continuity and Resilience of Children in Community through Increasing Child-Focused Comprehensive School Safety in Different Contexts and Innovative Educational solutions.

Regional Tool; Youth in School Safety Facilitators Toolkit



"Youth in School Safety" (YSS) Facilitators toolkit Pilot version was completed and uploaded in the IFRC online library at this [link](#)

YOUTH LEADS !



Vietnam Red Cross



Ho Chi Minh (HCM) Chapter, VietNam Red Cross inspired by Da Nang Chapter started Youth Empowerment programme from 17-19 December 2016. 20 youth gathered in the Quang Trung College and discussed about Gender Equality facilitated by YABC peer educators - Mr Vu and Ms Tam. They identified common gender issues and examples figured out in HCM and Vietnam from their own experiences regarding gender inequality. They developed two scenarios on most gender inequality examples and prepared for a theater by themselves. All process were with IFRC and VNRC youth director for a review and guidance. After a preparation, youth demonstrated their drama to 100 college students and teachers. Vietnam Red Cross assured by the success of Youth Empowerment programme will continue to carry on this programme in five chapters in 2017. Please find more details on RCRC SEAYN [Facebook](#) ; Vietnam Red Cross Youth Empowerment



Lao Red Cross Society



Youth as Agents of Behavioural Change (YABC) Peer educators' training in Lao was held by the facilitation of two Thai Red Cross facilitators as a cross border collaboration under the coach of IFRC Youth and volunteering officer from December 12-16 targeting 20 participants from Ministry of Education, Red Cross HQ (DM, Health and Youth), Red Cross Youth Clubs at high school and University, Youth Union and one staff of Thai Red Cross Youth Bureau. The training was supported by the IFRC CCST budget and inaugurated with the attendance of Vice President of Lao RC, Thongphachanh. They developed their action plans and discussed about the collaboration between different stakeholders. Youth empowerment action for the community was planned in 2017. Please find more details on RCRC SEAYN [Facebook](#).

YOUTH SPEAKS !



Singapore Red Cross



In a special collaboration between Project SMILES and iVolunteer, the Chapter of National University of Singapore (NUS) and student volunteers brought warmth to the Red Cross Home for the Disabled on 6 December. The youths entertained the disabled residents with a mini-concert and a Christmas song. The youths also took them to Changi Airport in Singapore to enjoy the cute Pokemons at the Pokémon@Changi exhibition. *"The disabled people have rare opportunity to go out. We were so happy to go out with them and very impressed to see the smiles on their faces."* said Siti Nur Atiqah Bte Aminudin, Singapore Red Cross Youth officer.

YOUTH ACTS !



Thai Red Cross Society



The Thai Red Cross Youth (TRCY) Bureau has been inviting youths all over the country to provide first aid to people paying respects to the late King at the Royal Grand Palace since October 25, two weeks, after the death of King Bhumibol Adulyadej.

Before providing first aid to the public, approximately 7000 youths were briefly taught by TRCY staffs on the basic medical supplies and how to tackle the most frequent incidents such as fainting, scratches and aching on the leg. Every day, the youths, teamed in three to four people, walked around the area looking for vulnerable people from 09.00 am. to 03.00 pm.



Youth volunteers, (Ms Methawee Samlee and Ms Nicharee Parinyanuwat) remarked. "Even though, we learned first aid in a very short time, we tried to do our best. We are really very proud of what we did for people."

Mr. Nattanon Nakpradid, another volunteer said he felt proud being a RCY volunteer as he is able to provide first aid service to others and grateful to TRCY Bureau since it gave him an opportunity to return back (what he learnt) to the Nation and Society.



Timor Leste Red Cross



Two Red Cross Youth actions targeting community and school were held in Timor Leste. First activity is a tree planting activity led by youth. It encouraged youth and community people to join the environmental protection and Climate Change Adaptation action. 2nd activity is a Sport Cup activity which motivates young people to join the humanitarian action with good talent and friendship.

YOUTH ACTS !



Myanmar Red Cross Society



Youth in School Safety Facilitators Training in Myanmar Red Cross

The Youth in School Safety Facilitators' training in Myanmar was held between December 5-8 2016 by the facilitation of IFRC Youth and volunteering officer, DRR Officer and two Myanmar RC youth facilitators as co-facilitators in a close cooperation with the OD and DM department of MRCS.

Key Outcomes of training;

Participants had a clear understanding of school safety framework with 3 pillars, and the concept of school safety action.

They become the first time facilitators in school safety through the demonstration at school and build a confidence to continue to be youth facilitators

They developed its action plan to extend this programme at their communities/townships with their own resources and with the practice of guide.

Finally OD and DM department recognised the Youth facilitators as key players for their School Safety programme and appreciated the training module and would like to integrate this module into School Safety program from 2017 onwards.

(Please find more details on RCRC [SEAYN Facebook](#);))



Singapore Red Cross



To commemorate its 65th anniversary, the Singapore Red Cross Youth pledged to boost community resilience in Singapore by championing blood donation, helping the disadvantaged, and educating the community on emergency and disaster preparedness through a series of activities in 2017. The pledge was supported and announced of launch by Mr Baey Yam Keng, Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Culture. 10,000 Red Cross Youth (age of 9 to 35) made a commitment to donate 6,500 units of blood in 2017. 250 Red Cross Youth at the outreach distributed blood donation pledge cards to Tampines residents, and engaged some 74 retail merchants and hawkers in Tampines to display a blood donation sticker in support of the lifesaving cause. In line with their commitment to prepare the community for emergencies, the Red Cross Youth also distributed 100 Food Aid packs to needy households in Tampines, SGSecure information packs, and held first aid demonstrations, to equip residents with knowledge and supplies for emergencies.

Southeast Asia Youth Network Launch on School Safety Mapping Initiative.

Southeast Asia Youth Network (SEAYN) has launched the School Safety Mapping Exercise for Southeast Asia NSs on Jan 25 2017, following the outcome of 4th SEAYN Annual Meeting held in Kuala Lumpur Malaysia in September 2016.

The mapping of the school safety programs and activities within the ASEAN region is one of ASEAN Safe Schools Initiative (ASSI), under the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) and was endorsed by ASEAN Member States in the ACDM meeting in 2016.

Therefore, mapping of NS' school safety programs and activities will provide an evidence based visibility to the role of NS and will strengthen their advocacy work.

The outcome of the mapping exercise will be an executive summary report (5-10 pages in English or national language) presenting the key information of each NS as follows:

- Number of schools reached, geographic location and types of intervention
- Number of children (girls and boys) reached
- The NS approach to school safety (including framework, policies, guidelines and tools)
- The NS partnership with government (national and local) and other organizations
- Impact Stories from headmasters, teachers, children, volunteers about RC school safety actions
- Quotes from NS leaders and opinion-makers about the value of developing safer environment in schools

SEAYN members will conduct 1-2 hour semi structured interviews with various departments and focal points working with schools, including disaster management, health, WatSan, first aid, social welfare, organizational development and human resource departments. The results will be presented to the Southeast Asia Community Safety and Resilience Forum (CSRF) to be convened on 18-20 April 2017 in Malaysia. All relevant document is at Resilience Library

