

Minutes of 14th Regional Disaster Management Committee Meeting

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Day 1: Monday, 3rd May 2010

Opening ceremony and welcome

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Amara Bains, Deputy Head of Delegation, IFRC Indonesia Delegation
Andy McElroy, Regional Programme coordinator, IFRC Bangkok
Patrick Fox, Head of Regional Disaster Management Unit, IFRC Bangkok*

Speeches from representatives from National societies; Pak Budi and IFRC representatives focused on community based for Disaster Management and health integration and basic Red Cross service in changing worlds. SG Budi shared why Jogjakarta was selected in a memory of 6 Richter earthquakes in 2006 when over 5000 deaths and 3000 houses collapsed. PMI and Indonesia did great work to help affected people (2 million people received assistance).

14th RDMC Objective of the meeting

Patrick Fox, Head of Regional Disaster Management Unit of Regional Delegation Bangkok

By the end of the meeting, the participants will have:

1. Followed up on the activities achieved against the action plan developed during the last RDMC Meeting.
2. Received presentations from all NS on any innovative project they have or are implementing; understand the focus for the RDMU; opportunities for updates and sharing of National Society's innovative projects, and obtain an update on the work of the Asia Pacific DMU
3. Knowledge shared from ICRC with focus on restoring family links.
4. Agreed on action plan and priority issues for the 7th sub-groups RDMC meeting to take forward in 2010 and the venue and date for the next 15th RDMC meeting in 2011

Safety regulations

Patrick Fox, reminded all disaster managers on the need to know first how to save our lives in emergency (to complete personal stay safe online training before end of June).

Report Back on the 7th RDMC Sub-Committee Meeting

Dr. Amnat Barlee, Director Relief and Community Health Bureau of Thai Red Cross

The main topic of S20 adoption and implementation, OD, health in emergency, strengthening in DMIS and DM structure included shelter and WATSAN. Coordination NSs to NSs, NSs to Government and RDRT selection, training and availability for deployment.

An innovative project of each NS is summarised below:

National society	Key points
<p>Philippines <i>Catherine Marie G Martin, Manager of Disaster Management and ERU of Philippine National Red Cross</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on CBA, to improve accountability, transparency and the need to include CBA at the beginning of the project and to build up regional capacity in doing CBA. • CBA must be accompanied with impact assessment and it must be developed as part of wider needs and impact assessment methodologies rather than a stand alone. Also Capacity of NS to carry out CBA must be assessed.
<p>Thailand <i>Dr. Amnat Barlee, Director of Relief and Community Health Bureau of Thai Red Cross</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan of warehouses for cross borders cooperation with Malaysia, Myanmar, Cambodia, Lao, Vietnam links to KL hub and NS warehouse.
<p>Timor-Leste <i>Luis Pedro Pinto, Disaster Management Programme Coordinator of Timor-Leste Delegation.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Logistic planning, to build up capacity and get contributions from PNSs
<p>Myanmar <i>Maung Maung Khin, Head of Disaster Management Department of Myanmar Red Cross</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The lessons learnt on Multi Hazards Contingency planning which not cover conflicts. • EWS needs to build up at community level because high technologies such as sms or satellite do not work during typhoon and emergency time.

Strategy 2020 and Humanitarian Diplomacy

Andy McElroy, Regional Programme coordinator, IFRC Bangkok

- The main strategic aims are: first, to save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disasters and crises by preparing for a response to disasters and crises and recovery. Second, to enable healthy and safe living, to have a better health and more inclusive health systems also reduced vulnerability to hazards (DRR), including climate change adaptation and mitigation. Finally to promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace, anti-stigma and discrimination also support to, and advocacy for

disadvantaged groups including migrants.

- Strategy 2020 is a continuation of strategy 2010. Some of its strategic directions may not be directly relevant to a National society as NSs operate in a different local environment; however, this is a tool that guides NSs to set its own direction. As a movement member, NSs can find their own niche and figure out how they can contribute to strategy 2020.

ASEAN - AADMER relationship

Craig STRATHERN, Political Adviser- ICRC Kuala Lumpur

- All state members of ASEAN have a binding role to this agreement. The aim of this agreement is to have a more united and coordinated response toward disaster within the region. For relationship with ASEAN, it has been agreed in Nairobi that Thai RC and PMI can do this as it has added advantage that ASEAN secretariat is in Indonesia and Thai Red Cross has relationship with key influential people in ASEAN.
- As Asia is in early stage of its engagement in international disaster preparedness and response, as a Red Cross movement, there exists a vast opportunity to build up partnership for the benefit of the vulnerable people, however, we may face massive challenges as well. Therefore, still a window of opportunity exists to put forward our issues in the forth coming ASEAN (launching AADMER working Plan) meeting in Manila. RDMC needs to engage on DP/DR and DRR where we have added value to engage with ASEAN. However, in consideration with ASEAN as a political entity, we need to figure out how we will engage without compromising on the fundamental principles of the Red Cross.

Standard Operating Procedure

Michael Annear, Disaster Management Coordinator

- SoPs for DR, in line with new structural changes in the Federation, SEA regional delegation will not coordinate DR operations, but will continue to maintain RDRT tools. Therefore, two positions are still with SEA regional delegation to maintain and facilitate this role. RDMU holds the same status as was before in relation to disaster response including deployment of RDRT, but AP Zone office will be responsible for the overall co-ordination.
- The RDMC wants to maintain the framework that has been set up in the past by having the deployment process maintained at RDMU level. Concern was voiced because of the elimination of the Regional Response and Preparedness Programme officer position at RDMU.

Day 2: Tuesday, 4th May 2010

Restoring Family Links

Beatrice Munier, Regional RFL advisor- ICRC

- RFL strategy 2008-2018 is in place and NSs need to strengthen their RFL services.
- In line with lessons learned from Haiti and Chile earthquake, we need to speed up integration process of RFL with disaster preparedness and response programmes, improving communication mechanism to deploy the tools and improve co-ordination mechanism within the movement and outside.
- Currently, RFL has a pool of 60 specialists. They can establish RFL services and support FACT, ERU and RDRT tools for short term training, 4 out of 5 regional pools trained. Asia has 12 members which includes Malaysia and Indonesia
- A web-based RFL self-registration system has also been established by ICRC.

Dead body management

- Dead body management is a humanitarian work. In line with the DVI (Disaster Victim Identification) committee meeting, the ASEAN involvement on dead body management would increase in the coming days; therefore, NSs also need to figure out right space in this humanitarian work without compromise on Red Cross fundamental principles.
- NSs are not well prepared to accept this sensitive role so far; therefore, need to come up with policy framework and train people to start basic activities like awareness generation, pre-mortem data collection etc. Further, dead body management is a sensitive issue; therefore, the meeting decided to take this issue forward for discussion by the leadership meeting as well.
- ICRC is in a position to offer support to host a consortium for dead body management.

WPNS checklist and Global alliance on DRR

Samban Seng, Regional disaster management programme officer

- WPNS checklist is a tool for self assessment, therefore, better to use it. It is helpful for planning as well.
- Global Alliance is a framework to harmonise all DRR initiatives. In this framework, some partners have strong buy-in, but not all, therefore, need to figure out what works for a particular funding agency.
- Lessons learned from HIV global alliance is positive, therefore, we need to learn from this as well.

Regional Disaster Response Team

Suvapa Hongsiriwan, Disaster Preparedness & Training Programme Officer

- As of April 2010, 232 trained RDRT members exist in RDMU roster. Specialised training in different areas of interests, for example, water and sanitation will be provided to RDRT members. To guide these tools, a Hand book for DRRT and FACT team is in the final stage of publication.
- Need for establishing a regional training centre was highly emphasized. Concerns were raised about lack of feedback mechanisms to NSs after RDRT and FACT deployment (feedback on nominees and deployed team members performance). Linking up with health programme especially for health in emergency is one of the major areas of RDRT improvement, the meeting realised.

Civil Military Relations (CMR) and National Society Auxiliary Status

Heikki Vaatamoinen, Disaster Response Delegate

- In the context that ASEAN has been developing its role around disaster management, National societies need to strategise how they can safeguard Red Cross fundamental principles while working on disaster management with ASEAN. Federation needs to facilitate this process.
- A constant dialogue is imperative with all the stakeholders including ASEAN and beneficiaries about relationship with military for humanitarian work to maintain our neutral image. However, the meeting also discussed that the way ASEAN NSs work with govt and army is different than the rest of the world, therefore, we need to take this unique relationship into consideration while dealing with governments.

Strengthening coordination and capacities of NS in Emergencies: The Ketsana and Parma experience

Catherin Marie G. Martin, Manager of Disaster Management & ERU - PNRC

Philippine Red Cross shared some lessons from their engagement in emergencies. Some of the major lessons learned were as follows:

- Need to accept host NS`s primary role in the operation, avoid creating new parallel structures after disaster strikes, infuse additional capacity for the operation if required rather than over stretching the existing capacity. Political will of the host national society is a must to manage operation in an effective way.

- Have clarity about coordination mechanism at the outset of the operation. Agree upon common plan of action to ensure buy-in from partners. Set up a minimum standard of assistance with host National society taking lead.
- Rationalise the scaling- up; otherwise after operations we may lose people which is a big loss for a National society. Consider for an increased capacity of the organisation as a whole; not only operational but logistics as well.
- Address communication issues (internal and external) if essential. Ensure that a formal plan exists before receiving external people and a dedicated focal point to coordinate with external players is in place.
- Contingency planning at all levels (RDMC, RDMU and NS level) is critical for a smooth operation. In the recent days, deployment of ERU, FACT etc. tools has been an issue as many members of these tools are deployed with no prior experience. Further, most of the FACT members from this region are not engaged in any operation after training; therefore, RDMU need to look into system if there is any lapse.

Overall, leave the country incapacitated by the time the operation is concluded.

NS- NS fund raising (TRC,MRC,SRC)

The meeting discussed about establishing a self-help type of funding mechanism by regional National societies which could be utilised in the form of supporting a NS staff to visit another NS, sponsoring FACT, RDRT candidates for deployment during emergency etc. without relying on external funding assistance. The meeting also decided to work out on a position paper to take this issue forward for leadership meeting.

Integration OD, Health and DM

Aekarad and Ylva, OD unit

- The presentation on the definition of what is a manager and a leader (in terms of position). A manager is a person who has the formal decision making power, the manager mediates and collects information, steers, monitors and evaluates, also in charge of the budget within his or hers department. A leader is to support and focus on the development of the people around him or her (i.e. staff, group members etc.) it is all about guiding everyone to move towards a common and communicated goal

with determination, enthusiasm and togetherness. A manager holds a formal role while a leader might not.

- To become a good leader is dependent on your behaviour, your being and how you influence and affect others. Your leadership is shaped through your relations with others.

Day 3, Wednesday, 5th May 2010

Thailand Shelter Sector Response Plan

Suvapa Hongsirivon, Disaster Preparedness & Training Officer

- The IASC has developed contingency guideline in 2001 and revised it in 2007. Ensuring the CP will be developed and maintained thus IASC organized the first workshop in 2008 resulting in leads and co-leads in Thai context. The 2nd workshop was organized in Bangkok in November 2009 by the UN resident coordinator and in collaboration with Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM), the government lead agency for disaster management. The purpose of the workshop is to develop the contingency plan to support the relief efforts of Royal Thai Government through well-coordinated and effective response.
- The NSs have shared their experiences on this regards. The Vietnamese RC was considered by government as local NGOs and involved in terms of human resources. The MRCS also get involve in cluster approach after cyclone Nargis by being the partner of IASC CP. PMI is part of shelter and WASH cluster too. The Indonesian government expects PMI to provide permanent shelter rather than transitional shelter. PMI has planned to change from transitional shelter to Growth shelter in which people can build by their capacity and resources due to the lessons learned from Sumatra recovery operation. PMI expressed the needs of support in capacity building on Shelter management Training.

Shelter Training RDRT

Heikke Vaatamoinen, Disaster Response Delegate

- NSs are the one who select coordinator under cluster approach. Strong leadership is required to coordinate with Inter NGOs in terms of cluster lead. If cluster approach is required during the relief operation and HNS is unable to undertake coordinator role the HNS able to request to Regional, AP and Geneva for supports.

- VNRC shelter program was implemented in 1998 due to flooding along Mekong delta. The shelters were built in Danang province and in southern Vietnam. It costs 5-7 millions dong per one shelter. IFRC together with VNRC and PNS implemented shelter program, permanent shelter, in northern and south. The beneficiaries built their shelter by themselves with bigger size and used iron sheets only for roofing. The cost of one shelter is 2000 \$. The NSs revealed the need of support in shelter coordinator.

Report back on Food Security

Patrick Fox, Head of Disaster Management Unit

- Food security is determined on three main components namely available, accessible and nutrition value. People choose their food stuff based on their culture and behaviour. The study revealed that people lack information regarding nutrition for their decision making to select their foods. Land production food is decreasing by urbanization. Food crisis means that you cannot buy food even if there is money.
- The process of the study is provided by Patrick. The research was conducted in 6 countries in AP as of which only two countries from SEA, Laos and Cambodia. The important factors on food security are income generating and power of purchasing.

Federation Update on IDRL

Heikki Vaatamoinen, Disaster Response Delegate

- **IDRL** – The focal person of IDRL is Olav who replacing Victoria. AP will follow up what's going on for IDRL regards as well as consideration on different context of each NS.
- Contingency Plan, Geneva initiated guideline for developing CP whereas AP developed in the CP training with facilitator included. AP plans to provide the training packaging which consist of three modules- Step, process and materials for CP guideline. The objective is to provide the common key elements of CP.

Pandemic

Cecilia Anshelm, Head of Regional Health Unit

Dr. Lita Satana, Head of Health and Social Service – PMI

- Dr. Lita introduced PMI H2P project. Goal, objectives either special objectives or expected results was presented. By doing this, established coordination mechanism,

resources mapping, created tools and messages ie.IEC and guidelines were carry out. Pilot test is conducted in Clanjur district, West Java. TOT in placed at national level bringing one participant from each chapter. Provincial training was organized for 33 provinces. The total 60 training was done.

- One country plan integrating all results is established and operational in line with DM CP. The plan expected to be finished by the end of May, 2010. The plan is focusing on those 6 diseases guided by MOPH.

H2P implementation

Catherine Marie G Martin, Manager of Disaster Management & ERU –PRC

- DM involvement in H2P due to be a part of crisis management group co-chair. All functional unit in PRC involved in community program thus integrating H2P to those programs. The table top exercise was designed to address the expectation either DM or health.

South East Asia CCA and DRR

Nyguen Hung Ha, DiPECHO Project Manager

- Building safer and more resilient, the important of integration is highlighted in the concept paper. The identification of indicators was done through the WS in Bali in 2008.
- Thematic seminar, the issues that NSs need to put into the thematic seminar
- VCA guideline, DRR education guideline done. The EWS guideline is ongoing in the process. Advocacy guideline is developed by SA and available on the website.
- Group working, to discuss about what happened in each country and then what was went well or wasn't work well

Remarks: for leadership meeting in Manila (ASEAN)

- General agreement of deployment between government and military as well as guideline in DM perspective. Responsible person are Cathy, Dr. Barlee, Arifin.
- Discussion paper. WG are Cathy, Dr. Barlee, Serene, MRCS, Craig, Daniel. Draft is expected to be finished in May while the final is in end of June.
- The process of developing is to write the draft then circulate for feedback and propose to leader for endorsement.

Leadership meeting: Dr. Jothi, Arifin, Cathy. Cathy will be the presenter for reporting back.

ARDEX 2010 is hosted by Indonesia the details need to be followed up.

Action Plan in 14th RDMC Meeting 2010

Action	Who	When
National Contingency Planning's	Daniel DMU	July material available
Specialise RDRT (HiE, RFL, Shelter, Relief, WatSan.)	PMI + RDMU	Oct 2010 in Bandung Watsan Singapore
Shelter + Recovery (operation and cluster) => LBD	Felix DMU	May 28 in Brisbane Padang in Oct
Climate change (4 steps 2 nd round+ integration)	PMI, LRC, CVTL, MRCS, PNRC	Ongoing
On the job training (exchange program) NS to NS and NS to RDMU	All	Ongoing
Wakening up the Lion Brunei? How to do it?	RDMU	Ongoing
Common Agreement on deployment of NS staff to operations as the Movement	MRC, TRC, SRC, Craig, Heikki, Patrick	May 30 first draft June 30 final draft
Meeting minutes	RDMU	12 May
Feedback from NSs on the minutes	All NSs	19 May
Final minute dissemination to RDMC and SGs	RDMU	21 May
Endorsement of meeting minute	All NSs	28 May
15 th RDMC meeting hosted by Myanmar or Singapore or Cambodia	All	May 2011
8 th sub committee meeting in BKK	4 sub and RDMU	To be confirmed, BKK
Leadership meeting by PMI	RDMC rep Jothi, Arifin, Cathy	15- 16 July, Bandung
DRR Newsletters	RDMU, RDMC	August, Dec, Mar, June
ARDEX 10 (PMI + SEA RDRT)	PMI + RDMU, Heikki	Oct 2010
Coordination Framework		
Launching AADMER Working Plan in Manila	RDMU+ PNRC + PMI + TRC + SRC	19 to 21 May 2010
Training on preparedness for response (logistics)	RDMU + to be confirmed	Jan 2011
CCA workshops	RDMU + NS	Oct 2010 + Nov 2010
Regional VCA based field session in Lao and	RDMU + NS	Sept 2010 + Feb 2011
Inter- Ministerial Conference on DRR in South Korea	RDMU +to be confirmed	3 rd week Oct
AP DM Meeting in Brisbane	RDMU + NS	25-28 May
WPNS analysis feedback to NS	RDMU	June 2010
AP Regional Conference on DRR in Amman		
Position Paper on how RDMC contribute to	Arifin, Cathy, Barlee, Wayne,	May 30 first draft

AADMER	Patrick,	June 30 final draft
Discussion within NS on DVI and other stakeholders	RDMU, NSs	June 30

Closing Ceremony

Dr. Amnat Barlee was selected to be representative of the RDMC to deliver speech. **Patrick Fox**, head of RDMU, on behalf of facilitator of the meeting delivered his speech to thank you for all contribution either from PMI or RDMU to the meeting.

Wayne Urich is the representative of Indonesia Delegation to deliver the speech regarding the meeting.

Mr. Sumarsono, board member of Yogyakarta chapter, announced the official closing ceremony.

Annex: Minutes of the 14th RDMC Meeting Adopted By:

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Head of Disaster Management Division

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Malaysia

Mr. Nasir Abdul Khan

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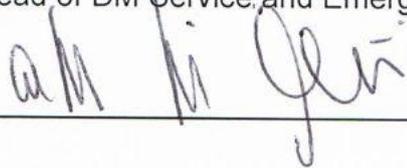


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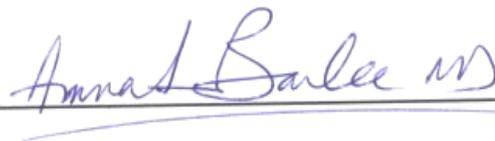


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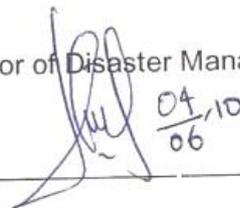


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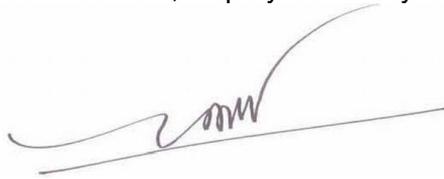
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3	Ms.Bevita Dwi Meidityawati	DM staff	Indonesia Red Cross (PMI)
4	Catherine Marie G Martin	Manager of Disaster Management & ERU	The Philippines NRC
5	Dr. Selva Jothi	Chairman of National DM	Malaysian Red Crescent
6	Mr.Nasir Khan Abdul Rahman	DM Manager	Malaysian Red Crescent
7	Mr.Maung Maung Khin	Head of DM Department	Myanmar Red Cross
8	Ms.Aye Aye Thant	Deputy Head of DM Department	Myanmar Red Cross
9	Dr. Amnat Barlee	Director, Relief and Community Health Bureau	Thai Red Cross
10	Mr. Luis Pedro Pinto	Disaster Management Coordinator	Timor-Leste Red Cross (CVTL)
11	Prof. Phung Van Hoan	Vice President, Deputy Secretary General	Vietnam Red Cross
12	Mr.Vu Ngoc Kien	DM staff	Vietnam Red Cross
13	Ms.Serene Chia	Head Services	Singapore Red Cross
14	Col.Theampoh Lim	Head of International Services	Singapore Red Cross
Guest from Indonesia			
1	Mr. John F. Mamoedi	DM Staff	Indonesia Red Cross (PMI)
2	Dr.Lita Satana	Head of Health and Social Service	Indonesia Red Cross (PMI)

Meeting Focal Person from PMI and Indonesia Delegation			
1	Mr.Achmad Djaelani	DM staff	Indonesia Red Cross (PMI)
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13	Aekarad Rakwanat	Senior OD Officer	International Federation, SE Asia Regional Delegation
14	Wayne Maurice Ulrich	Disaster Management Delegate	Indonesia Delegation

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