

REGIONAL COMMUNITY SAFETY AND RESILIENCE FORUM

Monthly Update – March 2016



Cambodian Red Cross volunteer conducting awareness raising activity on hygiene promotion at Kratie Province in Cambodia

Peer-to-peer learning is one of the key approaches for regional cooperation in Southeast Asia Red Cross Red Crescent Societies, which consist of:

- Brunei Darussalam Red Crescent Society,
- Cambodian Red Cross Society,
- Lao Red Cross,
- Malaysia Red Crescent Society,
- Myanmar Red Cross Society,
- Indonesian Red Cross Society,
- Philippine Red Cross,
- Singapore Red Cross Society,
- The Thai Red Cross Society,
- Timor-Leste Red Cross Society,
- Viet Nam Red Cross Society.

The regional Red Cross and Red Crescent societies have been taking part in networks for regional cooperation.

The Regional Community Safety and Resilience Forum (RCSRF), Gender and Diversity network, South-East Asia Youth Network as well as Disaster Law network are key for this regional cooperation. IFRC is also providing inputs for sharing information with Asia Pacific Migration Network. Terms of Reference (TOR) of some of these networks are:

- [Regional Community Safety and Resilience Forum – TOR](#)
- [South-East Asia Gender and Diversity Network - TOR](#)
- [South-East Asia Youth Network \(SEAYN\) - TOR](#)

El Niño affects

El Niño events are hard to predict, and their effects can vary. El Niño, though a cyclical event, may be a sign of things to come. Many of its connected potential extreme weather events are also the same events that forecasters predict will become more commonplace in the world as global temperatures rise with climate change. All around the world, climate forecasters are closely watching water temperatures in the Pacific Ocean. There may be impetus for long-term structural change. El Niño events occur fairly regularly, but each is unique in the degree to which they influence rainfall patterns and agricultural production. The key messages are:

The 2015-2016 El Niño is likely to be one of the strongest El Niño events since 1997-1998.

Unlike the 1997-1998 El Niño that followed a neutral year in 1996-1997, the 2015-2016 El Niño is following several months of a mild El Niño in 2014. El Niño is currently at its strongest phase so far and is intensifying.

The observed impacts from July to October 2015 confirmed its influence on weather patterns, resulting in drought conditions with intermittent “very severe” category cyclones over the Asia and Pacific region.

Though no two El Niño’s impacts are identical, past El Niño associated risk patterns could provide guidance to anticipate and manage future El Niño associated risks. Climate change is also likely to increase El Niño risk, and therefore long term development strategies need to factor in these risks.

The Pacific island countries are most likely to face severe risks from the ongoing 2015-2016 El Niño. The most vulnerable sectors are agriculture, freshwater resources, reef ecosystems, fisheries, public health systems and infrastructure.

Historically, Southeast Asian countries see significant climate-related problems with El Niños, often experiencing deficient rainfall or drought. Given the region’s extremely large population, its significant economic dependence on agriculture, and the preponderance of small-scale subsistence farms, any potential climatic threats to agricultural yields may have implications for regional food security. Drought in Southeast Asia is raising concerns in the Mekong countries where salinity levels are rising in the Mekong River.

Vietnamese farmers are facing major crop losses due to severe drought and salt water contamination of agricultural land in the Mekong Delta and its 12 Vietnamese provinces. Some reports say salt water contamination has reached the Cambodian border as well. IFRC is in process to approve the DREF operation(This is confirmed that DREF has been approved for Vietnam Red Cross as of 7th April; 2016) for Vietnam Red Cross to provide immediate support to mostly affected 3650 families from drought and salinity water.

Similarly; the Thai Red Cross has mobilized its’ Water and Sanitation team and Health promotion team in Pitsanulok, Nakornratchasima, Kanjanaburi and Mahasarakam. Each team will implement their activities for 7 days in each province. As per Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation(DDPM) of the Thailand; the following areas are mostly affected such as Chiang Mai, Utraradit, Payao, Sukhothai, Nakornsawan, Nan, Pijit, Nakornratchasima, Nakornphanom, Mahasarakam, Burirum, Surin, Khonkane, Kanjanaburi, Petchaburi, Chainat, Saraburi, Srakaeo, Chantaburi, Chonburi, Trad, Satoon of Northern, Northeastern, Central and south of Thailand.

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International Women's Day 2016 – Pledge for Parity

In celebration and recognition of International Women's Day, on 8th March IFRC Bangkok held an informal lunch for all IFRC, American Red Cross and Australian Red Cross staff. A representative from ICRC, Kathleen Graf Cooperation Delegate, also attended the celebration.



Presentations were given by Marwan Jilani, the Head of Bangkok Country Cluster Support Team, on the importance of gender and diversity equality through the lens of the key international themes: 'Pledge for Parity' and reaching 'Planet 50/50 by 2030'. This year IFRC placed a specific focus on gender and diversity equality in the workplace including inclusive human resource policies and procedures and the importance of sex and age disaggregated data in our programmes. Anne E. Leclerc, departing Head of Regional Delegation presented a sex-disaggregated analysis of the breakdown in staff at all levels of the Bangkok team. Christina Haneef, Gender and Diversity Officer, provided an overview of progress with examples from National Society initiatives to build capacity of women and girls in the region. This was followed by an overview of key frameworks, globally and within the Red Cross Red Crescent Movement, that guide our work towards gender and

diversity equality. This collective goal can only be achieved through individual commitments and so the lunch ended with all staff making their individual pledge for gender and diversity parity!

4th Asia Pacific Communications Forum



The Forum was hosted by the Korean Red Cross and co-organised by IFRC and ICRC in Seoul, 14-16 March 2016. Under the theme of '**Communicating in the Digital Space**', the event brought together communications colleagues from NS, IFRC and ICRC offices from across 23 countries spanning SE Asia, East Asia, South Asia and the Pacific. Colleagues from IFRC Geneva and the Global Disaster Preparedness Center also participated.

The focus was on using social media for *saving lives and changing minds* – via plenary sessions and skills labs which looked at a wide range of applications, including using social media for disaster response, community awareness & education around preparedness, advocacy and campaigns, fundraising, connecting with media, "big data" and deepened community engagement. The programme included external speakers from media organizations including Rappler, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, UN Global Pulse, Greenpeace, AFP and more.

A set of collective commitments by participants, focusing on use of social media, was drafted and is currently being reviewed. A report on the Forum will also be produced and circulated. See the [concept note](#) | [agenda](#) | [participant list](#) for more information see this [FedNet link](#).

Regional Resilience Initiative (RRI) annual planning

In March, the RRI team in Bangkok reviewed the plans received from 9 National Societies and aggregated all proposed activities into an annual work plan which was submitted to Canadian Red Cross on 18 March, for further submission to the Canadian government early April. The plan will be discussed at the upcoming Steering Committee Meeting for the initiative which will be held in Bangkok on 26 April 2016 with the participation of the CSR Forum Chair. The team will start providing feedback on individual plans from National Societies in April 2016 so that implementation can be initiated.

Gender and Diversity

Lao Red Cross endorses Strategy for the Advancement of Women 2016-2020



Lao Red Cross held a workshop to develop its Strategy for the Advancement of Women 2016-2020, between 28th to 30th March 2016. This was the final stage of a series of three workshops that took place from November 2015 to March 2016. This process was led by Ms. Ketkeo Oupalavong of the 'Advancement for Women – Mother and Child Work Division' (and gender and diversity focal point) at Lao Red Cross. The process has been extremely collaborative and has led to positive outcomes both in terms of the quality and comprehensive nature of the Strategy, as well as generating buy-in and inputs to the

strategy from Headquarters, 18 Branches of the National Society and participating representatives from Government. The final strategy was endorsed on 30th March 2016, which included an action plan from each unit of the Lao Red Cross including disaster management, health, communications and fundraising, blood donation and administration, on how they will work towards implementing the Strategy going forward.

Youth and Volunteers

Branch Organisational Capacity Assessment (BOCA)

Branch Organizational Capacity Assessment (BOCA) Tool was decided to upgrade through a BOCA write-shop in May, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. For this preparation, BOCA facilitators began to revise its guide and relevant component following the terms of reference from AP Regional office. IFRC Bangkok CCST Youth and Volunteering officer, one of the facilitators was responsible for the team on reviewing and revising the BOCA Facilitators' guide and completed first draft and shared with other 3 facilitators in a team during the Month.

Lao Red Cross recognized that volunteer management is very critical in HQ and branches and decided to conduct BOCA exercise in the 2nd semester of 2016 for strengthening branches and volunteer management including database. It will be one of follow up actions from the OCAC carried in 2015.



Youth Development in the Red Cross Societies of Laos, Thailand, Vietnam and Philippines

IFRC Bangkok CCST youth and volunteering officer has completed the Japanese Red Cross pledge-based final report targeting youth empowerment program in Myanmar, Brunei and the SEAYN in March. The Lao Red Cross is expected to get funding in 2016 through a revised proposal to JRC,

however, confirmation is pending. For this preparation, YV officer visited to Lao RC and had a planning discussion how to develop LRC youth. It was decided to hold YABC Peer Educators training (if Japanese RC's funding is available) to form a strong national Youth network by recruiting active youth volunteers and to start the youth program by empowering them to be agents of change in the society, which will continue in the 2nd semester of 2016.

Thai Red Cross Chapters Administration Office has conducted a training of capacity building for volunteers from chapters at provincial level funded by the ICRC and with the technical support of IFRC HR Manager. Marwan Jailani, Head of Bangkok Country Cluster Support Team (CCST) joined the opening ceremony together with the youth and volunteering officer. The training started with a session of Red Cross orientation such as the History of Thai Red Cross, Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, Red Cross Emblem Use and the dissemination of 7 fundamental principles. 321 trainers have registered to be RC chapter volunteers from the 75 provinces of Thailand. Philippines Red Cross will hold a national YABC Peer Educators' training from April 7-13 and YV officer will be the main trainer together with a trainer from Singapore RC and Sri Lankan RC respectively.

SEAYN online Meeting

The 11th and 12th SEAYN online meetings have been held in March. One prominent agenda was to confirm how the SEAYN members would implement the SEAYN 2016 action plans and all members shared their methodology and tentative dates for starting actions. In the 12th meeting, Chair and IFRC youth and OD delegate from AP region have shared the outcomes of ASEAN Youth action planning meeting held in Cambodia. Members decided to discuss the steps how to engage into ASEAN in a meaningful way in the next online meeting

Youth Partnership

The Education, Youth and Sports Division (EYSD) at the ASEAN Secretariat has invited RC youth and IFRC youth representative to participate in the Workshop on the Finalization of ASEAN Work Plan on Youth 2016-2020 & the Proposed ASEAN Youth Development Index (YDI) held on 14-15 March 2016 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia. The office selected two people, one is chair of SEAYN representing the ASEAN youth as a whole and the other is IFRC AP Youth and OD delegate for a broader sense of institution. The main achievement is that IFRC YABC toolkits and training become one of the action plan for the ASEAN Youth action "3.3. Promotion of better understanding and appreciation of different cultures, customs, and faiths in the region among ASEAN Member States to establish a strong foundation to actualize a region of lasting peace". ASEAN members showed an interest on how RCRC volunteering opportunities and youth leadership development generates the youth employability through skills training and life-long education and how RCRC programmes connects with the National Youth Development Index (YDI). Countries such as Indonesia, Philippine, Malaysia and Singapore have developed a national Youth Development Index.

Migration

Thailand: Making strides towards advancing migrants' rights agenda



Bangkok-based [Foundation for Labour and Employment Promotion](#) (FLEP) will be working with female migrant domestic workers (MDW) to empower them to gain knowledge on reproductive and occupational health and safety, enhance access to public healthcare services and redress mechanisms. Information and mobile technologies, including bilingual mobile apps and online social platforms will be set up as a tool for information dissemination and direct response to MDW's grievances and complaints. Additionally, the project will enhance capacities of migrant and Thai domestic workers as peer educators – referred to as "Hello Volunteers" they will provide counselling as well as facilitate referrals of serious cases to the Crisis Response Team run by FLEP.

The [Foundation for Education and Development's project](#) aims to promote and protect the rights of Burmese migrant domestic workers and victims of human trafficking in Phuket. A special focus will be placed on promoting access to services for Burmese workers and raising awareness about migrant's vulnerabilities and rights by organizing regular public forums, information sessions for recruitment agencies and local government.

In northern Thailand, Burmese domestic migrant workers will benefit from regular outreach activities and expanded social networks. To utilize numerous channels of communication and to break the isolation of domestic workers [MAP Foundation](#) will develop multi-media packs in migrant languages as well as continue to broadcast its weekly radio show on domestic workers' rights, which will promote increased linkages through a hotline and social media platforms.

[The Life Skills Development Foundation](#) will work to increase the efficacy and reach of Migrant Workers Federation of Chiang Mai to improve migrant workers' access to services by establishing a 24-hour hotline, training a network of response team volunteers and setting up career advancement centres in four satellite field offices in the districts most populated by migrants.

Geographic scope of CSO projects in Thailand:

- Bangkok - Foundation for Labour and Employment Opportunities;
- Phuket – Foundation for Education in Development;
- Chiang Mai – The Life Skills Development Foundation and MAP Foundation

The Thai Red Cross Society extends support to domestic migrant workers

On 30 March 2016 the [Thai Red Cross Society](#) hosted the inaugural advisory committee meeting set up under the project *Extending Access to Justice and Health Services for Migrant Domestic Workers in Thailand*.



The meeting aimed to introduce project objectives and its activities, set out key milestones for the next six months and agree on the roles and responsibilities of the members of the **project advisory committee (PAC)**. Further, it provided an opportunity to discuss avenues for greater Thai Red Cross Society engagement with civil society in addressing the vulnerabilities of female domestic workers.

The project advisory committee has 17 members, made up of representatives of the Ministries of Labour, Public Health and Justice, Thai Red Cross Society, civil society, academia, female migrant workers and IFRC. The purpose of PAC, that will meet in person every six months, is to guide and advise on effectiveness and efficiency of project implementation and enhance dissemination of project results. PAC members will play an important role in amplifying the voices of domestic migrant workers and act as a linkage between the civil society and the government, offering suggestions and insights related to policy change.

Climate Change Adaptation

Climate Smart Community and Resilience Project

The component one has been completed. The component one is about action research focusing on the approach to integrate different components in order to make initiatives more climate smart, existing capacity, challenges and opportunities in community based programs (e.g. of CBDRR, WatSan, and Health programs) in terms of integration of climate risk/ climate change consideration into assessment, planning and action in practice in a real program situation. The action research was carried out in different communities of Cambodia; Laos and Vietnam from the support of respective national societies. The remaining two components statuses are given below:

Component 2: Pocket guide | The outline of climate smart pocket guide has been shared to a consultant. The first draft has been prepared and shared to IFRC. IFRC is reviewing it before to collect the feedback from core team. Additionally, IFRC is also planning for the testing of pocket guide during upcoming Climate change training in Cambodia and Laos.

Component 3: Training of Trainers (ToT) tool kit | The training document and the set of materials used in the Southeast Asia Climate Masters training held in September 2014 have been shared to a consultant for review, and the resulting first draft has been shared for consultation with focal points in Cambodia, Vietnam and Laos. Inputs from this consultation will be incorporated in the training tool kit.

Climate Change Training of Trainers (ToT) in Myanmar



Climate Change Training of Trainers was organized in Yangon, Myanmar, from 7-11 March 2016. See [Concept Note](#) | [Agenda](#) | [Report](#) | [Content of Training](#). In addition to the development of a plan of action for MRCS for further mainstreaming climate change adaptation (CCA) in its programming, following the ToT, participants increased their knowledge and perception of CCA (from 25% to 75%-80%).

Recommendations following the ToT:

- Development and/or translation to local language of already existing climate-smart tools for use of MRCS staff and volunteers.
- Promote the use of online resource materials, especially the Climate Training Kit (CTK) and the E-Learning course.
- Document good practices as there are already a number of specific examples of how MRCS is promoting and doing climate-smart DRR programming.
- Roll out the TOT and build capacities of other MRCS and IFRC staff and branches so they will also benefit from the training.
- Continue increasing the exceptional capacities of MRCS staff on climate-related issues.
- Practice and try to conduct the climate-smart VCAs in future initiatives; mainstream CCA in MRCS long-term and recovery programmes.
- Position MRCS and engage in national level CC discussions especially the NAP and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).
- Enhance and strengthen the already existing and successful MRCS partnership with the national meteorological office.

Vietnam

Epidemic Control for Volunteers (ECV) Training of Facilitator in An Giang, Vietnam



The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent (IFRC) and Korea International Cooperation Agency (KOICA) support the Vietnamese Red Cross (VNRC) in implementing the project **Building Community Resilience for Climate Change and Disaster Risk** in Viet Nam 2015-2017. The project aims at building capacity of communities to manage health effects and reduce the risk of infectious disease outbreak associated with climate change, as well as other disaster events.

In doing so, the VNRC promotes basic skills in first aid, and uses proven prevention techniques to tackle vector-borne and other communicable diseases, undertaken through community-based approaches that reduce vulnerability and ensure adequate preparedness for epidemic and pandemic outbreaks, through ECV Training of Facilitators.

The ECV Training of Facilitators was held in An Giang Province from 21-25 March 2016, it aimed to build the capacity of the VNRC provincial officers to have the knowledge and confidence to deliver ECV.

A total of 20 VNRC staff/participants (male 13, female 7) at the headquarters and provincial levels (12 provinces) participated in the training which focused on:

- Building on existing CBHFA/ ECV disease prevention and health promotion knowledge and skills by focusing on understanding of common diseases that has a potential of an outbreak epidemics;
- Using ECV translated manual Module 1-5 with the three tools, participants were using evidence-based actions and approaches to prevent the spread of communicable diseases in the communities and provide appropriate care for the sick and reduce the number of deaths;
- Enhancing capacities of health focal persons to act quickly and effectively in the event of a disease outbreak/ epidemic.

The training reached the expectations of the participants, and enjoyed full and active participation of the participants. The finding of pre and post-test had shown that participants' knowledge improved and this enhances their ability in disseminating ECV training of their colleagues and volunteers in the provinces.

Cambodia



SVAY RIENG PROVINCE

PHAST Refresher Training 10- 11 march, 2016

A 2-day refresher training on Participatory Hygiene and Sanitation Transformation was organised at Svay Rieng province from 10-11 March, 2016. A total of 35 people including 9 female participants were trained [8 Red Cross Volunteers (RCVs) leader from Svay Rieng branch, 6 RCVs leader from Kratie branch, 9 RCVs leader from Banteay Meanchey and 8 people from National Headquarters.



Celebration of World water Day

On 23 March, 2016, an awareness raising campaign on World Water Day was organized in Svay Rieng at Chantrea primary school, Chantrea commune, Chantrea district, Svay Reing province. A total of 159 school children and village community participated and understand the importance of water and water saving mechanism.



KRATIE PROVINCE

On 23th 2016, Cambodian Red Cross Kratie branch conducted awareness raising on hygiene promotion and village cleaning at Ta Lus village and Preak Tatheeng village, Bosleav Commune, Chetborey, district. After which, on 24 March 2016, CRVs leader facilitated PHAST step 3 (Investigation community practice) activities in Bosleav Lee village, Bosleav Commune.



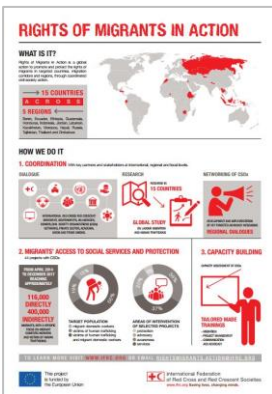
BANTEY MEAN CHEY PROVINCE

Hygiene Promotion session and Construction

On 23 March 2016, an awareness raising activity on hygiene promotion was conducted at O-Rousey villages, O-Chouy Commune

and 35 people (in which, 19 were women) participated. On March 28th 2016, a quarterly meeting with RCVs leaders on activity plan and monthly report was organised and 19 people participated. As for construction, Household level sanitation for 20 Household was commenced.

Publication



[IFRC Gender and Diversity South-East Asia Regional Network Snapshot / Overview](#) (capturing the progress from Jun to Dec 2015)

[IFRC Rights of Migrants in Action infographics](#)

Knowledge and Information Management – Online Library

Regional Community Safety and Resilience Forum

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4th Asia Pacific Communications Forum | 14-16 March 2016, Seoul

Climate Change Adaptation Training in Vangvieng, Laos | 5-8 April 2016

Climate Change Training of Trainers (TOT) | Yangon, Myanmar

Regional Resilience Initiative Retreat, 3 - 5 Feb 2016

School Safety Lessons Learnt Workshop by Lao Red Cross

Climate Change Training of Trainers (TOT) | Yangon, Myanmar



Group photo



Group activity and presentation

"Climate change could have major consequences for the people of Myanmar and that the MRCS will by necessity need to be flexible in responding to potentially unknown challenges." Myanmar Red Cross Society in its Strategic Plan 2010 – 2015.

Climate Change is considered as a cross-cutting issue that should be taken into consideration in the field of Health, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), including the various thematic areas. This, the **Climate Change Training of Trainers** was organized in Yangon, Myanmar, from 14-16 March 2016.

Climate change, DRR and Health

MRCS Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR) Manual sets out that *climate change adaptation (CCA) and community-based disaster risk reduction should be integrated to enhance aid effectiveness and reduce confusion for communities*. In the context of increasing risks associated with the hydro-meteorological hazards and conditions related to climate variability and change, the rationale for integration of climate change into community programming is therefore to prepare the communities for any adverse effects climate change may have for their lives, health and livelihoods. In addition, it is very important to identify areas in on-going community-based DRR or health programs where efforts to address both climate change and environmental

A snapshot of [Climate Change Training of Trainers \(ToT\) in Myanmar](#) resources on the IFRC South-East Asia Regional Delegation

The Southeast Asia RCRC societies online library at <https://sites.google.com/site/drrtoolsinsoutheastasia> is being improved with more participatory and user-friendly features, including crowdsourcing, different levels of accessibility allowing contributors, mobile device compatibility, embedding disaster alert and automatic translation tool. This is done in close collaboration with IFRC Geneva. The new domain address will be announced at the training and launching scheduled to take place in the coming months.

Within the first quarter of 2016, the online library has an increase of users (70.53% from 767 to 1,308 users) comparing to the same period in 2015, which highlights the significantly growing usage of the online library from the Southeast Asian countries. More details are available [here](#).

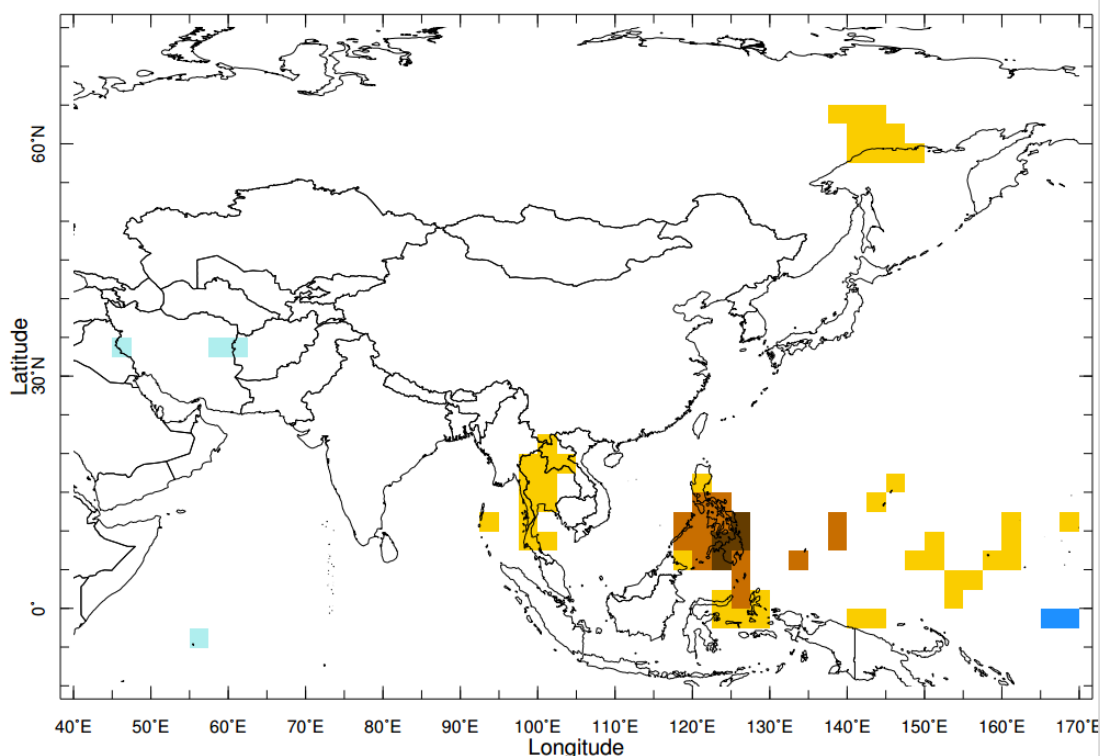
New additions in the current online library:

- [Cartier Charitable Foundation](#)
- [Climate Change Training of Trainers \(ToT\) in Myanmar](#)
- Migration updates from Migrant Rights in Action: [Thailand making strides towards advancing migrants' rights agenda | Thai Red Cross Society extends support to domestic migrant workers](#)
- [4th Asia Pacific Communications Forum](#)

Thank you for providing us with resources which we could share in the online library from the National Societies and other partners. To reach us, please contact angelina.tandiono@ifrc.org

Weather Forecast

Forecast for Apr-Jun 2016, Forecast Issued Mar 2016



Meteorological agency in the respective South-East Asian countries:

[Brunei](#) | [Darussalam](#) | [Cambodia](#) | [Indonesia](#) | [Laos](#) | [Malaysia](#) | [Myanmar](#) | [Philippines](#) | [Singapore](#) | [Thailand](#) | [Timor-Leste](#) | [Vietnam](#)

Are the next 3 months likely to be exceptionally wet?



Slightly Increased Likelihood
(25% to 40% Chance)



Moderately Increased Likelihood
(40% to 50% Chance)



Greatly Increased Likelihood
(Greater than 50% Chance)

Are the next 3 months likely to be exceptionally dry?



Slightly Increased Likelihood
(25% to 40% Chance)



Moderately Increased Likelihood
(40% to 50% Chance)



Greatly Increased Likelihood
(Greater than 50% Chance)

Source: [IFRC IRI's weather forecast April to June 2016](#)

| Country | Weather Forecast (Dry or wet) | Likelihood |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Brunei | Not dry nor wet | |
| Cambodia | Not dry nor wet | |
| Indonesia | Not dry nor wet | |
| Laos | Exceptionally dry | From 25 – 40 % chance (slight likelihood) in the northern part. |
| Malaysia | Not dry nor wet | |
| Myanmar | Exceptionally dry | Depending on the areas, from 25 to 40 % chance in the southern area. |
| Philippines | Exceptionally dry | Depending on the areas, from 25 to more than 50 % chance. Higher chance of dry weather in southern part. |
| Singapore | Not dry nor wet | |
| Thailand | Exceptionally dry | From 25 - 40 % chance (slight likelihood) |
| Timor Leste | Not dry nor wet | |
| Vietnam | Not dry nor wet | |

[IFRC Asia Pacific El Nino Preparedness and Support Plan \(updated Dec 2015\)](#)

[Briefing on potential La Nina event issued by RCRC Climate Center in Feb 2015](#)

[La Nina Briefing for DFID in Feb 2016](#)

[La Nina 2016/2017 Historical Impact Analysis Report](#)

Upcoming events for April to June 2016

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|--------------|----------|---|------------------------|
| April | 1 | 12th SEAYN Meeting | online |
| | 2-9 | Training of facilitators on gender and diversity in DRR/Resilience | Philippines |
| | 4-9 | VNRC / DPRK RC exchange trip and workshop | Pyongyang, DPRK |
| | 5-8 | Climate Change training and workshop | Lao PDR |
| | 5-8 | Climate Change training | Cambodia |
| | 5-8 | Global gender and diversity advisors network meeting | Geneva |
| | 11-15 | Training of trainers on ECV | Vietnam |
| | 11-16 | Youth leadership training | Philippines |
| | 15 | APMN online teleconference | online |
| | 19-23 | YABC PE training | Indonesia |
| | 23-27 | RCRC Induction for AHA Centre Executive Programme | Indonesia |
| | 26 | RRI Steering Committee meeting | Bangkok, Thailand |
| | 28-30 | Migration meeting co-organised by APMN, IFRC and ICRC | Malaysia |
| | 29 | 3 rd AADMER Partnership Conference (APC) | Semarang, Indonesia |
| | TBC | Consultation meeting with DM/DRR national stakeholders as part of the PRC Strategic Plan 2016 - 2021 | Philippines |
| | TBC | Regional SEA gender and diversity network teleconference | online |
| May | 2-6 | Organisational self-assessment write shop | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia |
| | 3 | 13 th SEAYN meeting | online |
| | 3-5 | Workshop on organizational self-assessment tool for Gender and Diversity | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia |
| | 8 | International Red Cross Day | Global |
| | 9-13 | Southeast Asia Regional Gender and Diversity Network Meeting and Refresher Training | Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia |
| | 16-18 | Asia Pacific Regional Conference on Gender and DRR | Hanoi, Vietnam |
| | 18 | Social media training | Dili, Timor Leste |
| | 22-28 | Global BOCA Write-shop | Malaysia |
| | 23-24 | World Humanitarian Summit | Istanbul, Turkey |
| | 24/25 | IDRL consultation workshop | Myanmar |
| | 23-27 | RCRC Induction for AHA Centre Executive Programme | Indonesia |
| | 30-3 Jun | Development of country-specific tools on gender and diversity in DRR and resilience | Lao PDR |
| | TBC | TOT on Climate Change mainstreaming into community-based programming | Philippines |
| | TBC | PHAST – National Level ToT | Myanmar |
| | TBC | Advocacy meeting - Kayin | Myanmar |
| | TBC | Joint technical workshop on School Safety for SEA National Societies with the ASSI partners (potentially followed by a youths camp) | Cambodia (TBC) |
| | TBC | Workshop on conceptual clarity (on Migration) | Thailand |
| | TBC | MRCS SBRR National Lesson Learnt Workshop | Myanmar |
| | TBC | Second Inter-Cultural and Inter-Religious dialogue | Myanmar |
| | TBC | Technical meeting on the development of a communications policy | Cambodia |
| June | 9-15 | YABC PE Training | Vietnam |
| | 14 | Blood Donation Day | Global |
| | 16 | International Domestic Workers' Day | Thailand |
| | TBC | RCRC - CSOs Roundtable | TBC |
| | TBC | Mekong Coordination Meeting | TBC |
| | TBC | Peer to peer learning event on community engagement and accountability | TBC |
| | TBC | Internal planning meeting | TBC |
| | TBC | Development of country-specific tools on gender and diversity in DRR and resilience | Lao PDR |



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