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2016 has been an exciting moment for Indonesia to assume the Chairmanship of ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM), continuing the successful leadership of Cambodia.

This year marked another historical journey for ASEAN and the ACDM, namely where the Declaration of One ASEAN One Response was signed by the ASEAN Leaders subsequently during the 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits and Related Summits conducted in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 6-8 September 2016. At the Summit, Leaders reviewed the progress of implementation of the ASEAN Community Blueprint 2025 and provided guidance and directives in addressing the challenges of implementing the plans. The declaration was inspired by and united under the motto of ASEAN, “One Vision, One Identity, One Caring and Sharing Community” and convinced by the role of the AHA Centre that emphasizes in realising the unity of effort with the spirit of One ASEAN, One Response.

In addition, this year the ACDM strived to continue the successful conclusion of ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Work Programme 2010-2015, where the new AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020 was endorsed by the ACDM in February, 2016 and subsequently launched during the 28th ACDM Meeting in Indonesia. The new work programme is a five year rolling programme that seeks to build resilient ASEAN Community to reduce disaster losses and collectively respond to disasters. The development of the work programme has benefitted from the concurrent development of the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management, adopted by the 3rd ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management and the 4th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the AADMER, held on 16 December 2015 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

This year we have witnessed the AHA Centre grew exponentially over the course of time, and we were delighted to join the commemoration of five year anniversary of the AHA Centre in November 2016. The ACDM would like to commend the AHA Centre for its continuous efforts on ensuring ASEAN to become the global leader on disaster management as envisioned on the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management.
We also commend AHA Centre’s role in further generating the future leaders of disaster management in ASEAN through the third batch of the AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme. We have seen the impeccable performance of its graduates first hand, where the AHA Centre supported the relief efforts in view of Aceh earthquake happened in December 2016. Two of the deployed ASEAN-Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ASEAN-ERAT) managed by the AHA Centre were the graduates of the ACE Programme from the first and third batch. We wish for a continuous success for the AHA Centre to support the implementation of AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020 and we look forward to witness another milestones of the AHA Centre under the leadership of the future Executive Director of the AHA Centre, replacing Mr Said Faisal who assumed the role of the Executive Director of the AHA Centre for the previous five years.

WE BID HIM OUR WARMEST REGARDS AND THE BEST OF HIS FUTURE ENDEAVOURS.

FINALLY, WE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE LAO PDR FOR ASSUMING THE ROLE OF CHAIR OF ACDM AND GOVERNING BOARD OF THE AHA CENTRE IN 2017.
2016 was the year when we commemorated our journey of partnership and progress. This was the year where life-long vision of One ASEAN One Response was declared. Heads of Government/State of the ASEAN Member States signed a declaration on a collective response to disasters, in conjunction with the 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits and Related Summits held in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 6-8 September 2016. It was part of the realisation of One ASEAN One Response vision, where the declaration included affirmation of the ten-nation alliances’ strong will in response to disasters inside and outside the region in a collective manner.

The landmark declaration affirms the AHA Centre as the primary ASEAN regional coordinating agency on disaster management and emergency response, as well as endorses the ASEAN Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ASEAN-ERAT) as the official resource of ASEAN under the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER). It also confirms that the AADMER is the main regional policy backbone and common platform for the implementation of One ASEAN One Response. It was also the year when ASEAN proclaimed the vision in becoming the global leader of disaster management as stated in the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management.

Continuing the success of the AADMER Work Programme 2010-2015, the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) came up with the new AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020 and subsequently launched it during the 28th ACDM Meeting in April 2016, Indonesia. Towards the end of the year, AHA Centre came up with the AHA Centre Work Plan 2020 which focused on what was needed internally and externally to accomplish the expectations of ASEAN Member States in the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management, the AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020, and the ASEAN Declaration on “One ASEAN One Response”.

2016 was yet another historical milestone, in which the Government of Indonesia as the host country of the AHA Centre finalised and signed the Agreement on Hosting and Granting Privileges and Immunities with the AHA Centre. Indonesia subsequently provided a new working space for the AHA Centre, co-located within Indonesia’s National Disaster Management Authority (BNPB) in Jakarta. Additionally, the Government of Japan provided tremendous support in the form of Information and Communications Technology (ICT) infrastructure for the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) of the AHA Centre through the ICT Project Phase III.
2016 WAS THE YEAR WHEN WE COMMEMORATED OUR JOURNEY OF PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS.

In 2016, the AHA Centre, along with the ASEAN-ERAT members, responded to two significant disasters in the region, namely Typhoon Haima in the Philippines in November 2016 and the devastating earthquake in Pidie Jaya, Aceh, Indonesia in December 2016. Earlier that year, the AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme generated its third batch of future leaders on disaster management in ASEAN, adding the number of total graduates to 45.

Moreover, on 17 November 2016, we commemorated our fifth anniversary, with the theme of “Five to Life: Journey of Partnership and Progress”, with various activities conducted to celebrate our achievements, reflecting on our lessons and discussing new challenges ahead. This year, the AHA Centre participated in regional simulation exercises, including co-organising the flagship ASEAN Regional Disaster Emergency Response Simulation Exercise (ARDEX) together with Brunei Darussalam to review and test various joint response mechanisms of ASEAN and operationalise the vision of One ASEAN One Response.

We believe that the support of the ASEAN Member States (AMS) as well as our partners and stakeholders have significantly contributed to whatever the AHA Centre successfully achieved last year. Therefore, we thank the AMS, ASEAN Secretariat, ASEAN Dialogue Partners—Australia, China, European Union, Japan, New Zealand, and USA—and our partner organisations for their relentless support to the AHA Centre. Our appreciation also goes to Indonesia for its leadership as the Chair of the ADMC and the AHA Centre Governing Board for 2016. We look forward to the leadership and guidance of Lao PDR as the next Chair of the ADMC and the Governing Board of the AHA Centre in 2017.
The year 2016 was the year when the ASEAN region was shocked by three natural disasters causing significant losses and victims. Myanmar was shocked by an earthquake in April 2016, while Indonesia was hit by one in Pidie Jaya, Aceh in December 2016, resurfacing the traumatic experience of the old wound from the Indian Ocean tsunami in 2004. Meanwhile in the Philippines, the country was affected by Typhoon ‘Haima’. The AHA Centre was assigned to coordinate with both countries to provide support to the affected Member States.

This year AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme has successfully made its way to the 3rd batch and trained 16 future leaders in disaster management. With the revised curriculum, all participants from AMS went through various kinds of trainings for six months. In the same year, the AHA Centre held the ACE Programme Annual Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, inviting 45 ACE programme graduates to gather and discuss the policies and overcome future challenges related to disaster management in ASEAN region.

2016 became a year of privilege for the AHA Centre. It celebrated its five-year journey as an institution, which aimed to unite the whole AMS in aiding one another in disaster management. The AHA Centre five-year anniversary was realised into a series of events called “Five to Life: Journey of Partnership and Progress”, which took place in Jakarta, Indonesia on 14 - 17 November 2016. In the event, the AHA Centre marked some important milestones, one of which was the signing of Memorandum of Intent (MoI) with California-based humanitarian aid group Direct Relief in providing medical emergency supplies for ASEAN’s collective response to regional disasters. Another important event was the First Regional Organisations Humanitarian Action Network (ROHAN) Conference, inviting regional organisations from around the world, and S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)-AHA Centre Policy Discussion on the World Humanitarian Summit Implications for Asia-Pacific, gathering different stakeholders from different backgrounds.

As a common practice, the AHA Centre continues to receive guidance from ACDD in 2016 through its series of meetings conducted in Indonesia as Chair of the ACDD and Governing Board of the AHA Centre in 2016. In September 2016, leaders of the ten AMS signed the “ASEAN Declaration on ‘One ASEAN One Response’: ASEAN Responding to Disasters as One in the Region and Outside the Region”, as part of the 28th – 29th ASEAN Summits in Vientiane, Lao PDR, held on 6-8 September 2016. The declaration was signed to strengthen cooperation and coordination mechanism in its response to disasters to achieve faster response, mobilise greater resources and establish stronger coordination to ensure ASEAN’s collective response to disasters.

One important milestone in 2016 was the successful completion of ARDEX held in Brunei Darussalam. This signature exercise was conducted to test the coordinating mechanism between the AHA Centre and AMS, as well as relevant partners and stakeholders in responding to disasters. ARDEX also tested the ASEAN Joint Disaster Response Plan (AJDRP) and civil-military coordination.

Another milestone in 2016 was the participation at the World Humanitarian Summit, which was held in Istanbul, Turkey. The AHA Centre was involved in the discussion on ‘Implementing the Sendai Framework to Reduce the Humanitarian Burden: ASEAN Resilience Practice’. It was expected that this framework would be able to reduce the risks and losses the disasters have caused in ASEAN region. In addition to it, another important event that the AHA Centre managed to participate as a panellist and a co-organiser was the side session on “ASEAN-UN Partnership: Moving Forward”, where notable speakers from the ASEAN region and the UN discussed lessons learnt, good practices and interoperability between ASEAN and UN, including coordination between the AHA Centre and UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). The newly-adopted ASEAN-UN Joint Strategic Plan of Action on Disaster Management 2016-2020 was also launched during this session.
Typhoon ‘Haima’ was starting to develop into a typhoon on 15 October 2016 and increased intensively into super typhoon status. However, the typhoon slightly degraded into Category 4-equivalent typhoon at the landfall late on 19 October 2016 and continued to weaken as it interacted with the landmasses until it exited the Philippines Area of Responsibility by late 20 October 2016 as a weak typhoon. The typhoon caused eight deaths, mostly due to landslides in Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR), causing damages to 13,966 houses and floods to 119 barangays in several affected areas.

The Government of the Philippines through the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) had well anticipated the possible effects of the Typhoon ‘Haima’. NDRRMC managed to conduct pre-emptive evacuation to more than 380,000 affected people. NDRRMC was also able to timely activate the Disaster Response Cluster and deployed the advance teams to Cagayan Province to provide support to the preparedness and emergency response measures.

The AHA Centre detected Typhoon ‘Haima’ since its formation in the Pacific Ocean on 14 October 2016. From the moment when the Typhoon ‘Haima’ alert started, the AHA Centre had deployed two staff members and one national ASEAN Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ASEAN-ERAT) member to Manila, Philippines to liaise and coordinate directly with NDRRMC. At the same time, the AHA Centre set standby mode for the Disaster Emergency Logistics System for ASEAN (DELSA) and the ASEAN-ERAT, should there be any further assistance and requirement to deploy additional resources to the Philippines.

Besides staff deployments, the AHA Centre also provided eight generators (20-26 KVA) as part of the relief items to support operations in affected areas. The AHA Centre Executive Director, Mr. Said Faisal, together with the team handed over the generator sets through a meeting with Under-Secretary Ricardo B. Jalad, Administrator of NDRRMC of the Philippines. The meeting was held on 27 October 2016.
An earthquake rated at 6.5 on the Richter scale with 10 km depth shook Sigli City, Aceh Province, Indonesia on 7 December 2016. The tremor grew stronger in Pidie, Pidie Jaya and the surrounding districts. This undersea earthquake led more than 425,000 people (according to the Indonesian National Statistics Bureau) in Pidie District rushing out of their houses and seeking for higher ground. Even though the earthquake did not trigger a tsunami, some of the locals said that the earthquake felt even stronger than the 2004 tsunami earthquake.

The earthquake was another terrifying reminder for Acehnese of their vulnerability to natural disasters. Due to its geographical location, Aceh is prone to natural disasters. This was not the first time for Aceh, especially Pidie District, to endure a massive earthquake. The ASEAN Disaster Information Network (ADINet) recorded that Pidie District was affected by 5.6-magnitude earthquake in October 2013. Three months before, a 6.2-magnitude earthquake hit Bener Meriah District, causing severe damages and 37,000 people displaced, with a total of 42 victims. The 2004 earthquake and tsunami, which centred in Aceh affected 14 countries in Southeast Asia, making it one of the largest earthquakes in the world.

After the earthquake, there were 74 aftershocks on the following days. The National Disaster Management Authority of Indonesia (BNPB) reported that the death toll reached 104 people, mainly residing in Pidie Jaya District. In the same report, it was stated that the earthquake damaged 18,752 houses in total, and displaced 85,256 people.
Aceh Pidie Earthquake, December 2016

- IMPACTS
  - Deaths 104 People
  - Displaced 85,256 People
  - Houses Damaged 18,752 Units
  - Shophouses Damaged 161 Units
  - Masjid Damaged 64 Units
  - Bridges 50 Units

- ASEAN SOLIDARITY RESPONSE
  - Malaysia
    - Deployed 2 ASEAN-ERAT members
  - Singapore
    - Deployed 2 ASEAN-ERAT members
  - AHA Centre
    - Deployed 3 AHA Centre staff members + 7 ASEAN-ERAT members

The local government and BNPB issued a Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Action Plan on 19 December. The action was followed by search and rescue operations led by the National Search and Rescue Agency of Indonesia through deploying 2,400 personnel throughout Pidie Jaya and Pidie Bireuen. Meanwhile, the AHA Centre conducted an emergency briefing on the day of the first shock while closely monitoring the situation. "Yellow Alert" had been the status in the AHA Centre EOC ever since the earthquake hit Pidie for the first time on 7 December 2016. The Yellow Alert put several protocols and procedures in motion, including increasing the monitoring efforts. The AHA Centre sent four ASEAN-ERAT personnel to provide rapid assessment and determine the critical resources and relief items required by the people affected. The AHA Centre assisted the ASEAN-ERAT officers in executing the tasks.

Another three AHA Centre staff members were deployed to the affected area to join one staff member and ASEAN-ERAT members two days after the quake. Along with the process, the AHA Centre established close coordination with BNPB since 7 December 2016. The collaboration among BNPB, national and local authorities, police, and military officers as well as international assistance resulted in deployment of almost 4,000 personnel and it showed how quick responses were carried out towards events unlikely to occur. Two days after the quake, the President of Indonesia visited the affected area of Pidie Jaya and met the survivors.

The monitoring activities were followed by the decision to deploy relief items from DELSA Stockpile based in Subang, Malaysia and managed by the World Food Programme/UN Humanitarian Response Depot (WFP/UNHRD). Mr. Said Faisal, the Executive Director of the AHA Centre, symbolically handed over the DELSA relief items to H.E. Willem Rampangliei, Chief of BNPB, in Pidie Jaya Aceh through an official handover ceremony in Aceh.
AHA CENTRE’S TOOLS FOR DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

The Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) of the AHA Centre is supported by sets of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)-based tools. Among them are the ASEAN Disaster Monitoring and Response System (DMRS) and Web-Based Emergency Operation Centre (WEBEOC). These tools help the team to record natural disasters in ASEAN region and share information in real time.

The Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) of the AHA Centre’s new office in Graha BNPB.
AHA Centre’s Tools for Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Response

DISASTER MONITORING AND RESPONSE SYSTEMS (DMRS)

Supported by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and developed by the Hawaii-based Pacific Disaster Centre (PDC), DMRS is a multi-hazard monitoring system that can consolidate hazard information from both international and regional resources in a near real-time system and provide alert message through emails. DMRS with the built-in geospatial layers also has an added function to provide "snapshot" of events and possible impacts by all potential natural hazards to the entire ASEAN region. DMRS enables the AHA Centre to receive information related to situational awareness and early warning, which helps AHA Centre’s function in disaster monitoring and analysis to support decision making process over potential emergency response.

In order to keep up with the progressing needs of the AHA Centre, the DRMS must stay updated to the latest version. This year, the AHA Centre with the support of PDC, has upgraded the DMRS into 5.3.3 version.
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ASEAN DISASTER INFORMATION NETWORK (ADInet)

Data mining and analysis on numbers of total disasters happening in the region are parts of the Disaster Monitoring and Analysis team’s portfolio. The team regularly records natural disasters that occur across ASEAN region in ADInet. This record is also open for public at www.adinet.ahacentre.org. Disasters will be reported in ADInet if they affect more than 100 people and cause damage to more than one sub-district.

Throughout 2016, ADInet recorded an increase number of disasters taking place in the ASEAN region. Back in 2014, there were 290 incidents and they decreased to 114 in 2015, but increased to 296 incidents in 2016, whereas numbers of affected populations in 2014 were 17,883,714, and 6,742,050 in 2015, and finally increased to 15,620,800 in 2016.

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WEB-BASED EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE (WEBEOC)

Real time communication is essential when it comes to disasters, including in ASEAN’s joint emergency response. Supported by the Government of Japan, WebEOC is the crisis information management system used to transmit and share ASEAN’s disaster related information in real-time between the AHA Centre and Member States’ National Disaster Management Organisations (NDMOs). WebEOC also allows the sharing of information with the United Nations and approved partners and stakeholders. The system enables real-time information sharing that helps emergency operations managers to take sound decisions immediately.
GENERATING FUTURE LEADERS OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT:

THE THIRD BATCH OF AHA CENTRE EXECUTIVE (ACE) PROGRAMME

Following the success of the first batch in 2014 and the second in 2015, the ACE programme continued to generate future leaders of disaster management in 2016 through the completion of the third batch. Attended by 16 participants across AMS who pursue career in disaster management field, the ACE programme is committed to equip the future leaders with new and improved curriculum. To expand participants’ knowledge on disaster management, a course on Post Disaster Need Assessment (PDNA) by United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) was added in the third batch.
THE THIRD BATCH OF AHA CENTRE EXECUTIVE (ACE) PROGRAMME

Established by the AHA Centre with the support from the Government of Japan through the Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF) in 2014, the ACE Programme provides capacity building in disaster management, particularly in regional emergency response and logistics system. With a series of training sessions that takes six months to accomplish, the participants will have the opportunity to understand the international humanitarian system and other core modules relevant to disaster management, including field visits. At the end of the programme, it is expected that the participants will enhance their skills and knowledge within the disaster management field.

The third ACE Programme was officiated on 1 April 2016 in ASEAN Secretariat, Jakarta, Indonesia. H.E. Dr. AKP Mochtar, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for Community and Corporate Affairs; H.E. Mr. Kazuo Sunaga, Ambassador of Japan to ASEAN; Mr. Said Faisal, the AHA Centre Executive Director attended the ceremony together with representatives from AMS, ASEAN Dialogue Partners, and partner agencies supporting the ACE Programme.

Spending 1,000 hours during the training, the officers experienced practical exercises to implement the knowledge shared by qualified trainers and speakers from various organisations in disaster management field.
Leaders Talk

Participants of the third batch of the ACE Programme also had the opportunity to listen to H.E. Kyung-wha Kang, the Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator of the UNOCHA, on her experience in building her career and becoming one of the top officials of the UN. The Leaders Talk is one of the most-awaited sessions of the ACE Programme. It aims to inspire the participants on what it takes to be a great leader and to build their leadership skills by learning from those who have become successful leaders in their respective fields.
Another part of the programme was the Humanitarian Logistics Training and Supply Chain. ACE Programme Officers were required to join a three-week training series focusing on humanitarian logistics and supply chain in Jakarta, Indonesia and it got continued in Subang, Malaysia. During the training, they learned three important aspects in humanitarian logistics: General Supply Chain Management, Operational Emergency Logistics, and Practical Emergency Logistics.
In July 2016, the officers visited Aceh for four days and learned about the mechanism when the tsunami struck. They learned about evacuation routes and community projects, visited the local tsunami museum, and learned about Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) facilitated by Indonesian Red Cross (PMI). Besides Aceh, the participants also had the opportunity to visit countries such as Japan and the Philippines.
Selection Process

In the Third Batch of the ACE Programme, a total of 16 officers from the following ASEAN Member States were selected: Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand, and Viet Nam.

The prestigious and innovative Programme relies on a competitive selection process to find the most promising future leaders of disaster management in the ASEAN region.

The ACE Programme is open to ASEAN nationalities through each NDMO of the AMS. To attract suitable and highly capable candidates for the Programme, AHA Centre sends out invitation letters to NDMOs of the AMS with specific Terms of Reference, list of requirements and a description of the Programme that need to be fulfilled.

After receiving the letter of invitation from the AHA Centre, each respective NDMO organise its own selection process to select the most suitable candidates. The maximum number of Officers who can take part in the Programme are two Officers per country per batch.

Upon finalising the selection process, each NDMOs of the AMS will submit their two nominations to AHA Centre in response to the invitation letter sent earlier.

The final decision on the selection process of the ACE Programme candidates will be made cooperatively between the National Focal Points of the ACDM and the AHA Centre. Once the decisions are made, AHA Centre will follow up the candidate nominations sent by the NDMOs by sending out the Confirmation and Acceptance Letter.

Having selected skilled candidates through a careful selection process, the chosen candidates fly out to Jakarta, Indonesia to commence the Programme. With a total of 1,000 hours’ worth of training, the ACE Programme Curriculum was designed to increase the theoretical as well as technical understanding of the Officers in hopes of shaping the most competent future leaders of disaster management in the ASEAN region.
ENHANCING CAPACITY

Understanding the fact that ASEAN is one of the most disaster-prone regions in the world, the AHA Centre recognises that preparedness and response are two important aspects in managing disasters. Moreover, logistics is also considered to be one of the most crucial aspects during both disaster and post-disaster periods. It becomes one of the cornerstones in which the Disaster Emergency Logistics System for ASEAN or known as DELSA was established.

Together with Malaysia’s National Disaster Management Agency (NADMA), the United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD), and Edelman Public Relations Malaysia, the AHA Centre held the Workshop for the Familiarisation of DELSA Stockpile and the AHA Centre Crisis Communications Tool (THE ACT) in Subang, Malaysia. The workshop, which was held on 1-3 March 2016, was open to all AMS and aimed to familiarise AHA Centre’s roles and responsibilities as well as the operating procedures on how to fully utilise the DELSA relief items and how the affected countries can benefit from them. Through the familiarisation session, it is expected that the participants will have the knowledge of the types and functions of assisting and operational items in the AHA Centre, as well as using operational equipment and its troubleshooting.

In addition to the Familiarisation Workshop of DELSA Stockpile, the AHA Centre organised the ACT Workshop targeted to Communications and Public Relations Officers of the NDMOs. The training is essential, considering potential reputational crisis that is likely to occur at any given moment due to disaster events. The ACT is a set of guidelines to represent the organisation, how to speak in one voice and communicate the overarching message of One ASEAN One Response among its stakeholders and to the overall ASEAN community.

During the training, participants had the opportunity to convey appropriate responses towards issues related to interview (verbal and non-verbal) and work on their bridging techniques. At the end of the workshop, the participants practised how to handle stockpile deployment to the affected regions, including handling media at the same time.

The workshop was successfully held through the support of JAIF from the Government of Japan. The training was attended by 23 participants coming from the AMS, representatives from Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (DMHA) Division of the ASEAN Secretariat, UNHRD, and the AHA Centre.

The Catalogue and Brochure of DELSA Relief Items contains list of items from ASEAN’s emergency stockpile warehouse, located in Malaysia.
Workshop for the Familiarisation of DELSA Stockpile and the AHA Centre Crisis Communications Tool (the ACT)
AHA CENTRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANISATION EXERCISE

To sustain the AHA Centre’s preparedness in its response to an emergency at any given moment, the AHA Centre conducts a regular exercise on a monthly basis for all staff. The exercise aims to ensure that the staff members are familiar with the planning process, communication mechanism, standard operation procedures and emergency operations structure as stated in the AHA Centre’s emergency response guidelines. Conducted on 22 January 2016, the one-day exercise focused on the ASEANWebEOC utilisation and the planning process of responding to a conditioned scenario.
ENHANCING CAPACITY

ASEAN JOINT DISASTER RESPONSE PLAN (AJDRP) WORKSHOP

As one of the most disaster-prone regions in the world, ASEAN must improve the speed and volume of disaster relief and emergency response. In their effort to do so, the AHA Centre with the support from the AMS and USAID developed the ASEAN Joint Disaster Response Plan (AJDRP). The AJDRP is designed to create a response plan for large-scale disasters caused by several types of natural disasters, such as earthquakes and tsunamis, volcano eruptions and tropical cyclones. The plan also considers three key factors: the government’s own disaster response plans and capacity, national reception and coordination, regional or global inputs, and the disaster occurrence trend.
The disaster response planning involves identifying, organising, and strengthening resources and capacities to reach a level of preparedness to ensure a fast, effective and collective response.

The elaboration on the development of the AJDRP is to ensure that appropriate and adequate arrangements are made in advance to minimise risks to disaster.

This plan depends on each of ASEAN Member State’s ability to support this agreement, on a voluntary basis to identify and earmark their available assets and capacities for disaster response, respecting the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the affected country.

The AJDRP is to support the affected country, in which the affected one will take the leadership role.

This arrangement will describe who will do what, when, with what resources, and by what authority before, during, and immediately after an emergency.

The AHA Centre with the support of the NDMOs of AMS will coordinate the development and execution.
Taking a step further, the AHA Centre conducted a two-day regional workshop for the development of AJDRP in February 2016 in Jakarta, Indonesia. The workshop aimed to:

1. Increase the understanding on the ASEAN’s mechanisms related to humanitarian assistance and disaster response,

2. Build awareness of a ‘One ASEAN, One Response’ concept and its impact towards disaster response within and outside the region,

3. Strengthen cooperation among AMS, the AHA Centre, and other humanitarian actors on the development of the AJDRP,

4. Identify minimum level of assets and capacities for ASEAN response and its availability in the region,

5. Better coordinate and facilitate assistance.

The workshop was opened by H.E. Le Luong Minh, Secretary-General of ASEAN and attended by Mr. Wisnu Widjaja, BNPB Deputy for Prevention and Preparedness as one of the keynote speakers. The workshop attracted 125 participants comprising AMS, United Nations agencies, Civil Society Organisations, Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, National Societies of Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement from the AMS, private sector networks, and ASEAN-related bodies.
ENHANCING CAPACITY

ASEAN WEBEOC REFRESHER COURSE AND WEBEOC IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP

WebEOC plays a significant role in the AHA Centre’s operation and needs further improvement so the software will be able to perform better in managing disasters in the ASEAN region. Besides the software, the AHA Centre also continues to develop the capability of people who use the software. As a part of the follow-up to the first WebEOC Familiarisation Workshop in 2014, the AHA Centre held the second workshop that lasted for three days on 21-24 June 2016 in Tokyo, Japan.

Supported by JAIF, the workshop invited each NDMO and involved participants from the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre. In general, the workshop was held with the purpose of enhancing the current ICT operational capacity and ensuring the reliability of current ICT facilities, including ASEAN WebEOC system and others applied at the AHA Centre. Furthermore, it is expected that connectivity between and among the EOC Operation Officers and EOC managers of all NDMOs from the AMS will be established. The connectivity is also expected to provide platform for NDMOs representatives to share their experience on WebEOC utilisation, knowledge on how WebEOC is applied in disaster management in Japan, and disseminate lessons from users to maximise WebEOC application and utilisation.
ENHANCING CAPACITY

ASEAN REGIONAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE SIMULATION EXERCISE (ARDEX) 2016

The National Disaster Management Centre of Brunei Darussalam together with the AHA Centre conducted the ASEAN Regional Disaster Emergency Response Simulation Exercise 2016 (ARDEX-16) on 29 November – 2 December 2016. This event was held to provide an opportunity to practice, evaluate and review the ASEAN Standard Operating Procedure for Regional Standby Arrangements and Coordination of Joint Disaster Relief and Emergency Response Operations (SASOP) in response to disasters.

ARDEX-16 consisted of two components: strategic and operational. At the strategic level, ARDEX practiced, evaluated and reviewed i) guides and templates for the ASEAN Standby Arrangements; ii) mechanisms to share and exchange information; iii) process of requesting and offering assistance; and iv) mechanisms to receive response entities. The scenario for this exercise involved a tropical cyclone causing storm surge, flood and landslide/mudslide and other types of disasters.
At the operational level, ARDEX tested the coordination mechanism between the National Disaster Management Centre of Brunei Darussalam with the Joint Operations Coordinating Centre of ASEAN (JOCCA), as well as with local and international humanitarian agencies such as the UNOCHA.

“This exercise gives emphasis on the operational tasking, deployment and coordination of rescue and relief efforts of participating teams from AMS and relevant United Nations agencies and international organisations as well. We thank the AHA Centre for co-hosting this event as well as other stakeholders who are involved,” said the Honourable Pehin Orang Kaya Seri Kerna Dato Seri Setia (Dr) Haji Awang Abu Bakar bin Haji Apong, Minister of Home Affairs of Brunei Darussalam.

“ARDEX will test and evaluate mechanisms pertaining to emergency response and disaster management, showcase our strengths in joint emergency response, and expose our shortcomings. Most importantly, ARDEX is designed to reflect on how well we are prepared and committed in assisting one another during the time of crisis,” said H.E Le Luong Minh, Secretary-General of ASEAN. ARDEX-16 was a joint simulation exercise that aimed to improve ASEAN’s collective emergency response mechanism when assisting an affected country. The simulation exercise also tested the role of the Secretary-General of ASEAN as the ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Coordinator (SG-AHAC) for a more effective and centralised ASEAN efforts in disaster relief and humanitarian assistance.

“ARDEX-16 aims to practice, evaluate and review the existing SASOP, facilitates a close and effective collaboration amongst ASEAN Member States in the spirit of One ASEAN One Response and between ASEAN and relevant United Nations agencies and international organisations in managing disaster,” said Mr. Said Faisal, Executive Director of the AHA Centre.

Participants for ARDEX-16 were coming from response forces from Brunei Darussalam, participating AMS, response teams from invited UN agencies, international organisations and partners including private organisations in the spirit of “One ASEAN One Response”. ARDEX-16 was supported by the Government of Germany, coordinated by Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH (GIDRM) and Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC).
1-2 February 2016 in Siem Reap, Cambodia

ASEAN-CHINA SEMINAR ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE

The AHA Centre participated in the ASEAN-China Seminar on Disaster Management and Emergency Response held on 1-2 February 2016 in Siem Reap, Cambodia, together with the representatives of AMS, ASEAN Secretariat, the Government of the People’s Republic of China, the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (APDC), and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC). Additionally, Yos Maryo Malole, the Preparedess and Response Officer for ERAT, delivered a presentation on the AHA Centre and ERAT in the seminar.

The seminar aimed to explore potential cooperation between China and AMS on disaster management and emergency response, including the AHA Centre. Taking “Role of NDMOs in Promoting Cooperation and Coordination and Addressing Challenges and Recommendations” as its theme, the seminar discussed the implementation of the ASEAN-China Memorandum of Understanding on Disaster Management, signed in October 2014. The MoU would provide China’s financial assistance to support the implementation of AADMER Work Programme, the operations of the AHA Centre and ASEAN Secretariat’s capacity building programme on disaster management. The implementation of the MoU will not only benefit the NDMOs in AMS, the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre, but also government officials at the sub-national level and the local communities in AMS through various capacity building and training courses.
The AHA Centre participated in the 15th ASEAN Regional Forum Inter-Sessional Meeting on Disaster Relief (ARF ISM on DR), which was held on 25-26 February 2016 in Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar. The meeting aimed to enhance the cooperation of ASEAN with other ARF participating countries in the areas of disaster relief and humanitarian assistance.

The 15th ASEAN Regional Forum Inter-Sessional Meeting on Disaster Relief

UNDER THE THEME OF “BUILDING A BETTER RESPONSE”, THE MEETING HIGHLIGHTED SIX MAIN TOPICS:

- LESSON LEARNT FROM THE RECENT DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS;
- ONE ASEAN ONE RESPONSE;
- DEVELOPMENT OF DISASTER RELIEF LEADERSHIP;
- READINESS TO RESPONSE;
- PROGRESS OF ARF WORK PLAN ON DISASTER RELIEF 2015-2017 AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES;
- REGIONAL COORDINATION.

Janggam Adityawarma, the Assistant Director for Operations of the AHA Centre, presented the ASEAN’s regional disaster management mechanisms, the AHA Centre’s operations, and the vision of One ASEAN One Response. There were over 100 participants from various backgrounds attending the meeting, including the AHA Centre. The high-level delegates from the 27 ARF participating countries (including from ten AMS) and other international organisations working in the areas of disaster relief and humanitarian assistance attended the forum.
The 8<sup>th</sup> DELSA Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting was organised by the AHA Centre in Jakarta, Indonesia on 22 March 2016. The DELSA project, supported by JAIF, was established in December 2012 to provide emergency relief items and disaster logistics support for AMS in the event of disasters in the ASEAN region. The DELSA project also aimed to enhance the capacity of the AHA Centre and AMS in disaster emergency logistics operations.

The meeting was organised by the AHA Centre in collaboration with the PSC members, consisting of Malaysia and Singapore as co-chairs, representatives from Japan Mission to ASEAN, JAIF Management Team, and the ASEAN Secretariat.

Each member of the AHA Centre’s DELSA Project Management Team presented progress updates in their respective areas. These included progress of ACE Programme, and AHA Centre’s and DELSA project’s work in communications and public relations, knowledge and change management, logistics, finance and the development of the DELSA Phase 2 project.

The PSC meeting was held back to back with the 11<sup>th</sup> Meeting of ACCM Working Group on Preparedness and Response and the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the ASEAN Technical Working Group on Civil-Military Coordination. The AHA Centre reported the progress of the DELSA project to the working group.
The Establishment of a Disaster Emergency Logistic System for ASEAN (DELSA)

PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
02-23 March 2016
Jakarta, Indonesia

The 8th ACDM Working Group on Preparedness and Response
MEETINGS

26 April 2016, Semarang, Indonesia

THE 28TH MEETING OF THE ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)

The 28th Meeting of the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) was held on 26 April 2016 in Semarang, Indonesia, to review and enhance regional cooperation on disaster management under the framework of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER). The meeting was attended by the ACDM Focal Points or their representatives from Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam as well as representatives from the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre. The meeting was officially opened by H.E. Ma Norith, Deputy Secretary-General of the National Committee for Disaster Management of the Kingdom of Cambodia as the outgoing Chair of the ACDM, H.E. Willem Rampangili, Chief of the National Disaster Management Authority (BNPB) of Indonesia and Mr. Ganjar Pranowo, Governor of Central Java, Indonesia as host.

During the opening ceremony, H.E. Ganjar Pranowo, welcomed all ASEAN delegates and representatives to Semarang and underlined the importance of tapping local knowledge from the communities to raise awareness on preparedness and building the resilience of local communities. H.E. Ma Norith as the Chair of ACDM for 2015, expressed gratitude to all AMS for supporting the chairmanship of Cambodia and formally handed over the chairmanship of ACDM to Mr. Dody Ruswandhi, Secretary-General of BNPB of Indonesia as Chair of ACDM for 2016.

The Meeting congratulated Cambodia for the effective leadership and delivery of the priorities identified in 2015, and welcomed Indonesia as the Chair of ACDM for 2016. Indonesia outlined the following priorities for 2016: i) adoption and signing of the Declaration on “One ASEAN One Response”; ii) formal establishment of the ACDM Working Group on Knowledge and Innovation Management; and iii) leveraging public-private partnerships to enhance resilience in ASEAN. Indonesia also offered to the AMS its tools and facilities on disaster management to further promote regional cooperation.
The 28th ACIM Meeting was held consecutively with the 4th Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre, the 5th Meeting of the Joint Task Force to Promote Synergy with Other Relevant ASEAN Bodies on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR), the ACIM Session on East Asia Summit (EAS) Cooperation on Disaster Management, and the 3rd AADMER Partnership Conference, which started from 26 April until 29 April 2016.

The meeting also highlighted four discussion topics as follows:

- **THE ACIM WORKING GROUPS UPDATES,**

- **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW AADMER WORK PROGRAMME 2016-2020,**

- **OPERATIONALISING ONE ASEAN ONE RESPONSE,**

- **INSTITUTIONALISING PARTNERSHIP OF ASEAN ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT.**
MEETINGS

27 April 2016, Semarang, Indonesia

THE 4TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE AHA CENTRE

The 4th Meeting of the Governing Board of AHA Centre was conducted on 27 April 2016 and attended by National Focal Points of the Parties of the AADMER from Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Viet Nam, and representatives from the AHA Centre as the Secretariat to the Governing Board and the ASEAN Secretariat as ex-officio member.

Mr. Dody Ruswandi, Secretary-General of BNPB of Indonesia as Chair of the Governing Board of AHA Centre officially opened the meeting with the support from Mr. Prasong Vonkhamchanh, Director-General of Social Welfare Department of Lao PDR as the Vice Chair. During the opening of the meeting, the Chair underlined the accomplishments of the AHA Centre and its responsibilities due to the ever-increasing frequency of disasters in the region. The AHA Centre Executive Director informed several updates on the operationalisation of the AHA Centre, financial status and implementation of the AHA Centre 2016 Work Plan. Some of the highlights were the process of the AHA Centre’s office relocation to the new office at Graha BNPB in Jalan Pramuka, East Jakarta. The Executive Director conveyed his sincere gratitude to the Government of Indonesia for providing one entire floor for AHA Centre’s office at the new BNPB building.

The meeting noted the implementation progress of the AHA Centre Work Plan 2016, which was adopted at the 3rd Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre. Based on the ProTrack v.1.0 as a monitoring tool, the implementation of the AHA Centre Work Plan 2016 had progressed to 17% with the understanding that many activities would be implemented during the second half of the year and the AHA Centre would need to secure funding from external sources from some activities.

Executive Director of the AHA Centre introduced the meeting with the new partnership between the AHA Centre and the Global Initiative on Disaster Risk Management of the Government of Germany, coordinated by GIDRM and SDC. During the meeting, the AHA Centre also informed the tremendous support from ASEAN Dialogue Partners such as Australia, European Union, Japan, New Zealand and USA, who had contributed to the AHA Centre through various projects, capacity building programmes, support to AHA Centre’s operationalisation and provision of advisory services. Lastly, members of the meeting were updated on the official signing of the Host Country Agreement between the AHA Centre and the Government of Indonesia, which was conducted on 23 February 2016 as a side event during AJDRP workshop.
28 April 2016, Semarang, Indonesia

THE 5TH MEETING OF THE JOINT TASK FORCE TO PROMOTE SYNERGY WITH OTHER RELEVANT ASEAN BODIES ON HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF (HADR) AND 3RD AADMER PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE

On 28 April 2016, participants of the 28th ACDM Meeting joined representatives from other relevant ASEAN bodies on HADR for the 5th Meeting of the Joint Task Force.

The discussion in the meeting was around several plans of ASEAN on HADR exercises in 2016 such as:

- ASEAN REGIONAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE SIMULATION EXERCISE (ARDEX), TO BE HELD IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM,
- TABLE-TOP EXERCISE FOR THE EAST ASIA SUMMIT RAPID DISASTER RESPONSE TOOLKIT, TO BE HELD IN INDONESIA,
- ASEAN DEFENCE MINISTERS MEETING (ADMM) PLUS EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON HADR (ADMM-PLUS EWG ON HADR) EXERCISE, TO BE HELD IN THAILAND.

Meanwhile, the 3rd AADMER Partnership Conference was held on the last day on 29 April 2016. The main highlights in the conference were the introduction of the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management and the AADMER Work Programme 2026-2030 to the ASEAN Dialogue Partners and other partner organisations. The conference was attended by all AMS, the ASEAN Secretariat, the AHA Centre, ASEAN Dialogue Partners and current and potential partners of ASEAN in disaster management.
Convened by the United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) aimed to reinvigorate commitment for humanity and reach high-level commitment to universal humanitarian principles by addressing humanitarian problems and bringing world leaders together to agree upon ways of moving forward. Taking place in Istanbul, Turkey on 23-24 May 2016, the WHS involved 9,000 participants from around the world to support a new shared Agenda for Humanity and take action to prevent and reduce human suffering. Among participants of the summit were global leaders within the government and business organisations, regional organisations, aid organisations, civil society organisations, and affected communities and youth.
On 22 May 2016, a day prior to the World Humanitarian Summit, the ASEAN Ministers in charge of Disaster Management convened the Informal ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management (IAMMDM) to prepare ASEAN’s participation in the summit, and discuss current and emerging disaster trends, in particular the drought that had affected many of the AMS. The meeting was chaired by H.E. Willem Rampangilei, the Chief of BNPB Indonesia as Chair of IAMMDM and AADMER Conference of the Parties, and attended by Ministers in charge of Disaster Management, Secretary-General of ASEAN H.E. Le Luong Minh, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community H.E. Vonghep Arthakaivalvatee, the Executive Director of the AHA Centre, Mr. Said Faisal, and their respective delegations.
The Ministers issued a joint statement in support of the Agenda for Humanity. The statement highlighted national leadership and regional partnership as key strategies of ASEAN for achieving a resilient ASEAN Community. The joint statement was delivered by H.E. Willem Rampangilei during the plenary session of the WHS.

**Participation in High-Level Roundtables and Special Sessions of the WHS**

During the summit, the AHA Centre participated as part of the ASEAN delegation together with the high-level officials from AMS and ASEAN Secretariat. ASEAN’s active participation throughout the summit showed ASEAN’s commitment to the global effort to prevent and reduce human crises and sufferings. ASEAN participated in high-level roundtables and special sessions attended by Heads of State/Government, heads of UN agencies, international organisations, civil society organisations, and other persons of influence. Secretary-General of ASEAN participated in the High-Level Roundtable on “Delivering Aid to Ending Need”, and Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community spoke in the Special Session on “Global Health”. Ministers and high-level representatives of AMS also participated in other high-level roundtables and special sessions of the summit.

ASEAN Secretary-General, together with secretaries-general and leaders of 11 other regional organisations from around the world, participated in a WHS special session on “Regional Action for Global Challenge” and launched the Regional Organisations Humanitarian Action Network (ROHAN). ROHAN was established to strengthen capacities and collaboration within and between regional organisations that have been increasing their capacity to complement both national and international humanitarian response and preparedness efforts.
Attendees at the special session on Regional Action for Global Challenges
1. H.E. Ban Ki-moon at one of the High-Level Leaders’ Roundtables (Photo credit: The World Humanitarian Summit)

2. Regional Action for Global Challenges

3. (From left to right) Ms. Adelina Kamat, Director for Sustainable Development Directorate of ASEAN Secretariat; H.E. Vongphap Arthakaivalvadee, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for Socio-Cultural Community; Mr. Said Faisal, Executive Director of the AHA Centre

4. H.E. Willem Rampangilei, Chief of Indonesian National Disaster Management Authority, delivering the ASEAN Joint Statement at World Humanitarian Summit

5. Ribbon cutting ceremony at the opening of the ASEAN exhibition booth
ASEAN-UN PARTNERSHIP:
MOVING FORWARD

ASEAN also organised a WHS side event on the second day of the summit on 24 May 2016. It set the objectives as the following:

1. To highlight lessons learnt, good practices and inter-operability between ASEAN and the UN,

2. To highlight the coordination between AHA Centre and OCHA and how it has been effectively exercised in relief operations,

3. To reflect on the achievements of the implementation of the ASEAN-UN Joint Strategic Plan of Action on Disaster Management,

4. To launch the ASEAN-UN Joint Strategic Plan of Action on Disaster Management 2016-2020.

The session, with the theme of “ASEAN-UN Partnership: Moving Forward” featured prominent speakers, i.e. H.E. Willem Rampangilei, Chief of BNPB Indonesia as Chair of AMMDM, H.E. Kyung-wha Kang, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Emergency Relief Coordinator for UN OCHA, H.E. Tan Sri Dr. Jemilah Mahmood, Under Secretary-General for Partnership of the IFRC, and Mr. Said Faisal, Executive Director of the AHA Centre. Moderated by Ms. Adelina Kamal, Director for Sustainable Development of the ASEAN Secretariat, the side event also launched the newly-adopted ASEAN-UN Joint Strategic Plan of Action on Disaster Management 2016-2020. ASEAN also participated in the exhibition fair to showcase ASEAN’s experience and exhibit the region’s knowledge in disaster management and humanitarian actions.

During the forum, Mr. Said Faisal cited the ASEAN-UN partnership as one that is “not just about talk but action”, and mentioned the deployment of ASEAN emergency response and assessment personnel as part of joint ASEAN and UN responses in Yemen and Fiji to illustrate the strength of partnership.
IMPLEMENTING THE SENDAI FRAMEWORK TO REDUCE THE HUMANITARIAN BURDEN: ASEAN RESILIENCE IN PRACTICE

The AHA Centre in cooperation with MERCY Malaysia, European Commission, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction held a WHS side event on 24 May 2016 “Implementing the Sendai Framework to Reduce the Humanitarian Burden: ASEAN Resilience in Practice”. Reflecting its title, this side event not only made the case for increased investment in local disaster risk reduction efforts, improvement in coordination among disaster management and humanitarian actors, but also implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, launched a year before at the World Conference on DRR in Sendai, Japan in 2015.

The Sendai Framework is a 15-year non-binding agreement that acknowledges the role of the states, together with other stakeholders including the local government and the private sector, to share the responsibility to reduce disaster risks. The framework to be implemented from 2015 up to 2030 aims to substantially reduce disaster risks and losses of lives, livelihoods, health, and in the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of persons, business, communities, and countries.
25-26 July 2016, Jakarta, Indonesia

THE 1ST MEETING OF THE ACDM WORKING GROUP ON KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION MANAGEMENT

Following an informal gathering of Knowledge and Innovation Management (KIM) members at the sidelines of the 28th ACDM Meeting in April 2016, the AHA Centre participated in the 1st Meeting of the ACDM Working Group on KIM on 25-26 July 2016 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The priority programme of KIM Working Group aims to strengthen ASEAN’s regional knowledge management system and mechanism, and professionalism to enable ASEAN in becoming the global leader and the centre of excellence and innovations in disaster management.
During the meeting, three programmes of KIM were discussed:

- **Establishing an Integrated Regional Disaster Management Knowledge Hub,**

- **Building Professionalism in Disaster Management through Standardisation and Certification,**

- **Creating Innovations that Could Transform the Way Disasters Are Managed.**

Indonesia, Singapore, and Viet Nam as the co-chairs of the ACDM Working Group on KIM attended the meeting, together with representatives of the ASEAN Secretariat and members of the Working Group from AMS, and relevant partners.

In addition to the discussion on the priority programme, the meeting discussed preparation for the 2016 ASEAN Strategic Policy Dialogue on Disaster Management (SPDDM) in Singapore. Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) as ACDM Focal Point for Singapore, ASEAN Secretariat, and AHA Centre would join forces to organise the 2016 SPDDM with the support from Corporate Citizen Foundation (CCF), Singapore.
In supporting the dissemination of information both during disaster and non-disaster situations, the AHA Centre applies an integrated ICT system. In developing the system with the support from the Government of Japan, the AHA Centre has implemented three phases of ICT project. The completed phase I project focused on establishing ICT platforms, systems, and equipment for the AHA Centre’s Emergency Operation Centre (EOC).

Phase II project concentrated on the ICT support towards the connectivity between the AHA Centre and NDMOs during disaster and non-disaster situations. By using ICT, the AHA Centre and NDMOs in the AMS are capable of having a seamless information sharing.
Held on 27 July in Jakarta, the Phase III project focused on the software and hardware sustainability and its management in supporting the operations of the AHA Centre. The committee discussed the project progress and strategies to improve the maximum operation of ICT software and hardware. The activities under the project included:

- Implementation of the Data Backup System in SCDF, Singapore,
- E-Learning System Development to be a Shared Platform to Facilitate Studies on Disaster Management for NDMOS,
- Implementation of Backup Office at Graha BNPB, 13th Floor,
- WBEOC Enhancement.
ASEAN STRATEGIC POLICY DIALOGUE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ASPDDM)

The first ASEAN Strategic Policy Dialogue on Disaster Management (ASPDDM) was successfully carried out last year in 2015 Singapore and came up with the “ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management” as a strategic direction for ASEAN to serve better in disaster management for the next ten years. In advancing the ASEAN's strategic engagements and leadership in disaster management, the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) has decided to convene the ASEAN SPDDM as an annual event in Singapore. The 2016 ASEAN SPDDM was jointly organised by Singapore Civil Defence Force (SCDF) as ACDM Focal Point for Singapore, the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre, and supported by the ASEAN Disaster Management and Emergency Relief (ADMER) Fund and the Corporate Citizen Foundation (CCF).
Facilitated by the Executive Director of the AHA Centre, Mr. Said Faisal, the focus of 2016 ASEAN SPDDM was the CEOs Talk featuring Mr. Markham Shaw, the Executive Vice President of the Shaw Organisation Group of Companies Singapore, Mr. Karl Loo, Co-Founder and CEO of ServisHero Malaysia, and Ms. Ivy Kamadjaja, the Deputy CEO of Kamadjaja Logistics Indonesia; all of them contributed as the keynote panelists of the event. The CEOs shared their experiences in promoting innovations in their business processes, and their views on how ASEAN should embrace innovations to enhance disaster management cooperation within the ASEAN region.

Mr. Said Faisal said that the role of private sector in disaster management is significant due to their extensive resources and capacities, enabling faster and bigger response in disasters, in line with the inclusive approach of “One ASEAN One Response” vision, where all actors including private sector are jointly responding to disasters as one.

As disasters may have direct impact on business, it is important for the private sector to play an essential role in realising the resilient community of ASEAN by having a sound business continuity plan through innovations, as well as responding to disasters and taking steps to reduce disaster losses. The ASEAN SPDDM was attended by 120 participants, comprising the Heads of the NDMOs of AMS as ACDM Focal Points, Ambassadors of ASEAN Dialogue Partners and other countries, relevant UN agencies, business owners and leaders, civil society partners and many more.
The AHA Centre organised the Final EPT Meeting for ARDEX on 5-6 September 2016, followed by the 1st ARDEX Referee Training on 7-8 September 2016 in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam. ARDEX aimed to practice, assess, and review disaster emergency response mechanisms under the ASEAN Standard Operating Procedure for Regional Standby Arrangements and Coordination of Joint Disaster Relief and Emergency Response Operations (SASOP) in facilitating close and effective collaboration among the affected country, other AMS and between ASEAN and the relevant United Nations and international organisations in handling a major disaster as stated in the SASOP.
Meanwhile, the ARDEX Referee Training was organised to establish a pool of well-trained referees in the region who would help to evaluate the ARDEX exercises, and other regional and national exercises. Competences of referees’ allocation, behaviour in groups, command and control, observation on how to avoid biases and pitfalls, and skills attitude, and behaviour of ARDEX Referees were the topics shared and learned during the training.

Both the Final EPT Meeting for ARDEX and the First ARDEX Referee Training were supported by the Global Initiative on Disaster Risk Management (GIDRM) and Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC). These partners also provided technical assistance for the ARDEX planning and the referee training.
The AHA Centre organised the 9th DELSA Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting, which was held on 27 September 2016 at the SCDF Headquarter in Singapore. The meeting was co-chaired by Malaysia and Singapore as co-chairs of the ACDM Working Group on Preparedness and Response, and attended by representatives from Japan Mission to ASEAN, JAIF Management Team, the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre.

There were 12 agenda items adopted during the meeting, some of which were:

- UPDATE OF ACTIVITIES RESULTING FROM THE PREVIOUS THE 8TH DELSA PSC MEETING IN MARCH 2016;
- UPDATE OF DELSA STOCKPILES AND THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS STATUS OF 2ND BATCH PROCUREMENT OF STOCKPILE ITEMS, AND THE PREPARATORY WORKS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SATELLITE WAREHOUSES IN THAILAND AND PHILIPPINES; AND
- DEVELOPMENT OF THE ASEAN EMERGENCY LOGISTICS ROADMAP;
- UPDATE OF THE COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES;

Apart from discussing the 12 agenda items, the meeting discussed and reviewed the very first DELSA Relief Items Catalogue. The meeting recommended the AHA Centre for preparing the catalogue and suggested that the catalogue be presented at the ACDM Meeting and the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management in October 2016 in Manado, Indonesia.

The PSC meeting was held back to back with the 12th Meeting of ACDM Working Group on Preparedness and Response and the 5th Meeting of the ASEAN Technical Working Group on Civil-Military Coordination. The AHA Centre participated in the working group meetings to promote One ASEAN One Response and enhance civil-military coordination in ASEAN.
MEETINGS

11 – 13 October 2016, Manado, Indonesia

THE 29TH MEETING OF ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)

Hosted by BNPB of Indonesia, the 29th Meeting of the ACDM was convened in Manado, Indonesia. The meeting discussed implementation of the AADMER Work Programme and other related issues on disaster management cooperation in ASEAN.

The 29th Meeting of the ACDM was held back-to-back with the 5th Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre, the 6th Meeting of the Joint Task Force to Promote Synergy with Other Relevant ASEAN Bodies on HADR, the 4th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management (AMMADM), the 5th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the AADMER (COP to AADMER), and the commemoration of the 2016 ASEAN Day for Disaster Management (AADDM) and the Disaster Risk Reduction Month in Indonesia. These events were held on 11 – 13 October 2016.

The ACDM convened the meetings with main objective to strengthen resilience among ASEAN Member States, and this became the main theme for the 2016 ASEAN Day on Disaster Management i.e. “One ASEAN Community for Better Resilience”. One of the highlights of the meeting was the review on the implementation of the AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020. The co-chairs of the five Working Groups presented updates on achievements and key issues on implementation of the AADMER Work Programmes under their respective purviews. The meeting also discussed ways to operationalise the Declaration on “One ASEAN One Response”.

The ASEAN Secretariat briefed the meeting on the signing of the ASEAN Declaration on “One ASEAN One Response: ASEAN Responding to Disasters as One in the Region and Outside the Region” by the ASEAN Leaders at the 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits on 6 September 2016 in Vientiane, Lao PDR.
The 5th Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre was held on 12 October 2016 in Manado, North Sulawesi, Indonesia. The meeting was held back-to-back with the 29th Meeting of the ACDM and other related meetings.

One of the highlights of the meeting was the progress report of the AHA Centre since the last Governing Board meeting held in Semarang in April 2016. This also included the progress report of the new AHA Centre’s office reconstruction, which started in October 2016 and was expected to be concluded and launched by November 2016 during the five-year anniversary of the AHA Centre.

The 2nd Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre held in Phnom Penh in April 2015 suggested that the AHA Centre develop a longer term blueprint, such as 10-year plan, 5-year mid-term plan and annual work plan. Following this decision, the meeting noted the development of the AHA Centre Work Plan 2020, which carefully considered various existing documents such as AADMER, the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre, the ASEAN Vision on the Establishment of the AHA CENTRE, AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020, as well as AHA Centre’s lessons learned and various consultants’ reports. The development of the work plan was expected to conclude by the end of 2016 and circulated to the Governing Board in early 2017 for approval.

In addition to finalising the five-year work plan, the meeting agreed to create two new positions as additional core staff for the AHA Centre, i.e. a Deputy Executive Director and a Resource Mobilisation Manager, to ensure financial sustainability of the AHA Centre, among others. The organisational re-structuring was based on the outcomes of the 3rd Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre held on 15 December 2015 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.
ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE AHA CENTRE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Office of Executive Director

DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Communications & Public Relations Officer
Knowledge & Change Management Officer

Resource Mobilisation Manager
Executive Assistant

DIRECTOR FOR CORPORATE AFFAIRS

HR/Admin Officer
Admin Assistant
Finance Coordinator

Finance Officer
Finance Assistant
Finance Officer/Assistant (Project)

DIRECTOR FOR OPERATIONS

Assistant Director - Disaster Monitoring & Analysis

Disaster Monitoring & Analysis Officer

Preparedness & Response Officer (ERAT)
Preparedness & Response Officer (Logistics)

Assistant Director - Emergency Preparedness and Response

Preparedness & Response Officer
Information & Communications Officer

Project Management Team
13 October 2016, Manado, Indonesia

THE 4th ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND THE 5th MEETING OF CONFERENCE OF PARTIES TO AADMER

The 4th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management (AMMDDM) and 5th Meeting of the COP to AADMER was convened as a joint session on 13 October 2016.

H.E. Willem Rampangliei, Chief of BNBP of Indonesia as Chair of AMMDDM for 2016 called for collaboration, cooperation, and commitment from all parties, including private sector, to ensure effective disaster management cooperation in the region.

The meeting was opened by H.E. Basuki Hadimuljono, Minister for Public Works and Housing of Republic of Indonesia and attended by Ministries in charge of Disaster Management from all ASEAN Member States or their representatives, the Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community, the Executive Director of the AHA Centre, and their respective delegations.

2016 ASEAN DAY FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ADDMD)

The commemoration of the 2016 ASEAN Day for Disaster Management (ADDMD) was held on 13 October 2016. The event aimed to raise more awareness and garner support for ASEAN’s efforts towards disaster risk reduction and management.

The ASEAN Ministers in charge of Disaster Management from the AMS together with the ASEAN Secretariat and the AHA Centre participated in the commemoration day to solidify efforts towards a disaster-resilient ASEAN Community. One of the highlights during the commemoration day was mangrove plantation by the Ministers, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community and the Executive Director of the AHA Centre, along with the provincial government of the North Sulawesi Province and the local community. The activity was followed by coral reef transplantation at Bahowo beach in Manado, Indonesia.

H.E. Willem Rampangliei as Chair of the AMMDDM said during the opening ceremony that, “One ASEAN, One Response is like the mangrove we planted. It takes time to grow, to be nurtured and to be strong. It will be a long-term gain achieved through long-term policies and commitment”.

The activity was also a kick-off for the commemoration of Disaster Risk Reduction Month in Indonesia.

Overall, the series of activities in October 2016 in Manado, Indonesia reflected the continuous effort of ASEAN and its partners to further enhance ASEAN’s preparedness and response to disasters, and to achieve a disaster-resilient community.
The AHA Centre Annual Report 2016

Opening of the ASEAN Day for Disaster Management 2016

ASEAN’s coral reef transplantation to be located in the Bahawa beach ocean as part of the ADDM’s ceremony 2016

Mangrove plantation by the ASEAN Member States during the ADDM.
ASEAN Day for Disaster Management 2016

“ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE IS LIKE THE MANGROVE WE PLANTED. IT TAKES TIME TO GROW, TO BE NURTURED AND TO BE STRONG. IT WILL BE A LONG-TERM GAIN ACHIEVED THROUGH LONG-TERM POLICIES AND COMMITMENT”.

H.E. WILLEM RAMPAANGE
Chair of AMDM for 2016 and Chief of BNPB Indonesia
The AHA Centre hosted the Special Meeting of the Governing Board on 17 November 2016, chaired by Mr. Dody Ruswandhi, Secretary-General of BNPB Indonesia as Chair of the Governing Board for 2016. Among key issues discussed was the selection mechanism of the new Executive Director of the AHA Centre. ACM Focal Points or their representatives who participated in the Governing Board Meeting also joined the subsequent events held to commemorate the five-year anniversary of the AHA Centre.

The two-day workshop on 15-16 December 2016 in Manila, the Philippines aimed to develop a roadmap for the adaptation and implementation of Incident Command System (ICS) in the region. To achieve the vision, it is suggested that ASEAN should develop highly skilled, credible, and professional Incident Management Teams (IMTs) and enhance regional joint response mechanism.

As the first step, through the ICS Working Group Meeting and Workshop, the AHA Centre invited Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Myanmar, Philippines, and Thailand to be involved in the development of the ASEAN Roadmap on ICS as these countries had adapted or integrated the ICS in their respective countries.
There were three key issues discussed in the workshop:

- **FORMALISING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ICS TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (ICS TWG) AND FINALISED THE TERMS OF REFERENCES (TORs).**

- **FINALISING THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE FIVE-YEAR ASEAN ICS ROADMAP.**

- **EXCHANGING INFORMATION ON THE ICS IMPLEMENTATION IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES.**

It was proposed that the ICS TWG would consist of ICS practitioners from AMS that had integrated ICS into their national disaster management systems, i.e. Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, as well as the AHA Centre. The ICS TWG would work under the direction of the ACDM Working Group on Preparedness and Response.

The workshop was organised through the AHA Centre’s collaboration with the Office of Civil Defence (OCD) of National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRMC) of the Philippines, with the support of the United States Forest Service (USFS).
THE FOUNDING FATHERS

THE ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM) AS OF DECEMBER 2016

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National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council
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Philippines

Useck Ricardo B. Jalad
Administrator/ Executive Director

VIET NAM
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Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
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Mr. Van Phu Chinh
Director of Department
In line with the vision of One ASEAN One Response introduced in 2015, the AHA Centre throughout the year of 2016 continued to build awareness about the vision through several activities that involved various stakeholders, including government agencies related to disaster management, Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement, civil society, academe, private sector, media and many others.
Lao PDR’s National Disaster Management Office together with the AHA Centre joined forces in conducting “One ASEAN, One Response” Roadshow in Vientiane, Lao PDR on 14-16 March 2016. The objectives of this event were to socialise the ASEAN’s regional mechanisms on disaster management and introduce the One ASEAN One Response vision, to unite all relevant sectors and stakeholders in AMS to respond to disasters as one.
"WE BELIEVE THE ROADSHOW IS INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING TOGETHER ALL OF THE KEY STAKEHOLDERS IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE IN ASEAN AND CREATING A STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ACROSS ALL SECTORS IN LAO PDR TO BE ONE IN RESPONDING TO DISASTERS"

MR. PRASONG VONGKHAMCHANH
Director-General of Social Welfare
Department of Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, Lao PDR

"ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE" ROADSHOW IN LAO PDR

As a part of the roadshow, the AHA Centre visited relevant ministries in Vientiane and invited representatives of embassies of AMS in Vientiane to be present during the roadshow.

“One ASEAN, One Response is the vision where ASEAN is moving forward. It is about speed, scale and solidarity, speed of response, scale of resources that can be mobilised and inclusive solidarity in responding to disasters. It envisions unity and solidarity among ten ASEAN Member States. Therefore, we would like to extend our deepest appreciation for the continuous support from all ASEAN Member States, which enables us further in achieving One ASEAN, One Response", said Mr. Said Faisal, the Executive Director of the AHA Centre. The roadshow also involved other stakeholders such as the civil society and private sector.

“One ASEAN One Response” roadshows have been conducted in four other AMS, namely Indonesia, Philippines, Thailand and Cambodia, since the vision was conceived in 2015.
Mini exhibition of the DEESIA relief items during the roadshow
6-8 September 2016,
Vientiane, Lao PDR

SIGNING CEREMONY OF THE
ASEAN DECLARATION ON

“ONE ASEAN,
ONE RESPONSE:

ASEAN RESPONDING TO
DISASTERS AS ONE IN THE
REGION AND OUTSIDE THE
REGION”

The vision of One ASEAN One Response was introduced in 2015 to enable ASEAN to move forward and unite as one in responding to disasters within and outside the region. The vision came out from the AHA Centre’s experience and lessons in responding to Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines in 2013. The vision was also based on the main objective of the AADMER to achieve collective response to disasters. Inspired by the establishment of the ASEAN Community in 2015, the AHA Centre introduced the vision of One ASEAN One Response to the ACCM in 2015, and the vision was subsequently enumerated into a draft ASEAN Declaration on “One ASEAN, One Response: ASEAN Responding to Disasters as One in the Region and Outside the Region”. The draft Declaration was endorsed by the ASEAN Ministers in charge of Disaster Management in December 2015 in Cambodia, and was subsequently adopted and signed by the ASEAN Leaders on 6 September 2016 during the 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits in Vientiane, Lao PDR.

The Declaration also tasked the AHA Centre, under the strategic guidance of the AMMCD, the Conference of the Parties to the AADMER and the ACCM, to operationalise One ASEAN One Response, including development of necessary protocols to prescribe measures, procedures and standards as well as engagements with relevant sectors and stakeholders in ASEAN.
14 November 2016 in Singapore

THE SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF INTENT (MOI) BETWEEN THE AHA CENTRE AND THE SHAW FOUNDATION

The AHA Centre signed Memorandum of Intent (MoI) with the Shaw Foundation on 14 November 2016 in Singapore. Under the MoI, the Shaw Foundation will contribute resources and funding towards the AHA Centre’s activity in the realm of disaster management which will further strengthen the AHA Centre’s capacity to deliver timely and at scale joint response to disaster. The MoI was signed by Mr. Said Faisal, the Executive Director of the AHA Centre and Mr. Markham Shaw, Senior Vice President of The Shaw Organisation Group Companies.

Mr. Markham Shaw was one of the key panellists of the 2016 ASEAN SPDDM held in August 2016 which featured partnership with the private sector and innovations in disaster management.

From left Mr. Said Faisal, Executive Director of AHA Centre and Mr. Markham Shaw, Executive Vice President of the Shaw Organisation Group of Companies signing the MOI witnessed by H.E. Desmond Lee, Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of National Development.
ENGAGING WITH STAKEHOLDERS

THE COLUMN

As of December 2016, the AHA Centre has come up with 24 editions. The column has been distributed widely to the NDMOs and relevant Government organisations in AMS as well as key partners and stakeholders.
MEDIA OUTREACH

THE AHA CENTRE CONSIDERS THAT MEDIA IS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT STAKEHOLDERS TO BE ENGAGED WITH.

Throughout 2016, the AHA Centre conducted several media engagements through some events, including:

- “ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE” ROADSHOW IN LAO PDR, MARCH 2016,
- 28TH ACDM MEETING AND RELATED MEETINGS, SEMARANG, INDONESIA, APRIL 2016,
- ASEAN STRATEGIC POLICY DIALOGUE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (SPDDM), AUGUST 2016, SINGAPORE,
- 29TH ACDM MEETING AND RELATED MEETINGS, MANADO, INDONESIA, OCTOBER 2016.

The AHA Centre engaged with prominent media for the said events by sharing press releases, and gathering their news reports.
VISITS TO
THE AHA CENTRE

THROUGHOUT 2016, THE AHA CENTRE RECEIVED 38 VISITS OF KEY INDIVIDUALS FROM AMS, ASEAN SECRETARIAT, ASEAN DIALOGUE PARTNERS, UN AGENCIES, ASEAN BODIES, CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS AND MANY OTHER PARTNER AGENCIES TO SHARE ABOUT DISASTER MANAGEMENT COOPERATION IN ASEAN AND DISCUSS THE WORK OF THE AHA CENTRE.

January 2016

1 19/01/16
DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF ASEAN FOR ASEAN SOCIO-CULTURAL COMMUNITY, H.E. VONGTHEP ARTNAKAIVALVATEE

2 11/01/16
EU AMBASSADOR TO ASEAN, H.E. FRANCISCO FONTAN PARDO

3 15/01/16
PRESIDENT AND CEO OF US-ASEAN BUSINESS COUNCIL, MR. ALEXANDER FELDMAN

4 20/01/16
PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINE DISASTER RECOVERY FOUNDATION (PDRF), MR. RENE BUTCH S. MEILY

February 2016

1 16/02/16
AMBASSADOR AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THAILAND TO ASEAN, H.E. BUSADEE SANTIPITAKS

2 22/02/16
DIRECTOR OF POLICY AND PARTNERSHIP OF INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF VOLUNTARY AGENCIES (ICVA), MR. RAFAEL GORGEU

3 26/02/16
UNOCHA CONSULTANT, MR. DAVE HODGKIN
March 2016

1 31/03/16
   ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL AND DEPUTY EMERGENCY RELIEF COORDINATOR FOR UNOCHA, H.E. KYUNG-WHA KANG

April 2016

1 06/04/16
   EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF MERCY RELIEF SINGAPORE, MS. ZANG TINGJUN

2 05/04/16
   DIRECTOR OF CAPABILITY AND INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AUSTRALIA, MR. MATTHEW HARPER

3 19/04/16
   MISSION DIRECTOR OF USAID ASIA, MS. BETH S. PAIGE

4 13/04/16
   CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE OF USPACOM, AND STUDENTS FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

5 25/04/16
   UNDERSECRETARY, DISASTER MANAGEMENT DIVISION OF NADMA MALAYSIA, MR. MOHD ARIFF

May 2016

1 12/05/16
   ATTACHMENT OFFICERS FROM CAMBODIA, LAO PDR, MYANMAR, AND CAMBODIA CLMW INITIATIVE FOR ASEAN INTEGRATION (IAI) DIVISION, ASEAN SECRETARIAT

2 11/05/16
   PARTICIPANTS OF ASEAN AIRFORCE EDUCATION AND TRAINING (AAETF) OF INDONESIA AIR FORCE

June 2016

1 08/06/16
   DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL THAILAND, MR. SOMKIAT SRIRIPRERT

2 07/06/16
   DIRECTOR FOR INTERNATIONAL ISSUES AT THE JAPAN MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (JMOD), MS. MITSUKO HAYASHI

July 2016

1 04/07/16
   SPECIAL ENVOY FOR DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT OF NEW ZEALAND EMBASSY, H.E. PHILIP GIBSON

2 27/07/16
   CMO OF ACASIA MR. SATYA RIYATSYAH

3 13/07/16
   NETWORK ON HUMANITARIAN ACTION (NOHA), PROF. JOOST HERMAN

August 2016

1 02/08/16
   DEPUTY DG OF GLOBAL OF NEW ZEALAND EMBASSY, MR. ANTON OJALA

2 04/08/16
   DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF RELIEF AND RESETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT, MYANMAR, DR. KO KO NAING

September 2016

1 01/09/16
   DG MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION JAPAN, MR. YASHUIKO TANIWAKI

2 06/09/16
   FIRST SECRETARY OF AUSTRALIA EMBASSY, MR. CHARLES THURSBY-PHELAM

October 2016

1 17/10/16
   PRESIDENT OF US-ASEAN BUSINESS COUNCIL, MR. ALEXANDER FELDMANN

2 06/10/16
   AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO ASEAN, H.E. JANE DUKE

3 18/10/16
   DIRECTOR, STRATEGY AND PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT DIVISION, UNESCO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC (UNECAP), MR. ADNAN ALIANI

November 2016

1 02/11/16
   SECRETARIAT OF ASEAN CENTRE FOR MILITARY MEDICINE, COL. PRAMOTE IMWATTANA

2 23/11/16

December 2016

1 02/11/16
   ASIA PACIFIC DRR COORDINATOR OF IFRC, MR. JEONG PARK AND HEAD OF COUNTRY CLUSTER SUPPORT TEAM AND REPRESENTATIVE TO ASEAN, IFRC, MR. GIORGIO FERRARIO
“FIVE TO LIFE: JOURNEY OF PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS”

Mr. Willem Rampangili, Chief of the National Disaster Management Authority (BNPB) Indonesia signed the Five to Live Journey book.
TELLING STORIES OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AHA CENTRE

The Southeast Asian region is unique in its geographic location as it stretches across more than four million square kilometres, constructed of active volcanoes, tropical islands which are surrounded by open seas, dense rainforests, mountain ranges and vast open plains. These characteristics have created areas prone to disasters, either small or large-scale, which might occur unpredictably. The AHA Centre was established to execute its role as a primary regional coordinating agency for disaster management and emergency response in the ASEAN region.

During the period of 2004-2014, more than 350,000 people lost their lives because of disasters occurring across the ASEAN region. This immense number of people affected led the AMS to realise that the partnership among them should include disaster management, providing mutual support to save lives. The disaster management’s concern was considered as an important topic since 1976 during the birth of the Declaration of ASEAN Concord 1 and the Declaration on Mutual Assistance on Natural Disasters.

A few discussions on disasters had been conducted during the period of 1967 – 2003 until the ACM was established as a transformation from the ASEAN expert working group on disaster management, following the Declaration of ASEAN Concord II. The ACM consists of the national agencies’ chiefs or government bodies responsible for handling disasters in each of the AMS.

In early in 2004, discussions among AMS on cross-border mutual arrangement of disaster management were held. Later in early December within the same year, the 1st ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management (AMMDM) was held and attended by Ministers in charge of Disaster Management of the AMS. It highlighted the need for a regional instrument on disaster management and emergency response, and the Ministers tasked the ACM to finalise the development of the instrument and start negotiating the instrument.
The story still continued when four countries of ASEAN and the surrounding countries were hit by one of the most destructive and fatal disasters ever recorded in history—the Indian Ocean tsunami on 26 December 2004 that took more than 230,000 lives. The disaster provided a momentum for expediting the negotiation of the regional instrument.

While ASEAN was still in grief and busily responding to and recovering from the Indian Ocean tsunami, as well as haunted by the fear that the devastating tragedy would hit the region again, the AMS concluded the negotiation of the regional instrument, which is now known as the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER). The agreement represents ASEAN’s solidarity and leadership in disaster management. The agreement also calls for the establishment of the AHA Centre, to help facilitate ASEAN’s collective response to disasters.

Decision on the location of the AHA Centre was taken when the Indonesian government offered to host the AHA Centre during the 39th ASEAN Foreign Ministers Meeting in July 2006. The fact that the AHA Centre is located in the same city as ASEAN Secretariat enables coordination between the two.

Another devastating disaster occurred in 2008. A massive Cyclone Nargis made its landfall in Myanmar, which took around 140,000 lives, followed by massive destruction in infrastructure and facilities. ASEAN responded to Cyclone Nargis by activating SASOP. ASEAN instituted the ASEAN-led coordinating mechanism to facilitate the incoming relief assistance from the international humanitarian community to the affected population in cyclone-affected areas.
Lessons from ASEAN’s successful response to Cyclone Nargis were compiled and used for the setting up of the AHA Centre. In December 2009, AADMER finally came into force after four years since its signing and ratification of the instrument by all AMS. Following the entry into force of the AADMER, the ACDM initiated the development of the Agreement on the Establishment of AHA Centre. The ACDM concurred to the proposal by the Indonesian government, through the Indonesian National Task Force for the AHA Centre, to appoint Mr. Said Faisal as the Executive Director of the Provisional AHA Centre.

The ACDM also established the Provisional AHA Centre in early 2011 as a ‘parallel’ approach while waiting for the finalisation and signing of the Agreement on the Establishment of AHA Centre. The ACDM and AMS finally signed the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre on 17 November 2011 in Bali, Indonesia. This marked the birth and beginning of the AHA Centre’s journey.

The Government of Japan through JAIF supported the Provisional AHA Centre by providing ICT equipment and knowledge experts and developed the AHA Centre’s Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

After a series of dialogues and discussions over meetings with relevant parties regarding the role and mandate of the AHA Centre, AMS finally signed the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre on 17 November 2011 in Bali, Indonesia. This marked the birth and beginning of the AHA Centre’s journey.
2012-2016

The journey continued after the establishment of the AHA Centre. ACDM members and the AHA Centre Governing Board continued to overcome several challenges and make efforts to operationalise the AHA Centre. Along the way, AHA Centre received numerous supports from ASEAN Dialogue Partners and other partner organisations.

As the cornerstone of coordination across the ASEAN region in disaster management, the AHA Centre has been striving to perform its best function and mandate since then.

2016

ONE ASEAN ONE RESPONSE DECLARED

Starting from commemorating the first anniversary on the ground zero after an earthquake shook Myanmar in 2012 until this year, the AHA Centre has successfully made its way to its fifth anniversary in November 2016 and celebrated the immeasurable accomplishment that the organisation has made, with endless support from AMS and international partners in funding, training and knowledge sharing, and cooperation with other emergency management stakeholders within civil society, international NGOs and United Nations institutions.

The AHA Centre’s fifth anniversary was definitely not an end. It was as a matter of fact a milestone and a beginning of another exciting journey. Struggles and challenges encountered in the past five years have created a stronger bond of solidarity among the Member States, and fostering friendship with partners, to realise the vision of One ASEAN One Response.
The AHA Centre organised a series of events during the period of 14-17 November 2016 in Jakarta, Indonesia, to commemorate the five-year journey since the establishment of the AHA Centre. These include the first ACE Programme Annual Conference, the RSIS-AHA Centre Policy Discussion on the World Humanitarian Summit Implications for Asia Pacific, the First Conference of the Regional Organisations Humanitarian Action Network (ROHAN), the Special Meeting of the Governing Board of the AHA Centre, the opening of the new AHA Centre's office and launch of the AHA Centre's five-year anniversary knowledge management series. AHA Centre also used this anniversary event to sign a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) with California-based humanitarian aid group Direct Relief in providing medical emergency supplies for ASEAN's collective response to regional disasters.
Since its inception in 2014, the ACE Programme has generated 45 graduates as potential leaders in disaster management. The professional networking among the graduates did not stop at the end of the programme. The bond continued in 2016 when the AHA Centre held the first ACE Programme Annual Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia, inviting all graduates from the three batches to get together to engage in discussions and group activities to provide policy inputs, recommendations and alternatives solutions to the ongoing and potential challenges on disaster management across the ASEAN region.

The first conference was honoured by the presence and opening remarks of H.E. Vongthep Arthakaivalvatee, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community, H.E. Kazuo Sunaga, the Ambassador of Japan to ASEAN and Mr. Said Faisal, the AHA Centre Executive Director. The three-day conference was filled by leaders talk sessions, group work and site visits. The ACE graduates also joined the commemoration of the five-year anniversary of the AHA Centre on 17 November 2016.
FIVE TO LIFE: JOURNEY OF PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS

REGIONAL ORGANISATIONS HUMANITARIAN ACTION NETWORK (ROHAN) CONFERENCE

ROHAN was established in February 2015 in Dubai, and was officially launched at the World Humanitarian Summit in May 2016 in Istanbul, Turkey. ROHAN is an informal network of regional organisations working in humanitarian action. The AHA Centre hosted the First ROHAN Conference on 16-17 November 2016 in Jakarta as a part of the series of the events in commemorating the fifth anniversary of the AHA Centre. The conference was co-organised by the Humanitarian Policy Group (HPG) of the London-based Overseas Development Institute (ODI) as the informal secretariat of ROHAN.

The conference was attended by nine regional organisations from all over the world to discuss disaster management and humanitarian issues, as well as common challenges faced by regional organisations. Opened by H.E Vongthep Arthakaivalvatee, Deputy Secretary-General of ASEAN for ASEAN Socio-Cultural Community and Mr. Dody Ruswand, Secretary-General of BNBP of Indonesia, the conference discussed best practices for disaster management, regional organisations’ partnerships and external engagements showcasing the work of ASEAN and its partners, as well as issues of civilians in conflict and how regional organisations address violations to International Human Law (IHL) and displacement. Members of ROHAN also visited the new office of AHA Centre and attended the five-year commemoration on 17 November 2016.

RSIS-AHA CENTRE POLICY DISCUSSION ON THE WORLD HUMANITARIAN SUMMIT IMPLICATIONS FOR ASIA-PACIFIC

One of highlights in World Humanitarian Summit (WHS) was ASEAN’s commitment and contributions to the UN Agenda for Humanity based on the AADMER and the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management. These outcomes were further discussed in the RSIS-AHA Centre Policy Discussion, which took place in Jakarta on 14 November 2106. The policy discussion was held as a part of series of events commemorating the fifth anniversary of the AHA Centre through cooperation with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS) Singapore.

Different stakeholders from the academe, civil organisations, think-tanks, UN agencies and the ASEAN Secretariat joined the AHA Centre and the RSIS to discuss the WHS outcomes, achievements so far, the remaining gaps and challenges, and to what extent WHS outcome document and the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management are mutually reinforcing.

The policy discussion was divided into three sessions. The first one assessed the outcomes of the WHS and the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management. Meanwhile, the second session focused on stakeholders’ engagement supported by research findings. The discussion then expanded into the priorities and next steps for ASEAN, the AHA Centre and other relevant parties to enhance disaster management agenda and humanitarian effectiveness. In the last sessions, the participants examined the regional governance architecture and identified areas of focus to achieve the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management in relation to the WHS outcomes.
SUPPORT FROM ASEAN DIALOGUE PARTNERS AND PARTNERS

Apart from the annual and equal contributions by the AMS to the AHA Centre Fund, voluntary contributions of the AMS to the ADMER Fund, and the contribution of the Government of the Republic of Indonesia as the host of the AHA Centre, the ASEAN Dialogue Partners and other partners of AHA Centre have provided significant support, both in terms of funding and technical assistance in the establishment and operationalisation of the AHA Centre.

AUSTRALIA

AUD 4,565,000 (USD 4,564,930) - AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2016

Through the Cooperation Arrangement between the Commonwealth of Australia represented by Australia Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) and ASEAN on the AADMER Work Programme 2010-2015, the Government of Australia has been a great supporter in supporting the operationalisation of AHA Centre since 2010, even prior to its official establishment in November 2011. As of 31 December 2016, the Government of Australia committed AUD 4,565,000 to support the implementation of the AADMER Work Programme 2010-2015, where it allocated AUD 3,177,365 or USD 2,761,451 of the total fund for the AHA Centre in support of its operationalisation.

The contribution from the Government of Australia has effectively addressed the financial and operational gaps of the AHA Centre, allowed the AHA Centre’s full participation in regional exercises, policy meetings and discussions, as well as enhanced the overall capacity of the AHA Centre in monitoring and responding to disasters.

EUROPEAN UNION (EU)

USD 3,016,836

The partnership of ASEAN and EU was formed through the ASEAN-EU Emergency Management Programme (AEEMP), which kicked-off in 2014. This programme aimed to strengthen the interconnectivity between various ASEAN emergency management actors namely the AHA Centre, ASEAN Secretariat and AMS as well as their interconnection with similar emergency response bodies in the EU, including the EU Situation Room and Emergency Response Coordination Centre (ERCC). The EU allocated USD 3,016,836 for the project.

Major activities under AEEMP included reviews and improvements of the organisational structure and design, strategic planning capabilities as well as guidelines and SOPs of the AHA Centre, learning from the regional standby arrangement operations and best practices in EU, and enhancing AHA Centre’s capacity in financial administration in line with the requirement of the European Commission Pillar Assessment. Additionally, this project supported the elaboration of technical specifications for a possible integration of computer-aided web-based software solution for the AHA Centre, known as the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP). Furthermore, this project also developed customised training programmes for technical, operational and communication aspects of emergency management for the AHA Centre.
The Government of Japan has provided significant contribution for the establishment of DELSA, which was officially launched on 7 December 2012 in Subang, Malaysia. The project was launched following the approval from the Government of Japan on 18 July 2012 on the project proposal for DELSA with a total budget of USD 12,265,966 with funding support under the Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF).

The DELSA project aims to establish a regional stockpile of relief items and pre-arrangements with potential suppliers and transporters. Furthermore, this project aims to enhance the capacity of the AHA Centre and AMS in disaster emergency logistic operations.

Another major component of the DELSA project is annual capacity building programme to train the future leaders of ASEAN in disaster management. The first batch of the AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme was successfully conducted from January to June 2014, attended by 13 disaster management officials from seven ASEAN countries. In the following year, the 2nd batch of the ACE Programme gathered 16 participants—from eight AMS. The last one was the third batch of the ACE Programme, which was held from March to September 2016, attended by 16 participants from eight ASEAN Member States.

Simultaneously with the AHA Centre’s five-year anniversary in November 2016, the project also supported the first ACE Programme Annual Conference in Jakarta, Indonesia. This forum was attended by 45 ACE graduates from all of the three batches of the ACE Programme.

Under the Communication and Awareness component, the DELSA project has supported the development of the AHA Centre’s Strategic Communications Work Plan and delivered courses on crisis communications.

Feasibility Study for the Establishment of Satellite Disaster Emergency Logistic System in ASEAN Member States (USD 380,431)

Following the approval of the project proposal on 1 July 2015, the Government of Japan provided support for the implementation of the feasibility study, with a total budget of USD 380,431 under JAIF.

The overall objective of the feasibility study was to identify the best approach to establish satellite warehouses to complement the current regional warehouse in Subang, Malaysia, and to ensure the efficient and timely response of ASEAN to disasters in the region.

ICT Phase III Project: Establishment of an Integrated Information and Communication Technology System to Strengthen the Operation of AHA Centre (USD 4,981,465)

ICT Phase III project is funded by the Government of Japan through JAIF with a total budget of USD 4,981,464 as a continuation of ICT Phases I and II. In the ICT Phase I, the project concentrated in establishing ICT platform, systems, and equipment for the AHA Centre. The ICT Phase II focused on establishing connectivity between the AHA Centre’s systems with those of the NDMOs. Following that, the ICT Phase III aims to enhance the current ICT operational capacity of the AHA Centre, and to safeguard, protect and ensure the resilience of the current ICT facilities, including the ASEAN WebEOC system and other systems available at the AHA Centre for the period of 2016 and beyond. Moreover, the ICT Phase III project also aims to develop business continuity plan and ICT disaster back plan for the AHA Centre.
The New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (New Zealand Aid Programme) allocated NZD 600,000 to the AHA Centre for the period of 2013-2015. The funding was specially dedicated to strengthen the management and operations of the AHA Centre, including risk identification and monitoring, establishing and maintaining standard operating procedures, staff training needs assessment, database management, procurement and maintenance of appropriate equipment for AHA Centre’s operations.

Another support has been given by the Government of New Zealand through the University of Canterbury’s Centre for Risk, Resilience and Renewal (UCR3) through an intensive leadership course in crisis management for the ACE Programme participants and AHA Centre staff in New Zealand.

The New Zealand Government and the AHA Centre have also selected Humanitarian Advisory Group (HAG) as the consultant to help detailing actions and initiatives that would deliver technical and training support to the AHA Centre.

Since 2013, the Government of the United States through the support from Overseas Humanitarian Disaster and Civic Aid (OHDACA) has provided a series of capacity building for the AHA Centre staff and the ACE Programme officers. The capacity building programme is designed based on the proposal written by Harvard University’s graduates: Advancing the AHA Centre – Leveraging the US Military’s Comparative Advantage to Build Regional Disaster Response Capability.

Other support from the US Government include support by USAID through the US Forest Services (USFS) for the adaptation and integration of Incident Command System, training by the Centre for Excellence on Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance of the US Pacific Command for the ACE Programme and the AHA Centre, and technical assistance by USAID through the Hawaii-based Pacific Disaster Centre (PDC) for the Disaster Monitoring and Response System (DMRS). The USFS also provided technical support to improve the AHA Centre’s emergency response guidelines in 2016.

UNWFP has become AHA Centre’s partner in managing DELSA’s stockpile at the United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD) depot in Subang. In 2016, the UNWFP through the UNHRD continued providing its services in mobilising the relief items for AHA Centre’s response to earthquake in Padie Aceh, Indonesia.

Another support was provided by the UNWFP in helping the AHA Centre in developing an intensive Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain training for the ACE Programme. For this training, UNWFP involved its logistic experts from WFP Headquarters and Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific. The training sessions were held in Jakarta, Indonesia and Subang, Malaysia, allowing the participants to gain hands-on experience in managing emergency stockpiles.

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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE OF MIGRATION (IOM)

The IOM has provided training on Camp Coordination and Camp Management (CCCM) for the ACE Programme and the AHA Centre’s staff. The training by the IOM covered principles and tools for CCCM and shelter issues in disaster emergency situation. With the support of IOM Country Offices of Indonesia, the Philippines, and Pakistan, IOM sent their experts from IOM Regional Office for Asia Pacific to train the participants.

RED CROSS

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT SOCIETIES (IFRC) AND INDONESIAN RED CROSS (PMI)

In early 2015, the regional office of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), together with the Indonesian Red Cross (PMI), provided orientation on Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement as part of their contribution in the 2nd batch of the ACE Programme. The programme covered from a visit to Mount Merapi and Kidul, Gajah Mada University and the emergency operation centre of local NDMO (BPBD) in Yogyakarta, and to Aceh and Padang. Participants were exposed to the recovery and preparedness efforts in the two locations after Indian Ocean tsunami in 2004 and Padang earthquake in 2009. This visit also involved Tsunami & Disaster Mitigation Research Centre (TDMMC) of Syah Kuala University and local NDMO (BPBD).

CIVIL SOCIETY

AADMER PARTNERSHIP GROUP (APG)

The APG is the consortium of seven civil society organisations formed to assist in the implementation of AADMER. The members of the Group consist of Child Fund International, Help Age International, Mercy Malaysia, Oxfam, Plan International, Save the Children International, and World Vision International. The APG consistently promotes people-centred AADMER implementation in ASEAN countries.

The APG deployed an ERAT member to join the AHA Centre following Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines in 2013. The APG also facilitated and provided secretariat support for the development of lessons learnt based on ASEAN’s response to Typhoon Haiyan. The APG supported AHA Centre in the development of the 5th ASEAN – ERAT induction course curriculum in 2015, and provided trainer for the training. In the field of knowledge management, the APG has become an ASEAN’s partner in the establishment of the ASEAN Disaster Management Training Institutes Network (ADTRAIN) and assisted in ERAT refresher course in 2013. The AHA Centre has included development and mobilisation of a joint action plan on CSO mobilisation in regional response into the AHA Centre Work Plan 2020. APG is expected to help in the development of the joint action plan.

PRIVATE SECTOR

CORPORATE CITIZEN FOUNDATION (CCF)

Held in Singapore on 1 November 2015, the AHA Centre signed a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) with Singapore-based Corporate Citizen Foundation (CCF). The signing took place at CCF’s first anniversary observance ceremony to mark and share CCF’s first year of regional humanitarian service.

The MoI, which was AHA Centre’s first MoI with a private sector entity, became a significant step ahead for the involvement of private sector in the implementation of AADMER. The CCF established the Swift Emergency Evaluation Deployment (SEED) as its first responder for early access and appropriate intervention in disaster affected areas. SEED is simultaneously tasked to evaluate and disseminate first-hand information to incoming aid responders for more informed strategic decisions. SEED’s pioneer partner includes the Pacific Flight Services of ST Aerospace (aerospace), Channel News Asia of Mediacorp (communications), Golden Season (water) and HSL Constructor (engineering). The MoI allows active cross sharing of resources between the two organisations, including the sharing of assets, expertise and networks.

In 2016, CCF started the discussion on the possible deployment of nine units water purification (Step Pure) to the AHA Centre DELSA stockpile in Subang, Malaysia. In addition, CCF also sent one representative to participate on the 6th ERAT Induction Course in the Philippines.

OTHER ASEAN PARTNERS

GLOBAL INITIATIVE ON DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (GIDRM) AND SWISS AGENCY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SDC)

Partnership with GIDRM and SDC was initiated through the signing of Memorandum of Intent (MoI) on 22 March 2016. As the first step, the support was provided for the conduct of ARDEX in Brunei Darussalam in November 2016, including support for the review of ASEAN SASOP and ARDEX handbook; support in funding; support in providing expert for developing training curricula and ICT knowledge to evaluate existing system at the AHA Centre to be utilised in the exercise as well as potential new system that can be utilised seamlessly in the conduct of ARDEX; and support in capacity building initiatives such as the assessment of the AHA Centre and ASEAN-ERAT performance. The ASEAN Foreign Ministers conferred the status of Development Partner on Germany in July 2016, while the status of ASEAN Sectoral Dialogue Partner was conferred on Switzerland, also in July 2016.
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- ASEAN-CHINA SEMINAR ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE
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- THE OPENING CEREMONY OF THE THIRD BATCH OF THE ACE PROGRAMME
- WORKSHOP FOR THE FAMILIARISATION OF DELSA STOCKPILE AND THE AHA CENTRE CRISIS COMMUNICATIONS TOOLS (THE ACT)

APRIL

- "ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE" ROADSHOW IN LAO PDR
- THE 8TH DELSA PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE (PSC) MEETING
- THE 11TH MEETING OF ACM WORKING GROUP ON PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE
- THE 4TH MEETING OF ASEAN TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ON CIVIL-MILITARY COORDINATION
- SIGNING OF THE MEMORANDUM OF INTENT (MOI) BETWEEN THE AHA CENTRE, THE GLOBAL INITIATIVE ON DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (GIDRM) AND THE SWISS AGENCY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION (SDC)
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  - Hazard Training

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- "THE 28TH MEETING OF THE ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)"
- "THE 4TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE AHA CENTRE"
- "THE 5TH MEETING OF THE JOINT TASK FORCE TO PROMOTE SYNERGY WITH OTHER RELEVANT ASEAN BODIES ON HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF (HACDR)"
- THE ACMD SESSION ON EAST ASIA SUMMIT (EAS) COOPERATION ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT
- THE 3RD ASEAN AGREEMENT ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (AADMER) PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE
- ACE PROGRAMME
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  - Basic/Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS)

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- ACE PROGRAMME
  - Communications Training for Disaster Management Professionals
  - Field Visit to Japan
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  - Post Disaster Needs Analysis Training
  - Management Training
- ASEAN WBE/C REFRESHER COURSE AND WBE/C IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP

JULY

- ACE PROGRAMME
  - Visit to Aceh
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- 2016 ASEAN STRATEGIC POLICY DIALOGUE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ASPDDM)
- ACE PROGRAMME
  - Field visit to Philippines

SEPTEMBER

- SIGNING OF THE “ASEAN DECLARATION ON ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE: ASEAN RESPONDING TO DISASTERS AS ONE IN THE REGION AND OUTSIDE THE REGION” BY THE ASEAN LEADERS AT THE 28TH AND 29TH ASEAN SUMMIT
- FINAL EXERCISE PLANNING TEAM (EPT) FOR ASEAN REGIONAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE SIMULATION EXERCISE (ARDEX)
- THE FIRST ARDEX REFEREE TRAINING
- THE 9TH DELSA PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE (PSC) MEETING
- THE 12TH MEETING OF ACDEM WORKING GROUP ON PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE
- THE 5TH MEETING OF ASIAN TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP ON CIVIL-MILITARY COORDINATION

OCTOBER

- ASEAN’S AND THE AHA CENTRE’S EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO TYPHOON HAIYAN, PHILIPPINES
- THE 29TH MEETING OF ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)
- THE 5TH MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE AHA CENTRE
- THE 6TH MEETING OF THE JOINT TASK FORCE TO PROMOTE SYNERGY WITH OTHER RELEVANT ASEAN BODIES ON HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF (HAODR)
- THE 4TH ASEAN MINISTERIAL MEETING ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT
- THE 5TH MEETING OF CONFERENCE PARTIES TO AADMER
- 2016 ASEAN DAY FOR DISASTER MANAGEMENT
- SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE AHA CENTRE
- 2016 ASEAN REGIONAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE SIMULATION EXERCISE (ARDEX)

DECEMBER

- ASEA’S AND THE AHA CENTRE’S EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO PALO JAYA EARTHQUAKE
- AHA CENTRE’S STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP FOR 2017
- ASEAN INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM (ICS) WORKING GROUP MEETING AND WORKSHOP ON THE FIVE-YEAR ICS ROADMAP PRIORITY ACTIONS
- SIGNING OF THE MOU BETWEEN THE AHA CENTRE AND THE SHAW FOUNDATION
- AHA CENTRE FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY: FIVE TO LIFE: JOURNEY TO PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS
- FIRST AHA CENTRE EXECUTIVE (ACE) PROGRAMME ANNUAL CONFERENCE
- FIRST REGIONAL ORGANISATION HUMANITARIAN ACTION NETWORK (RO-HAAN) CONFERENCE
- S. RAJARATNAM SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (RSIS)-AHA CENTRE POLICY DISCUSSION ON THE WORLD HUMANITARIAN SUMMIT IMPLICATION FOR ASIA-PACIFIC

NOVEMBER

- Signing of the MoU between the AHA Centre and the Shaw Foundation
- AHA Centre Five-Year Anniversary: Five to Life: Journey to Partnership and Progress
- First AHA Centre Executive (ACE) Programme Annual Conference
- First Regional Organisation Humanitarian Action Network (RO-HAAN) Conference
- S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)-AHA Centre Policy Discussion on the World Humanitarian Summit Implication for Asia-Pacific
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JANUARY

AHA CENTRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE ORGANISATION EXERCISE

The AHA Centre conducted a regular exercise to ensure that all staff members are familiar with ASEAN WebEOC, its utilisation and the planning process of responding to a conditioned scenario.

FEBRUARY

ASEAN JOINT DISASTER RESPONSE PLAN (AJDRP) WORKSHOP

The AHA Centre conducted a two-day regional workshop for the development of ASEAN Joint Disaster Response Plan (AJDRP), which successfully gathered 125 participants. AJDRP is designed to create a response plan for large-scale disasters caused by several types of natural disasters, and to operationalise One ASEAN One Response.

MARCH

THE THIRD BATCH OF AHA CENTRE EXECUTIVE (ACE) PROGRAMME

In 2016, ACE programme had its third year of generating future leaders in disaster management. ACE programme provides capacity building in disaster management, especially in regional emergency response logistics system. Taking six months to accomplish, the third batch was equipped with new and improved curriculum, by adding Post Disaster Need Assessment (PDNA) as one of the materials.

APRIL

THE 28TH MEETING OF THE ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)

Taking place in Semarang, Indonesia, the 28th ACDM Meeting was held to review and enhance regional cooperation on disaster management under the framework of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER). The meeting was held back to back with other meetings, including the 4th AHA Centre’s Governing Board Meeting, the 6th Joint Task Force on Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR), the ACDM Session on East Asia Summit (EAS) Cooperation on Disaster Management, and the 3rd ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Partnership Conference, which started from 26 April until 29 April 2016.

MAY

WORLD HUMANITARIAN SUMMIT

Held in Istanbul, Turkey on 23-24 May 2016, the AHA Centre participated in the World Humanitarian Summit as part of the ASEAN delegation together with the high-level officials from AMS and ASEAN Secretariat. During the summit, the AHA Centre in cooperation with MERCY Malaysia, European Commission, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), and the Global Network of Civil Society Organisations for Disaster Reduction held the side event on ‘Implementing the Sendai Framework to Reduce the Humanitarian Burden: ASEAN Resilience Practice’. The AHA Centre and the ASEAN Secretariat also set up a joint booth for the WHS exhibition, and organised a side event with the UN on ‘ASEAN-UN Partnership: Moving Forward’ where the ASEAN-UN Joint Strategic Plan of Action on Disaster Management 2016-2020 was launched.

JUNE

POST DISASTER NEEDS ANALYSIS TRAINING

The third batch of the ACE programme participants took part in a two-day training on post-disaster analysis methods currently used by international humanitarian agencies. Held in Jakarta, Indonesia, the training was supported by UNOCHA.

JULY

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE ACDM WORKING GROUP ON KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION MANAGEMENT

AHA Centre participated in the First Meeting of the ACDM Working Group on Knowledge and Innovation Management (KIM) on 25-26 July 2016 in Jakarta and Sentul, Indonesia. The meeting discussed three priority programmes of KIM, which are: 1) establishing an integrated regional disaster management knowledge hub, 2) building professionalism in disaster management through standardisation and certification, and 3) creating innovations which can transform the way disasters are managed.
AUGUST

ASEAN STRATEGIC POLICY DIALOGUE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ASEAN SPDDM)

The second ASEAN SPDDM was held on 19 August with the theme of “Change and Innovation: Learning from the Private Sector to Enhance Disaster Management in ASEAN”. Attended by 120 participants, this year the ASEAN SPDDM invited three high-level executives to speak in the CEOs talk session.

SEPTEMBER

SIGNING CEREMONY OF THE ASEAN DECLARATION ON ONE ASEAN, ONE RESPONSE: ASEAN RESPONDING TO DISASTERS AS ONE IN THE REGION AND OUTSIDE THE REGION

Conducted in Vientiane, Lao PDR during the 28th and 29th ASEAN Summits on 6-8 September 2016, the ASEAN Leaders signed a declaration on collective response to disasters, to realise the One ASEAN One Response vision. The signing of the declaration by the ASEAN Leaders was monumental for the AHA Centre as Leaders affirmed the AHA Centre as the primary regional coordinating agency in disaster management and emergency response in ASEAN.

OCTOBER

ASEAN AND AHA CENTRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO TYPHOOON ‘HAIMA’, PHILIPPINES

Turning into a typhoon on 15 October, ‘Haima’ caused eight deaths and affected 380,000 people in Cagayan Province, Philippines. In response to the disaster, the AHA Centre deployed two AHA Centre’s staff members and two ASEAN-ERAT members from the Philippines and provided eight generators as a part of the relief items to support the operations.

NOVEMBER

AHA CENTRE FIVE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY: FIVE TO LIFE: JOURNEY TO PARTNERSHIP AND PROGRESS

2016 marked the five-year journey of the AHA Centre since the establishment in November 2011. Coming up with the theme “Five to Life: Journey to Partnership and Progress”, AHA Centre celebrated its fifth anniversary by holding a ROHAN Conference, RSIS-AHA Centre Policy Discussion on the World Humanitarian Summit Implications for Asia-Pacific and the first ACE Programme Annual Conference. The AHA Centre also used this moment to sign a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) with California-based humanitarian aid group Direct Relief in providing medical emergency supplies for ASEAN’s collective response to regional disasters.

DECEMBER

ASEAN AND THE AHA CENTRE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO EARTHQUAKE IN PIDIE, ACEH

An earthquake rated at 6.5 on the Richter scale shock Sigli City, Aceh Province, Indonesia on 7 December 2016. The earthquake caused 104 deaths, displaced more than 85,000 people and damaged thousands of buildings. In response to the earthquake, AHA Centre deployed three AHA Centre’s staff members and seven ASEAN-ERAT members and provided DELSA relief items as well. Malaysia and Singapore also lent their hands by deploying two persons of their ASEAN-ERAT members.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION 2016 (UNAUDITED)

Statement of Financial Position 2016 as of 31 December 2016 (Unaudited)
(Expressed in US Dollars, unless otherwise stated)

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**TOTAL ASSETS** 5,944,403

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

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**TOTAL LIABILITIES** 4,774,473

Net Assets 1,169,930

Total Liabilities and Net Assets 5,944,403

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE 2016 (UNAUDITED)

Statement of Financial Performance for the Period 1 January 2016 to December 2016 (Unaudited)
(Expressed in US Dollars, unless otherwise stated)

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Deficit for the period* (300,250)

Changes in Net Assets (300,250)

*Revenue from previous year was utilised to cover the gap of the shortage for year 2016
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MOVING FORWARD

5-8 December 2016, Jakarta and Bogor, Indonesia

2017 STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

Strategic Planning Workshop was an annual event for the AHA Centre to plan for its activities in 2017. This AHA Centre’s internal workshop also determined the timeline for each activity, budget requirements, required resources and funding sources. The Strategic Planning Workshop also provided an opportunity for all AHA Centre’s staff members to receive guidance and direction from the Executive Director for the upcoming year. The 2017 workshop was held on 5-8 December 2016 in Jakarta and Bogor, Indonesia.

The planning workshop began with 2016 performance review and briefing from AHA Centre on the new organisational structure and transition period. The discussion continued with the finalisation of the AHA Centre Work Plan 2020. At the end of the workshop, the Senior Management Team approved and consolidated the AHA Centre Work Plan 2020 and the 2017 annual plan.
Guided by the AADMER and the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre, and taking into account the ASEAN Vision 2025 on Disaster Management, the AADMER Work Programme 2016-2020 and the ASEAN Declaration on “One ASEAN One Response”, the AHA Centre has formulated the following as its mission and vision statements:

**VISION**

“A highly professional and trusted organisation which serves as the coordinating agency in the ASEAN region for disaster management and emergency response that aims to make ASEAN as a global leader on disaster management by 2025.

**MISSION**

“To facilitate and coordinate ASEAN’s effort in reducing disaster losses and responding to disaster emergencies as one through regional collaboration, national leadership and global partnership in disaster management.”
2020 AHA CENTRE WORK PLAN FOCUSES ON THE FOLLOWING FOUR PRIORITIES:

A PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE

1 STRENGTHENING ASEAN’S CAPACITY IN RISK AND VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT (RVA)
   - Resourced regional and national action plans on implementation of RVA using a phased approach (appropriate to needs)

2 IMPROVING THE AVAILABILITY OF DATA AND INFORMATION ON REGIONAL RISK AND VULNERABILITY
   - Enhanced ASEAN DMRS
   - National risk profiles and risk profiles for most vulnerable subnational regions and cities
   - Annual ASEAN Risk Monitor Reports (ARMOR)

3 ENHANCING THE MECHANISM ON RISK DATA UTILISATION AND INFORMATION SHARING
   - Formal information sharing agreements and information flows
   - ASEAN network of automatic disaster alert systems

4 ESTABLISHING AJDRP
   - Regional framework and standards for coordinated response and joint response plan
   - Updated Standard Operating Procedures for Regional Standby Arrangements and Coordination of Joint Disaster Relief and Emergency Response Operations (SASOP)
   - Assessed operationalisation of One ASEAN One Response
   - Addressed needs of affected NDMOs and communities

5 ENHANCING CIVIL-MILITARY
   - SASOP Chapter 6 (Military-Military, and Civil-Military Coordination)
   - Regional roadmap for ICS inter-operability & coordinating platform at regional/national/local levels
   - Enhanced coordination mechanisms with military sector

6 SUSTAINING OPERATIONS OF THE AHA CENTRE
   - Established mechanism such as an Endowment Fund for One ASEAN One Response
   - Enhanced RACER and collaboration with Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) to be integrated into AJDRP
   - Coordination platform for private sector involvement in One ASEAN One Response to be integrated into AJDRP

7 MAINTAINING THE CONDUCT OF ASEAN REGIONAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE SIMULATION EXERCISE (ARDEX)
   - Inclusive, comprehensive and standardised ARDEX

8 ENHANCING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY LOGISTIC SYSTEM OF ASEAN (DELSA)
   - Enhanced capacity and mechanism of logistic system in ASEAN
   - Standards for humanitarian relief
9. Enhancing the Capacity of ASEAN Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ERAT)
   - ERAT Training
   - ERAT Deployment
   - ERAT Management

10. Developing the Resilient Recovery Toolbox
    - Online availability and accessibility of recovery tools

11. Enhancing Regional Capacities and Expertise in Recovery
    - Certified recovery practitioners
    - Pool of level 2 ASEAN-ERAT capable of undertaking post-disaster recovery assessments

B. Capacity Building & Knowledge Management

1. Building and Managing Institutional Knowledge
   - Knowledge and Change Management (KCM) system of the AHA Centre
     - AHA Centre knowledge book series
     - AHA Centre e-learning series

2. Establishing Integrated Regional Disaster Management Knowledge Hub
   - Knowledge management and repository mechanism
   - ICT including mobile-based platform for disaster management knowledge hub

3. Building Professionalism in Disaster Management Through Standardisation and Certification
   - Standardised, certified, and professionalised disaster management systems
   - ASEAN Disaster Management Leadership Programme
   - Dissemination of knowledge of best practices of regional mechanisms on disaster management
   - Influence in global policy discussions on disaster management

4. Creating Innovations That Transform the Way Disaster is Managed
   - Innovative solutions for current challenges and opportunities on disaster management

C. Resource Mobilisation & Communications

1. Strengthening the Capacity of the AHA Centre’s Programme Management
   - Comprehensive programme management cycle
   - Programme development
   - Financing and resource mobilisation
   - Programme monitoring, evaluation and reporting
2 STRENGTHENING A MULTI-STAKEHOLDERS’ COMMUNICATIONS AND BRAND AWARENESS OF THE AHA CENTRE

- Internal communications awareness and corporate design manual
- Communications and public speaking enhancement
- Brand compliance audit
- Improved AHA Centre’s media database
- Monthly news and media monitoring report
- Media engagement on reporting disasters in ASEAN
- Public speaking engagement
- DESLA familiarisation and crisis communications workshop
- News bulletin the Column
- Partner’s forum
- Feature for profiling
- Public Service Announcement (PSA)
- Communications networking
- Communications capacity building

STRENGTHENING AHA CENTRE’S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

- Finance rules and procedures, manuals, policies and SOPs
- Financial management procedures for emergency response operations
- International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS) compliance
- International audit for finance
- Budgeting process and procedures
- External audit for finance
- Effective implementation of financial rules and procedures

3 STRENGTHENING THE AHA CENTRE’S OFFICE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

- Office management and administration manual, policies, and SOPs
- AHA Centre procurement policy and procedures
- Organisational documents management and standard
- Organisational Business Continuity Management System (BCMS)
- Effective implementation of office management and administration rules and procedures

D MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

1 STRENGTHENING THE AHA CENTRE’S HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

- Reference and benchmarking of HR management and development of the AHA Centre
- Recruitment and Selection Policy, Strategy, Process and Procedures
- AHA Centre Compensation and Benefit structure
- AHA Centre Staff Performance Management System and Procedures
- AHA Centre Learning and Development (L&D) Policy, Procedures, and Plan
- AHA Centre Staff Rules and Regulations
- HR management procedures for emergency response operations
- Effective implementation of HR development and management
- Organisational re-structuring

STRENGTHENING THE AHA CENTRE’S OFFICE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION
4 ENHANCING ORGANISATIONAL QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OF THE AHA CENTRE

- Quality management system
- Compliance management
- Strategic planning process
- Monitoring and evaluation mechanism
- Effective implementation of the AHA Centre quality management system

5 ENHANCING THE PERFORMANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY OF THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) OF THE AHA CENTRE

- ICT Business Continuity Management (BCM)
- ICT maintenance arrangements
- ICT security arrangements
- ICT capacity development
- Seamless connectivity
- WebEOC enhancement

THE AHA CENTRE’S TEAM

BEHIND A GREAT MISSION, STANDS A SUPER TEAM WHO MAKES THINGS HAPPEN. IN EXECUTING ITS MANDATES, THE AHA CENTRE IS SUPPORTED BY 24 PERSONS WHO WORK HAND-IN-HAND THROUGHOUT 2016. FIND OUT WHO THEY ARE AND WHAT THE AHA CENTRE MEANS TO THEM.

Said Faisal

Delivering Results. Without constantly delivering results, then the AHA Centre could not add value to ASEAN and AMS. If we cannot add value then the AHA Centre will lose its relevance, then it will lose the confidence of ASEAN and AMS, then it will be difficult to achieve its reason of being. By constantly delivering results, the AHA Centre can continue to become the valuable asset of ASEAN and AMS, and not become the liability.

Adelina Kamal

Energy, Creativity. The AHA Centre is a place where I find abundant energy to channel my creativity to make ASEAN great in disaster management.
Warm, Friendly. Warm for its friendly and fun working atmosphere, small organisation, knowing each other, welcoming and inclusive. The AHA Centre is adaptable to new changes, always trying to excel and improve.

Janggam Adhityawarma

Mandate, Forward. Given a mandate by 10 countries, the AHA Centre has no options than to press forward to fulfill its mission.

Andrew Mardanugraha

Young, Dynamic. The organisation is young, with a lot of young staff, therefore it is fully dynamic.

Bachtiar Andy Mustafa

Support, Actions. The AHA Centre function is to support the AMS in their needs in relation to the disaster monitoring and emergency response. The AHA Centre is seen as dynamic organisation and actively provides services according to AMS request.

Ferny Hapsari

Proactive, Unifier. The AHA Centre embodies the very definition on the word, which is “acting in anticipation of future problems, needs, or changes”, specifically in relation to disaster preparedness and response. The AHA Centre is the link that binds AMS in the field of disaster management; implementer of the strategic vision One ASEAN One Response.

Yoram A. Lukas

Adaptability, Change. Ability to change something to fit to occurring changes.

Adi Bishry

Monitoring, Analysis. The AHA Centre provides updates to AMS and other partners regarding disaster and emergency response.

Santy Hendra
Growing, Dynamic. The AHA Centre is really a place to grow for everyone joining its super team. The tenure with the AHA Centre will always be a time for improvement to reach excellence. Dynamic represents how the AHA Centre always adapts with the current humanitarian field development, including technology and approaches to bring out the best for ASEAN.

Ririn Haryani

Strength, Growth. After passing 'the Five to Live', the AMS are confident that the AHA Centre will become a strong organisation. The growth process is still ongoing and needs improvement. Because strength and growth come only through continuous effort and struggle.

Wann Nai Baho

Responsive, Quick. The AHA Centre team is quickly alerted to actively respond to any disaster at any given time.

Meiliani Susanto

Young, Dynamic. The AHA Centre is just a five-year old organisation, but very dynamic and progressive in terms of its role in disaster management and emergency response in the ASEAN region.

Yos Maryo Malole

Passionate and Philanthropic. The AHA Centre is always eager to serve people in need during emergency response. The AHA Centre is focus on giving added value to the AMS so that they could enhance their capacity in responding disaster as one region.

Grace Endina

Professional. Dynamic. Dynamic as the organisation still continues to expand to become a more professional organisation.

Dandi Rahman

Coordination, Humanitarian. The AHA Centre is a central of coordination for disaster situation. The AHA Centre is one of the humanitarian organisations and represents the AMS.

Yeny Susilowati

Super Team. The AHA Centre has super people with multitasking capability, who are able to immediately swift and multitask not only during emergency response but also for official visits as well as regular events.

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Ririn Haryani

Coordinating Centre. Because the activities of the AHA Centre are coordinating one party to another

Acha Mardiansyah

Family, Learning. Working with the AHA Centre is just like learning with your family.

Rivie Ayudhia

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Dandi Rahman

Friends, Family. We support each other like friends, we take care of each other like family.

Andri Suryo

Dynamic, Developed. The AHA Centre has passed its first five-years consisting of dynamic team and will become a developed organisation.

Rivatus Sovia

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PREVIOUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE MISSIONS 2014

TYphoon RAMMASUM

Bohol, Philippines
15 July 2014

Impact as of
24 July 2014

Affected Population
4,000,987 people

Died
98 people

Injured
630 people

Missing
5 people

Displaced
27,380 people

House Damaged
497,276 houses

AHA Centre/ASEAN Response

Deployed response team
Provide:

500 ROLLS OF TARPAULINS

2 GENERATOR
for OCD temporary office
TYPHOON RAMMASUM
NORTHERN REGION, VIET NAM

- Northen Region, Viet Nam 15 July 2014
- Impact as of 24 July 2014
- House Damaged 1,300 houses
- Died 24 people
2014

TYPHOON HAGUPIT

BOHOL, PHILIPPINES

- Bohol, Philippines 3 December 2014
- Impact as of 19 December 2014
- Affected Population 4,149,484 people
- Died 18 people
- Injured 916 people
- Displaced 100,264 people

AHA Centre/ASEAN Response

- Deployed response team
- Provide:
  - 650 ROLLS OF TARPAULINS
  - 5,000 SHELTERS for families in Pasay City.
PREVIOUS EMERGENCY RESPONSE MISSIONS 2015

MALAYSIA FLOODS
MALAYSIA PENINSULAR DECEMBER 2014-JANUARY 2015

Malaysia Peninsular December 2014-January 2015
Impact as of 9 January 2015
Affected Population 77,703 people
Died 17 people
House Damaged 3,840 houses

AHA Centre/ASEAN Response

- Deployed emergency response and ERAT team
- Provide:
  - 538 FAMILY TENTS
  - 538 FAMILY KITS
  - 498 SHELTER TOOLKITS
  - 1,000 ROLLS OF TARPAULINS
  - 1,500 KITCHEN SETS

ASEAN Countries Assistance

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MYANMAR FLOODS
MAGWAY, RAKHINE AND SAGAING AREA JULY-AUGUST 2015

- Magway, Rakhine and Sagaing area July-August 2015
- Displaced people 333,178 people
- Affected agricultural land 1.4 million acres
- Affected population 1,615,335 people
- House Damaged 16,095 houses
- Died 110 people
- Crops Damaged 910,000 acres

AHA Centre/ASEAN Response

- Deployed In-Country Coordination Team (ICCT)
- Provide:
  - 2,000 TARPALINS
  - 2,000 COLLAPSIBLE JERRY CANS
  - 2,000 MOSQUITO NETS
  - 4 ALUMINIUM BOATS WITH ENGINE

ASEAN Countries Assistance

- Cambodia: USD 100,000 of AID
- Thailand: Ministry of Foreign Affairs: THB 5 million (USD 142,000)
- The Ministry of Commerce provided 200 tons of rice
- His Majesty the King and Her Majesty the Queen: THB 5 Million (USD 142,000)
- Government of Thailand: 120 tons of relief supplies (medical supplies, medical equipment, family kits, tents, blankets,
Batag Island, Bulusan, Burias Island, Banton Island, Pinamalayan 14 December 2015

Impact as of 24 December 2015

Injured 24 people

Missing 4 people

Affected population 287,227 people

House Damaged 279,487 houses

Died 42 people

AHA Centre/ASEAN Response

Deployed emergency response team
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ICVA : International Council of Voluntary Agencies
IFRC : International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
IMTs : Incident Management Teams
IOM : International Office of Migration
IPSAS : International Public Sector Accounting Standard (IPSAS)
JAIF : Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund
JMOD : Japan Ministry of Defence
JOCCA : Joint Operations Coordinating Centre of ASEAN
KIM : Knowledge and Innovation Management
L&D : Learning & Development
NADMA : Malaysia’s National Disaster Management Agency
NCDM : National Committee for Disaster Management
NDMO : National Disaster Management Office/ Organisations
NDRRM : National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council
NOHA : Network on Humanitarian Action
OCD : Office of Civil Defence
ODI : Overseas Development Institute
OHDCACA : Overseas Humanitarian Disaster and Civic Aid
PDC : Pacific Disaster Centre
PDNA : Post Disaster Need Assessment
PMI : Indonesian Red Cross
PSC : Project Steering Committee
RDANA : Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment
ROHAN : Regional Organisations Humanitarian Action Network
RSIS : S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies
SASOP : Standard Operating Procedure for Regional Standby Arrangements and Coordination of Joint Disaster Relief and Emergency Response Operations
SCDF : Singapore Civil Defence Force
SDC : Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation
SEED : Swift Emergency Evaluation Deployment
SG-AHAC : Secretary General of ASEAN as the ASEAN Humanitarian Assistance Coordinator
SOP : Standard Operating Procedure
SPDDM : Strategic Policy Dialogue on Disaster Management
TDRMC : Tsunami & Disaster Mitigation Research Centre
THE ACT : The AHA Centre Crisis Communications Tool
TTX : Table-Top Exercise
TWG : Technical Working Group
UAVs : Unmanned Aerial Vehicle
UCR3 : University of Canterbury’s Centre for Risk, Resilience and Renewal
UNDP : United Nations Development Programme
UNESCAP : UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
UNHRD : United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot
UNISDR : United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction
UNOCHA : United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UN-SPIDER : UN Platform for Spaced-based Information for Disaster Management and Emergency Response
UNWFP : United Nations World Food Programme
USAID : United States Agency for International Development
USFS : United States Forest Service
WebEOC : Web-based Emergency Operations Centre
WFP : World Food Programme
WHS : World Humanitarian Summit
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