

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND DISSEMINATION



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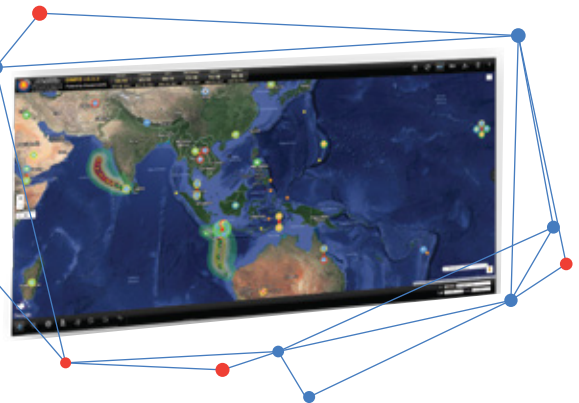
BACKGROUND

As part of its disaster preparedness and response initiatives, the AHA Centre works closely with the National Disaster Management Organisations (NDMOs) of all ten ASEAN Member States in monitoring and sharing information about hazards and disasters in the region. Information management and information dissemination helps strengthen the coordination efforts of assisting Parties when responding and mitigating potential or actual disasters. The AHA Centre believes that accurate information, shared in a timely fashion, helps save lives during critical time. Furthermore, early identification of hazards and risks helps accelerate the activation of early warning alerts to reduce potential losses in the face of disasters. Thereby, the AHA Centre regularly monitor and updates the situation through various platforms and tools.



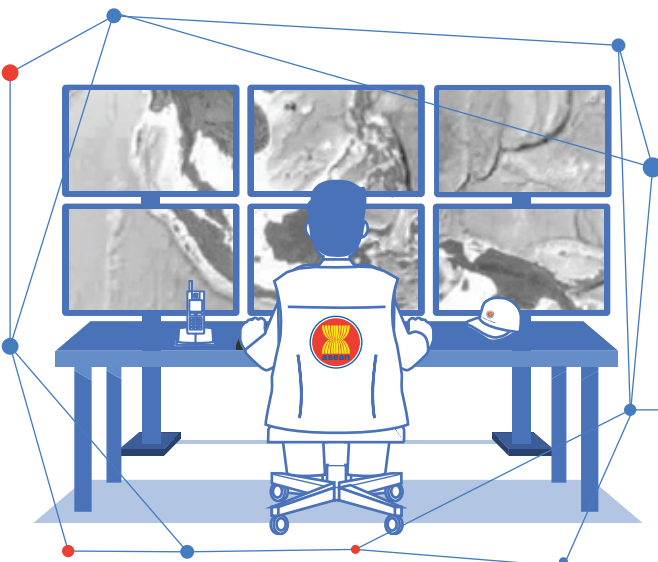
DISASTER MONITORING & RESPONSE SYSTEM

The Disaster Monitoring and Response System (DMRS) of ASEAN is one of the disaster monitoring tools utilised by the AHA Centre. The tool was designed in partnership with the Pacific Disaster Center (PDC), an applied science and information centre based in Hawaii, with the support of the Government of the United States of America. DMRS receives constant information feeds from the PDC system. It shows real time information of hazards in the region as they happen, as well as hydrometeorological data, such as wind direction and speed, clouds, sea temperature, etc. The basic maps can be overlaid with additional information, such as basic population density data, location of airports and seaports, and major roads and infrastructure.



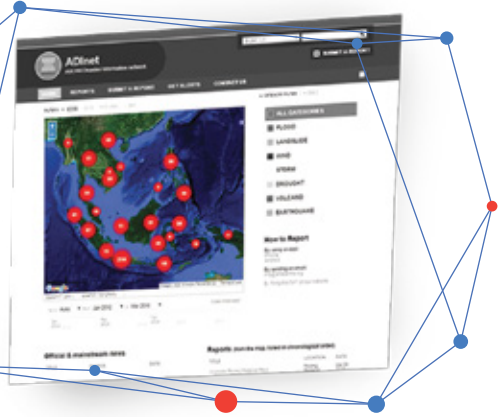
WEB EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTRE (WEBEOC)

To facilitate coordination and exchange of information among the Member States during emergency response, the AHA Centre provides an online-based platform called the Web Emergency Operations Centre (WebEOC). Using the WebEOC, Member States can monitor situation on the ground, based on the information fed by the NDMO of the affected country as well as the AHA Centre field teams, including the Emergency Response and Assessment Team (ERAT). The other ASEAN Member States can post offer of assistance to the affected country. Similarly, the affected country can post request for assistance in the WebEOC, to which the other Member States can immediately respond. The WebEOC will only be activated when a disaster happens.



ASEAN DISASTER INFORMATION NETWORK

The ASEAN Disaster Information Network (ADINET) is a repository of information concerning hazards and disasters that have happened in the region. The platform is publicly available where members of the public can submit information about any hazard and disaster to the AHA Centre. Thereafter, the AHA Centre will verify and validate any submitted information to ensure the accuracy of the data inputs. The AHA Centre can also add new information when relevant and as necessary. ADINET has been recording disaster information in the region since the AHA Centre was operational in 2012.



PUBLIC OUTREACH

In order to raise awareness on disaster risk reduction and preparedness, the AHA Centre also disseminates information on a regular basis to the public. During times of emergency, the AHA Centre releases immediate Flash Updates and Situation Updates. Whereas on a regular basis, the AHA Centre publishes Weekly Disaster Updates, and a monthly newsletter: The Column. All of these publications are available on www.ahacentre.org as well as the AHA Centre's social media accounts.



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