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FOREWORDS



Through the establishment of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre) on 17th November 2011, ASEAN has reaffirmed its commitment to counter natural disasters through the mechanisms of regional cooperation. The AHA Centre is now an essential pillar as the operational engine of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) to promote joint cooperation in one of the most disaster-prone regions of the world. I congratulate the AHA Centre on its first year anniversary which marks a milestone in our joint efforts towards achieving long-term disaster resilience and prosperity in the ASEAN region.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chatchai Phromlert". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Chatchai Phromlert (Mr.)
Director General
Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM) of Thailand
Chairman of the ASEAN Committee On Disaster Management (ACDM)



The AHA Centre, on its first year anniversary, is looking back on an exciting and promising year that was dedicated to establish the Centre. Our continuous collaborative efforts in building human, physical and ICT capacities of the AHA Centre as the basic building blocks for effective regional coordination on disaster management are finally rewarding. At present, the AHA Centre is able to offer services in disaster monitoring, analysis, preparedness and response.

These achievements were made possible by the invaluable contributions and strong support from the Conference of the Parties (COP) to ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER), the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM), related Working Groups, Lead Shepherd Country and Dialogue Partners. In addition, continuous and close support extended by the ASEAN Secretariat has been critical for the AHA Centre in delivering the accomplishments.

Today, we simply present the AHA Centre's First Year Anniversary Report which reflects our shared commitment to contribute to a safer future for the ASEAN region along with our gratitude and hopes for continuing fruitful cooperation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Said Faisal', written in a cursive style.

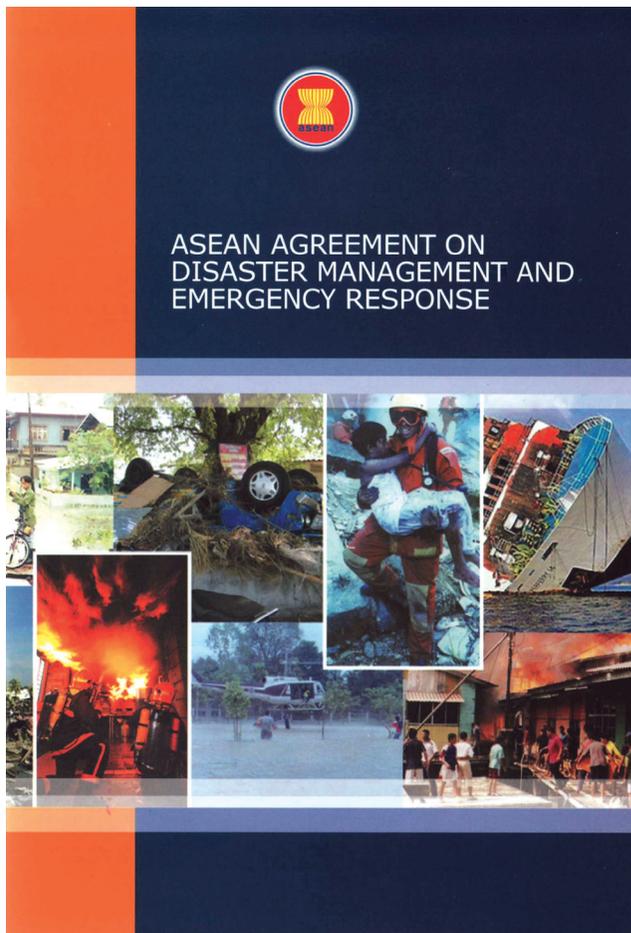
Said Faisal (Mr.)
Executive Director
ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre)



ORIGINS



THE ROAD TO THE AHA CENTRE



Southeast Asia is located in one of the most disaster-prone regions of the world and is exposed to almost all types of natural hazards, including tsunamis, earthquakes, floods, typhoons, cyclones, droughts, landslides, and volcanic eruptions with some notable Major disaster events, such as 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami and 2008 Cyclone Nargis.

On 26 July 2005, ASEAN Foreign Ministers signed The Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) in Vientiane, Lao PDR. The objective of AADMER is to provide effective mechanisms to achieve substantial reduction of disaster losses in lives and in the social, economic and environmental assets of the parties, and to jointly respond to disaster emergencies through concerted national efforts and intensified regional and international cooperation. AADMER includes the need to establish ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre).

Under the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER), which entered into force on 24 December 2009, the ten ASEAN Member States - Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam have a commitment to pursue cooperation in developing and implementing measures to reduce disaster losses including setting up the regional disaster management mechanisms.

The establishment of “ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management” (AHA Centre) as the regional hub for disaster monitoring and analysis, preparedness, response, and technical and scientific cooperation, is one of AADMER’s key stipulations.

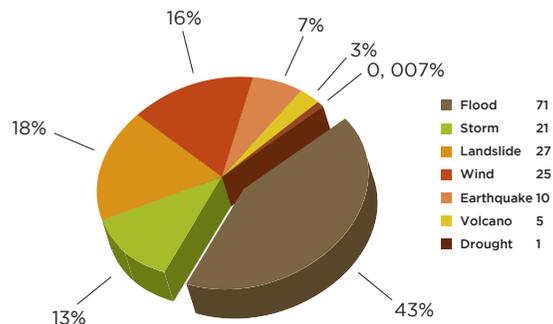
This report outlines the history, functions, and achievements of the AHA Centre, the invaluable amount of support it has received, and the plans for the future.



The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) consists of 10 countries with nearly 600 million people. Every year, on average, the ASEAN region experiences losses related to natural disasters estimated at **US\$ 4.6 billion** *

* Source: Advancing Disaster Risk Financing and Insurance in ASEAN Countries, World Bank, GFDRR, ASEAN, and UNISDR

STRATEGIC COMPONENTS OF AADMER'S MANDATE:



▲ Breakdown of types of disasters in the ASEAN region in 2012

A Conference of Parties (COP) was formed to periodically review and evaluate the implementation of AADMER.

Each strategic component of AADMER is looked after by a Working Group under the care of one or more Chair or Lead Shepherd Countries.

THE FOUNDING FATHERS

ASEAN COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT (ACDM)



The ACDM serves as the main subsidiary body that oversees the operational implementation of AADMER under the Conference of Parties (COP). Its roles include some of the following:

- Providing leadership and guidance towards fulfilling the goals and objectives of AADMER pursuant of the vision of disaster-resilient nations and safer communities within ASEAN by 2015;
- Initiate, direct and oversee the development, monitoring and implementation of the AADMER Work Programme and other initiatives implemented by the respective Working Groups;
- Strengthen coordination with relevant ASEAN bodies;
- Collaborate with ASEAN's dialogue partners,

multilateral agencies, NGOs and the private sector;

- Enhance sharing of resources and information on disaster management, including the promotion of research; and
- Present reports and make recommendations to the COP for their consideration.

In line with the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre, the ACDM would also function as the Governing Board for the AHA Centre. The ACDM is headed by a Chair, supported by a Vice Chair, and consists of the National Focal Points, that is the Head of each Member State's National Disaster Management Office. It meets at least once a year.

ACDM FOCAL POINTS



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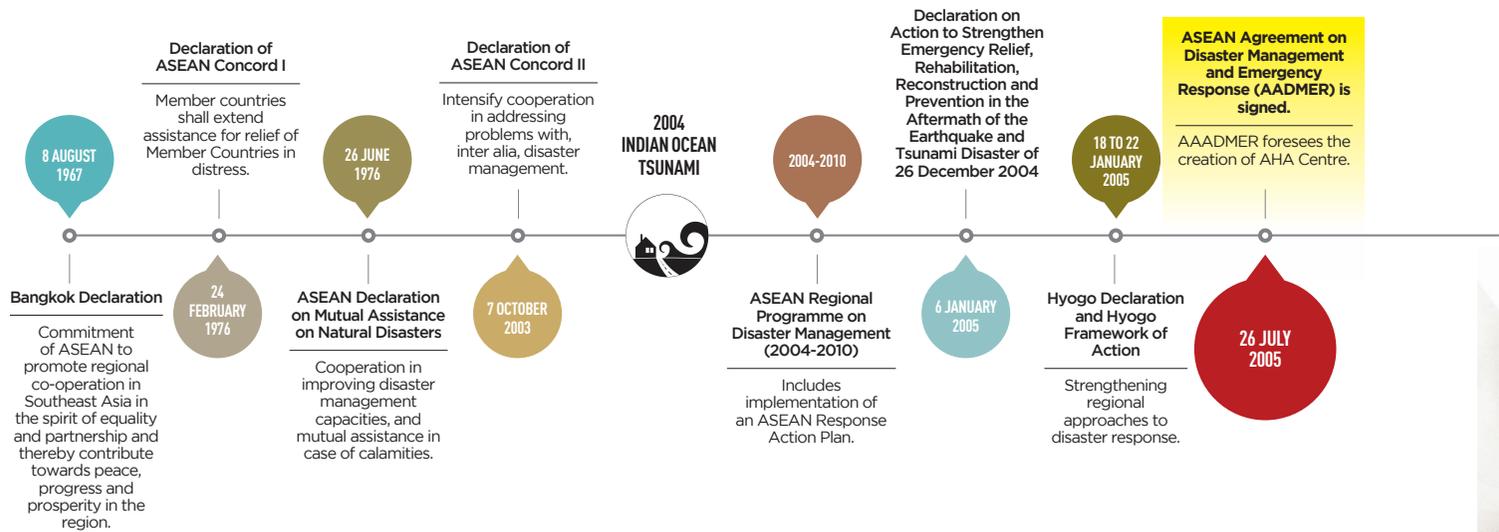
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Mr. Vu Van Tu
Acting Director - Chief of Office

ORIGINS



THE BIRTH OF THE AHA CENTRE

FROM AADMER TO 17 NOVEMBER 2011



Between 2009 and 2011, ASEAN leaders vigorously promoted the establishment of the AHA Centre:

The day moved closer and closer: At the 18th ACDM Meeting in Pattaya, Thailand, on 9-10 September 2011, Member States announced their readiness to sign the AHA Centre Agreement.

On 17 November 2011, the AHA Centre was formally established through the signing of the “Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre) by ASEAN Foreign Ministers and witnessed by ASEAN Head of States.

“We welcome with satisfaction the signing of the Agreement on the Establishment of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre) by our Foreign Ministers on the sidelines of the 19th ASEAN Summit. We further welcome the official launch of the AHA Centre on 17 November 2011 as a mechanism in facilitating cooperation and coordination among the ASEAN Member States and with relevant United Nations agencies and international organizations to promote regional collaboration.”

Statement of the ASEAN Chairman, H.E. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, at the 19th ASEAN Summit, Bali, Indonesia, 17 November 2011



25 JULY 2006

39th ASEAN Ministerial Meeting (AMM) notes the need to set up AHA Centre.

First regional workshop on the establishment of the AHA Centre.

13-15 DECEMBER 2006

Second regional workshop on the AHA Centre and 9th ACDM meeting
9th ACDM meeting endorses initial conops, road map and priority action plan of interim AHA Centre.

12-14 MARCH 2007

40th AMM endorses the offer of Indonesia to host AHA Centre.

29-30 JULY 2007

Interim AHA Centre set up at the National Disaster Management Agency of Indonesia (BNPb).

OCTOBER 2007



2008 CYCLONE NARGIS

ASEAN Charter enters into force.

15 DECEMBER 2008

15th ASEAN Summit, Cha-am Hua Hin, instructs ACDM to set up a fully functioning AHA Centre.

23-25 OCTOBER 2009

Hua Hin Declaration on the Roadmap of the ASEAN Community (2009-2015)

14th ACDM meeting sets up task force to establish AHA Centre. ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) enters into force.

1 DECEMBER 2009

30 OCTOBER 2010

17th ASEAN Summit
ASEAN leaders looking forward for operationalisation of the AHA Centre

23-25 FEBRUARY 2011

17th meeting of ACDM
ACDM agrees on steps to set up provisional AHA Centre.

8 MAY 2011

18th ASEAN Summit
The Chairman of ASEAN reaffirm commitment to ensure effective operation of AHA Centre and reaffirms importance of establishing AHA Centre.

19 JULY 2011

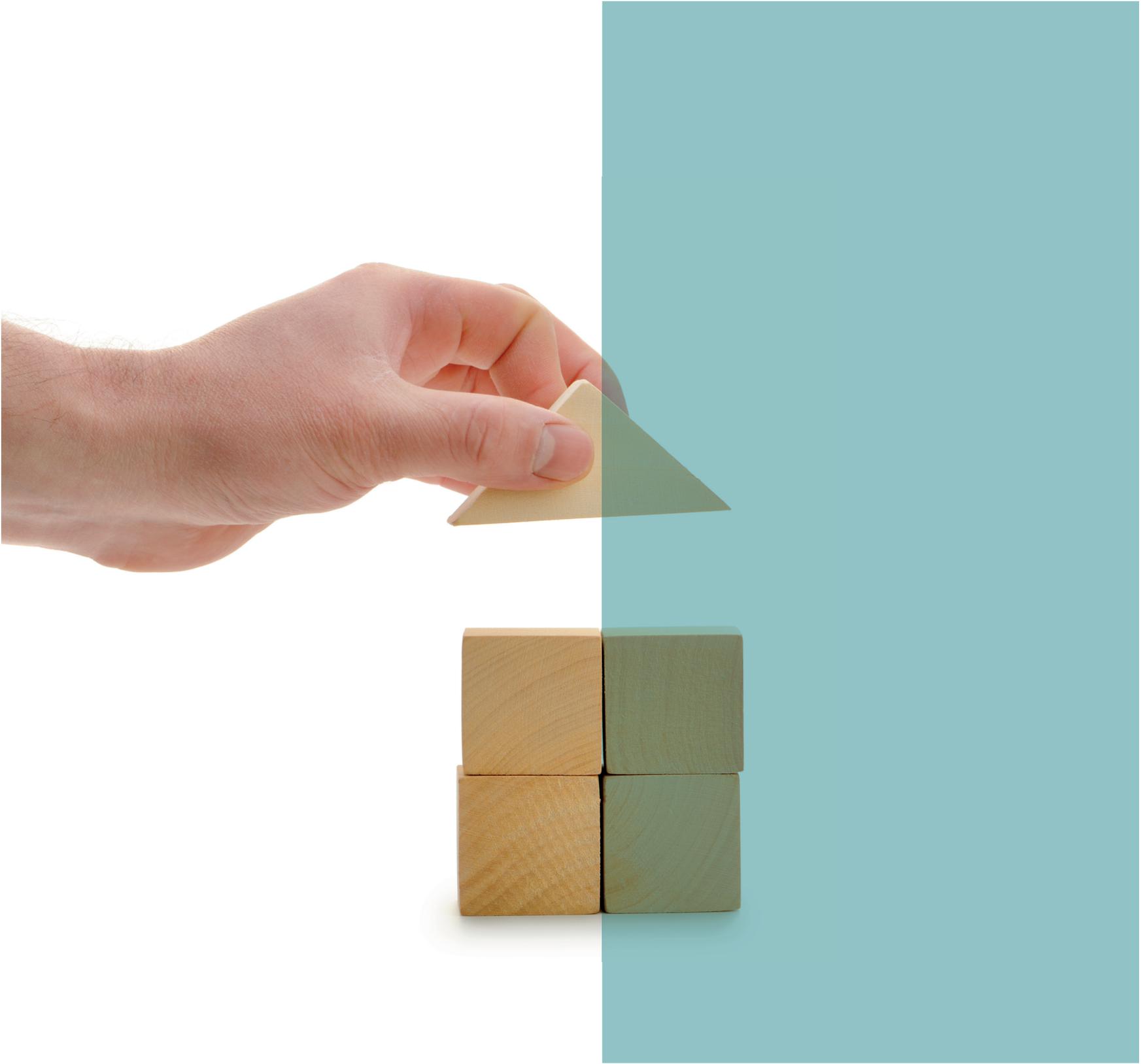
44th ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting
Ministers agree on the content of the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre.

9-10 SEPTEMBER 2011

18th ACDM Meeting
States announce readiness to sign AHA Centre Agreement.

17 NOVEMBER 2011

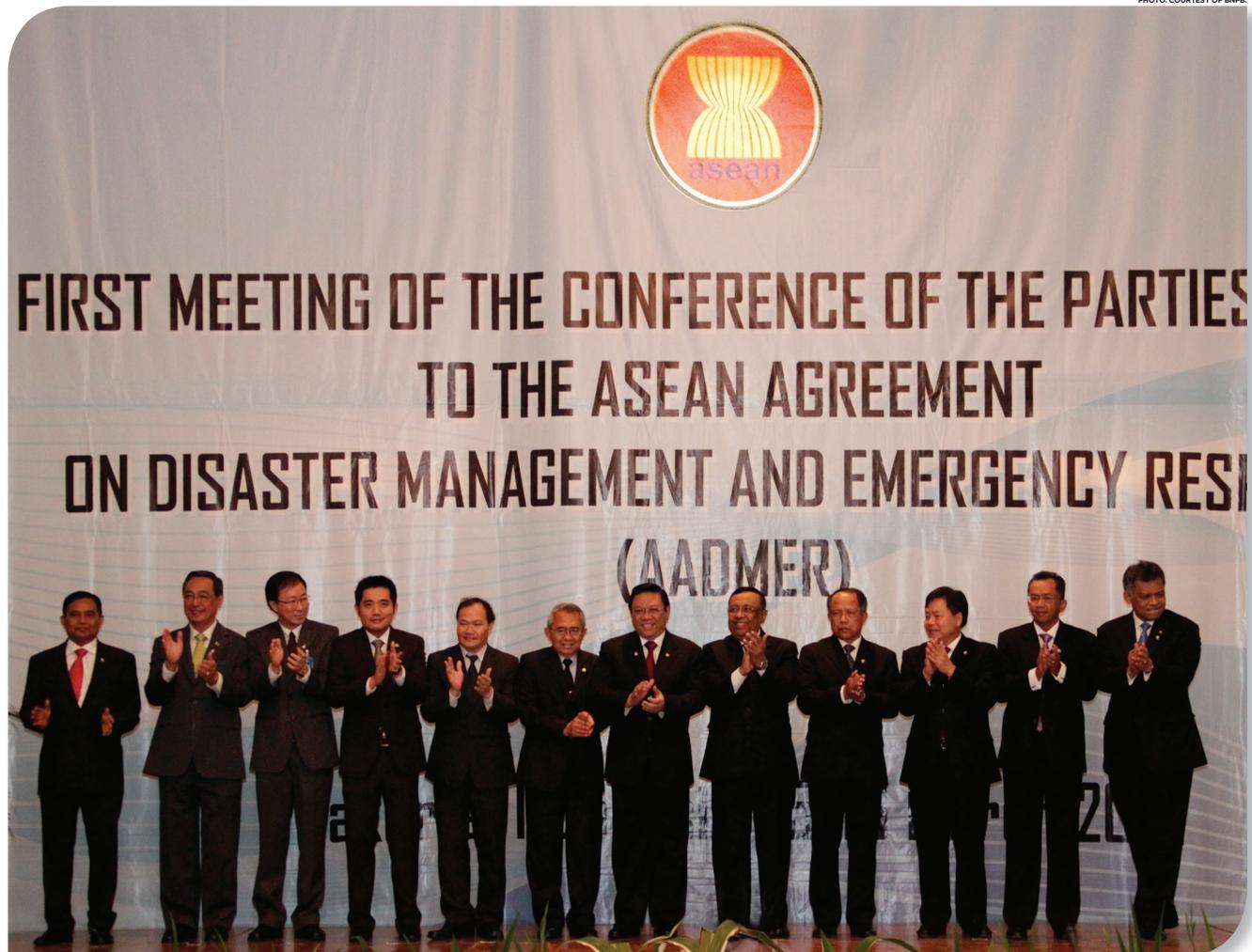
19th ASEAN Summit in Bali, Indonesia
Signing of Agreement on the Establishment of AHA Centre.



ESTABLISHING
THE CENTRE



CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES (COP)



Following the 19th ACDM meeting on 14 March 2012, the First Meeting of the Conference of Parties (COP) to AADMER was held in Jakarta on 15-16 March 2012. In line with the decision of ASEAN Leaders at the 19th ASEAN Summit in November 2011, the Meeting reaffirmed that AADMER should remain as the main regional policy backbone and coordinating platform for disaster management in ASEAN. In reference to this, the ASEAN's collective response to disasters will be strengthened

when AHA Centre is fully operational. Therefore the Meeting agreed that the focus of ASEAN's efforts should be on getting the AHA Centre up and running and the mechanisms under the AADMER is fully in place as well as the focus of AADMER implementation and AHA Centre should be on natural disaster. The 1st COP Meeting also adopted the Financial Rules for the AADMER Fund and agreed to the amount of the annual and equal contribution of ASEAN Member States to the AHA Centre Fund.



19th ACDM Meeting, 14 March 2012 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

PHOTO: COURTESY OF BNPB



Visit of the delegates of Conference of the Parties to AADMER and the Secretary General of ASEAN to AHA Centre 15 March, 2012.

SETTING UP HOME

THE HUB

Office space for the AHA Centre was provided by the Government of Republic of Indonesia, as the Host Country of the AHA Centre, located at BPPT 1st Building 17th Floor on Jalan Thamrin, in the centre of Jakarta. It hosts the Operation Room - the nerve centre of the AHA Centre.

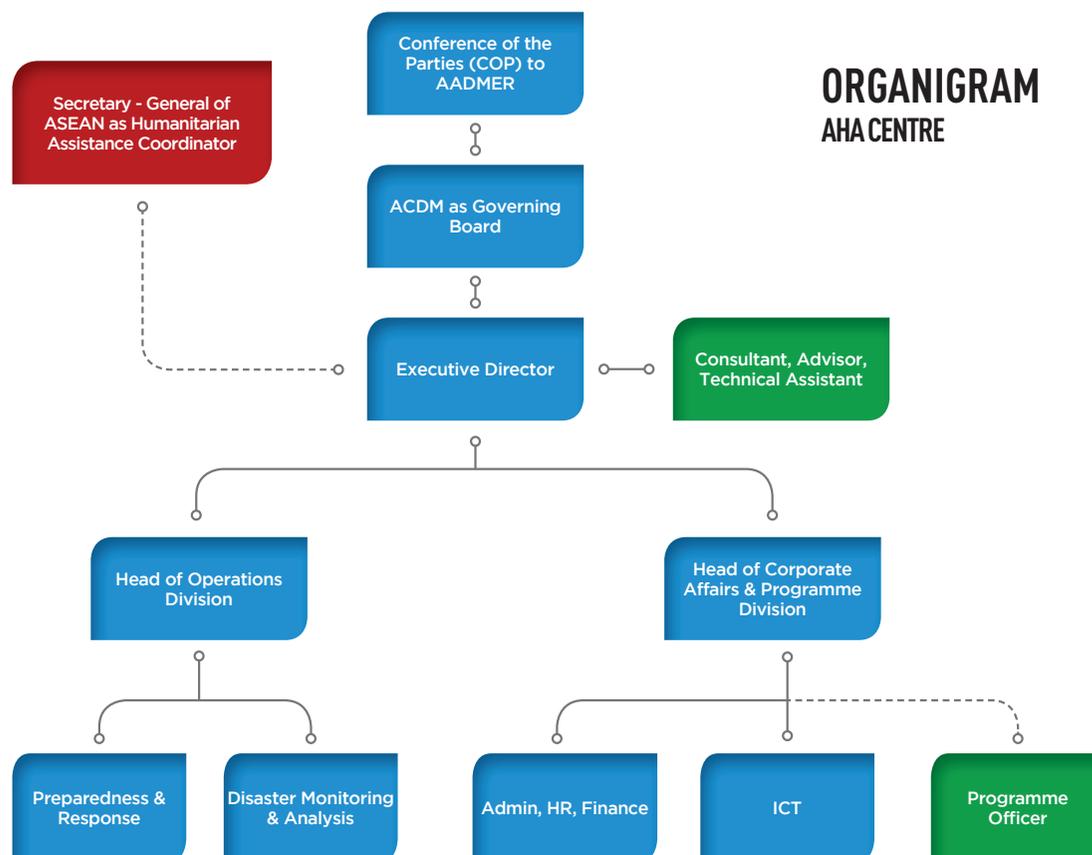
Equipped with the latest ICT and office systems, multiple hazard information links, professional and skilled staff, this is the monitoring, coordinative, and logistical control room for ASEAN's regional humanitarian and disaster management activities - before, during and after emergencies.

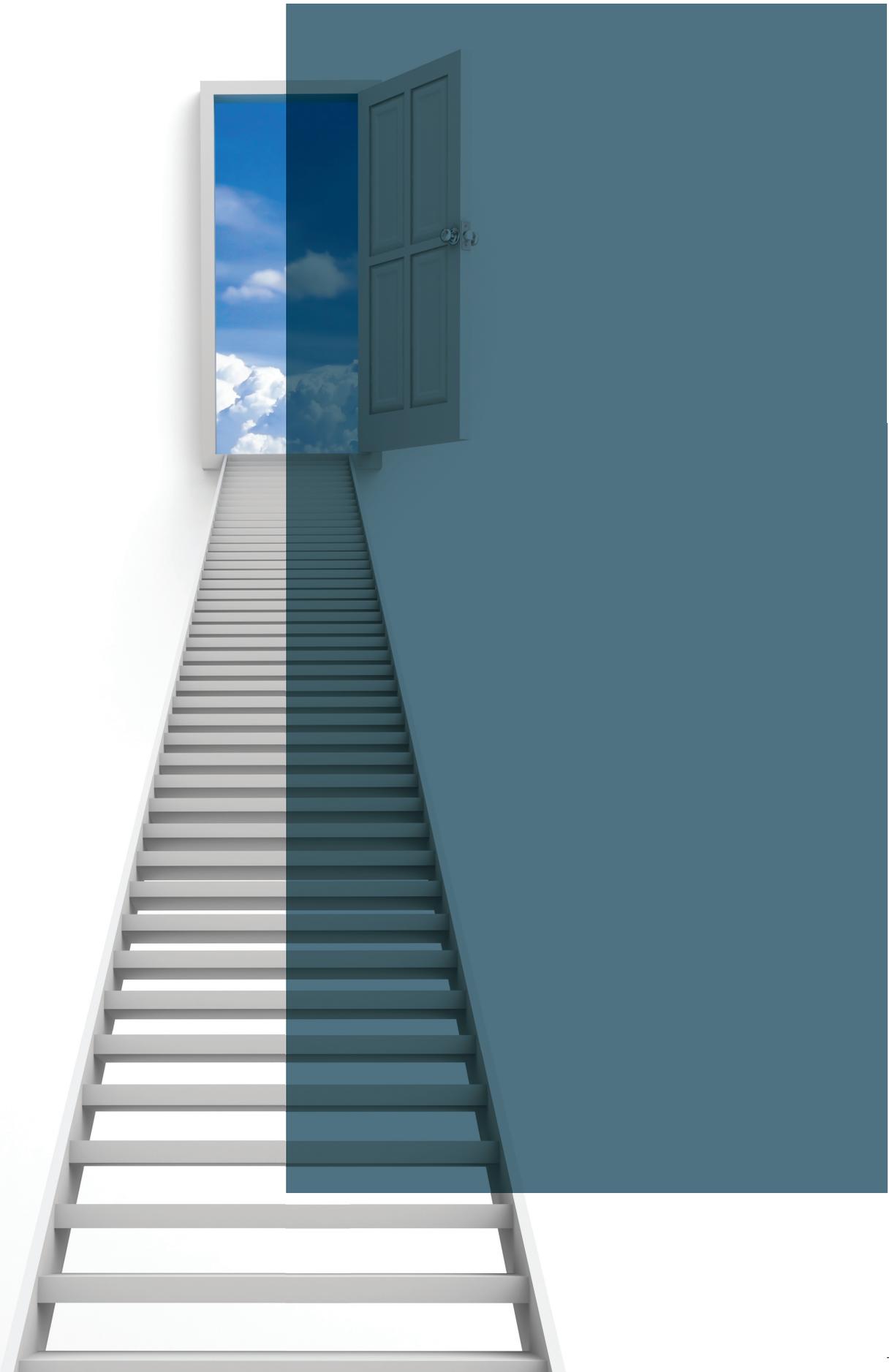


STRUCTURE OF THE AHA CENTRE

Recognizing the difference that a highly qualified, experienced, and dedicated team makes to effective disaster management, the AHA Centre has been carrying out a major recruitment drive in 2012

for which the ASEAN Secretariat's Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance along with HR Divisions provided invaluable assistance.





FUNCTIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS



AHA CENTRE : THE ENGINE OF AADMER

The AHA Centre is the regional, operational manifestation of AADMER. Its key roles, as outlined in AADMER and the Agreement on the Establishment of the AHA Centre are:

All roles are networked through the Focal Points of Member State's National Disaster Management Offices, as well as with international organisations, leading hazard data providers, and research institution.



MONITORING & ANALYSIS

THE FUNCTION

The AHA Centre fulfills a unique and multi-level role in **regional disaster monitoring, analysis, and dissemination.**

1

Receive disaster-related data and individual risk levels from Member States and a wide range of hazard monitoring agencies.

2

Check, filter, and consolidate, data and risk level information.

3

Provide an aggregate, regional level situational analysis, in line with AHA Centre's unique transboundary mandate.

4

Disseminate and report findings to Members, thereby supporting their early warning capacity.

ACHIEVEMENTS IN YEAR ONE:

Supported by a powerful new software and hardware infrastructure, the AHA Centre has achieved operational capability in each of its functional areas.

Systems in place after Year One include:

01 | Disaster Monitoring and Response System (DMRS)

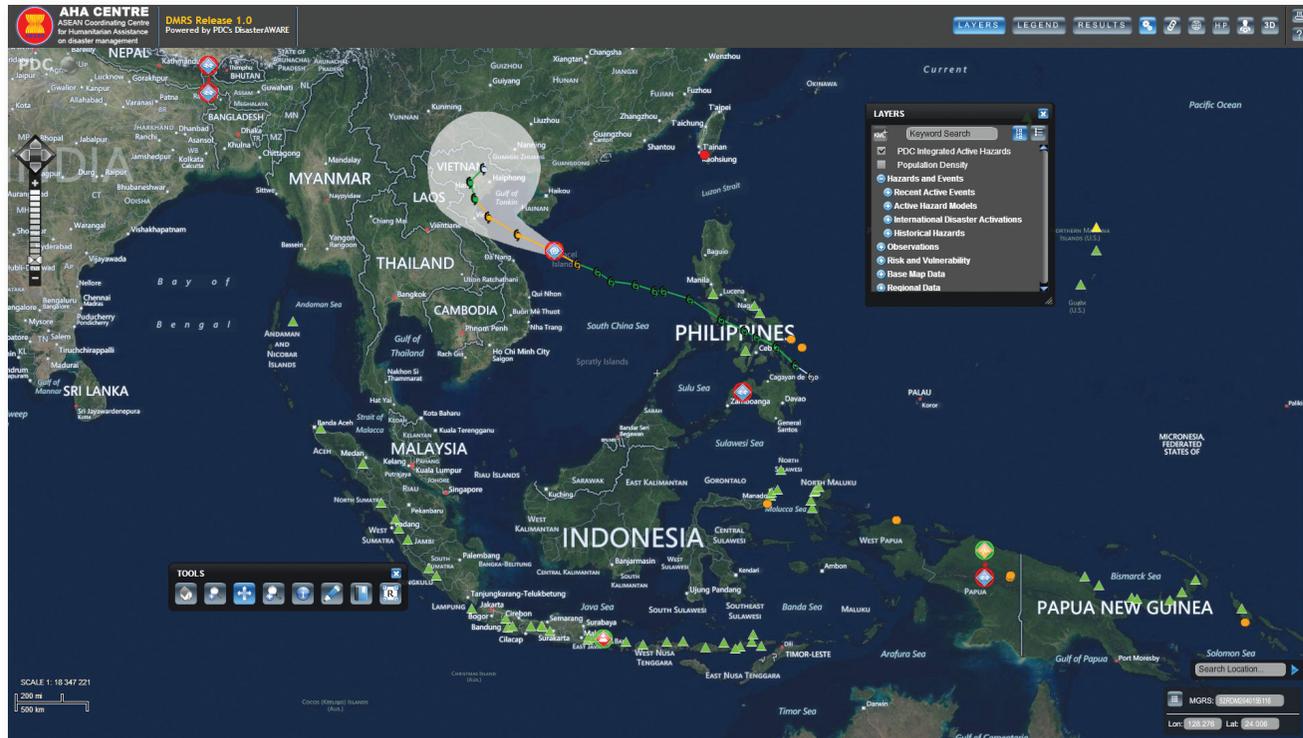
02 | AHA Centre Disaster Information Dissemination System

03 | The ASEAN Disaster Information Network (AdiNet)

04 | Incident Management Software

05 | ASEAN DRR Portal, hosted by the AHA Centre

FUNCTIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS



DMRS System

1. DISASTER MONITORING AND RESPONSE SYSTEM (DMRS):

Operational as of November 2012, this is AHA Centre's key platform for real-time, multi-hazard, situational awareness, gathering of Essential Elements of Information (EEI), and decision making support.

One of the most sophisticated systems available internationally, DMRS incorporates GIS technology for static and dynamic, as well as spatial and non-spatial hazard data integration; connects to a variety of hazard data providers; incorporates disaster-alerting functions with flexible severity thresholds; and supports hazard modeling, as well as risk and vulnerability assessments.

Prior to its installation, DMRS was preceded by a prototype, EMOPS, based on the DisasterAware System of the Pacific Disaster Centre.

2. AHA CENTRE DISASTER INFORMATION DISSEMINATION SYSTEM:

Any disaster-related updates are monitored daily, entered into this system, and communicated to National Focal Points. In addition, the updates are made available on AHA Centre's twitter posting at <https://twitter.com/ahacentre>.

3. THE ASEAN DISASTER INFORMATION NETWORK (ADINET):

AdiNet contains a live ticker with summaries of natural disasters occurring in the region. It is currently being used to log all disaster events, while



ASEAN Disaster Information network
<http://adinet.ahacentre.org>

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Indonesia, Landslide damaged Railway and Houses in Cilebut, West Java [p](#) 18:00 Nov 21, 2012
 Heavy rain on November 21, has triggered a land slide in Cilebut. Consequently, 22 houses were severely damaged so as a railway that served...

Philippines, Effects of Intertropical Convergence Zone (ITCZ) [p](#) 17:30 Nov 21, 2012
 Due to ITCZ, Davao Region of Philippines was experiencing intermittent rains that resulted in flooding in some municipalities of the provinces...

Indonesia, Flashflood submerged houses in Depok, West Java [p](#) 17:00 Nov 21, 2012
 Unable to hold the raising water intensity and the pressure, the Kali Laya embankment was reportedly destroyed on 12 November (and again on...

Indonesia, Flood and Landslide hits Soreang, West Java [p](#) 20:00 Nov 18, 2012
 Flood and Landslide affecting Soreang sub-districts of West Java, Indonesia. Due to heavy rain landslide occur in Soreang sub-district of Bandung...

Indonesia, Flood hit Pandeglang, Banten [p](#) 16:00 Nov 17, 2012
 Due to heavy rain and Cilemer river overflow, Pandeglang district of Banten is flooded with casualties so far are - 200 houses inundated -...

plans are being made to establish a regional disaster database. Once an event has been logged, the AHA Centre disseminates this information as a weekly or 10-day summary by email to the National Focal Points.

The future plan for this site is to move towards an open community disaster information network, where everyone can post info on a disaster in the region upon approval by the AHA Centre Administrator. This can be accessed on <http://adinet.ahacentre.org>.

4. INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE:

This is the original, web-enabled crisis information management system of AHA Centre and provides secure and real-time information sharing for regional disaster managers.

Some further automated entry facilities shall be made available to reduce the potential redundancy

of manual entries. Some added features will also be needed to ensure interactive chat and messaging capabilities between Member States and the AHA Centre.

5. HOSTING THE ASEAN DRR PORTAL:

The ASEAN Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Portal contains DRR-related news, guidelines, and articles. As part of the development of AHA's knowledge management capacity, the ownership of the ASEAN DRR Portal was officially transferred to the AHA Centre in March 2012. This portal can be accessed on <http://aseandrr.ahacentre.org>.

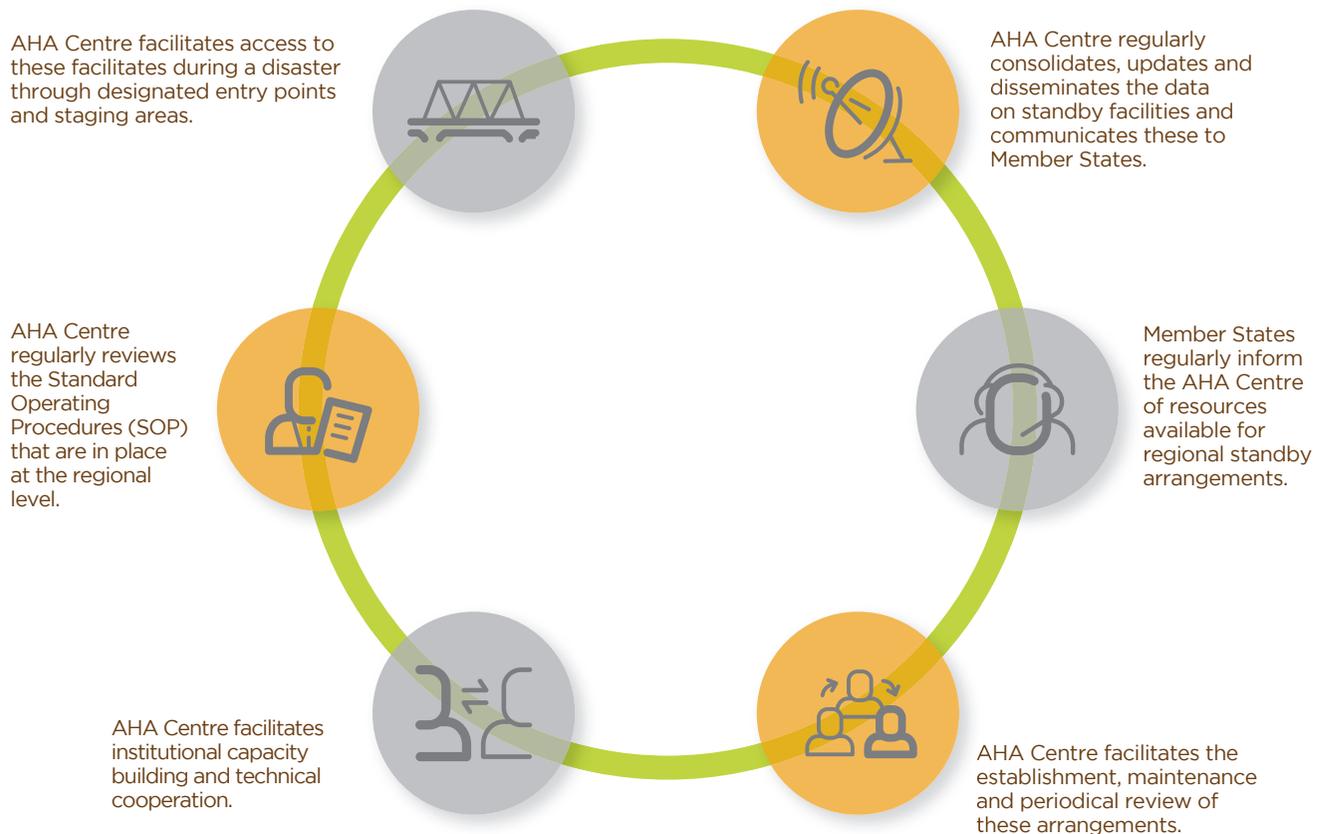
DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

As reflected in AADMER, ASEAN Member States have committed themselves to developing **national and regional standby arrangements** in order to enhance their disaster preparedness.

This includes earmarking relevant resources, assets, and expertise, which, in case of need, can be requested by a

disaster-affected Member State, in order to supplement its own disaster response capacities.

The AHA Centre, under the guidance of the Working Group on Preparedness and Response (currently chaired by Malaysia and Singapore), plays a crucial supporting role on several levels:



ACHIEVEMENTS

BUILDING A REGIONAL EMERGENCY STOCKPILE:

- The AHA Centre, under the guidance of the ACDM Working Group on Preparedness and Response, has progressively developed a stockpile of humanitarian assets that can be deployed to the disaster affected area in the Region.
- This includes: Mobile storages, office and living prefabs, generators, family tents, ASEAN Family Kits, shelter toolkits, rescue boats, ready-to-eat meals, office supplies and ICT support.
- The stockpile is located at Subang Airbase in the southwest of Kuala Lumpur, which hosts the United Nations Humanitarian Response Depot (UNHRD), managed by the World Food Programme (WFP).

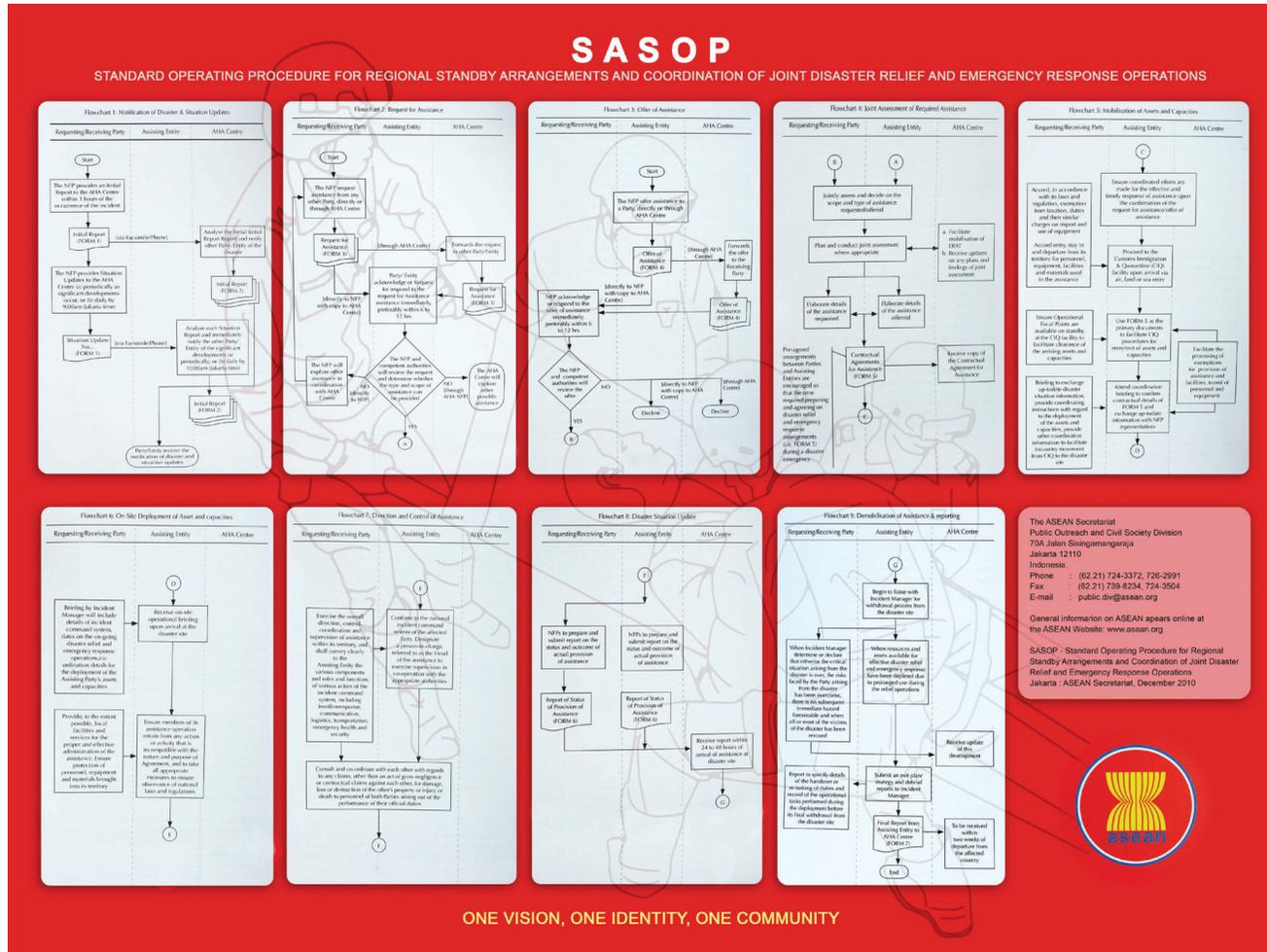
INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING:

- The AHA Centre is developing a regional “Young Executive Programme”, lasting altogether three years, through which two junior staff members from each Member State’s National Disaster Management Office will be working and learning, at the AHA Centre for one year at a time - that is 60 officers over three years - and thus enhance their skills in disaster preparedness and response, with a particular focus on emergency logistics management. The first officers are expected to come on board in 2013.



▲ AHA's emergency stockpile

FUNCTIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS



▲ ASEAN Standard Operation Procedure for Regional Standby Arrangements and Coordination of Joint Disaster Relief and Emergency Response Operations (SASOP)

DISASTER RESPONSE

Under AADMER, the AHA Centre's role encompasses the facilitation, upon request, of **assistance to a disaster-affected Member State**.

This includes initial impact and needs assessments that can support an affected Member State's capacity to decide on the type and extent of internal or external disaster assistance required.

In this function, AHA Centre now has the authority to deploy the **ASEAN Emergency Rapid Assessment Team (ERAT)**.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

During Year One, the AHA Centre has:

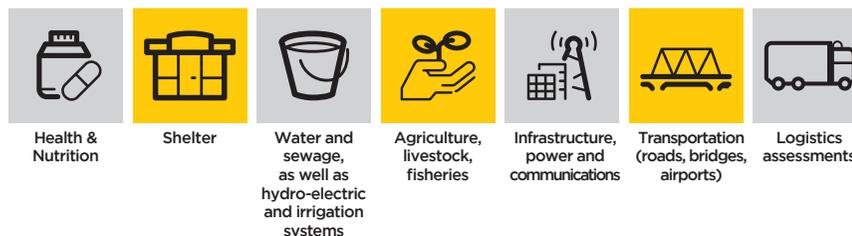
- Compiled and updated the ERAT SOP and database;
- Mapped the capacity and connectivity of ERAT's operational set-up;
- Introduced ERAT to Member States' National Disaster Management Offices;
- Carried out a scenario exercise with ERAT;
- Deployed ERAT on a **flood mission to Thailand** (15-24 October 2011) with the following objectives:
 - Assist the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM), in assessing the situation in the affected provinces;



- Assess the basic and immediate needs of the affected populations;
- Study the effectiveness and adequacy of the Government's response to mitigate the flood situation; and
- Exercise the linkage between ERAT and, via the AHA Centre, the ASEAN disaster response mechanism.

Further, the AHA Centre was able to respond to the 6.8 M Earthquake in Myanmar. The AHA Centre has dispatched 250 multi-purpose tents and 70 rolls of tarpauline as response to the urgent needs confirmed by the Government of Myanmar.

ERAT is staffed by officers from the National Disaster Management Offices, who have undergone special ERAT training and are included in a continuously updated standby roster managed by the AHA Centre. ERAT works on the basis of the SASOP and other detailed operational guidelines that govern its mobilization and mission procedures. Its sectoral expertise includes:



TECHNICAL COOPERATION

To promote, and benefit from, closer cooperation and collaboration in the region, the AHA Centre has actively participated in a wide range of technical and scientific sharing activities, workshops,

seminars, and exercises with specialist forums and organisation, while fostering closer interaction with a range of international hazard data providers.



- **AHA Centre ICT User Workshop, 22- 24 May 2012, Jakarta, Indonesia**

The ICT User Workshop aimed at increasing mutual awareness amongst ASEAN National Disaster Management Offices of their respective ICT systems, as well as understanding the current status of the systems available at the AHA Centre. Connectivity and the ITC Phase II Project were also at the centre of this workshop.



- **Cooperation with JICA on Data Collection during Disaster Management Surveys and Development of Regional Flood Risk Assessment Guidelines, 11-13 June 2012, Jakarta, Indonesia**

This workshop centered on the establishment of sophisticated flood risk assessment tools.



- **IFRC-UNOCHA, Joint Seminar on the Role of Customs, 8-10 May 2012, Bangkok, Thailand**

The Seminar highlighted challenges in dealing with Customs roles, bringing in the World Customs Organisation and its Member States along with NGOs, National Disaster Management Offices, UN agencies, as well as Red Cross/Red Crescent National Societies.



- **ADRC-LAPAN-ASEAN Cooperation Project on the Utilization of Space-based Technologies for Disaster Risk Management, 26 - 27 June 2012, Bogor, Indonesia**

AHA Centre presented its functions and capabilities at this forum for remote sensing and mapping techniques.



- **Sentinel Asia, Joint Project Team Participation, since 29 May 2012**

Sentinel Asia is a voluntary basis initiative led by the Asia-Pacific Regional Space Agency Forum (APRSAP) to support disaster management activities by applying Web-GIS technology and space-based technologies, such as earth observation satellite data. AHA Centre is a member organisation since 29 May 2012 and took part in the 9th Sentinel Asia Training in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 2 October 2012.

AHA CENTRE RESPONSE TO MYANMAR

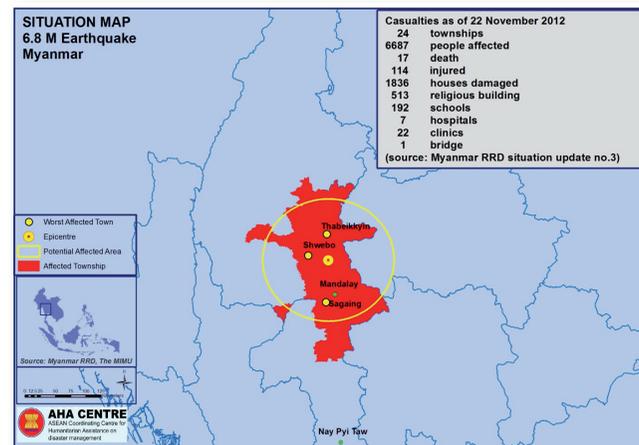
A strong earthquake with magnitude of 6.8 Richter Scale (RS) occurred in Myanmar on November 11, 2012 at 01:12:37 GMT. The epicenter was located about 72 km north of Shwe Bo and 131 km north of Mandalay Seismological Observatory. Based on the report by the Relief and Resettlement Department (RRD) of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Republic of the Union of Myanmar, damage was expected in Mandalay and Sagaing region. The affected areas are as follows:

1. Mandalay Region: Township of Sint Ku, Tha Baik Kyin, Madaya, Pyin Oo Lwin, Mogok, Aungmyethazan, Chanayethazan, Mahaangmye, Pyigyidagun,, Amarapura, Patheingyi, Kyaukse, Sintgaing, Myittha, Tada-U and Wundwin
2. Sagaing Region: Township of Shwe Bo, Khin Oo, Kyauk Myaung, Kanbalu, Sagaing, Ye-U and Wetlet.

The Earthquake was reported affecting 6687 people in 24 townships with casualties as follow:

- 17 deaths
- 114 injured
- 1836 houses, 513 religious buildings, 192 schools, 7 hospitals, 22 clinics, and 1 bridge.

AHA Centre team was able to coordinate with the (RRD) of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Republic of the Union



of Myanmar to conduct a mission to Myanmar. The main objective of the team is to understand the impact of the earthquake and to assess if AHA Centre could provide support to ongoing emergency response operations. The team was led by the AHA Centre Executive Director, joined by AHA Centre's Senior Emergency Preparedness and Response Officer and Senior Programme Officer of JAIF Management Team.

The team was accompanied by the ASEAN ERAT Team member from Myanmar and able to visit several impacted areas in Kyauk Myaung village, Shwe Bo Township. During the mission 250 multi-purpose tents



FUNCTIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS





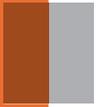
and 70 rolls of tarpaulin were identified as an urgent need. The 1st batch of the multi-purpose tents was dispatched on 23 November, from the UNHRD-WFP warehouse in Subang, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia. The delivery of 250 multi-purpose tents was completed on 26 November 2012, while the 70 rolls of tarpaulin

were purchased locally in Myanmar. The handover of these relief items from the AHA Centre to the Relief and Resettlement Department of Ministry of Social Welfare, Republic of the Union of Myanmar was held on Tuesday, 27 November 2012 in Yangon, Myanmar.





DIALOGUE
PARTNERS



SUPPORT FROM DIALOGUE PARTNERS

The AHA Centre has received generous provision, both financially and in kind, from ASEAN Member States, as well as the following international dialogue partners:

AUSTRALIA

▼ H.E. Gillian Bird Australian Ambassador to ASEAN, Ms. Adelina Kamal Head of DMHA of the ASEAN Secretariat and Dr Matt Hayne Director for AIFDR.



Under the “Cooperation Arrangement between Australia and ASEAN”, AUD 1 million were made available to bridge the AHA Centre’s initial financial and operational needs in 2012-2013. The ASEAN Secretariat has been directed by the ACDM during the special ACDM meeting in December 2011 to manage the implementation of the AHA Centre establishment. Therefore under this arrangement, the ASEAN Secretariat is overseeing the overall implementation of the programme and providing key administrative functions and recruitment process to the AHA Centre in utilizing the support from Australia.

Specifically, the funds are being used for:

- Establishing full operationalization through recruitment of staff.
- Covering the costs for core business and administrative areas.
- Supporting the implementation of key functions in the Strategic Work Plan, including the communication plan and monitoring.
- Identifying longer-term strategic issues going forward.

EUROPEAN UNION



▲ H.E. Julian Wilson EU Ambassador to ASEAN, Dr Agostino Miozzo Managing Director of the Crisis Response Department in the European External Action Service and David Verboom Head of ECHO Regional Support.



The European Union is supporting the AHA Centre through:

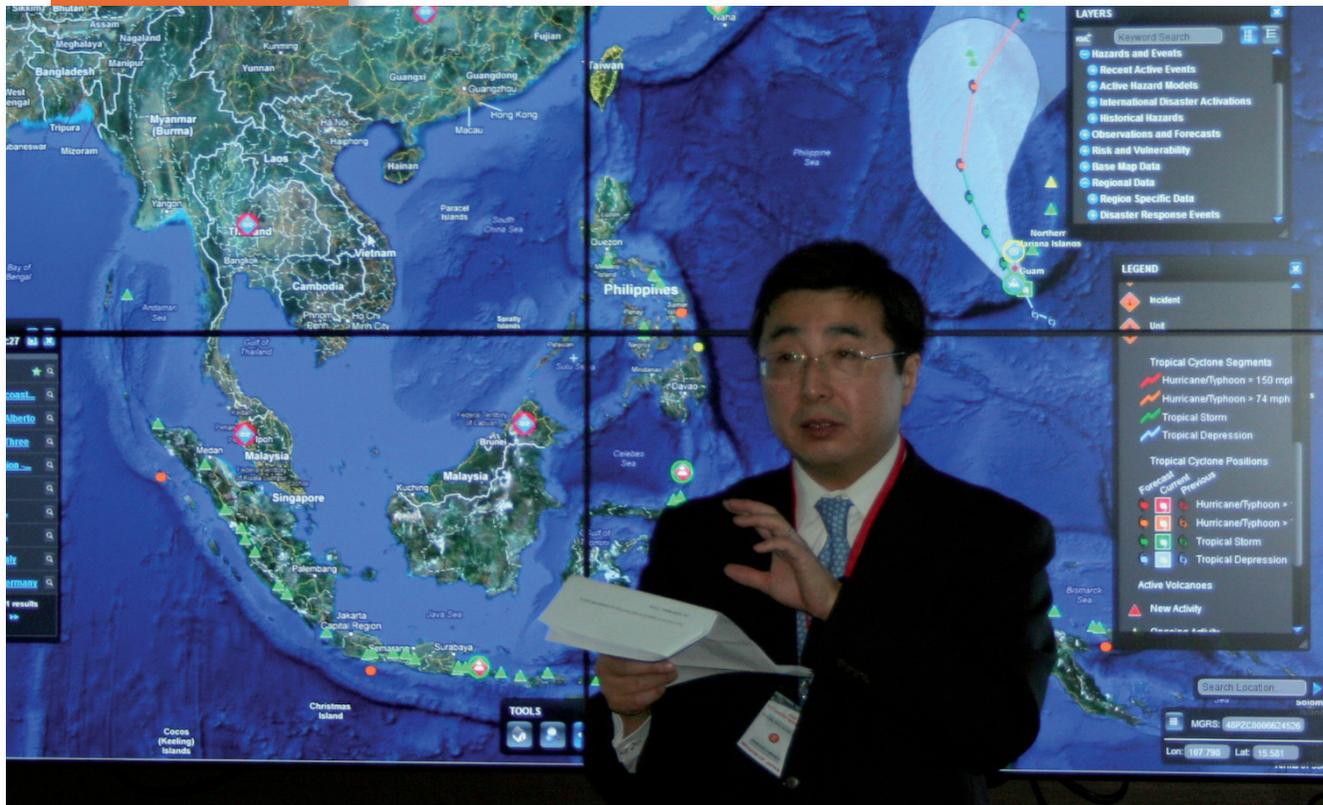
- Knowledge sharing activities. This includes, for example, mutual consultative visits by EU and ASEAN delegations (including the AHA Centre).
- Based on the mutual consultations and exchanges, it is expected that a longer-term arrangement

for knowledge sharing and collaboration can be identified.

- Further perspectives on future capacity building for AHA Centre staff could include, for example, a Senior Executive Programme including EU Member States, the ASEAN Secretariat, the AHA Centre and National Disaster Management Offices.

SUPPORT FROM DIALOGUE PARTNERS

JAPAN



▲ H.E. Kimihiro Ishikane Japan Ambassador to ASEAN.



The Government of Japan, through the Japan-ASEAN Integration Fund (JAIF), has contributed:

- USD 12,265,966.59 to the project “Establishment of a Disaster Emergency Logistic System for ASEAN”, which includes establishing emergency stockpiles, developing institutional capacity, as well as communication and awareness building.
- USD 1,627,634.00 for the (already completed) project “Establishment of an Integrated Information and Communication Technology System to Strengthen the Operation of the AHA Centre” (ICT Phase I

Project). This included the supply of an integrated software and hardware system on which AHA’s various disaster management applications are now running successfully.

- In 2013, ICT Phase I Project is expected to be followed by ICT Phase II, which will focus on seamless connectivity of AHA’s systems with the NDMO infrastructure.

In addition to the above the Government of Japan has also provided support on data collection survey and disaster management expert through Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

NEW ZEALAND



▲ H.E. David Taylor New Zealand Ambassador to ASEAN.



The New Zealand Government has supported the AHA Centre through the provision of:

Two (2) advisors to support the development of the Strategic Work Plan that is critical for AHA Centre in setting its direction and priorities for at least the

next 3 years. The Government of New Zealand is also continuing to provide such support by providing Advisor on short term and intermittent basis. The development of Job Descriptions for certain senior positions at AHA Centre was also supported by Advisor from the Government of New Zealand.

SUPPORT FROM DIALOGUE PARTNERS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



▲ H.E. David L. Carden US Ambassador to ASEAN.



The United States Government has contributed:

- The state-of-the-art Disaster Monitoring and Response System (DMRS), which, as described above, is the key platform for AHA's regional disaster preparedness and response activities. DMRS is fully functional as of November 2012.
- The US Government also provided its earlier prototype version, EMOPS, which was used by the AHA Centre during start-up.
- The United States Government also provided ICT equipment to the AHA, which was previously used by the ASEAN Humanitarian Task Force (AHTF) in response to Cyclone Nargis in Myanmar, and has now been transferred to the AHA Centre. This includes laptop computers, printers, scanners, wireless routers, and satellite phones.
- Technical Assistance through an advisor during the establishment of the AHA Centre through the ASEAN-US Technical Assistance and Training Facility (USTATF) as well as technical assistance from the US Forest Service.



OUTLOOK FOR YEAR TWO



PLANNED ACTIVITIES

The AHA Centre will continue to build on the foundations laid in Year One in all four thematic areas of its mandate, such as:

STRENGTHEN CONNECTIVITY WITH MEMBER STATES.

FURTHER DEVELOP THE STANDBY ARRANGEMENT AND DISASTER EMERGENCY LOGISTIC SYSTEM.

FURTHER ENHANCE MECHANISM AND STRENGTHEN THE CAPACITY OF THE ASEAN EMERGENCY RAPID ASSESSMENT TEAM (ERAT).

FURTHER ENHANCE THE ICT INFRASTRUCTURE INCLUDING INTEROPERABILITY AND CONNECTIVITY.

STRENGTHEN AND FURTHER ENHANCE THE PARTNERSHIP WITH REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HAZARD MONITORING AGENCIES.

START THE YOUNG EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME.

PARTICIPATE IN THE 2013 RELEVANT JOINT EMERGENCY RESPONSE EXERCISE AND SIMULATION IN THE REGION.

CONTINUE CLOSE COOPERATION WITH DIALOGUE PARTNERS AND RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS.

THE TEAM



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Head of Corporate Affairs and Program Division
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Executive Assistant
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ICT Officer
- 5. Ferny Hapsari**
HR/Administration Officer
- 6. Dwi Nurlita**
Finance Officer
- 7. Olivia Christiani**
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- 9. Bachtiar Andy Musaffa**
Disaster Monitoring and Analysis Officer
- 10. Arnel Capili**
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- 11. Rio Augusta**
Preparedness and Response Officer (Logistics)
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