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Bangladesh and Japan Media Dialogue on DRR (Bangladesh)

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## Bangladesh

### JICA Grassroots Technical Cooperation Project: Project on Capacity Building for Community-Based DRR in Urban Areas of Bangladesh

#### First DRR Photo Exhibition in Bangladesh!

On 9th to 11th February, SEEDS Asia and Dhaka North City Corporation (DNCC) organized a photography exhibition on DRR, the first in Bangladesh, at the World Literature Center in Dhaka. In a photo competition on DRR "Tell Us Your Story" launched last November, we received over 250 photos from professionals to amateurs, of which 50 distinguished photos were selected for the exhibition. Many of the participants were amateurs whose photos captured risks and vulnerabilities in their daily lives. It was also a unique opportunity for the city authorities to know how the citizens look at their city. The exhibition also showcased 28 pictures of the Great Hanshin Awaji Earthquake from the Kobe Newspaper to share the experience, devastation, reconstruction, and people living with the disaster. As many as five hundred people visited the three-day exhibition. Spectators left comments such as "Innovative and artistic way to think of urban issues", "most of the photos from Bangladesh represents hazards. It would have been even better if we had positive photos like the ones of Japan", "Very common scene in Dhaka but nobody deeply thinks about its risks or how to solve these problems. Thanks for organizing such a beautiful awareness raising exhibition". DRR communities also engaged in this event by introducing their activities to the spectators. The ten best photos will be exhibited in JICA Kansai International Center from 11th April. Please visit the exhibition!



DRR Photo Exhibition Gallery

#### Bangladesh and Japan Media Dialogue on DRR

On 11th February, the media dialogue on DRR was held to exchange the experience, practice, and views in the role of media in DRR. Mr. Naganuma, Senior Editor of the Kobe Newspaper, and news managers of Bangladesh's leading media organizations participated in the discussion. Mr. Naganuma shared the experience of the Great Hanshin

Awaji Earthquake from the viewpoint of a journalist as well as a news organization. He extended his message to discuss the importance of continuing to report so that the disaster experience is not to be forgotten, the media's responsibility to society to save as many lives as possible, and the content development to provide useful information to people. We thank Mr. Naganuma, who flew all the way from Kobe to Dhaka, aiming to be a help to Bangladesh in its endeavor to make the country disaster resilient.



Media Dialogue on DRR



## Myanmar

### Strengthening School Preparedness for Tsunamis in Asia and the Pacific

#### Launching of New Project "Strengthening School Preparedness for Tsunamis in Asia and the Pacific" with UNDP

SEEDS Asia started a project in December 2017 with the UNDP on "Strengthening School Preparedness for Tsunamis in Asia and the Pacific". Myanmar is the seventh most vulnerable country to tsunamis in the world, with the estimated number of affected people reaching 670,000.

#### Conducting Workshop on Tsunami Awareness and Simulation Exercise

On 27th and 28th January, tsunami evacuation workshops



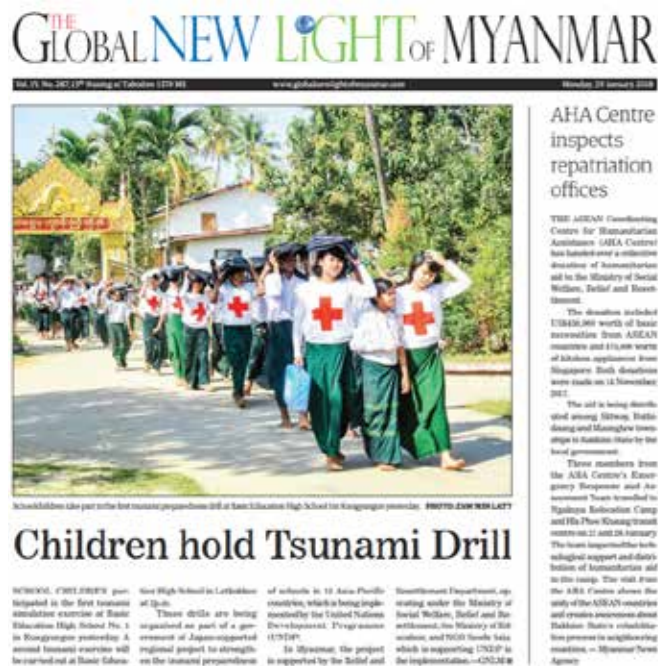
Students Exchanging Opinions about Tsunami Simulation Exercise with Myanmar Engineering Society Adviser

and drills were conducted in two schools of the Yangon Region: Kungyangon Basic Education High School 1 and Letkokkon Basic Education High School. A total of 350 students and sixteen teachers participated in the first ever drills of both institutions. The exercise followed a fictional scenario of an 8.0 magnitude earthquake and a time limit of thirty minutes for the waves to reach the school. The workshops, which were conducted a day before the drill, informed participants the basic mechanisms of earthquakes and tsunamis; reviewed current preparedness level and evacuation location; designed evacuation SOP and route; and practiced emergency management.

The conducted simulation exercise can be viewed at the following website:

<https://www.facebook.com/206338119398923/videos/vb.206338119398923/1850495808316471/?type=2&theater>

The lessons from the workshops and drills will be incorporated into tsunami preparedness programs for three schools in the Ayeyarwaddy Region.



Tsunami Simulation Exercise Reported on Top Page of Major Newspaper



## Philippines (Cebu)

### JICA Grassroots Technical Cooperation Project: Support Project on Promotion of School Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in Cebu Province

#### [Memorandum of Understanding Signing with Daanbantayan Mayor, Meeting with Vice Mayor of Toledo City](#)

On 14th February, SEEDS Asia had a meeting with the Mayor of Daanbantayan Municipality, Hon. Vicente Loot, at its Municipality Hall for the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding to support the project on School

DRRM (Disaster Risk Reduction and Management). The municipality already has an existing program where youths in the whole municipality are trained as Junior Emergency Responders in time of disasters. The mayor was thankful that SEEDS Asia offered considerable assistance to disseminate information and coordination about disaster preparedness especially in schools. Since Daanbantayan was severely hit by typhoon Haiyan, the municipality aims to have only one protocol for a smooth response so that Daanbantayan will be resilient when disasters come.

On 8th January, SEEDS Asia gladly visited the mayor's office in the City Hall of Toledo to have a meeting with the acting mayor of Toledo City, Hon. Antonio Yapha Jr. The agenda included the introduction of SEEDS Asia, its project outline and School Disaster Resilience Assessment Survey results conducted last July in three schools in Toledo City. He is aware that Philippines is prone to natural disasters all year round, including the fact that the flood affected some schools in the city in January. He appreciated support of Non-Profit Organizations such as SEEDS Asia, who are willing to assist the city in its preparation to calamities, and agreed to strengthen the schools' capability to become more resilient on this matter.



Memorandum of Understanding Signing with Mayor of Daanbantayan

#### [Radio Panel Discussion](#)

On 10th January, SEEDS Asia attended the panel discussion with DepEd (Department of Education) Cebu City Division at the PIA (Philippine Information Agency) office in Cebu City in their radio program labeled as "Kapihan sa PIA". This was to introduce SEEDS Asia as a Non-Profit Organization working closely in partnership with DepEd and the previous and current projects of SEEDS Asia on disaster preparedness in the whole region. PIA is the official public arm of the Philippine government and serves as public relations firm for the Office of the President which disseminates information about government projects and programs across the whole country. The discussion was open to all journalists, and some asked questions during the interview portion and others continued interacting after the program was aired. The attended media desired to be involved in spreading the knowledge about the unique initiative on the disaster preparedness, and they expressed

their intention to witness the teacher's training this April. This event was also aired on delayed telecast in Sky Cable, channel 53.



Radio Panel Discussion

### Safety Inspection Meeting

On 31st January, SEEDS Asia conducted its first coordination meeting for the safety inspection at Beatriz D. Durano Memorial High School, in Danao City. LGU (Local Government Unit) of Danao City, particularly the representatives from the OBO (Office of the Building Official), Local DRRM Office, and the community council members, attended the meeting for the consultation for the Safety Inspection Manual. Other attendees were twelve confirmed teachers who will become the School DRRM Team. Each presented their plans, projects, activities and ordinances related to DRRM that can help School DRRM Team in making a manual. On 1st February, another confirmation meeting was held at City of Bogo Science and Arts Academy in Bogo City. The OBO and DepEd Division Engineers of both cities discussed the safety inspection in public schools and answered the questions raised during the meetings, such as the requirements on building construction and the safety precautions.

On 14th February, the third coordination meeting for the safety inspection at Daanbantayan was conducted at the community hall of Poblacion community. The meeting was



Safety Inspection Meeting

hosted by the community council and all seven council members were present to listen to the presentations and discussion. There was a series of presentations from the community regarding their DRRM related system, ordinances, and policies, showing how prepared the community is to respond to disasters and their willingness to assist schools in this respect. The School DRRM team of Daanbantayan Central Elementary School was all present and discussed the ongoing practices on the safety inspection at their school. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Tilano Dublin, the MDRRMO (Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office) chief of the province, who presented the plans, activities and budget for DRRM of the municipality. Overall, the confirmed teachers of all three Pilot Schools were excited about the training of teachers this April and the manual making.

### Operations Guideline Workshop

On 12th and 13th February, two-day follow-up workshop for School DRRM Operations Guideline and teachers' training design preparation was conducted with the School Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Instructing Team, twelve in total, in Cebu City. This was to provide an update and ensure that the team will improve the quality of the content to make more effective School DRRM Operations Guideline, covering four thematic areas (Prevention and mitigation; Preparedness; Response and Recovery) of DRRM, including the creation of School DRRM team organizational structure. During this workshop, the teachers' training design was also drafted for the upcoming training this April. Each was assigned a certain topic to discuss, including the session guides for the sustainability of the project. All agreed to conduct another workshop this March for critiquing the session guides by the representative from DepEd Region 7.



Operations Guideline Workshop

Training of Trainers on DRR Education in Department of Education Region 7

On 6th to 9th February in Cebu City, DepEd Region 7 conducted a four day DRRE (DRR Education) integration ToT (Training of Trainers) on DRRE project of SEEDS Asia for nine divisions that are located across the island of Cebu Province. Participants coming from Negros Islands, particularly from Bayawan City Division, Bais City Division, Tanjay City Division, Guihulngan City Division, Dumaguete City Division and Negros Oriental Division, attended the training. Other attendees came from Siquijor Province Division, Bohol Province Division and Tagbilaran City Division. There were five participants per division which are composed of CID (Curriculum and Instruction Division) chief, division DRRM coordinator, school head, School DRRM coordinator and a teacher of a Pilot School. A total of 42 participants participated in the 21 DRRE activities, which made the training enjoyable. The main trainers of the said event were the core team including Dr. Emiliano Elnar, CLMD (Curriculum and Learning Management and Development) chief of DepEd Region 7, CID chiefs from the ten divisions of the whole Cebu Province, Mr. Besin, DRRM coordinator of DepEd Danao City Division, and Mr. Apor, music teacher of Mandaue Comprehensive National High School. In the end, each division signed the Job Embedded Learning Contract which requires the trainees to apply and further develop the knowledge, skills and attitude gained from the training.



Training of Trainers on DRR Education in Department of Education Region

the video material by SEEDS Asia and undertakings by two appointed DRR schools.

Among the appointed DRR schools, Ogawa Elementary School presented their instructions using "Kokoro Tsunagu (Bridging Hearts)" – the printed DRR Education materials, and Hikami Junior High School presented their unique event on DRR Education. The representing teacher from Hikami Junior High School encouraged the attending teachers by saying: "With the help of the community and the City, we came to hold our second event of DRR Education classes and drill. The first step must be very challenging, but, as you start moving forward, it will be possible to establish this as a sustainable event".



Appointed DRR School Teacher Presenting DRR Education Activity

**(2) Tamba City Revitalizing City Promotion Partnership Project**

Pilot Test Tours

Under the City Promotion Partnership Scheme, the Disaster Recovery (DRR) Study Tour project conducted two pilot testing tours, one on 12th to 14th January and the other on 13th to 15th February, with the students of Keio University and the students of Disaster Resilience and Governance of University of Hyogo, respectively.

The students from Keio University were divided into three groups, made theme-based field visits and presented their suggestions and proposals to the City. Those from University of Hyogo visited and listened to those who



University of Hyogo Students Conducting "Forest Check-up" Activity in Tamba Mountain



Japan

**(1) Joint Project with Tamba City for Community Development**

Presentation of Educational Research Outputs

On 13th February, Tamba City Board of Education held the presentation sessions on educational research activities. These sessions were an opportunity for various research groups of teachers to share their outputs during the course of the academic year. Along with the sessions of English education and career education, etc., DRR Education group also presented their initiatives, including the explanation of

engage in various activities in the forests, and climbed a mountain to have deeper understanding about the importance of the forest management. They also visited farmers and a supporting company, growing hydrangeas on the disaster-affected land. Both participants were impressed with the beauty of the City's nature, and the warmhearted people of Tamba. They gave the City and SEEDS Asia honest feedback, which will be taken into consideration of the future Study Tours.

### (3) JICA Training :School-based DRR Education in Turkey

#### Officials and Teachers from Turkey's Ministry of National Education Learn from Japan's DRR Education

On 23rd January to 9th February, a total of fourteen participants from Turkey's Ministry of National Education visited Japan under JICA's training of "School-based DRR Education". With the arrangements by SEEDS Asia, the officials and teachers visited the national (Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology), prefectural (Miyagi and Hyogo) governments, city (Kyoto City), and school (Tagajo High School and Takakura Elementary School) to have deeper understanding about DRR Education initiatives. Furthermore, the lecture by Awaji Education Office of Hyogo Prefectural Board of Education, the workshop about "Bousai Koshien", and the DRR Education contest provided a wider vision about various DRR activities to the participants.

In Turkey, school teachers are directly employed by the Ministry of National Education, which is a lot different from Japan's decentralized educational system. Hearing about examples of Japanese school teachers independently taking initiatives of DRR, all the participants were giving thoughts about how to incorporate such ideas into the Turkey's context.

On the last day, with the facilitation by an expert, the participants discussed and presented their detailed action plans and proposals to their office about the teacher training system and "DRR Education Handbook".



Participants Listening to DRR Education Lecture  
by Awaji Education Office, Hyogo Prefectural Board of Education

### (4) Dispatch of Lecturers to Conduct DRR Class or Event

SEEDS Asia dispatched staff members as lecturers to conduct DRR training or classes in a wide range of methods and contents on the requests from any organizations such as schools, municipalities, residential communities and private sectors. In January and February 2018, our staff members provided the following lectures.

#### Post-Training Presentation Sessions of AXA-UNESCO DRR Education Teachers Training

On 23rd February, the presentation sessions of DRR Education Program organized by the National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan, in cooperation with AXA Life Insurance Company, was held, and SEEDS Asia took part in some of the lectures. This Program has been implemented since 2014, where the selected teachers from all over Japan gather in Kesenuma in September, bring back the learnings to their respective schools to conduct DRR education, and share their achievements the next February. This year, participating teachers from 22 elementary, junior high, and high schools attended the sessions.

Teachers from different kinds of schools presented their achievements to each other, and discussed the theme "How to connect the lessons learnt from East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami to nationwide DRR education". In the presentations, a teacher said: "I thought it is very important that we have this kind of opportunity to share with different schools what kind of children we would like to raise". The Program Coordinator and SEEDS Asia's board member Dr. Yukihiko Oikawa gave various pieces of advice, one piece of which was: "The logo of Sustainable Development Goals represents seventeen goals with colors, and the center of the circle with those colors is empty. I think human development should be there. Your job as teachers is the center of these global goals, playing a very significant role in DRR education. Hope this will encourage you to continue your implementations".



Participants Summarizing Discussion

In general, SEEDS Asia dispatches staff members to organizations upon request, to give lectures (also with games or picture-card shows) with wide range of targets and topics which relates to our activities. If you are interested in inviting our lecturers on DRR, please kindly contact: SEEDS Asia Headquarters (rep@seedsasia.org).

## Announcements from SEEDS Asia

### New staff member

#### Kobe Headquarters Office (Yuki Otsu)

It is great to say hello to everyone. I am Yuki Otsu. I have started to work for SEEDS Asia head office since this February. I had been encouraging people in environmental field in Jamaica as a Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteer for the last two years. I have been interested in working with developing nations since I was a college student, so I am really excited to join SEEDS Asia this time. I will be mainly in charge of Cebu project. It is my first time to work for NGO but I will try my best to contribute to everyone soon. Thank you.

