



Newsletter



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SCHOOL WALKING AND TOWN WATCHING

After the questionnaire survey in 148 elementary and secondary schools for choosing DRR core school, eighteen schools were selected for interviews. Based on the interview results and the recommendation from 7 Bureaus of Education and Training (BoET) in 7 districts of Da Nang City, DoET and SEEDS Asia have selected 7 DRR core schools. After launching Workshop for DRR core schools, school walking and town watching were carried out at ToT. Here is the comment from Mr. Trần Văn Cát, Thanh Khue BoET officer for these activities:



“Working as an officer of Thanh Khe BoET, I have rarely had such chance to be a trainee to learn something highly practical like that offered by SEEDS Asia. I had learnt all the basic concepts of DRR and shared my thoughts about locality with teachers of Dinh Bo Linh elementary school, parents and officers from Thuan Phuoc Commune People’s Committee. It was really helpful. After a full day of working hard, we made the hazard maps of school and commune. It was not too hot under the sunlight of summer even though we had to move around the commune to take pictures of vulnerable places and safe places, taking notes about where these pictures were taken. It was followed by the discussion to find the solution for dangerous places.

Those efforts resulted in completion of the map without omission. I was impressed by the comment of Mr. Habu and would like to share it.”

Here is the comment:

“The hazard map is not our sole purpose today; the cooperation amongst related agencies like school, parent committee and commune PC is very important in DRR work and updating information so as to make the map useful always is what we should remember and do.”



TOT TRAINING PROGRAM

SEEDS Asia has carried out three ToT trainings for 88 teachers from 7 DRR core schools. DRR programs were chosen by principals and teachers of DRR core school, based on the age and capacity of their students. Many active training methods were applied to both indoor and outdoor activities to promote their maximum participation by sharing veteran teachers' experiences and skills. Besides, first aid practice in DRR was conducted by Da Nang Red Cross in these trainings.



DRR Program in the training

1	Lectures and Video on disaster
2	Preparedness and Non-Structural Mitigation
3	Review school walking and town watching
4	Emergency bag making
5	Fire fighting
6	Sandbag making and its application in disaster preparedness
7	Drawing
8	DRR games
9	Reading/ DRR reporter
10	Picture story show
11	First aid in DRR

TEACHING AID COMPETITION

Teaching Aid Competition was held in Le Thanh Ton Secondary School by Danang DoET and SEEDS Asia. Teachers at 7 DRR core schools were excited to join this competition. Totally, nineteen products were brought to the competition, including models, games, and picture stories. The judges evaluated the products based on the following criteria: creativeness, attractiveness, effectiveness, frugality, durability, sustainability and interpretation. Finally, the rewards were given to the nine products and will be considered to be initiative in Education Sector. Message from Mr. Nguyễn Minh Hùng, Vice-Director of the DoET said: *“I hope the teaching aids will not stop in this competition but be replicated to be used in schools to support teachers and students in DRR classes”*.



PLAN OF ACTIVITIES:

In order to share lesson learnt from DRR classes, the second coordination meeting will be held at the end of December, 2012 and DRR classes are going on from December, 2012 to January, 2013.

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