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Developing Capacities in Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction in Local Governments

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Dear readers,

It is my great pleasure to share this booklet with you. It is a small recollection of our first jointly organized training workshop with UNITAR CIFAL Jeju, Jeju Special Self-Governing Province, and UNISDR, and also serves as a testament to the greater impact that the event's participants can achieve in their local governments, communities, and other fields of work.

With all your support and commitment, I am certain we can open more opportunities to train local officials and other practitioners not only in disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation, but also in other areas of governance.

May Asia-Pacific continue to push ahead!



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Message

Our five-day joint workshop held in Jeju Island in May, 2015, was a wonderful event for all participants from UCLG ASPAC members and the experts from UNISDR, World Bank and Korean academia.

The Jeju workshop provided all participants with the opportunity to develop various capacities on climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction in our communities as well as the chance to participate in the Jeju Forum.

I wish the high spirit and momentum of the Jeju workshop be maintained in all future events of UCLG ASPAC.



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Overview







7 Resource Persons from 6 Institutions (International organizations and academia)

Introduction

The training workshop on "Developing Capacities in Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction in the Asia Pacific Region" was the first collaborative program between UCLG ASPAC and CIFAL Jeju. It combined lectures, group exercises, study visits and the development of action plans.

Using the tools of the UNISDR global campaign "Making Cities Resilient", participants learned how to use the Local Government Self-Assessment Tool (LG-SAT) and simulated the development of a City Resilience Action Plan, both guided by the MCR Campaign's 10-Point Checklist.







Training Workshop Objectives

an opportunity for local governments in the Asia Pacific region to enhance capacities in Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction, with a focus on Resilience Action Plans

a platform to exchange in-depth learning from experts in the field and to share best practices among participants

a venue for cooperation in resilience building in local governments by integrating CCA and DRR principles in local development planning "I want to thank the lecturers... they possess mastery in their own fields. I was very, very lucky that my town was made a subject of the discussion in making an action plan. Without their help, I would not have made it. Now, I don't have to hire experts or consultants because they have taught us how to do it.

...It [implementation] may take a long time, but certainly we can do it if we have the will." - Mayor Emiliana Villacarillo (Dolores, Philippines)





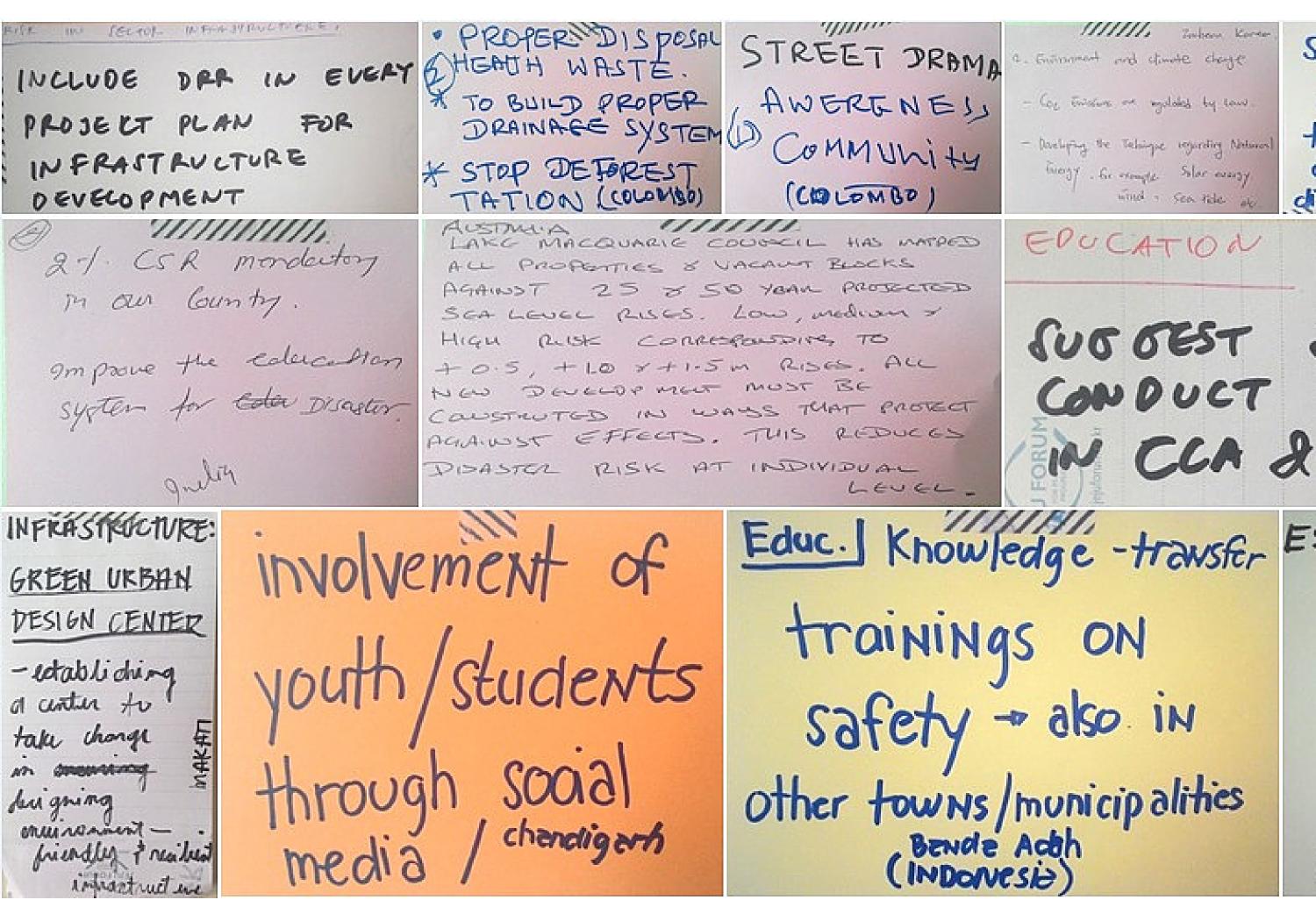
"...the group work was the most important component of the training. We were able to apply the lesson learnt during the training into real life kind of situation while preparing the draft city action plan. The group work gave us the real opportunity to interact very closely with other fellow participants and facilitated the knowledge exchange among us."

- Navneet Trivedi (Chandigarh, India)

"All of the group members were friendly, we shared our experiences among the group on how to make the best city action plan for DRR. We practiced this during the workshop and we were able to learn a lot from other countries' context."



- Ketsiny Tep (Phnom Penh, Cambodia)



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Cultural and Study Visits

Participants of the training workshop experienced the charms of Jeju Island - world-renowned for its rich natural gifts and exemplary actions to harmonize Jeju People and their environment. The island paradise holds several designations, including one of the World's New 7 Wonders of Nature, UNESCO World Natural Heritage, and UNESCO Global Geopark for Diverse Volcanic Landforms and Unique Geological Features.

spectacular natural rock formation







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Lessons Learned on Natural Disaster in the Asia-Pacific Region: Role of Local Governments

"I sincerely hope that my fellow participants and I continue to exchange knowledge and information on DRR and CCA. Moreover, I hope that we can altogether undertake a concerted effort in building the capacity of other local actors."

- Kryzl Dacanay (Makati City, Philippines)



Conclusion

The end of the training workshop was marked by the group's participation in the 10th Jeju Forum, leading the session on "Lessons learned from natural disaster management in the Asia Pacific region: Role of Local Governments."

This first training workshop under the scheme of Jeju Province and UCLG ASPAC's cooperation was fruitful and a success. Follow-up actions will include the further development and finalization of the Action Plans.





List of Represented Local Governments & Organizations

CAMBODIA National League of Local Councils

EAST TIMOR Aileu / Ministry State Administration

INDIA

Chandigarh Social Welfare Board Association of Professional Social Workers and Development Practitioners

INDONESIA

Banda Aceh Regional Disaster Mitigation Agency Cimahi City Jakarta Regional Disaster Management Agency Palembang City

MONGOLIA National Emergency Management Agency

NEPAL

Pokhara City Stand Nepal (Kathmandu)

PHILIPPINES

City of Makati Municipality of Dolores

SOUTH KOREA City of Incheon

SRI LANKA Colombo Municipal Council

University of Newcastle

Seoul National University

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League of Municipalities of the Philippines

- Ministry of Public Safety and Security
- **Asia Climate Change Education Center**
- **Center for Interdisciplinary Built Environment Research**,
- **GFDRR**, Disaster Risk Management Hub Tokyo, World Bank

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