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Kick off Workshop on the “Project for Capacity Building on Disaster Risk Area” 2013

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This document is to report on Kick-off workshop on the "Project for Capacity Building on DRR in Disaster Risk Area" which was held on 31st October, 2013 at Pathein Hotel, in Pathein, Ayeyawady Region. This event and entire project is supported by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) cooperated with the guidance of Department of Relief and Resettlement, Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement(RRD) and implemented by SEEDS Asia and Myanmar Engineering Society (MES). The workshop was attended by 60 participants (Chief Minister U Thein Aung, five ministers, eight parliament members including deputy-speaker of parliament, Mr. Tanaka from JICA and the vice-president and the general secretary from MES and 16 members of GAD, seven Township Education Officers(TEOs) , eight RRD members and different region government department representatives and civil society organizations.

U Thein Aung, Chief Minister of Ayeyarwady region delivered the opening speech that Government Departments, UN agencies, INGOs and NGOs have been focusing on DRR than before since 2008 after Nargis Cyclone, for doing DRR activities Government Departments, District and Township level officers, communities, schools and other civil society organizations need to work together, giving awareness trainings and capacity building trainings also need to be included. Moreover he committed that disaster risk reduction is put on high-priority task for regional government by making action plan for regional level, district level, township level, ward level and village level. He continued to say that DRR is mainstreaming in government department policy and DRR implementation needed to reach at all level of Ayeyarwady region. Mr. Masahiko Tanaka, Chief Representative from JICA delivered opening remark conveyed the message that JICA has been implementing technical cooperation project, grant aid project and ODA loan projects for the development and this project aims to enhance capacity (awareness, knowledge and skill) of schools and community for sustainable activity on DRR as model case. JICA committed continuously support for disaster risk reduction sector which is an important of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

After all, the following workshop agenda going well and regional RRD officer made the presentation on DRR initiatives in Myanmar and briefing about Disaster Management Law which is recently endorsed by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. The project expected outcomes presentation by SEEDS Asia is also draw the attention to participants and suggestions and discussions is much more interesting moment in workshop. The education officers also agreed to set up DRR Activity center could be based on school and other participants also suggested other options: Community Learning Centre (CLC), Monastic schools Public libraries, and some schools which has functions for shelters. For the activity process, GADs, senior peoples Myanmar Red Cross Society members, Teachers, Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and Development Committee members, the regional parliament members and district RRD and Ministry of Information staff are suggested to participate. Active participation from different stakeholders form different aspects were received and the participants showed the keen interests.

Closing remark were delivered by U Than Soe from RRD, he thanked the participants for their presence and supports. Ms. Shikada from SEEDS also expressed the appreciation and mentioned this initiative would make good results and positive impacts with the cooperation of all stakeholders.

At the afternoon session, SEEDS Asia explained about briefly on the purpose and procedures on assessment of school and community resilience as beginning of project (SDRA Analysis, adopted from Kyoto University) to TEOs from the target townships.

SEEDS Asia and MES would like to express deep appreciation again to everyone who supports this process especially to RRD for arranging the event and presence of Chief Minister and his determination and his call for cooperating to this project in the Region.

ANNEX: 2 Pictures of the day



Opening remark:

Honorable Chief Guests, His Excellency U Thein Aung, Region Chief Minister for Ayeyarwardy Region



Opening remark:

Region Minister for Social Affairs, Ayeyarwardy Region, Daw Khin Saw Mu



Opening remark:

Chief Representative, JICA Myanmar Mr. Masahiko Tanaka



Welcome remark:
The Vice President, Myanmar Engineering Society, U Aung Myint



Welcome remark:
Country representative, SEEDS Asia (Myanmar office), Ms. Mitsuko Shikada



Presentation on “DRR Initiative in Myanmar and Disaster Management Law” by Head of Region, Relief and Resettlement, U Than Soe



Presentation on “Proposed project expected outcome” by Administrative officer, SEEDS Asia Daw Thinn Hlaing Oo



Q & A session



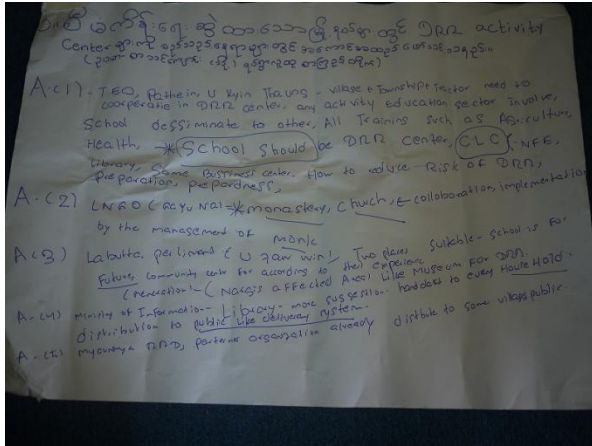
Session for “Suggestion and discussion” session,

facilitated by U Ye Kyaw Thu

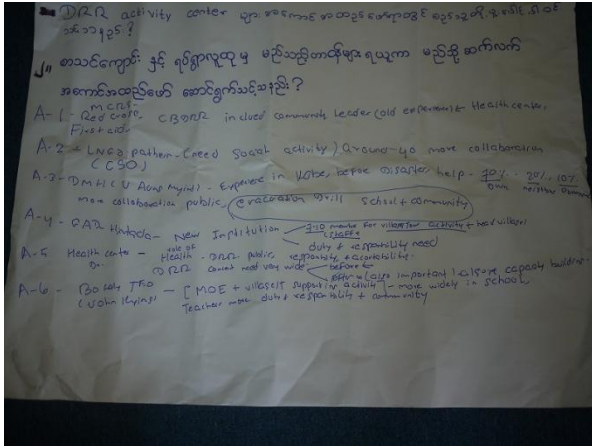


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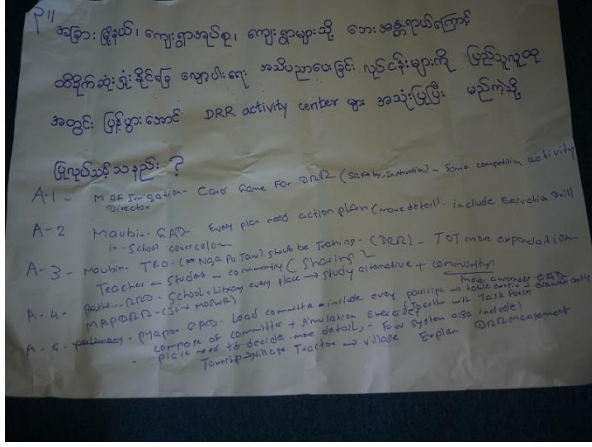




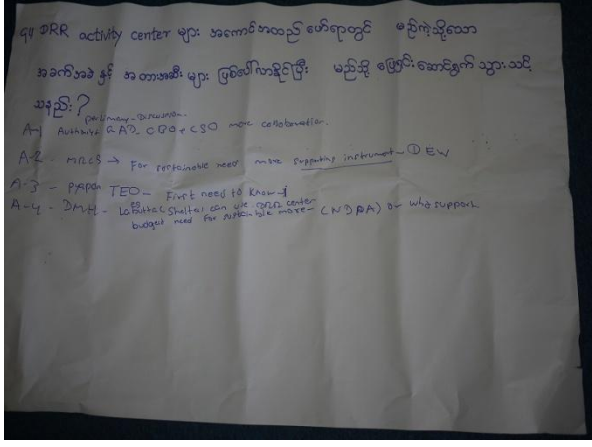
Outcome of questions for “Where could be the possible places for DRR activity centers in targeted townships?”



Outcome of questions “Who will be involving this process and what is the duties and responsibilities of community and school would be taken in establishing DRR activity centers?”



Outcome of the questions “How to share DRR knowledge, information and skills to other communities through DRR activity center?”

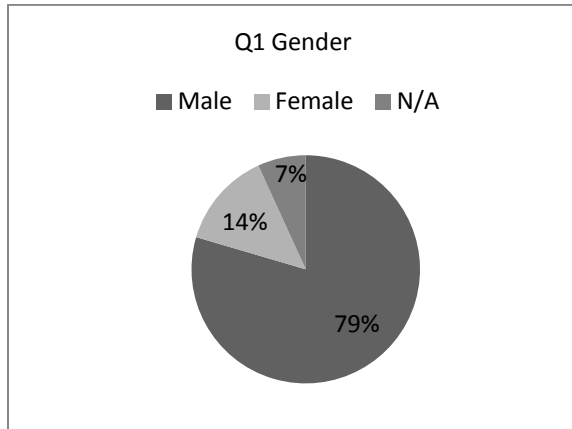


Outcome of questions “What could be challenges and constraints for making DRR activity center and possible solutions?”

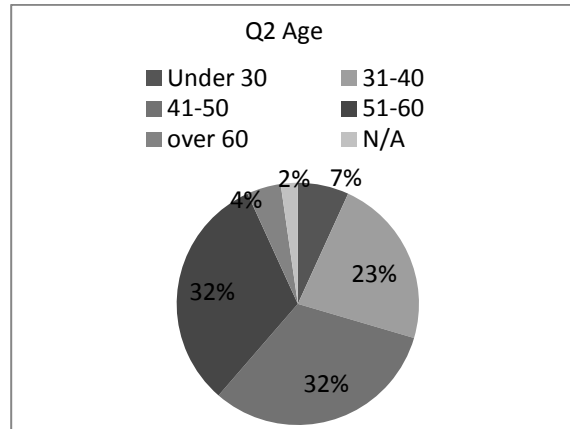


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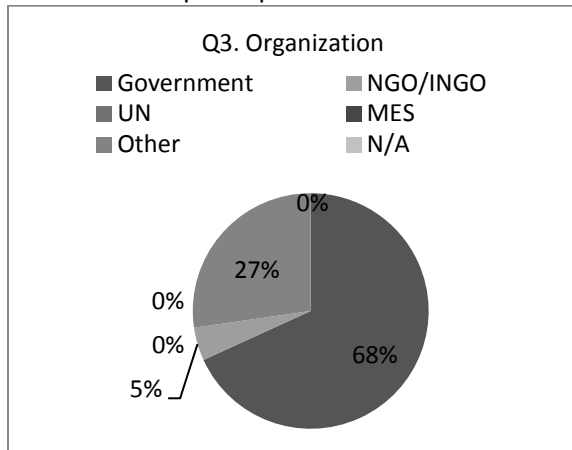
ANNEX 3: Questionnaire Result



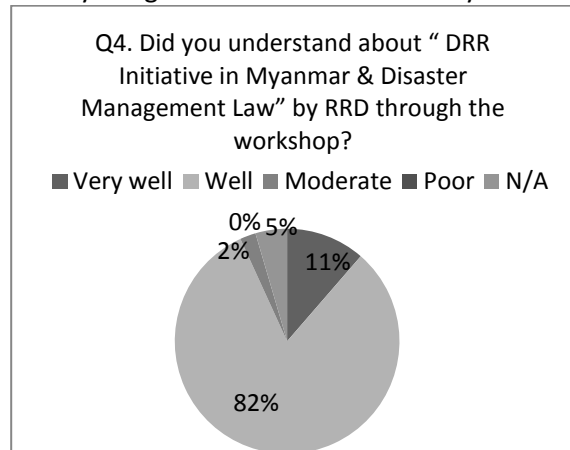
Almost 80% of participants were male



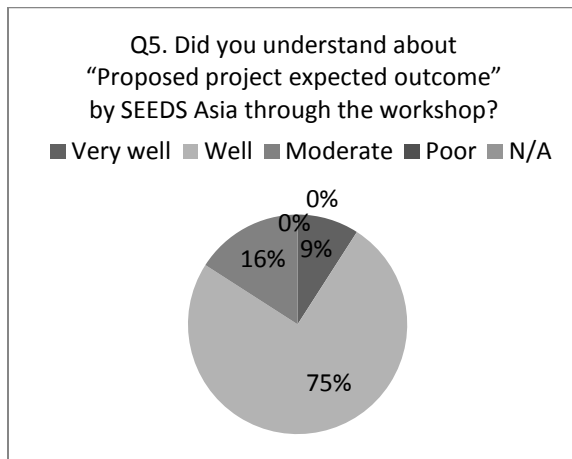
Variety of ages from 30-60 were mainly attended.



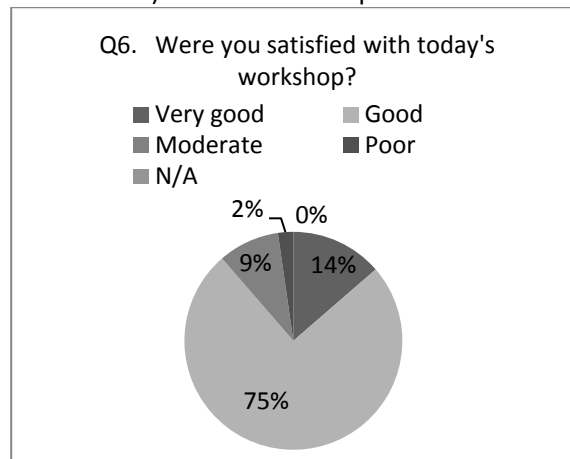
Government officials were main participants.



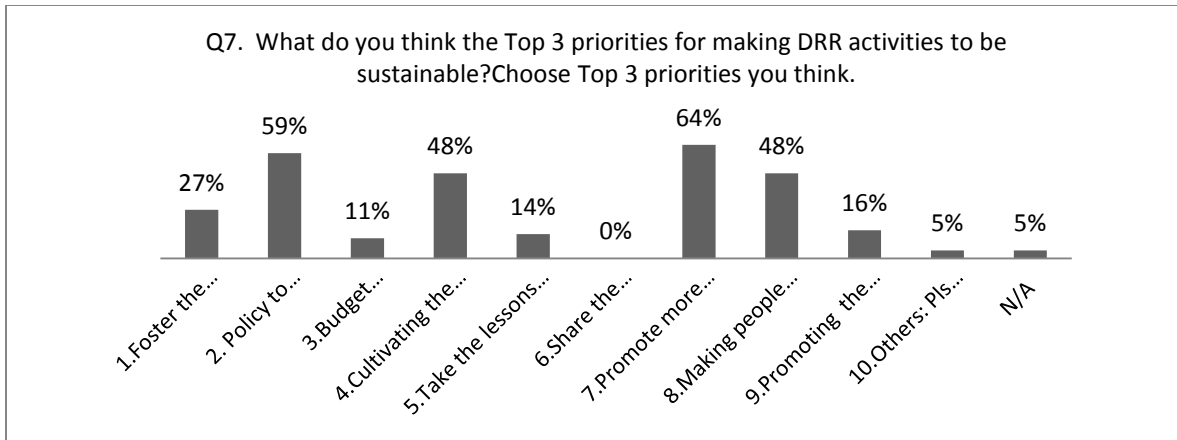
More than 92% (includes “very well”+ “Well”+ “Moderate”) understood the presentation.



100% participants (includes “very well”+ “Well”+Moderate) understood the presentation.



98% of participants (includes “Very good”+ “Good”+ “Moderate” were satisfied with the workshop.



1. Foster the leaders who can think and act for sustainable development in the field of DRR.
2. Policy to encourage DRR activities from childhood.
3. Budget allocation to invest on DRR activities
4. Cultivating the culture of safety from children.
5. Take the lessons learnt from other countries.
6. Share the initiatives within the country
7. Promote more linkages between school and community to share
8. Making people aware of the risk of disasters and prepare for that.
9. Promoting the linkages among the ministries to collaborate
10. Others: Pls specify

Participants thought policy to encourage DRR is important, and promoting linkages between schools and community were shared well among the participants.

ANNEX 4: List of participants on 31st October 2013**Kick off Workshop on the "Project for Capacity Building on Disaster Risk reduction (DRR) in Disaster Risk Area"**

Pathein Hotel

31st October 2013

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
1	U Thein Aung	Chief Minister	Regional Government Office
2	Mr. Masahiko Tanaka	Chief Representative	JICA
3	U Aung Myint	Vice President	Myanmar Engineering Society
4	U Ko Ko Gyi	General Secretary	Myanmar Engineering Society
5	Ms. Mitsuko Shikada	Country Representative	SEEDS Asia
6	Ms. Sakurai	JICA Expert	JICA

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
7	Daw Lay Shwe Zin Oo	Assistant Director	RRD (Hinthada)
8	Daw Tin Lai Lai Tun	Lecturer	RRD(Pathein)
9	Daw Nan Khin Zar Lin	Junior Staff	RRD (Pathein)
10	U Toe Lwin	Assistant Director	GAD (Bogale)
11	U Kyaw Kyaw Tun	Assistant Director	RRD(Myaungmya)
12	U Than Soe	Deputy Director	RRD (Pathein)

13	Daw Kyi Kyi Myint	TEO	Maubin
14	Daw Kyin Mwe	TEO	Pyapon

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
15	U Pyone Cho	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Myaung Mya)
16	U Myint Aung	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Mawlamyinegyun)
17	U Aung Win Swe	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Myanaung)
18	U Soe Paing	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Kyankin)
19	Dr.Htin Win	Vice President	Regional Parliament (Pathein)
20	U Myint Kyi	Chief Engineer	Ministry of Construction(Pathein)
21	U Kyaw Kyaw Oo	Staff Officer	GAD(Hinthada)
22	U Tin Oo	Assistant Director	DBE(Pathein)

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
23	U Myo Win	Assistant Director	Fire Department (Pathein)
24	Daw Kyawt Kyawt Aung	Staff officer	Forestry Department
25	U Thura Phyto Lwin	ATEO	DBE(Pathein)
26	U Chit Ko Ko	ATEO	GAD (Pathein)

27	U Sein Win	Director	Irrigation Dept (Pathein)
28	Daw Marlar Than Htike	Staff Officer	GAD (Myaungmya)
29	U Thaug Tin		Red Cross Society (Pathein)
30	U Zaw Win	Member of Parliament	Reigional Parliament (Laputta)

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
31	U Zaw Moe Soe	Staff officer	GAD (Maubin)
32	U Kyaw Thura	Township Administration Officer	GAD (Maubin)
33	U Myint Kyi	Staff Officer	Dept of Meterology and Hydrology(Pathein)
34	U Soe Lwin	Staff Officer	GAD
35	U Ohn Kyai	TEO	Bogale
36	Daw Sein Lai Yee		Dept of Social Welfare
37	Dr.Thiha Aung	Deputy Staff Officer	Dept of Health (Pathein)
38	U Soe Than	Staff Officer	Dept of Rural Development (Pathein)

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
39	U Myo Aung	Township Administration Officer	GAD (Laputta)

40	U Kyin Thaug	TEO	Education (Pathein)
41	U Tin Ohn	Secretary	Karuna Organization
42	U Sein Myint		Myat Mitta Organization
43	U Min Thet Naing	Staff Officer	GAD (Laputta)
44	U Tin Htut Aung	Staff officer	GAD (Pathein)
45	U Kyaw San Lwin	Secretary	Dhamma Yadanar
46	Dr. Thein Soe	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Hinthada)

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
47	Daw Khin Saw Muu	Region Minister	Ministry of Social Affairs
48	U Win Ko Ko	Region Minister	Ministry of Finance
49	U Kyaw Win Naing	Region Minister	City Development
50	U Than Tun	Region Minister	Ministry of Transportation
51	U Soe Myint	Region Minister	Ministry of Forestry/Mining
52	U Aye Kyaw	Secretary	GAD (Pathein)
53	U Tun Tun	Associate Secretary	Karuna Organization
54	U Soe Myat Thu	Administrative Officer	Regional Government Office

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55	U Zaw Moe Aung	Township Administration Officer	GAD (Hinthada)
56	Daw Ye Ye San	ATEO	Education (Hinthada)
57	U Aung Kyaw Sein	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament(Pathein)
58	U Hla Myint	Member of Parliament	Regional Parliament (Danubyu)
59	U Nyi Nyi Lin	Township Administration Officer	GAD(Pyapon)
60	U Ko Ko Latt	Township Administration Officer	GAD(Myaungmya)
61	U Aung Min Naing	Director	City Development (Pathein)
62	U Ngwe Tun	Staff officer	Information and Public Relation Dept

No	Name	Position	Organization/Ministry
63	U Than Soe	Staff Officer	RRD (Pathein)
64	U Han Lin Htut	Senior Staff	RRD
65	U Kyaw Kyaw Win San	Junior Staff	RRD
66	U Tun Lin Thant	Senior Staff	Regional Government Office
67	Daw Thinn Hlaing Oo	Admin Officer	SEEDS Asia

68	Daw Soe Sandy Lin	Assistant Admin Officer	SEEDS Asia
69	U Soe Pyae Aung	Operation Officer	SEEDS Asia
70	U Ye Kyaw Thu	Operation Officer	SEEDS Asia

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71	Daw Roi Htoi	Trainer	SEEDS Asia
72	U Nyein Chan Oo	Trainer	SEEDS Asia
73	U Myo Min Myat	MKRC Driver	SEEDS Asia
74	Staff 1		Sky Net Media
75	Staff 2		Sky Net Media
76	Staff 3		Sky Net Media
77	Staff 4		Sky Net Media

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