

Training and Learning Circle (TLC)

Building capacities of
stakeholders at the local level



TLC overall Objective

- ✓ Capacity Development of Trainers and Learners on Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction in South Asia and Southeast Asia

The specific objective

- ✓ Organize a Training and Learning Network that will be a support system to trainers and learners, who in turn promote and advocate for disaster risk reduction at the community level

**WE TEACH AND PREACH TO
OTHERS, BUT
WHO DO WE LEARN FROM?**

FROM OURSELVES

- OTHER LEARNERS & TRAINERS
- ENCIRCLED BY TLC

Founding Partners

- ✓ **TLC Steering Committee**
 - All India Disaster Mitigation Institute, India
 - Center for Disaster Preparedness in Philippines
 - Asian Disaster Preparedness Center
- ✓ **TLC Resource Partners**
 - ProVention Consortium
 - Special Unit of South-South Cooperation of UNDP
 - Capacity for Disaster Reduction Initiative CADRI



- Though regional (Asian) in concept and scope; anchored in strong national networks
- Lead facilitator in each country is a well recognized national CBRDM resource centre
- ADPC as catalyst and supporter of national facilitators and national networks
- Partners have continuing history (since 1997) of bilateral cooperation

TLC Activities 2007-2009

- **Activity 1:** Organizing Training and Learning Circle (TLC) in 2 countries Philippines & India
- **Activity 2:**
 - study on existing CBDRR materials
 - Participatory development of gender-sensitive knowledge products;
 - three workshops
- **Activity 3:** Development of guidelines for institutionalizing CBDRR in Universities and training institutions.

Membership of TLC in countries

Individual

- Trainers
- CBDRR Practitioners

Institutions

- Training Institutions
- NGOs
- Universities involved in DRR

Progress.....

- TLC Institutions in India
 - Current number of formally registered members is 40
 - 15 Universities, 10 Training institutions/ATIs, and 15 civil society organizations from 9 states in India

1) ORGANIZING OF THE CBDRM TLC - Philippines



81 registered members

TRAINING AND LEARNING CIRCLE COMMUNITY BASED DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT

There is an ongoing demand for evidence based, context specific, up-to-date, and regular Communication Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) training and education in Asia, particularly in the Philippines. However, the lack of interface between training and education often leads to uneven quality of training materials and diversity of relevant institutional resources. At a time, the institutional demand for resources both in quantity and quality is growing. Although practitioners and trainers from state and non-state community-based organizations are the "original owners" of the CBDRM approaches in Asia, their motivation in training and education has often waned due to the lack of incentives and additional learning inputs and appropriate incentives for being motivated. This is true as well for academics and institutions that receive scientific and discipline knowledge in CBDRM. The CBDRM Training and Learning Circle (TLC) Philippines is organized to address this particular challenge. Similar to the initiative already started in India through the All India Disaster Mitigation Institute (AIMI), the CBDRM TLC Philippines is being organized by the Center for Disaster Preparedness (CDP) Philippines.

Purpose

To address learning through knowledge and opinion exchange by focusing on addressing concrete gaps and issues in training and education that would benefit a bottom-up approach as opposed to a single agency approach.

Objectives

- Review content, methods, and impact of key training resources for TLC partners and other leading training organizations to identify gaps and address emerging needs for enhancing their training materials for wider use and practice.

- Organize and create a circle of national training practitioners to develop and host a multi-based directory of trainers, training institutions, and inter-agency resources and tools such as training materials, needs assessment and impact studies.

- Promote CBDRM among selected communities, training centers, and training resources for integration as one of the regular courses they are offering.

Activities

- Facilitate interactive learning mechanisms and exchange / sharing of experiences, practices, research, concepts, methodologies and tools in training and education for application in community-oriented disaster risk management.

Activities

- Conduct a review / impact study of CBDRM strategies and develop learning materials to address gaps.

- Develop a pool of key Trainers in the Philippines and link them with a multi-based multi-level, multi-level, and multi-method training resource inventory for the country as well as in Asia.

- Organize Interactive Learning Events and "Train the Trainer" Post-Forum in the Philippines.

- Set up a Working Group of selected communities conduct a training study, and develop guidelines for integration to institutionalize CBDRM.

- Link training institutions and activities with CBDRM curriculum in regional initiatives.



The CBDRM Training and Learning Circle (TLC) exists to strengthen and facilitate the crucial interface between training and education for Community Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) in the Philippines. It will do so as an ongoing knowledge exchange cycle between community-based organizations, training institutions and universities across the country.



CBDRM TRAINING AND LEARNING CIRCLE - PHILIPPINES

Safer communities and sustainable development through disaster reduction

Regular Activities of TLC

- Periodic Meetings and interactive learning events
- Exchange of training tools and techniques
- Discussion on training needs
- Formation of State Chapters
- Website

Safer communities and sustainable development through disaster reduction

CBDRR Knowledge Products

- CBDRR Knowledge Products inventory in the Region
- Desk research and study on gaps and needs on CBDRR knowledge products
- Development of two knowledge products in India
- Development a knowledge product in Philippines

Action Points

- Task Force to define needs for DRR in higher education; faculty development, curriculum recognition, impact evaluation and partnerships
- Cross country exchange of experiences between Philippines and Indian Universities

Upcoming Activities.....

- TLC knowledge sharing through Regional CBDRM Newsletters
- TLC Regional workshop in September 2009
- TLC knowledge sharing through local newsletters in India and Philippines
- Capacity building and knowledge sharing through knowledge products

Upcoming Activities Cont...

- Networking CBDRM institutions and trainers through state chapters, learning events and other interactive forums
- Facilitate institutionalizing CBDRM into Universities and Training Institutes' curricula
- Linking with ADMIT, CASITA, AUEDM, PHREEWAY
- Expanding to other countries: Sri Lanka and Indonesia

Lessons Learnt

- Filling a need for nurturing learning facilitators
- DRR training institutions need organizing & networking
- More 'reflective' knowledge products on CBDRM practice needed:
 "what does not work"
- University network needs nurturing around common issues
- Start small and grow cautiously but firmly
- Dedicated to partnership beyond 'Project'

Thank You.