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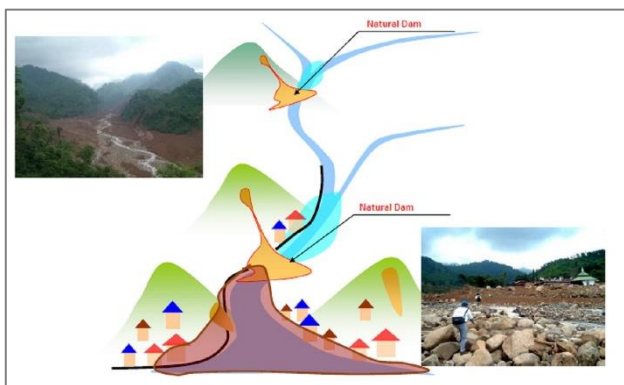
Revisiting human security: Recommendations from a research project targeting eleven East Asian countries

Examples in line with the spirit of the Recommendations of the Policy Note

This appendix contains examples of JICA's cooperation along with three recommendations as a reference for practitioners. For more details, search the website with keywords <https://www.jica.go.jp/english/index.html>

From protection to empowerment: Response through monitoring and effective evacuation in the face of the collapse of a natural dam in Indonesia.

In 2012, a natural dam was formed when a massive landslide occurred upstream on the Way Ela River, running through the central part of Negeri Lima village in the Maluku Province of Indonesia. One JICA expert assessed the situation, noticed the high risk of collapse of the natural dam and gave recommendations to the Indonesian Ministry of Public Works to take necessary countermeasures. Another JICA expert worked on grass-roots education for effective evacuations in collaboration with local and national NGOs, college students and representatives of the village.



Typical image of natural dam in the Poster of the project on Integrated Disaster Mitigation Management for "Banjir Bandang"

Relevant parties from Japan and Indonesia constantly monitored the water level. In 2013 when intense torrential rain caused the dam to burst and let out an immense amount of water and debris, equivalent to 5,200 Olympic-size swimming pools, they urged village residents to evacuate. Having previously received a clear image of possible damage through grass-roots education, 5,000 residents promptly evacuated with minimum casualties.

Source: JICA Indonesia Office

Keywords: Indonesia, Natural Dam, Banjir Bandang, Disaster Mitigation Management

Promoting horizontal collaboration: Assistance for Victims of Trafficking in the Greater Mekong Sub-Region Countries.

In cooperation with the Thai government, this project with the victim-centered approach aimed to develop the capacity of organizations (such as the Anti-Human Trafficking Division, police, hospitals, the immigration office, NGOs, etc.) that take charge of protection, repatriation and reintegration of the victims of human trafficking. Mekong Regional Workshops were organized to urge the development

of linkages among organizations in Thailand and neighboring countries and to make Thai and foreign victims smoothly transferred to their own countries and socially reintegrated. Participants of the workshops came from multiple stakeholders and shared experiences and challenges in each country. They also prepared a handbook for on-site personnel to assist the victims' repatriation.



Training in the project on Strengthening MDT for Protection of Trafficked Persons in Thailand (Photo: JICA/Yasuhiko Okuno)

In addition, JICA held training sessions in Japan for mutual learning and sharing the challenges relating to protection of the victims, inviting on-site personnel in ASEAN countries and stakeholders in Japan. Moreover, JICA plans to start a bilateral technical cooperation project with Myanmar and Vietnam and will develop its cooperation activities in the Mekong region to protect the victims of human trafficking.

Source: JICA Thailand Office

Keywords: Thailand, Trafficking, Social Reintegration, Myanmar, Vietnam, Mekong and ASEAN

Sovereignty and mutual trust: Assistance for Peacebuilding in Mindanao, the Philippines.

Even before the peace agreement was signed, JICA conducted various support programs in Mindanao, the Philippines, where conflicts had persisted for over 40 years. Through JICA's efforts, technical

guidance in agriculture by experts of the International Rice Research Institute and government agricultural extension officers was made possible in the area controlled by the Moro-Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), where government officials were previously unable to enter. This type of assistance developed the capacity of people in Mindanao and helped its residents enjoy the dividends of peace.



Typical seaweed farming family in the project on Comprehensive Capacity Development Project in Mindanao (Photo: JICA)

In addition, the Mindanao Peacebuilding Seminar was held six times in collaboration with the Malaysia Science University. This was an arena where stakeholders and third parties could exert influence on the peace process and have frank talks before the peace agreement was reached. Such occasions helped to promote a common understanding among the stakeholders involved in the peace process. Through such efforts, relationships of trust between the Philippine government, the MILF, local people, and the Japanese side were fostered, thereby contributing to the realization of the first meeting between President Benigno S. Aquino III and Mr. Al-Hajj Murad Ebrahim, the MILF chairman, in Narita, Japan, to prepare a peace agreement. This also contributed to the transition process toward the establishment of a new Bangsamoro Government after the peace agreement was signed.

Source: Office for Peace Building and Recovery, JICA.

Keywords: Philippines, Mindanao, Peace and Development, Community Development.