PREPAREDNESS DISASTER MITIGATION THROUGH INTEGRATION MANAGEMENT FLASH FLOOD



Indonesia is a country with the greatest potential for natural disasters and took first place in the most casualties from the tsunami and landslides, the third result of the earthquake, and the sixth position from the severe floods in the world based on statistics United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR).

Learning from that issues, the disaster plan and adequate contingency budget allocation should be prepared by local governments. As stated by (Acting) Director General (DG) Water Resources (SDA) of the Ministry of Public Works (PU) Mochammad Amron in his speech at the "Terminal Integrated Seminar On Disaster Mitigation For Flash Flood Management" on Monday (27/2) in Jakarta.

"Mitigation efforts need to be done to raise awareness and vigilance, especially for communities living along the river about the disaster and provide an explanation as well as knowledge of flash floods," he continued. Within the framework of the integration of flood disaster mitigation management, Amron appreciate Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) of Japan and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), which gives concern in that subject.

In an event organized by the Directorate of River and Coastal cooperation with JICA, also made the signing of Minutes of Meeting (M / M) on Enhancement of Sabo Technical Exchange by Mochammad Amron and Noriyuki Minami as Director-General Sabo MLIT under the Policy Dialogue was held on February 2, 2012 in Japan. Besides that, there are also handover the Family Autograph Letter performed by the Sabo Japanese and Indonesian Sabo Family Association.

Mr. Amron expects in the future government of Japan and Indonesia can share knowledge, experience, expertise, capacity building, research and development, increased awareness and vigilance, as well as nature conservation. "Through this partnership, we hope the project objectives in order to strengthen the capability of flood

disaster mitigation by the Ministry of Works and the attention of local organizations in disaster-prone areas can be obtained," he explained.

The event was attended by the Chief Representative of JICA, the Japanese Embassy representatives, and DG Sabo MLIT is also has the opportunity to deliver a speech. The JICA Expert also presented reports of activities and projects for the flood to come, research methods flash floods, early warning systems and emergency evacuation are used in Japan, as well as application guidelines and action plans for flood disaster mitigation, followed by a discussion with the participant of the seminar. Flash Flood Hazard Mitigation Project conducted by the Directorate General of Water Resources and JICA has started since November 2008 and will end in March 2012. (Ech-datinsda/ifn)

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