

# **Expect the Unexpected Disasters -Mainstreaming DRR into Development-**

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# Japanese Experiences

# Disaster experience as a motives for Preparedness

After disaster experiences, Japan exercised;

- To enhance structural measures
- To change legislations and building code
- To revise Land Use Plan
- To change institutional structure for DRRM

In order to avoid repeating tragedy, “recovery and reconstruction better than before the disasters” or **Build Back Better** and **Prior Investment in DRR** became a common understanding among Japanese.

# Ise Gulf Typhoon, 21 Sep. 1959 Japan

- Max pressure 895 hPa
- Max Wind Speed 75m/s,
- Casualties 5,238

Resemble 2013 Typhoon Yolanda in  
Philippines

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# Disaster Countermeasures Basic Act 1961

## → **Central Disaster Management Council** chaired by the **Prime Minister**

National Coordinating Body with all relevant Ministers & Japanese Red Cross, Public Broadcasting, Semi-Public Sectors and the Academia **(The National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction!)**

### □ **Involvement of Semi-Public Private Sectors**

- ◆ Electricity, Gas, Telecom Companies
- ◆ Railway and Bus Companies, Forwarders
- ◆ Broadcasting Companies

} **Designated Public  
Organs for Disaster  
Management**

## → **Annual Gov't Official Report on Disaster Countermeasures**

The Cabinet must officially report the disaster countermeasures to the National Diet, with the budget of the next FY and the statements of accounts of previous FY

## → **Formulation of “National Basic Disaster Management Plan for Disaster Prevention”**

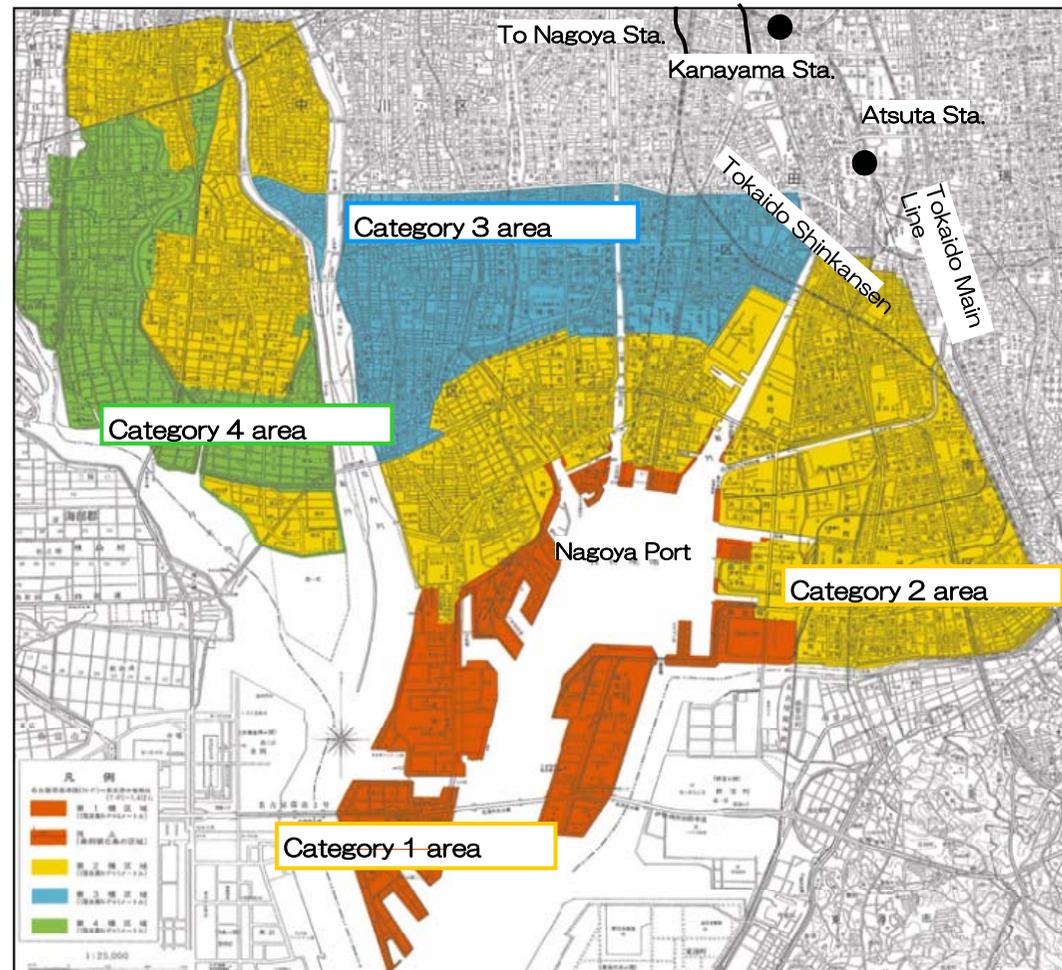
The Disaster Management Operation Plan (Sectoral)

The Prefecture and Municipal Disaster Management Plan (Regional, Local )

# New Land Use Regulations for Nagoya after the Typhoon

Article 39 of the Building Standards Act, “Disaster Hazard Areas”  
Costal disaster-prevention areas in Nagoya

\* Where schools, hospitals, meeting grounds, public offices, welfare facilities for children, and other public architectures located in areas of Categories 2 - 4 are concerned, one or more residential spaces will be placed on the architecture with the floor height of the first floor of N · P(+) 2 m or higher, and with the height of N · P (+) 3.5 m or higher.



# 1995 Hanshin-Awaji (Kobe) Earthquake (M7.3)

- Casualties 6,436
- The Largest Scale Disaster Since 1923
- Directly hit the Metropolitan area of Kobe



# 21 years from the disaster in Kobe, Japan



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# Kobe Municipal Government Headquarter

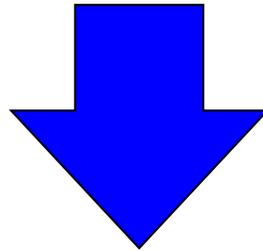
Built after  
1981 Building  
Standard

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**5,520 or 83% of victims were killed  
by building collapse**

**Old houses under building code before 1981  
caused the most of casualties**



**Ensuring Building Safety**

**Public Awareness  
Proper Action by  
Administrators**

**1995 new Act on Seismic Retrofitting of Existing Buildings  
Public awareness campaign on housing seismic safety  
Public campaign on affixing furniture and room safety**

# Great East Japan Earth Quake and Tsunami

Photo taken at Miyako City, Iwate Prefecture  
Courtesy of Tarocho Fisheries Cooperative  
Association

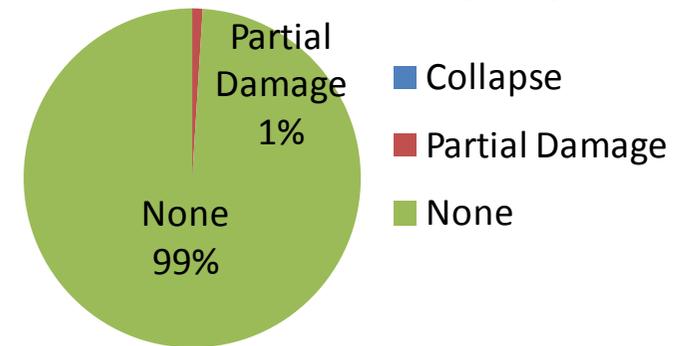


# Revised building codes ensured safety

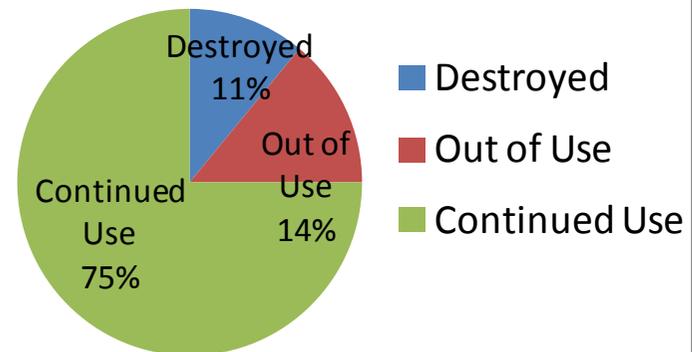
The M9 Earthquake hit Sendai City, but there was no modern building collapse



Great East Japan Earthquake(2011)



Hanshin Awaji Earthquake(1995)



Source: CBRE Consulting "Impact of Great East Japan Earthquake on Japan Real Estate Market"

# School Building Retrofitting



## Progress of retrofitting of public schools (elementary and junior high schools)

2002	44.5%
2009	67.0%
2010	73.3%
<b>2012</b>	<b>84.8%</b>

# Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030

## Expected outcome over the next 15 years

The substantial reduction of disaster risk and losses in lives, livelihoods and health and in the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of persons, businesses, communities and countries.

## Goal

## 7 global targets

The prevention of new risk and the reduction of existing risk through the implementation of integrated and inclusive economic, structural, legal, social, health, cultural educational, environmental, technological, political and institutional measures that prevent and reduce hazard exposure and vulnerability to disaster, increase preparedness for response and recovery, and thus strengthens resilience.

## 13 Guiding principles

### Priorities for Action

**Priority 1:  
Understanding  
disaster risk**

**Priority 2:  
Strengthening  
disaster risk  
governance to  
manage disaster risk**

**Priority 3:  
Investing in  
disaster risk  
reduction for  
resilience**

**Priority 4: Enhancing disaster  
preparedness for effective  
response, and to “Build Back  
Better” in recovery,  
rehabilitation and reconstruction**

### Role of Stakeholders

**Civil society, volunteers,  
organized voluntary work  
organizations and community-  
based organizations**

**Academia,  
scientific and  
research entities  
and networks**

**Business, professional associations  
and private sector financial  
institutions, including financial  
regulators and accounting bodies, as  
well as philanthropic foundations**

**Media**

## International cooperation and global partnership

# Reading the Sendai Framework

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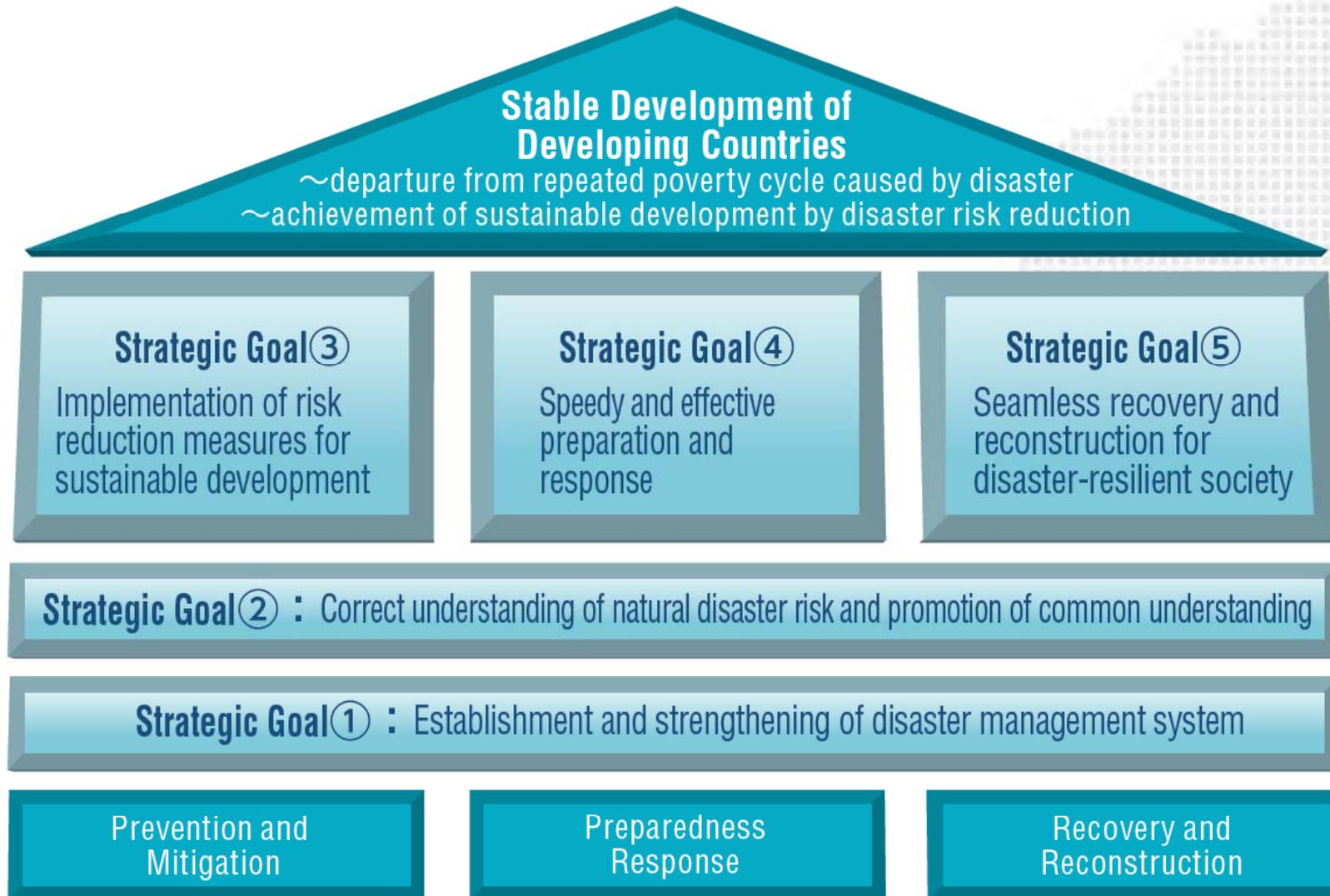
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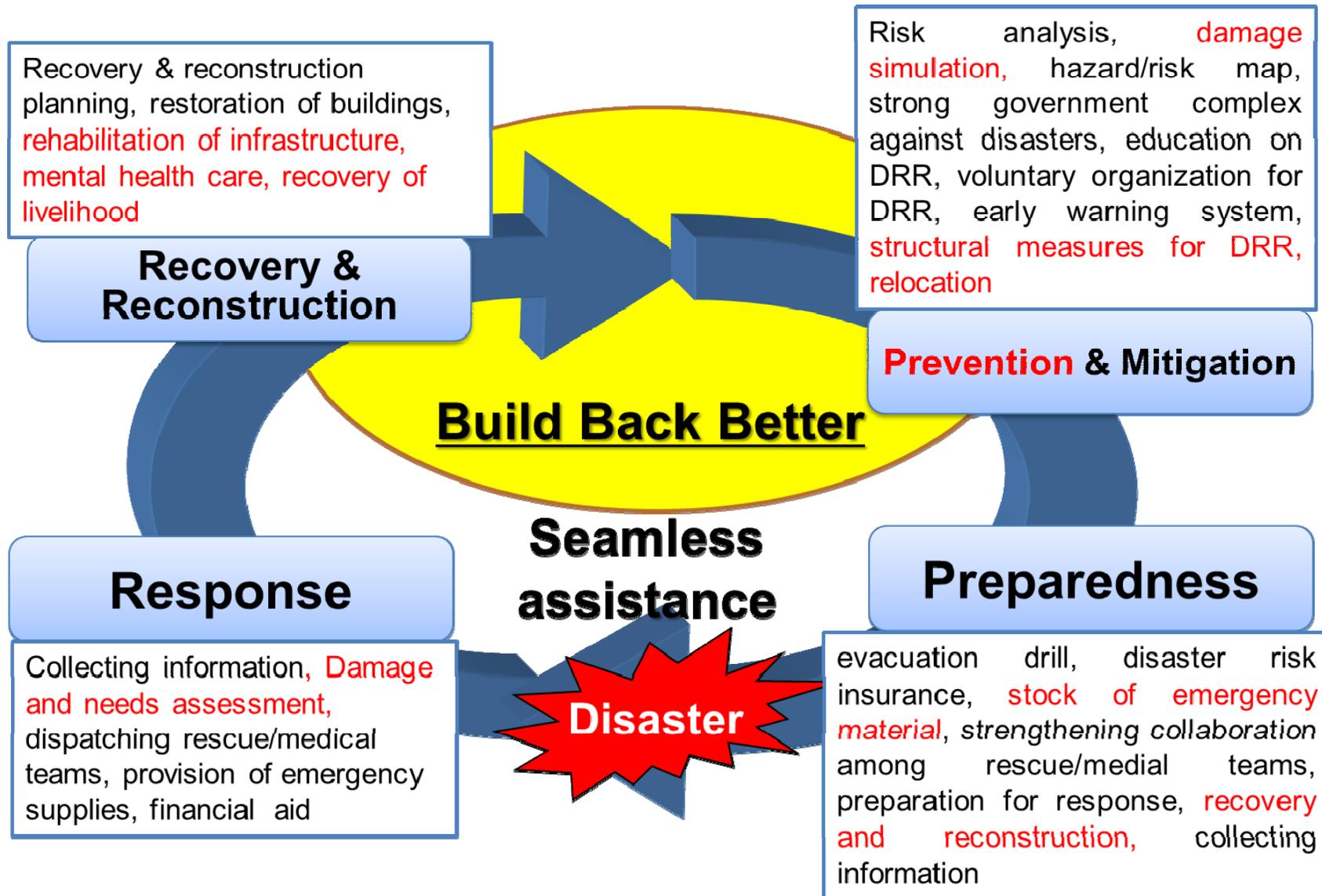


# JICA's assistance in Disaster Risk Reduction





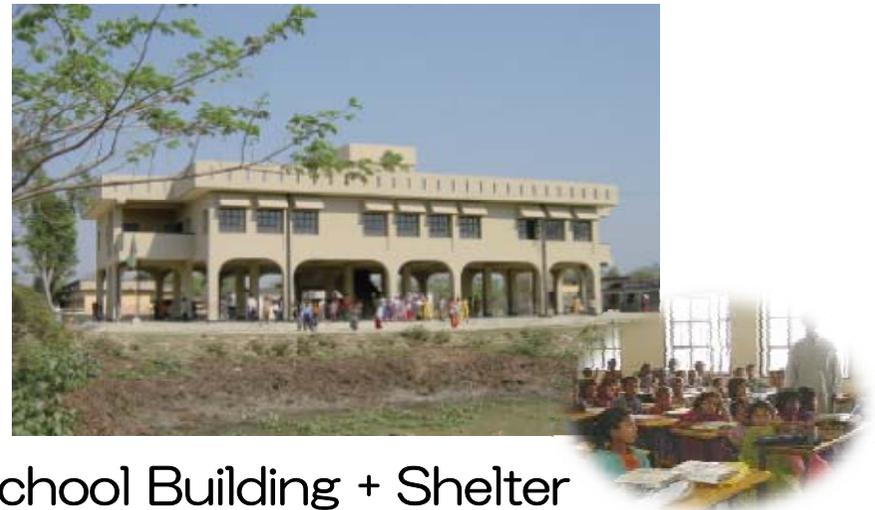
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# “Gapless” Support

## Cyclone Project in Bangladesh

- Multipurpose Cyclone Shelters
- Weather Radars
- Capacity Development of Observation and Forecast
- Community Based DRR Activities



School Building + Shelter

# Taking account of DRR in ODA projects



Raising ground level of roads  
(Thailand)



Flood resistant subway  
(Thailand)

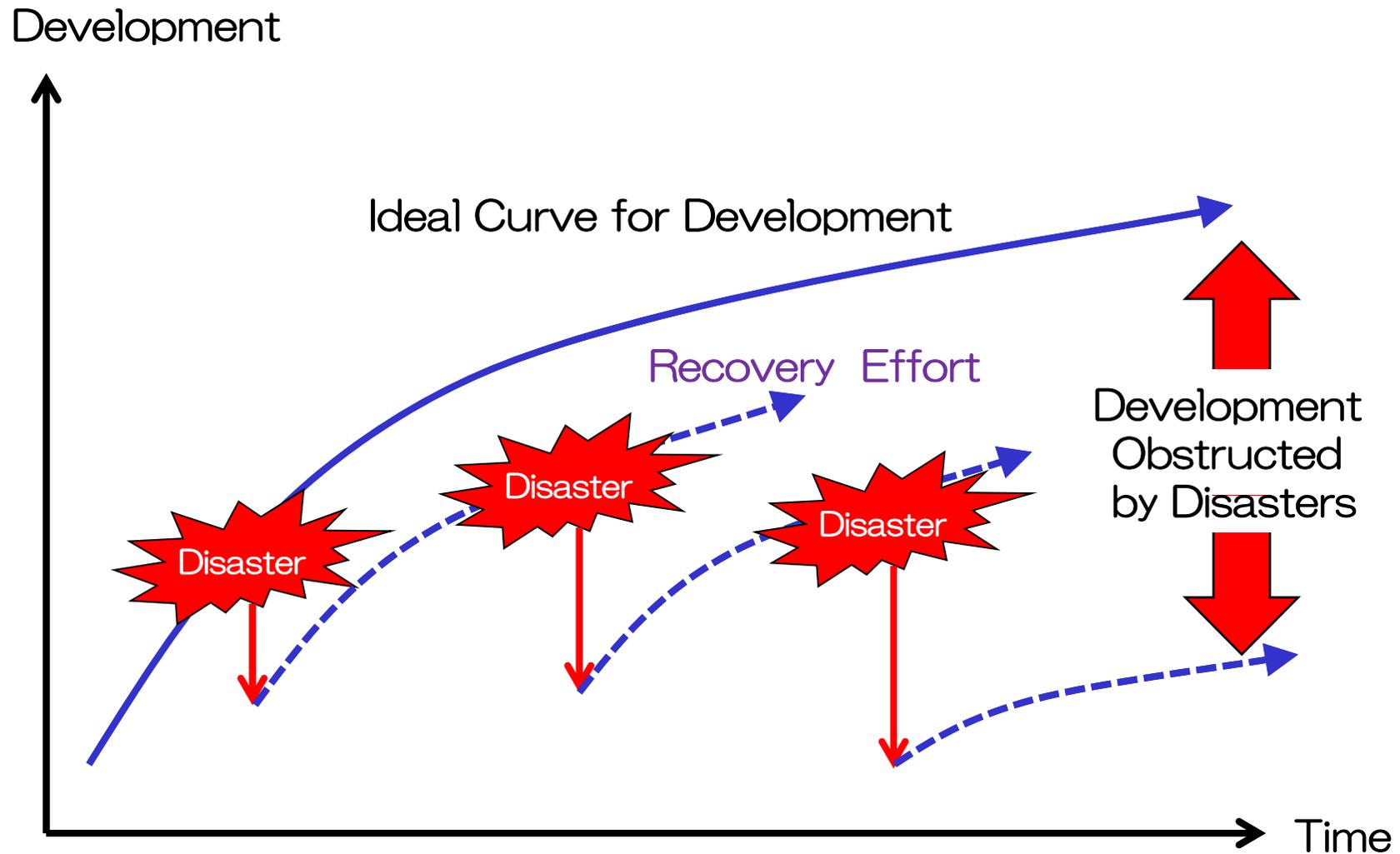


School with shelter function  
(Myanmar)

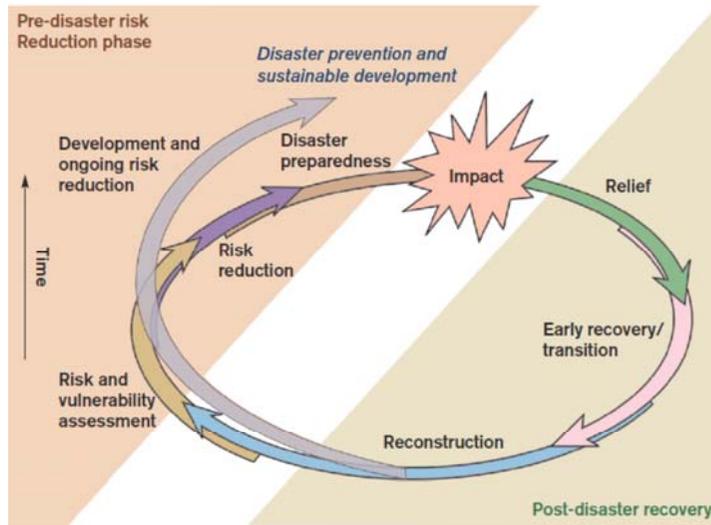


Typhoon resistant hospital  
(Philippines)

# Development Obstructed by Disasters

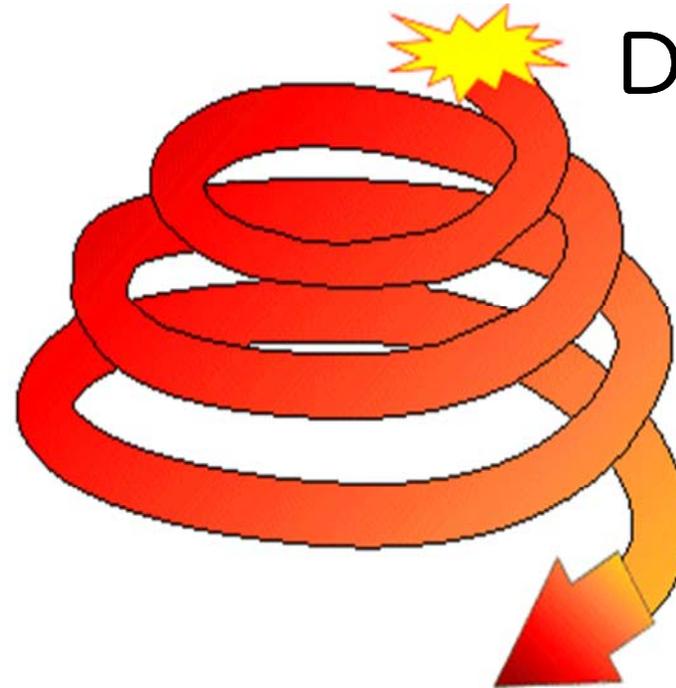


# Negative Spiral of Poverty and Disaster



Poverty worsened by

Disaster



-more severe living condition

-being more vulnerable

# Preparation for Mega Disasters

- Prior Planning and Investment
- Land use regulation
- Building code and its enforcement
- Risk Information Sharing
- Understanding the meaning of Advisory, and user friendly Early Warning
- Build Back Better for social system