

4-5. The Study on the Reviewing Methodology on the Implementation of HFA

When the problem that lay the achievement trouble of the fire prevention strategy on the Hyogo action frame was confirmed as a result of the “Asian Conference on Disaster Reduction” (ACDR) etc. of holding in Seoul in 2006 and in Astana in 2007 by ADRC, it was understood that there were some common troubles. If the main matter is enumerated, it becomes as follows;

- Lack of laws, policy and appreciation of DRR concept as a new concept
- How to integrate DRR into development, a pervading issue.
- How to accomplish seismic retrofitting involving the private sector and the general public
- How to broaden and enhance involvement parent-teacher associations, and business groups, among others
- Limitations in receiving external assistance
- How can we sensitize and motivate sectors and groups, including banks, politicians to support DRR and resource mobilization.
- How to improve the science of forecasting
- Use of traditional knowledge
- Accuracy, timeliness, and adequacy of disaster risk information and disaster impact information

For above problems, we studied the methodology on the reviewing of the implementation of HFA in collaboration with UN/ISDR and ADPC for 33 Asian countries including our 25 member countries. The following items are the important points for reviewing;

- Use five priorities for action
- Use 18 indicators under the five priority as reviewing benchmark (“Guide Note on Indicators for Assessing Progress on DRR, UN/ISDR, Draft, Jan 19,2007)
- Use the existing relevant data;
 - Hazard and disaster information sources, such as: EMDAT, the World Bank’s Hotspots report and report from ADRC
 - National Reports to WCDR in Jan. 2005
 - National HFA Progress reports to the First session of Global Platform Meeting in June 2007
 - Reports of Regional Institutions
 - Additional Reports and Information sought from countries that did not publish reports form global conference
 - Other published and available regional and in-country reports

Using above methodology, we summarized the first consultation version of “Baseline Status Report on DRR in Asia and the Pacific at the start of HFA implementation decade and Progress in 2005-2006” on November 2007.



To proceed the study, we made a joint project team with UN/ISDR and ADPC. The 1st Steering Committee was held in Bangkok on May 5-7th,2007 and the 2nd Steering Committee was held in Kobe on Aug.3rd-4th,2007. And the interim reports were made as follows;

- Global Platform in Geneva on June 5th-7th, 2007
- ACDR in Astana on June 25-27th, 2007
- AMCDRR in Delhi on Nov. 7-8th, 2007