

Mr. Sarote Thiprut from Thailand



Sawad-Dee-Krub! Konnichiwa! My name is Sarote Thiprut and I am from Thailand. I have been working as a Civil Engineer in the Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation (DDPM), Ministry of Interior since 2013.

DDPM is the federal agency responsible for disaster risk management. Its mission includes the preparation and development of disaster management plans before and after disasters based on disaster risk standards in cooperation with relevant agencies both in Thailand and abroad. Apart from that, the DDPM handles the reconstruction of areas affected by disasters by implementing rehabilitation projects to repair damaged infrastructure and by helping communities resume normal functioning as soon as possible.

I have more than 10 years of work experience in the field of civil engineering in Thailand. I have completed many emergency management trainings, especially trainings on the incident command system. Currently, I am studying the design of structures for the prevention and reduction of disaster impacts, the use of Geographic Information System (GIS) information in surveying and mapping, and water management. I am eager to learn and work in the field of disaster risk reduction in Thailand.

My term as a Visiting Researcher at ADRC extends from January to April 2017. During that time, I would like to study hazard mapping by GIS, remote sensing, the Sentinel Asia project, and engineering methods to prevent and reduce disasters in Thailand. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the government of Thailand and ADRC for this opportunity to intensively learn about disaster management and to really experience best practices in disaster risk reduction in Japan.