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The Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC) conducts DRR Policy Peer Reviews to help develop the DRR capacity of ADRC-member countries by promoting information sharing and strengthening of relationships among member countries. The project adopted this year, the seventh year since the program was launched, is a cooperative project entitled "Nationwide Promotion of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR)" undertaken by the government of



Philippines in collaboration with ADRC. The reviewer team visited Manila 20-22 March, examined the progress of the cooperative project, and provided relevant advice. The areas covered by the review in the Philippines included the formulation of educational materials and the implementation of activities to raise disaster awareness. The purpose of the cooperative project under review is to effectively raise awareness of the SFDRR among those responsible for disaster reduction in the national and subnational governments and in the private sector.

ADRC asked two peer reviewers to visit the Philippines: (1) Dr. Satoru Nishikawa, Executive Director of Research at the Japan Center for Area Development Research and former Executive Director of ADRC, who has been deeply involved in the development of the SFDRR, and (2) Dr. Raditya DJati, Deputy Director for Disaster Prevention at the National Disaster Management Authority (BNPB) in Indonesia. ADRC Researcher Mr. Kazuhito Ueda also joined the mission from ADRC.

The reviewer team, together with their counterpart organization, the Office of Civil Defense in the Philippines, organized a workshop on 21 March in Manila for officials from relevant government organizations. Participants discussed Japan's disaster experience and lessons learned in the formulation of the SFDRR, key elements for effective education and outreach, the disaster situation in Indonesia, and challenges in promoting the SFDRR there. The Office of Civil Defense explained their plans to design and produce publicity materials such as brochures and posters, and gave a presentation on the country report used as the background material for these materials. The reviewers then gave their feedback and comments on these items. This project aims to provide a mutual learning process among ADRC member countries, enabling reviewer and reviewee countries alike to learn from one another throughout the peer review process. The reviewer team will submit a report to the reviewee country and the Philippines will then provide a final report that will be shared with ADRC member countries.

ADRC would like to express its sincerest gratitude to all of those who contributed to this project.

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