ADRC *Highlights*

Asian Disaster Reduction Center Monthly News

TOPICS

● **Announcement**

Upcoming Online Tsunami Seminar FY2022, 15 June 2022

Asian Disaster Reduction Center (ADRC) will hold the Online Tsunami Seminar FY2022 on 15 June 2022.

Although understanding of tsunami risk has improved, further discussions are still needed to enhance practical countermeasures. The Online Tsunami Seminar FY2022 will take a deep dive on the practical countermeasures for tsunami risk, such as awareness raising, early warning, and evacuation procedures.

For more information, please check the website below. Also shown below is the link, where you can pre-register. The website will be updated with information such as profiles of the speakers as well as copies of their presentations. We are looking forward to your active participation in the Online Tsunami Seminar FY2022.

Date: 15 June 2022 (Wednesday)
Time: 15:00 - 16:30 (Japan Time UTC+9)
Website: https://www.adrc.asia/acdr/2022tsunami.php
Register: https://bit.ly/Regi_TsunamiSeminar2022

● **Promoting Cooperation with Member Countries**

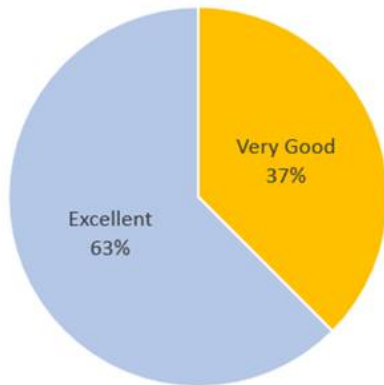**ADRC DRR Lecture Series: Report of Survey Results**

ADRC held a DRR Lecture Series in March 2022 to support the VR (Visiting Researcher) research themes as outlined in previous issue of ADRC Highlights. A total of 722 people attended from ADRC partner organizations and eight VRs joined in this 8-part series. Here we present the results of the survey that ADRC conducted among the eight VRs after the DRR Lecture Series. All questions were rated on a 5-point scale.

The figures below show the results to several questions. First, they were asked, "Were the topics provided in the ADRC DRR Lecture Series appropriate?" All of VRs responded that they were either "Very good" or "Excellent." On the next question, "Did you get the information that you expected?" all of the VRs responded "Very good" or "Excellent." Finally, the respondents were asked, "Were you able to learn from the ADRC DRR Lecture Series something that you would be

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able to reflect to your DRR works?" The VRs rated the series to be either "Useful" or "Very useful."
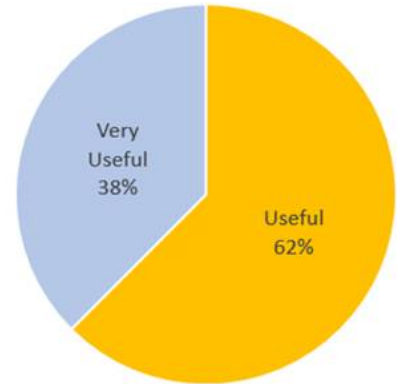
ADRC will continue to strengthen its network of DRR experts and to disseminate information to ADRC member countries.

Survey Results (examples of questions):
（Left) "Were the topics provided in the ADRC DRR Lecture Series appropriate?", (Middle) "Did you get the information that you expected?", (Right) "Were you able to learn from the ADRC DRR Lecture Series something that you would be able to reflect to your DRR works?"

● ADRC Staff Profile

Ms TATEBE Chihori, Researcher

My name is TATEBE Chihori, and I joined the Research Department this April.

I used to work for an NGO in Kobe, where I managed recovery assistance projects for disaster-affected areas overseas and handled the planning and publicity of various events and seminars. During my time as a master's and doctoral student in the Graduate School of Disaster Resilience and Governance at the University of Hyogo, I studied approaches to mutual support and social concepts through disaster recovery, surveying civic organizations in disaster-affected areas. I have done fieldwork in some communities in Central Visayas in the Philippines, which was hit by the 2013 Typhoon Yolanda, and also in Saka Town, Hiroshima Prefecture in Japan, which experienced heavy rains in 2018. Before that, I worked for a private company in civil engineering, where I was in charge of sales and overseas business for slope disaster mitigation.

Through my work at ADRC, I will do my best to learn from people in Asia and other countries, and to help create a society that protects people's lives and livelihoods from disasters.

Ms TERASAKA Kazuko, ADRC Research Department

My name is TERASAKA Kazuko and I have been working as an assistant in the Research Department of ADRC since April.

I used to work for an organization that supports the overseas business development of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), where I was in charge of organizing seminars and coordinating publicity. This is my first time working in the disaster risk reduction field, and I will do my best to support the research department to achieve better results. I look forward to working with you.

● **Recent Disasters in Asia**

Floods and landslides in India and Bangladesh

Severe flooding and landslides have occurred in India and Bangladesh as a result of heavy rainfall that has continued since mid-May, causing widespread damage in both countries.

In India, river overflows and floods have caused many deaths in the north-east, particularly in the states of Arunchal Pradesh, Assam and Meghalaya (GLIDE number: FL-2022-000217-IND).

In Bangladesh, widespread flooding and landslides have caused extensive damage in the north-east, including power outages and shortages of drinking water, resulting in largescale human suffering (GLIDE number: FL-2022-000217-BGD).

For more information, see the latest disaster information on the ADRC website (https://www.adrc.asia).