

10 Years after the Indian Ocean Tsunami

A Retrospective



Almost a decade after the Indian Ocean Tsunami, it is time to reflect on the implementation of the recovery programmes planned after the event. A discussion of the Tsunami recovery programme would bring out which are important to ascertain how the disaster-affected communities have recovered from the impacts, and how their socio-economic conditions have improved. Improvements in the lives and well-being of men and women in the Tsunami-affected coastal areas are the most important indicators of the effectiveness of recovery programmes, and represent a sustainable way of achieving resilience guide for achieving resilience through recovery.

In course of implementing the programme, the implementing agencies and their partners have accumulated considerable experience in different aspects of recovery. These areas include policy issues, recovery planning, technical assistance, resource mobilization, community participation, communications, and grievance redressal. These experiences have been documented in several countries, and a body of knowledge has developed around Tsunami recovery. The experience of Tsunami recovery has also helped the governments in developing new policies and initiatives which would support future recovery programmes.

In this session, the panelists will review and reflect upon the experiences and lessons of 2004 Tsunami recovery as reflected in the socio-economic conditions of communities, and progress achieved in relation to policies and institutions for recovery. The panelists will discuss different models of recovery programme, and how they have influenced the evolution of recovery as an area of public policy and government intervention.

Program

Thursday, 11 September 2014, 16:00 ~17:30

16:00 – 16:10 **Opening Remarks**

Mr. Krishna S. Vatsa, Regional Disaster Reduction Advisor, BCPR-UNDP

16:10 – 17:20 **Panel Discussion**

Ways of effective application of recovery lessons from Indian Ocean Tsunami

Panelists

- (1) **Mr. Suprayoga Hadi**, Deputy Minister for the Development of Resources, Republic of Indonesia
- (2) **Mr. V. Vivekanandan**, Chief Executive, Indian Federation of Fishermen Societies (SIFFS), India

(3) **Prof. Yasou Tanaka**, Kobe University, Professor Emeritus

(4) **Mr. Kaoru Saito**, Director for Disaster Preparedness, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan

Moderator

Mr. T. Sridhar, Secretary to the Government of Tamil Nadu

17:20 – 17:30

Closing

Ms. Jane Bullock, Founder and President of Bullock & Haddow LLC