

International Forum on Tsunami and Earthquake

Experts Meeting

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Introduction

Almost two years have passed since the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (WCDR) was held in Kobe in January 2005, just after the Indian Ocean Tsunami in December 2004.

The WCDR adopted the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) as a guiding framework for disaster risk reduction efforts during the next decade, including the importance of 'Post Disaster Recovery Incorporating Risk Reduction Issues'.

Indian Ocean Tsunami affected countries and Pakistan, which were hit by a devastating earthquake in October 2005 are on the way of recovery aiming for Build Back Better than before.

On the occasion of the 2nd anniversary of the WCDR and the Indian Ocean Tsunami together with the 12th anniversary of the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake which accomplished the 'Build Back Better Recovery', the Government of Japan with Disaster Reduction partners organized an International Forum on Tsunami and Earthquake with the theme 'Recovery from the Indian Ocean Tsunami (and other devastating earthquakes) along the Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA)'

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Participants : Officials in the field of disaster management and post disaster recovery, experts involved in disaster reduction and post disaster recovery, IRP stakeholders and the general public.

Working language : English

Programme (January 16th)

- 10:00-10:05** Opening
Mr. Sálvamo Briceño, Director, UN/ISDR
- 10:05-10:45** Tsunami Recovery Status Reports
- Pakistan : Brig. Sher Afgan Khan Niazi, Director General, Monitoring and Evaluation Wing, Earthquake Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Authority, Islamic Republic of Pakistan
 - Thailand : Mr. Suporn Ratanakin, Director, Department of Disaster Prevention & Mitigation, Kingdom of Thailand
- 10:45-11:15** Keynote Speech
Prof. Ian Davis, Visiting Professor of Cranfield University, UK
- 11:30-12:30** Group Discussion
- A) Housing
 - B) Livelihood
 - C) Organizational and Institutional Arrangements
- 12:30-14:00** Lunch Time
- 14:00-15:30** Group Discussion
- 15:30-16:00** Coffee Break
- 16:00-17:20** Plenary Session
Chaired by Mr. Andrew Maskrey,
Chief, Disaster Reduction Unit, UNDP/BCPR,
Chairperson, IRP Steering Committee
- Reports from the Thematic Session Groups
Discussion on each group findings and recommendations
Summary and recommendations of the forum by the Plenary Chair
- 17:30** Closing of the International Forum
Mr. Koji Suzuki, Executive Director, ADRC