



ASEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON SCHOOL SAFETY



ASEAN Safe Schools Initiative (ASSI)

Background



- ASSI Project initiated in 2012 & 2013 through country-level consultations in 9 of 10 ASEAN member states; (PHASE 1)
- Endorsed by ASEAN Committee for Disaster Management (ACDM) at 21st Meeting of ACDM in Chiang Mai, Thailand in 2013
- Supporting AADMER WP 2010-15: “Disaster Safety of Educational Facilities” and “Integrating DRR into curriculum”
- ASSI project entered into implementation phase in 2014 – 16 (PHASE 2),
- Included in Education Sector’s Strategic Work plan 2016-2020

Why Safe Schools in ASEAN region?

- Over the last decade, **150 million people in South-east Asia** suffered from frequent **natural disasters**;
- **100 million children in ASEAN** are at risk in schools located in disaster-prone areas;
- absence of regulatory framework, lack of budgetary allocation and technical skills for safe school assessment;
- 80 % of disaster deaths happen in Asia. Children are disproportionately affected by disasters, but also strong agents for resilience
- 14,500 schools were fully or partially damaged in disasters in SEA over the last 5 years
- Schools are powerful venues for resilience building

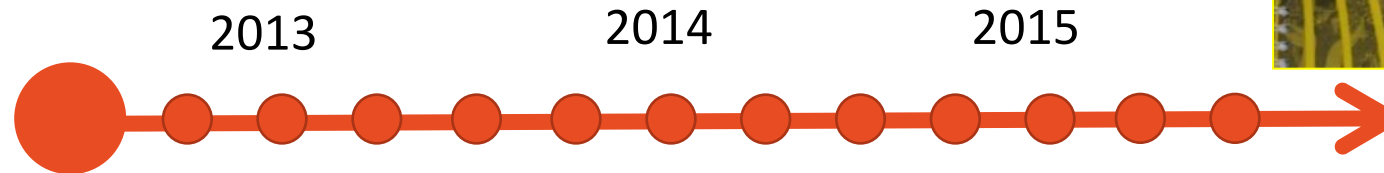
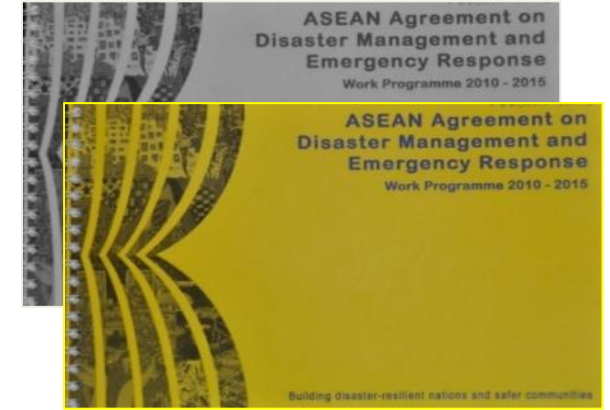


Save the Children



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Supporting AADMER Work Programme 2010-2015:
“Disaster Safety of Educational Facilities” and “Integrating DRR into curriculum”



Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

Establishment PMT

Launch of ASSI Phase 2

Endorsed by ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM)

Program design and consortium formation

Progress report from nine ASEAN member States



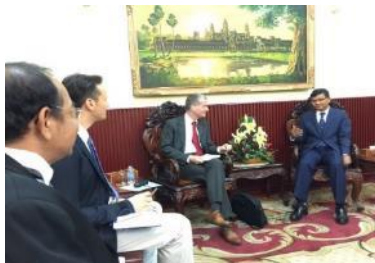
What will ASSI achieve?

Accelerating progress among regional stakeholders in Safe Schools (SS) development through positive changes in 4 key areas:

1. Strengthened regional collaboration on SS across ASEAN on development of a common regional SS Framework, guidelines, tools, and shared good practices



2. SS models established in highly disaster-prone districts and communities in eight ASEAN MS to field test and disseminate policies and tools



3. Commitment and long-term supports to SS through enhanced partnerships among ASEAN MSs, key IOs, private sectors, and CSOs

4. DRM in Education sector to be part of Sendai DRR Framework & SDG in support of the Worldwide Initiative on SS and Education for All



Pillar 1
Safe Learning Facilities
Making schools safer place for learning to save guard school communities from death and injuries due to structural collapse, damage, or malfunctions

Pillar 2
School Disaster Management
Ensuring school community (and education sector) able to plan and take necessary actions to mitigate, prepare for, response to, cope with and recover from disaster events

Pillar 3
Risk Reduction and Resilience Education
Enhancing knowledge, attitudes and skills imparting on disaster risk reduction to students and general public to develop a culture of safety

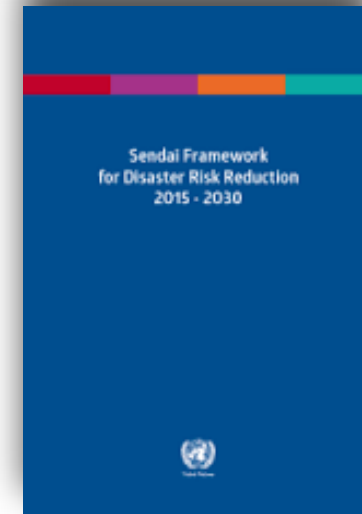
Rationale for School Safety Framework

Commitments:

- **AADMER Work Programme**
 - ✓ Regional Collaboration
 - ✓ Institutionalisation of DRR in Education Systems
 - ✓ Knowledge and experience-sharing
- **Strategic Work Plan for Education 2016-2020**
(development is ongoing)

Enhancing Effectiveness:


- National policy interventions on education are comprehensive
- Tracking progress: Country & Region
- Aligning with global interventions (SFDRR & SDGs)



ASEAN Safe Schools Initiative At National Level



Post AADMER Strategic Priorities: Next Steps

- Joint endorsement of the ASEAN Common Framework for CSS by the Education and DM sectors
 - Strengthening of knowledge and good practices exchange mechanism among AMSs
 - Strengthening of inter-agency coordination
 - Compilation and standardising school safety tools and resources in country
 - ASSI engagement of private sectors and other relevant sectors including Youth sector, development & planning sector, budget and finance sector and media
 - Strengthening ASEAN capacity on SS and development of pool of trained SS experts/practitioners
 - Strengthening resources mobilization with the leadership of the ASEAN Member States
 - Providing technical support in the development or enhancement of SS database and information system in AMSs
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Thank you!

