

Building Networks and Partnerships for Mainstreaming Urban Disaster Risk Reduction

Drawing on lessons learned from Asian Urban Disaster Mitigation Program

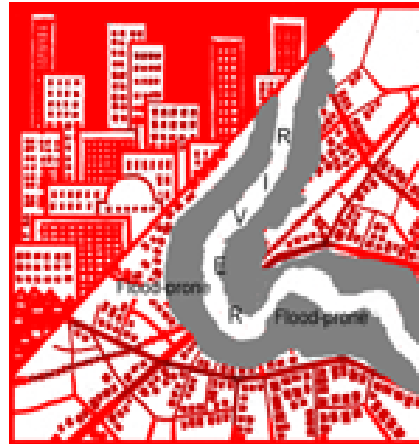
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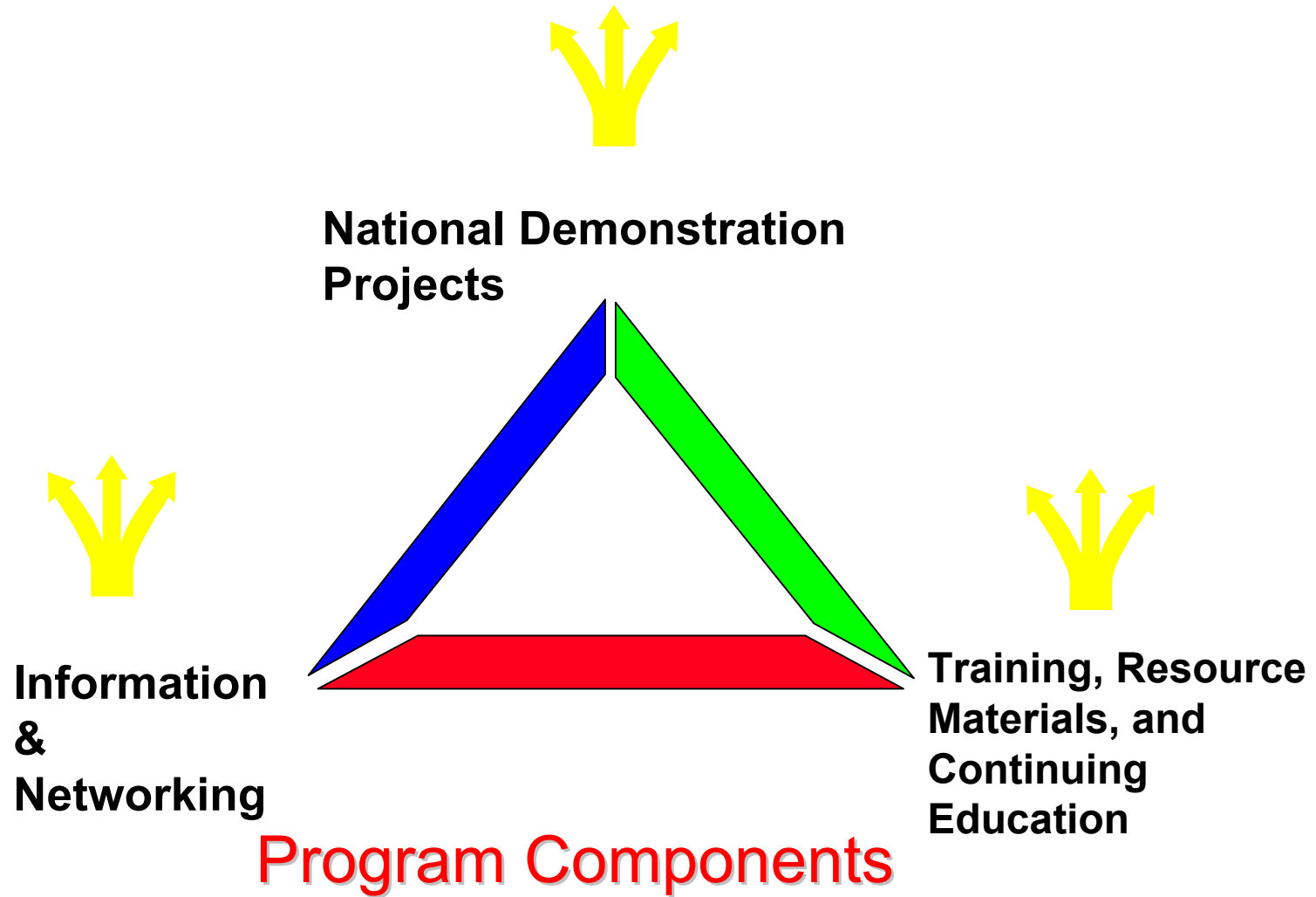


The Asian Urban Disaster Mitigation Program (AUDMP)



1995 - 2004
USAID Support





Bangladesh
flood

Cambodia
flood

Thailand
flood

India
*earthquakes &
technological hazard*

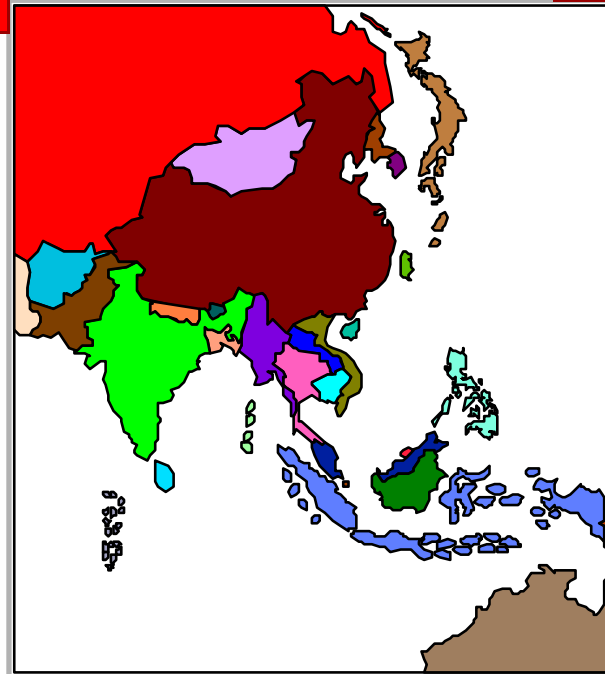
Indonesia
earthquake

Sri Lanka
multiple hazards

Philippines
*flood & multiple
hazards*

Lao PDR
urban fire

Nepal
earthquake



Role of Urban Local Bodies in RR

- **DM not primary responsibility, limited capacity, no accountability in a disaster event**
- **Key emergency response services**
 - Fire fighting
 - Ambulance services
- **Related tasks**
 - Enforcement of Building codes
 - Land Use Planning
 - Monitoring of Environmental hazards through regulating industries



Roles that ULBs can play

- More active involvement in Risk Reduction, prevention, preparedness and mitigation
- Mainstreaming disaster risk reduction
 - Safer construction practices in Housing and urban services
 - Disaster Risk Communication in Municipal schools
 - Enhanced safety features in public places
- Ability to mobilize emergency response teams
- Requires appropriate legislative framework

Why Network?

- Network at local level
 - Sharing of cross-sectoral responsibilities
 - Enhanced coordination
- Network between ULBs
 - Sharing human and material resources
 - Engaging in policy level dialogue
- International network
 - Sharing lessons
 - Adapt successful experiences into different context



Need for Legislative Framework

- Provides mandate for local authorities to act accordingly in the time of crisis
- Facilitates allocation of essential resources for relief & response in the immediate aftermath of a disaster

Examples of Urban Networks

- Metro Naga – Consortium of Municipalities
- Sister Cities Program
- LOGOTRI
- CITYNET

CITYNET The Regional Network of Local Authorities for the Management of Human Settlements

CITYNET EARTHQUAKE/Tsunami RELIEF INITIATIVE

In the wake of the earthquake and tsunami of December 26, 2004, the Asia-Pacific Region is going through an extremely difficult period. In this hour of need, it is good to know that CITYNET members are coming together to help and support each other in order to help rebuild communities and cities.



Above: Yokohama City and YOKE (both CITYNET members), organised a tsunami relief donation drive in Yokohama, Japan, on January 10, 2005. Seen here, CITYNET Secretariat Staff participating in the fund collection drive at a busy train station in Yokohama. Left: Mr. Hiroshi Nakada, Mayor of Yokohama and President of CITYNET, leading the initiative.

Part of these funds will be allocated to CITYNET to support its tsunami-related programme activities.

TSUNAMI-AFFECTED MEMBERS	UNAFFECTED MEMBERS
Colombo, Deltawala - Mt. Lavinia, Moratuwa, Please review the "Relief Required" list below and contact the ...

ADPC's Strategy

- Supports local and national organizations to enhance their capacities and effectively discharge assigned roles;
- Provides access to technical specialists worldwide to enable adoption of relevant technology and strategy;
- Provides linkages to other similarly mandated organizations in the region/ country with good practice while operating under similar constraints;
- Facilitates dialogue/ partnership between scientific community and policy, decision makers and end users for more effective use of scientific information;
- Works with regional and national networks of sectoral specialists to promote linkage with wider disaster management community.

Invitation to found three new “Post WCDR” Partnerships

- Basic Safer Recovery
- Habitat: Kobe Urban Damps
- Bonn Civic Cab



Post WCDR Partnerships

- Barangays and Sister Cities for Safer Recovery (*Basic Safer Recovery*)
- Urban Development Authorities and Ministries for Public Safety (*Urban Damps*)
- Cities Affected by Climate Variability and Change (*Civic Cab*)

Thank You

