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Concept Note for Thematic session

Event title	Implementing the health aspects of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction- follow up on “the Bangkok Principles”.
Event code	THEM-4
Date and Time	Thursday, 3 rd November, 13.30-15.00
Venue/ Room no.	Hall 4, First Floor
Organizers	<p>Lead: Royal Thai Government, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and Regional Office for South-East Asia of the World Health Organization (SEARO)</p> <p>Collaborators: Ministry of Interior (MOI) - Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, RTG Ministry of Public Health (MOPH), RTG Ministry of Foreign Affairs, RTG World Health Organization- South East Asia Regional Office (SEARO) Collaborating Centre for Oxford University and The Chinese University of Hong Kong for Disaster and Medical Humanitarian Response (CCOUC) MERCY Malaysia University of Leicester WHO, SATHI Network, National Disaster Management Authority-India Iranian Ministry of Health and Medicine Education</p> <p>Contact Details* (lead): Anurak Amornpetchsathaporn, M.D. Director, Bureau of Public Health Emergency Response (BHER) Ministry of Public Health, RTG Tel./Fax: +662 5901771 Email: anurakmd@gmail.com</p> <p>Chainarong Vasanasomsithi Director of Research and International Cooperation Bureau Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Ministry of Interior, RTG Tel./Fax: +662 2435279 Email: foreign_dpm@yahoo.com</p>

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Session Objectives	<p>Promote and provide a platform for representatives in Asia region of Member States, Inter-governmental Organizations, UN agencies and other stakeholders to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate the opportunities, benefits and challenges to integrate health emergencies within an all-hazards approach to Disaster Risk Reduction, including through the implementation of the “Bangkok Principles”. • Share progress made and challenges faced in reducing risk of health emergencies and outbreaks, including the International Health Regulations (2005), the One Health approach, Global Strategy for Women’s Children’s and Adolescents’ Health (2016-2030) and other key initiatives. • Make voluntary commitments to reduce risks of health emergencies within and across all sectors and beyond national borders. • Identifying scopes and opportunities to mainstream reproductive and productive health in Sendai Framework in order to promote sustainable development goals. • To provide a forum for critically examination and mapping the approaches to Mental Health and psychological support (MHPSS) used by the major international and local actors, in DRR activities.
Background and context	<p>The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction adopted by Member States on March 2015 is people-centered, has a wider scope covering all types of disaster risk and hazards, including biological hazards.</p> <p>The breadth of the multisectoral Sendai Framework provides the opportunity to achieve full synergy with the health-related initiatives for emergency and disaster risk management such as the International Health Regulations (IHR), the Global Health Security Agenda, Universal Health Coverage, Paris Agreement for Climate Change and Sustainable Development Goals.</p> <p>The International Conference on the Implementation of the Health Aspects of Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 was organized by the Royal Thai Government, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the World Health Organization (WHO) on 10-11 March 2016, in Bangkok, Thailand.</p> <p>The Conference aimed at assessing the current status and gaps for the</p>

	<p>integration of the health sector and the disaster risk reduction community; discussing different approaches and best practices of affected countries and identifying appropriate measures for the implementation of the health aspects in the Sendai Framework in a comprehensive, multi-disciplinary, multi-sectoral and all-hazards approach.</p> <p>The outcome document of the conference “The Bangkok Principles for the Implementation of the Health Aspects of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction" was agreed.</p> <p>The “Bangkok Principles” open up opportunities for collaboration between all relevant sectors and stakeholders on implementing the health aspects of the Sendai Framework, integrating health in disaster risk reduction plans and strategies, and the inclusion of emergency and disaster risk management programs in health strategies and positioning health as a key area of focus for disaster risk reduction.</p> <p>The proposed thematic event at the Asia Ministerial Conference on DRR (AMCDRR) will provide a platform to sensitize and mobilize Member States and key health, and disaster risk reduction and development actors in the region to commit to working together to realize these opportunities.</p>
<p>Session format and programme</p>	<p>The session format is a panel discussion for 90 minutes.</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Chadia Wannous, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR)</p> <p>Introduction: Sendai Framework for DRR and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development- coherence and collaboration to prevent and reduce the risk from all hazards, including biological hazards. by Dr. Chadia Wannous, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) (5 minutes)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implementation of the “Bangkok Principles”- countries championing the way forward to all-hazards and multi-sectoral approach to reduce disaster risks (H.E. Clin. Prof. Emeritus Dr. Piyasakol Sakolsatayadorn, Minister of Public Health of Thailand) (10 minutes) 2. Academia’ Role in Fostering Cooperation Across Sectors and Disciplines for Health DRR (Prof. Emily Chan, Director of the Collaborating Centre for Oxford University and the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) for Disaster and Medical Humanitarian Response (CCOUC) and Assistant Dean (Development) at the CUHK Faculty of Medicine (10 minutes) 3. Mental Health and Psychosocial Support in Preparedness and Risk Reduction: Key to Developing Resilience (Dr Hariyati Shahrma Abdul Majid, MERCY Malaysia's Executive Committee and a psychologist . (10 minutes) 4. Sexual and Reproductive Health in Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) (Dr.Nibedita Shankar Ray-Bennett, Lecturer in Risk Management, School of Business, Civil Safety and Security, University of Leicester)(10 minutes) 5. Health aspects in DRR: Understanding Disaster Risk in Health Sector (Dr.Hamidreza Khankeh, Iranian Ministry of Health and Medicine

	<p>Education) (10 minutes)</p> <p>6. Leaving no one behind: A Health Preparedness DRR approach; Developing and Integrating Health Preparedness Plans as part of State Disaster Management Plans (Dr Saurabh Dalal, Chief Consultant Medical Preparedness and Biological Disasters, National Disaster Management Authority-India Mr. Vikrant Mahajan, SATHI Network/Sphere India) (20 minutes)</p> <p>Discussion and Q&A session (10 minutes)</p> <p>Conclusion by Dr. Chadia Wannous, UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) (5 minutes)</p> <p>Rapportour by Ms.Gloria Chan Assistant Director of CCOUC</p>
<p>Intended main outcome and Key messages</p>	<p>The expected outcome of the event include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voluntary commitments to take actions to reduce risks of health emergencies through the adoption of people-centered, all-hazards and multisectoral approach to DRR. • Case studies and practical examples from governments and partners in Asia for advancing the implementation of reducing risks of health emergencies through the 2030 agendas, including the Sendai Framework for DRR, the Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. • Guidelines and Approaches to Indigenize and Integrate MHPSS in DRR activities. • Enhancing the visibility of sexual and reproductive health of women and adolescent girls in disasters by identifying methods, tools and the theories to mainstream local health issues into DRR. <p>Key messages</p> <p>The following measures agreed at the International Conference held in Thailand and known as the “Bangkok Principles” that could assist countries in implementing the health aspects of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Promote systematic integration of health into national and sub-national disaster risk reduction policies and plans and the inclusion of emergency and disaster risk management programmes in national and sub-national health strategies. 2. Enhance cooperation between health authorities and other relevant stakeholders to strengthen country capacity for disaster risk management for health, the implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005) and building of resilient health systems. 3. Stimulate people-centered public and private investment in emergency and disaster risk reduction, including in health facilities and infrastructure. 4. Integrate disaster risk reduction into health education and training and strengthen capacity building of health workers in disaster risk reduction. 5. Incorporate disaster-related mortality, morbidity and disability data into multi-hazards early warning system, health core indicators and national risk

	<p>assessments.</p> <p>6. Advocate for, and support cross-sectoral, transboundary collaboration including information sharing, and science and technology for all hazards, including biological hazards.</p> <p>7. Promote coherence and further development of local and national policies and strategies, legal frameworks, regulations, and institutional arrangements</p>
List of Speakers and their interventions	As above in the detailed agenda. Bios will follow when speakers confirmed
Technical Equipment	Projector, computer, microphones