

Invitation to two regional workshops on Disaster Risk Reduction through Schools

8-9th September 2010, Nairobi, Kenya
29-30th September 2010, Bangkok, Thailand



After five years of innovative and groundbreaking work, ActionAid invites you to attend one of two **2-day regional workshops** to share lessons and reflect upon the achievements of our multi-country **Disaster Risk Reduction through Schools** project. Funded by DFID, the project aims to make schools in high-risk disaster areas safer, enabling them to act as a locus for disaster risk reduction, and institutionalise implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action within education systems.

Working in close partnership with schools, local communities, educational institutions and networks as well as national and local governments and international agencies, the project has made great strides in prevention, mitigation and preparedness in seven countries across Asia, Africa and the Americas.

To mark the closing of the project and the beginning of a new strategic direction in our DRR through Schools work, ActionAid is hosting two regional workshops – one in Asia and one in Africa – bringing together disaster risk reduction practitioners and education experts, as well as donors, policymakers and other relevant stakeholders.

The workshops will provide a forum for **information exchange** and **sharing of good practice**, as well as an opportunity to debate and address issues arising from grassroots through to local and national governments. Project representatives from each of the seven implementing countries; Bangladesh, India, Nepal, Kenya, Ghana, Malawi and Haiti, will share key learning and methodology, and guests will be invited to share contributions from their own DRR experience. The knowledge and learning gathered from the workshops will feed into the development of a future strategy for sustaining and integrating DRR and climate change adaptation into development programming.



There is no registration fee for the workshops. ActionAid will provide lunch and refreshments at the venue for all participants for the two days of the workshop, however we request that participants cover their own travel and accommodation expenses for the duration of their stay, as well as dinner and miscellaneous costs. An optional project visit will be offered to participants (dates tbc), at their own expense.

For more information or to register for the workshops please contact Faith Kasina: faith.kasina@actionaid.org or Tel: + 254 444 0440 ext 301

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