

10<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Regional Consultative Committee (RCC) on Disaster Management

## Viet Nam Consultations for the Post-2015 Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction (HFA2) and Post-2015 Development Agenda

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### Post-2015 DRR Framework consultation

- Undertaken in connection with the HFA progress review
- Multi-stakeholder participation: CCFSC, UN agencies, NGOs.
- Written inputs from provinces and ministries for HFA progress were considered

## Key messages

- Main achievements of Viet Nam in implementing the HFA include: legal and policy framework, more funding for DRR, improved local capacity i.e. through the CBDRM
- Remaining challenges are:
  - Human resources are still limited
  - The need to improve coordination (both within Government and between Government and international community)
  - Put the coordination for the implementation of the National Disaster Mitigation Strategy and HFA at high level in the Government

## Key messages (2)

- The most significant issues for HFA2, initially identified as:
  - Does the current system have the capacity to cope with mega disasters and emerging/new hazards? The need to consider:
    - Culture and tradition factors that prevent risk sensitive thinking
    - Move beyond floods and storms to emerging hazards;
    - Strengthen the civil-military engagement for effective preparedness and response
  - The need for a much stronger ecosystem approach in DRR.

## Key messages (3)

- There is urgent need for better disaster data and cost-benefit analysis of investments in DRR
- Prioritize DRR in peri-urban areas where complex social issues such as relocation is involved
- HFA2 should have a clear accountability framework for implementation
- Synergy between HFA, AADMER and the National Strategy for Disaster Mitigation has been created. How to reflect this in HFA monitor? There is the need for synchronized reporting system at different level: local, national, regional and global in HFA2
- Global and regional framework should provide standards for national implementation

## For the consultation process (lesson learnt)

- Important to have consultations at different levels:
  - *National level*: led by Government and should engage stakeholder groups i.e. vulnerable people, children and others
  - *Local/Community level*: The issues need to be framed rightly. Experience shows that the way to collect information is more important than the subject. Use VCA outcomes to identify issues to scope the consultation.
  - *Voice of people*: The Parliament provides many opportunities for the voice of people to be heard but it is complex and requires clear understanding of objectives and facilitation for constructive inputs
- Draw on existing mechanisms such as CBDRM Technical WG
  - Develop a simple package of guidance for different types of consultations
  - There is the need to prepare background information i.e. disaster statistics, evidence of benefits of DRR, etc to support engagement and facilitate discussion



## Post-2015 Development Agenda

- Consultations led by UN Country Team November 12- January 13
- Groups consulted include:
  - Ethnic minorities
  - Urban poor, including informal sector workers and migrants
  - Rural poor, including landless farmers
  - People with disabilities
  - People living with HIV
  - Young people
  - The elderly
  - The private sector
- Disaster impacts expected to come out from consultations.
- Report of UN consultation being prepared

## Proposals for linking DRR and CCA, Experience from Viet Nam

- Established the National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction and Climate Change Adaptation.  
*National Platform for DRR & CCA in 2009 and 2011*
    - Coordination mechanisms aims to create a common method of communication among stakeholders in and outside the country, through which support and contribute to build resilience of countries and communities to the impacts of disasters and climate change through promoting coordination and implementation of disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation.
    - This forum plays an effective role in support and consultation for the government to share information, resource coordination and policy dialogue
- Prime Minister assigned the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development to chair, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment coordinate with MARD to implement of the National Forum. (10/2012)
- CBDRM program approved by the Government to mitigate disaster risks have been adjusted to incorporate the knowledge of climate change adaptation

## Opportunities, options and mechanisms for integrating DRR into future development agenda

- The Government issued legal documents:
  - National strategy for disaster prevention and mitigation by (12/2007)
  - National strategy for climate change (12/2011)
- Implementing plan of national strategy for disaster prevention and mitigation is developed at provincial level.
- 63/63 provinces and cities developed implementing plan
- Integrated disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation has not been fully mainstreamed in social economic development plan.
- Limited resources to deploy plan in practice and capacity of implementing legal documents on disaster risk reduction are challenges for Vietnam.

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