

GROWING NEED OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN DRR

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Abstract – Practitioner talk.

The losses of lives and physical properties due to the disasters are rising mostly in developing countries. The impact of a disaster in a particular country or region can have an effect on another country or region. Disaster risk is global in nature. Disasters cause human life losses, property damage, and long-term impacts on productivity, growth, and the economy. In view of the above situation, preparedness and preventive measures are highly desirable to reduce losses. In addition, effective and efficient response and rehabilitation capabilities and mechanisms are also equally important to minimize and redress the disaster losses and damages. Hence, there is a need and importance for cooperation and coordination among the national and international organizations and countries are pertinent particularly in the field of the development of humanitarian assistance. At the national level, such cooperation and coordination may vary from community level to local, village, municipality, district/province, and/or region. While at the international level it varies from regional to global. NGOs like TIEMS have a vital role to play in international cooperation and collaboration while it has a wide connection with a number of experts and international organizations.

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