OSCE AND DRR NP PARTNERSHIP IN THE FIELD OF DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT

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LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK OF DRR NP

Disaster Risk Reduction National Platform (DRR NP) was established in 2010 by the Republic of Armenia (RA) Government Decree based on Hyogo Framework for Action (HFA) recommendations.

The main goal of DRR NP is to support the establishment of a multi-sectorial management mechanism for DRR in Armenia.
OBJECTIVES OF DRR NP

1. Elaboration of DRR strategy and action plan, and assist in coordination of strategy implementation at all levels.
2. Clarification of roles and responsibilities of DRR stakeholders.
3. Development of culture of resilience.
4. Development of common DRR methodologies.
5. Integration of DRR into development policies.
6. Foster partnership and environment for developing a culture of resilience and advocacy for disaster resilient communities.

COORDINATION WITH OSCE

In 2014 a cooperation framework was established between OSCE, UNDP Armenia and DRR National Platform to enhance DRR capacities of Aarhus centers in Armenia:

- New partnership framework was established between DRR NP and Aarhus Centers
- Aarhus centers have been involved into the overall DRM framework of the country
- The Concept on Gaps and Needs Analysis of DRR Education of the Civil Population was developed for Aarhus centers.
- Three training courses have been organized for Aarhus centers: DRR introduction, Local Level Risk Management (LLRM) methodology implementation and Making Cities Resilient (MCR) courses.
- A cooperation basis was established between the Aarhus centers, RA Ministry of Territorial Administration and Emergency Situations (MTAES), Crisis Management State Academy (CMSA), DRRNP, OSCE and UNDP Armenia.
FURTHER COOPERATION

- An MoU between DRR National Platform, OSCE and Aarhus centers will be signed.
- The representatives of Aarhus centers will be involved in DRR regional teams as DRM and Environment education Focal Points.
- Within the frames of the National Platform and with the joint efforts of UNOCHA, UNDP, UNISDR/GETI, MTAES, CMSA and OSCE a specialised ToT on Flash Environmental Assessment Toolkit (FEAT) and MCR will be organized.
- Annual retraining courses on DRM are agreed to be conducted by CMSA for Aarhus centers.
- Joint projects on DRM and Environmental Emergencies will be developed and implemented.

FURTHER COOPERATION

Within the further joint project “Strengthening the cooperation of DRR National Platform and Aarhus Centres in disaster risk reduction (DRR) to enhance capacities of local communities” the following activities will be implemented:

- Mainstreaming DRR into community development plans (4 communities).
- Establishment of well-functioning cooperation network between Aarhus centres, DRR National Platform and local communities to ensure the implementation of DRR National Strategy and HFA at community level.
- Identification of disaster vulnerabilities of selected communities along with the capacity development needs of respective Aarhus Centres to support community-based DRR in partnership with DRR NP and local NGOs.
- Installation of early warning system in target communities and establishment of disaster related information sharing mechanism.
DRM PROCESS CAN NOT BE THE MONOPOLY OF JUST ONE ORGANIZATION.

It is everybody’s mission, where certainly the best practice, knowledge and suggestions of international partners have their unique role.

WE ARE OPEN FOR COOPERATION EXCHANGE OF EXPERIENCES AND PARTNERSHIP

THANK YOU!