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## Meeting on Regional Cooperation on Early Warning Arrangement, Preparedness and Mitigation of Natural Hazards

12-14 July 2006, Bangkok, Thailand

#### **AGENDA**

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08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 - 09:30	Signing of MoU between ADPC and:
	<ul> <li>Bangladesh Meteorological De</li> </ul>

- Bangladesh Meteorological Department
- China Earthquake Administration
- China Meteorological Administration
- Sri Lanka Department of Meteorology

09:30 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony
10:00 – 10:30	Group Photo and Coffee/ Tea Break

- 10:30 10:45 Introductory SessionIntroduction of workshop participants
  - Overview of workshop process and outcomes
  - Review of workshop agenda

### Agenda 1. Early Warning System Program

10:45 – 11:15	The EWS Program: Implementation Status and Challenges
	Presentation by ADPC

#### 11:15 – 12:15 Best Practices

•	The US-IOTWS Program	Dr. Alan White
•	Community Based Disaster Risk	
	Management in Southern Thailand	Dr. Bhichit Rattakul

12:15 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:00 Discussion: Regional level activities

- Gaps and needs
- Priority needs for inclusion into the proposal for funding

14:00 – 15:20 National Tsunami EWS: Updates and needs (Part 1)

20-minute presentations by national focal points for tsunami early warning of Bangladesh (BMD), Cambodia (DOM), Maldives (DOM), Myanmar (DMH) covering:

- Current status of national tsunami early warning system
- Gaps and needs at national, sub-national and local levels
- Priority needs for inclusion into the regional program (for proposal for funding)
- Potential contribution to the EWS program (regional/ to other countries e.g. experience, synergies with ongoing projects, etc.)
- 15:20 15:35 Coffee/ Tea Break
- 15:35 16:35 National Tsunami EWS: Updates and needs (Part 2)

20-minute presentations by national focal points for tsunami early warning of Sri Lanka (DOM), Thailand (NDWC) and Vietnam (NHMS) covering:

- Current status of national tsunami early warning system
- Gaps and needs at national, sub-national and local levels
- Priority needs for inclusion into the regional program (for proposal for funding)
- Potential contribution to the EWS program (regional/ to other countries e.g. experience, synergies with ongoing projects, etc.)
- 16:35 17:15 Potential contributions from China (CEA and SOA), and the Philippines (PHIVOLCS)

20-minute presentations on possible contributions to meet identified priority needs (e.g. expertise, experience, synergies with ongoing projects, etc.)

- 17:15 17:45 Discussions and Wrap-up
- 18:00 Depart for dinner

## DAY 2: 13 JULY 2006

# Agenda 2. Regional Research Support to National Meteorological Services on Severe Weather Forecasting: Presentation and Discussion of Concept Paper

08:30 - 08:45	Introduction of Agenda	Mr. A.R. Subbiah
08:45 - 09:45	Prediction of Severe Weather Events: Challenges and demands	Prof. U.C. Mohanty
09:45 - 10:00	Coffee/ Tea Break	
10:00 – 12:20	Severe Weather Forecasting: Current status and needs 20-minute presentations by national meteorological services of Bangladesh (BMD), Cambodia (DOM), Lao PDR (DMH), Maldives (DOM), Myanmar (DMH), Sri Lanka (DOM), and Vietnam (NHMS) covering:  • Current practice in short-, medium-, and long-term weather prediction • Current status of numerical weather prediction • Gaps and priority needs • Priority activities that may be undertaken at the regional level • Potential contributions to support regional level activities (e.g. research personnel, experience, synergies with ongoing projects, etc.)	
12:20 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 14:30	Potential contributions from China (CMA), the Philippines (PAGASA) and Thailand (TMD) 20-minute presentations on possible contributions to meet identified priority needs (e.g. expertise, experience, synergies with ongoing projects, etc.)	
14:30 – 15:00	Numerical Weather Prediction in the Tropics	Mr. M.C. Sinha
15:00 – 15:30	Mesoscale Modeling of Severe Weather Events over India	Dr. M. Mandal
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee/ Tea Break	
15:45 – 16:15	Importance of Mesoscale Data Assimilation in Regional Prediction	Mr. A. Routray
16:15 – 16:45	High Resolution Modeling in the Philippines	Dr. R.V. Francisco
16:45 – 17:30	Discussion on Data Requirement for Mesoscale Modeling and Model Products; Wrap-up	

# DAY 3: 14 JULY 2006

## Agenda 3. Implementation Arrangements and Recommendations

09:00 – 10:30	Discussion: Development of Implementation Plan for Regional Research Support to National Meteorological Services on Severe Weather Forecasting  • Resource requirements (hardware, software, manpower, budget)
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee/ Tea Break
10:45 – 12:00	Presentation and Confirmation/ Endorsement of Revised EWS Program
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break
13:00 – 14:30	<ul> <li>Discussion: Implementation Arrangements</li> <li>Institutional arrangement at regional, national, sub-national, local levels</li> <li>Data sharing mechanism: meteorological, seismic, sea level observations</li> <li>Funding</li> </ul>
14:30 – 14:45	Coffee/ Tea Break
14:45 – 16:45	Finalization of Recommendations
16:45 – 17:00	Closing