

### Report on the International Seminar on Sharing Experience on Disaster Risk Reduction in Asian Countries Beijing, People's Republic of China 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October 2010

The International Seminar on Experience on Disaster Risk Reduction in Asian Countries was held in Beijing, China between 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> October 2010. The seminar was hosted by the National Disaster Reduction Center of China (NDRCC), Ministry of Civil Affairs of People's Republic of China, and co-organized by ADPC. Around 60 delegates from 11 countries and 2 international organizations, namely UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR) and Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) participated in the seminar.

Mr. Aloysius Rego, Deputy Executive Director of ADPC, chaired at the session on 13<sup>th</sup> October delivering a presentation on “Earthquake Vulnerability Reduction in Asia: Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities”. As one of the leaders of the co-organizer, Mr. Rego made a conclusion speech during the closing ceremony of the seminar. Ms. LingLing Jiang, Project Manager for China and North-East Asia of ADPC, also made a presentation on “Catastrophic Disasters, Disaster Risk Management and Community Capacity Building” at the seminar. As national experts invited by NDRCC and ADPC, Mr. Shahid Aziz Ghulam Jilani, Project Manager of UNDP Pakistan, Mr. Fierra Setyawan, the Young Researcher of Indonesian Meteorological Climatological and Geophysical Agency attended the seminar and made presentations. The participants mentioned above also submitted their respective paper to the seminar. Dr. Mohammad Zaman Kabir, Director of Asian Risk Reduction Center, Iran submitted his valuable paper to the seminar, although he could not present at the seminar. Their presentations and papers impressed participants and prompted a lot of discussions amongst the attendees.

