

TECHNICAL SESSION

Title of the session: "Civil protection for inclusive recovery"

May 13th, 2019/16:00-17:00 /ROOM 4

Context

Civil protection and disaster preparedness are core elements of cities and communities resilience around the world. The concept of civil protection was introduced for the first time in 1931 in the post-world war period, aiming to protect vulnerable civilian populations and their assets. The concept has evolved through ages and disasters and bring now to the wider dimension of disaster risk reduction or disaster risk management.

In the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) 2015-2030, the Priority 4 has expressed the need to further strengthen disaster preparedness for response and ensure that capacities are in place for effective response and recovery at all levels. This priority covers the different phases of civil protection acivities and disaster risk reduction:

- The phase of Emergency Preparedness, that mainly consists of disaster risk forecasting, early warning system, emergency preparedness plan, collection and storage of emergency items, safe evacuation, and mock drills.
- The phase of Disaster Response covers the activities of disaster emergency service and assistance during or immediately after the disaster. Saving human life and preventing the additional physical loss are the priority actions of this stage. Search, rescue, relief, emergency health services, temporary shelter, safe drinking water and sanitation, and arrangement of food are the other priority activities of this stage.
- The phase of Recovery and Reconstruction after the completion of emergency phase. It includes the recovery activities such as rehabilitation and improvement of disaster affected services and facilities, income generation and other households and communities livelihood activities that need to be restored, with application of the "Build Back Better" principles. This phase of rehabilitation and reconstruction comprises activities like raising people's awareness, strong plan, institutional strengthening and coordination, financing and implementing arrangements including communication, information and mechanisms to address grievances.

All these phases should promote inclusion and participation of communities who are at the heart of implemented activities. This community based Civil Protection and DRR approach without any discrimination based on sex, age, race, religion, ethnicity, geography or social status is a strong basis for inclusion of all at all phases.

As Civil protection systems are at the inception of such processes since the preparedness, they constitute relevant instruments of inclusive recovery promotion. The inclusion of all stakeholders and actors since the beginning will undoutbtedly assure their participation until the recovery process, without exclusion.

The recent GFDRR's global study on the state of civil protection in the world launched during the WRC3 clarified the roles and responsibilities of different public institutions, civil society organizations, private sector companies, volunteers, communities and faith based organizations in 16 countries covered by deep dive



case studies (UK, USA, Mexico, Chile, Cambodia, Bangladesh, Tanzania, Austria, Australia, Senegal, Japan, Ukraine, France, Turkey, India and China). The findings stressed all the importance of inclusion and participation of all in the collective effort of protecting people and assets, safeguarding environment, and preparing to respond and recover from man-made and nature-related disasters. However, the approaches of inclusion differ from one country or typology to

another, depending on the system in place, its history and governance.

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