The Role of the Private Sector in Building Resilience to Disasters

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Today's topics

- 1. Working with the UNISDR
- 2. Globally discussed private sector roles in disaster risk reduction
- 3. Private sector and the post-2015 framework for disaster risk reduction (HFA2)



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2011: UNISDR Private Sector Advisory Group and Private Sector Partnership



Global Platform 2011 (GP11) Private Sector Roundtable





GP11 Representing private sector in plenary with Ban Ki-Moon



GP13 Joint presentation at Plenary with Sendai City Mayor

2013: Private sector focus for GP13, Global Assessment Report (GAR13) - "Invest Today for a Safer Tomorrow" Source: Global Assessment Report on DRR (GAR) 2013, UNISDR

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Estimated average losses from earthquakes and cyclonic wind every year.

> Our ability to build resilience has not kept pace with our ability to grow.

Why Private Sector? To address rising disaster economic loss via resilient business practices (e.g. BCM, supply chains)





Why Private Sector? Private sector is community-embedded resource (expertise, technology, manpower, local knowledge)

Source: Private Sector Strengths Applied: Good Practices in DRR from Japan, 20 UNISDR

Logistics





How? Partnerships, e.g. Emergency Agreements (saigai kyotei)

Japan's national mapping agency and industry association of survey companies has agreement for emergency aerial photography

How? Innovation, expertise, core business strengths

Vending machine provides free drinks in emergency; credit rating system and financial products encourage local businesses to invest in own resilience



Precision DEM (Digital Elevation Model) + other spatial information





Trunk Roads

flood height

distance to key facilities
+ number of lanes, etc.





How? Vendor relationships at the local government level

Slide from GP11 Private Sector Roundtable – hazard mapping as example of disaster risk management services provided to Japanese local governments by private sector



Good practices in disaster risk reduction from Japan

民間セクターの強みを活かす 日本の防災・減災グッドプラクティス

2013



Description and analysis of Japanese 'common' practices welcomed as guide to private sector engagement









2014: Private sector input into the HFA2 consultation process – regional consultations, PrepCom and informal processes



2014: Private sector input into the HFA2 consultation process – the Five Private Sector Visions for a Resilient Future

Describes the private sector's long-term goals for a resilient future under the new international framework for disaster risk reduction, where:

- 1. Strong <u>public-private partnerships</u> drive DRR and resilience at the local and national level;
- 2. <u>Resilience in the built environment</u> is driven by both the public sector raising minimum standards, and the private sector voluntarily working towards optimum standards;
- 3. All <u>financial investment decisions</u>, public and private, are risk-sensitive;
- Everyone, including the private sector, <u>behaves in a resilience-sensitive</u> way and create a positive cycle of reinforcement; and
- 5. The <u>identification, disclosure</u> and proactive <u>management of risks</u> carried by companies and public sector entities, is standard practice;



2015: From recommendations to action and implementation

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Annual General Meeting, Paris, 2014

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