



## **LAUNCH OF THE ASEAN AGREEMENT ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (AADMER) WORK PROGRAMME 2021 – 2025 & 6<sup>TH</sup> AADMER PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE**

***8 June 2021, Singapore – The ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Work Programme 2021 – 2025 was launched today in conjunction with the 6<sup>th</sup> AADMER Partnership Conference, which was conducted virtually during the 38<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) and other related meetings from 8 to 10 June 2021.***

As the Chair of the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) this year, Singapore is organising a series of meetings from 8 to 10 June 2021. This includes the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the ACDM and the 6<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Partnership Conference.

2. Assoc Prof Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of National Development, delivered the opening remarks at the virtual launch ceremony of the AADMER Work Programme 2021 – 2025 held this morning.

3. In his opening remarks, Assoc Prof Faishal said: “ASEAN has achieved good progress in the field of disaster risk management, and these have manifested in the form of projects and initiatives that have directly benefitted the peoples of ASEAN. We must continue to join efforts to further enhance the disaster resiliency of the region, making our region ever safer for all, leaving no one behind.”

4. One of the key highlights of this year’s ACDM is the AADMER Work Programme 2021 – 2025, which was launched today in conjunction with the 6<sup>th</sup> AADMER Partnership Conference. This is the third five-year Work Programme that has been developed since 2010, to detail the activities that each ASEAN Member State will need to institutionalise within their respective countries.

5. In the AADMER Work Programme 2021 – 2025, Member States aim to enhance and support ASEAN’s disaster risk reduction and disaster management capabilities through cooperation across different sectors of society, capacity building, scalable innovation, resource mobilisation, new partnerships, and stronger coordination among ASEAN Member States. The Work Programme is also aligned to global agreements such as the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk



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Reduction 2015 – 2030, the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.

6. SCDF co-chairs two of the three working groups<sup>1</sup> that were formed to oversee the implementation of activities under the AADMER Work Programme 2021 to 2025. The three working groups are:

- i. Prevention and Mitigation – This working group leads the implementation of two priority programmes which are disaster risk assessment and monitoring, and prevention and mitigation. This working group is co-chaired by Thailand, Philippines and Lao PDR.
- ii. Preparedness, Response and Recovery – This working group oversees programmes to strengthen coordination of regional responses and resilient recovery. This working group is co-chaired by Malaysia, Myanmar and Singapore.
- iii. Global Leadership – This working group leads the implementation of programmes on knowledge management for regional resilience building and global leadership in disaster management. This working group is co-chaired by Indonesia, Singapore and Viet Nam.

7. Please refer to the Annex for more information on the ACDM, AADMER and AADMER Work Programme.

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<sup>1</sup> SCDF co-chairs the Preparedness, Response and Recovery Working Group, and the Global Leadership Working Group



## ANNEX

### FACTSHEET ON ACDM, AADMER AND AADMER WORK PROGRAMME

1. Singapore is the Chair for the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) in 2021. The ACDM is made up of the National Disaster Management Organisations of the ten ASEAN Member States. It was established in 2003 to enhance regional cooperation in all aspects of disaster management.
2. SCDF has been the National Focal Point for the ACDM since its establishment. SCDF was also instrumental in the establishment and operationalisation of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre), which was launched at the 19th ASEAN Summit on 17 November 2011. Located in Jakarta, the AHA Centre is the operational coordination body and engine of Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER), facilitating the co-operation and coordination among the ASEAN Member States and with relevant United Nations and international organisations.
3. The ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) was established in July 2005 and endorsed by all ASEAN Member States. It serves as a framework for cooperation, coordination, technical assistance, and resource mobilisation amongst the 10 ASEAN Member States in all aspects of disaster management.
4. To operationalise the AADMER, five-year Work Programmes have been developed since 2010 to detail the activities that each Member State needed to institutionalise within their respective countries. The AADMER Work Programme 2021-2025 is the third edition.
5. The AADMER Work Programme 2021 – 2025 was developed based on the foundation laid out by AADMER's vision to build a region of disaster-resilient nations, mutually assisting and complementing one another, sharing a common bond in minimising adverse effects of disasters in pursuit of safer communities and sustainable development.
6. The current AADMER Work Programme can be found here: [@d • KDe ^a § !\\* d | È | c } d | | aa • DEGF § DQOT ÒÜË | \ Ë | !æ { ^ÈGGÈ GEG È à~](#)
7. More information on the background and scope of AADMER as well as past and current AADMER Work Programmes, can be found here:

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