



# **ASEAN EXPERIENCES OF ICS under the purview of the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management**



Beach of Sibuyan, Palawan State after the 1991 Luzon 7.6



# Cooperation in Disaster Management

- Mutual assistance in disasters is one of the founding principles
- Sectoral agreements since mid '70s
- Bilateral agreements
- Regional cooperation on disaster management: Momentum sustained for the last four years





# Institutional Framework

- ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Disaster Management (AMMDM)
- ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM)
- ACDM-ICS Task Force
- ASEAN Secretariat





# ICS in ASEAN

- ASEAN-US Cooperation on Disaster Management Phase 1 (2004-2006)
- ICS should be explored as a model both for the regional standard management system for disaster response and national disaster response system
- Brunei Darussalam, Philippines and Viet Nam serve as pilot countries for the development and adaptation of ICS
- Pilot countries jointly serve as regional showcase for lessons learned and status updates on progress, incl. providing training facilities for regional activities and training for other ASEAN member countries who wish to explore the development of ICS at a later stage



# ICS in ASEAN

- ASEAN Member Countries have begun to implement many of the provisions of the AADMER; i.e. formulation of standard operating procedures for the development of regional standby arrangements, mobilisation of military and civilian personnel and assets, and coordination of joint disaster relief and emergency response operations (SASOP)
- Simulation Exercises held to test the SOP
- ICS functional responsibilities will be incorporated in the SOP
- SOP will also elaborate the functions of the ICS to allow interoperability among the on-scene operating systems of the Member Countries





# ICS in ASEAN

## PROGRESS

- 2 Pilot Countries (Viet Nam withdrawn)
- Brunei Darussalam – established the National Disaster Management Centre (multi-agency coordination) in 2006
- Philippines – conducted several follow up activities at national and provincial levels, including pilot testing of the proposed ICS module in disaster preparedness seminars and conducting simulation exercises



# ICS in ASEAN

## ACDM ICS Task Force

- Established in May 2004; fully composed in June 2005
- Tasks
  - provide recommendations and inputs for the development of regional disaster management systems
  - provide recommendations and inputs on the adaptation and integration of ICS elements into the regional disaster management systems
  - identify needs, gaps and challenges
- Participated in SASOP workshops and ARDEX 05 - 08— to provide inputs to the SOP





# ICS in ASEAN

## ASEAN-US Cooperation on DM Phase 2

### Objectives:

- Build capacity for disaster response within ASEAN regionally and the Pilot Countries through a programme of activities designed to adapt the ICS into the regional disaster management system and individual pilot countries' existing on-scene disaster response systems;
- Promote interoperability among ASEAN Member Countries to facilitate cross-border resource sharing using Incident Command System as a model





# ICS in ASEAN

## Summary

- No standardised **ASEAN ICS System** – harmonised, adapted ICS
- At national level, Pilot Countries are working towards adapting the ICS system into their national systems to suit their national needs
- ICS has been incorporated as part of the SOP – continuously refined through simulation exercises

