Session Brief

Session 1 - Social Protection, Disaster Management, and the Need for Linkages

Tuesday 22 November, 10.00 – 12.00 (2 hours)

Moderator: Chair of ASEAN Senior Labour Officials Meeting (SLOM)

Session Note:

Due to the interconnectedness of the issues discussed, participants of the Seminar come from diverse backgrounds. They consist of government representatives from social welfare, labour and disaster management agencies; workers' representatives; employers' representatives; and international organizations.

Presentations in this first session will provide general information, basic concepts and up-to-date developments related to both social protection and disaster management, at international and ASEAN levels. This session will also highlight why social protection and disaster management requires a concerted efforts among several ministries and stakeholders.

Objectives of the Session:

- To familiarize participants, who come from diverse backgrounds, with the concepts of social protection and disaster management;
- To update participants with recent developments in social protection and disaster management at global level and ASEAN level; and
- To discuss the rationale and recent initiatives in linking social protection with disaster management.

Presentation 1 - Social Protection in ASEAN (20 minutes)

Presenter: Ms. Celine Peyron Bista, Chief Technical Advisor on Social Protection, ILO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific

The presentation will introduce the concepts related to social protection, current developments and strategies to extend social protection at global and ASEAN levels. The presentation will also clarify the scope of social protection to be discussed throughout the Seminar.

Presentation 2 - ASEAN Framework on Social Protection (20 minutes)

Presenter: Mr. Miguel Musngi, Women, Poverty Eradication and Gender Division, ASEAN Secretariat

The presentation will lay out ASEAN regional framework on social protection, highlighting the ASEAN Declaration on Strengthening Social Protection and its Regional Framework, what it entails for member countries and progress in implementation. The presentation will also bring up the references to social protection as an instrument to build resilience to disasters in the different ASEAN Documents, and the need for strong inter-sectoral bodies' coordination.

Presentation 3 - Disaster Risk Reduction: Concepts and Main Development (20 minutes)

Presenter: Mr. Andrew McElroy, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) Regional Office Asia and the Pacific

The presentation will introduce the concepts related to disaster risk reduction, actors involved and international strategies in disaster risk reduction, including on-going works on the implementation of

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the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (2015-2030) and what it means for the ASEAN region. The presentation will highlight the need and existing initiatives to link disaster risk reduction with social protection.

Presentation 4 - ASEAN Frameworks on disaster management and the need for more disasterresponsive social protection (20 minutes)

Presenter: Mr. Medi Herlianto, Director of Preparedness, National Disaster Management Authority of Indonesia, and Chair of the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) and representative of the ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management

The presentation will cover ASEAN regional framework on disaster management, including the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER), progress in its implementation, and how member countries benefit from it. The presentation will highlight current AADMER Work Programme (2016-2020), particularly priority programmes where social protection is of particular concern, its progress, remaining challenges and the work ahead. The presentation will also identify how this seminar and other similar exercises may help in implementing the AADMER.

Open panel - Sharing experiences and discussing avenues and mechanisms for more integrated approach and coordination at ASEAN level: Comments from Government, Workers and Employers' representatives (40 minutes)

Participants of the Seminar are invited to comment whether they see the need for more integration of social protection and disaster management, how such approach will benefit member countries and ASEAN as a whole, and how they think their respective countries can move towards a more integrated approach.

If possible, commentators are asked whether they can give examples of specific programmes in their countries that already integrate social protection and disaster management or challenges in integrating both fields of interventions.