

STRENGTHENING LOCAL FILIPINO CAPACITIES IN DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

CONTEXT

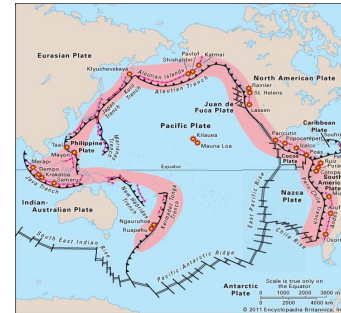
Typhoons are one of the most prevalent environmental threats in the Philippines, causing material and human casualties. On the other hand, Philippines is situated in the Pacific Ring of Fire, where two tectonic plates causing tsunami-triggering earthquakes and frequent tremors, are found. Furthermore, the Philippines has 22 active volcanoes, likewise causing frequent volcanic eruptions in the country.

The Spanish Cooperation has carried out intense work in Disaster Risk Management throughout the decade – at the national, as well as regional and local levels -- as it contributed, on one hand, to the improvement of mechanisms for management, prevention and response to natural disasters; and on the other hand, to the empowerment of the most vulnerable communities in the implementation of Disaster Risk Reduction plans. Through a complete intervention in the province of Albay, the Spanish Cooperation has contributed decisively in the creation of a disaster prevention model – the “Albay model” -- which is currently considered a reference model in the Philippines.

Within the framework of Philippine government policies, the National Plan for Disaster Risk Reduction 2011-2028 (NDRRMP) and the Disaster Preparation Plan 2015-2028, the Spanish Cooperation supports the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), the entity responsible for the preparation phase for disasters.

COMPONENTS OF THE INTERVENTION

1. Incorporation of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) in local policies, planning and budget.
2. Increasing DRR y CCA capacities of the DRR councils at the local level, and DRR offices and operation centers.
3. Increasing skills and capacities of the community in facing impacts of disasters.
4. Supporting local governments in establishing consolidated response operations.



INFORMATION

DAC/CRS Code:

74010 Disaster prevention

Sector of action:

OE: Reducing inequalities and vulnerability to crises and extreme poverty
LA: Prevention Policies

Managing entity:

AECID

Executing government agency:

Local Government Academy
LGA of the Department of Interior and Local Government
DILG

Duration:

- April 2015 – September 2019
(under justification)

Areas of intervention:

- Negros Occidental
- Davao Occidental
- Northern Samar

Total budget: 750.000 €