Work of the Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction in Central Asia
Permanent intergovernmental body - International Organization

CENTER
ON EXTREME SITUATIONS
and reduce the risk of natural disasters
(Established in the implementation of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic, ratified by the Parliament of the Parties.)

Center opened September 14, 2016
Destination of Center

The center is designed to provide effective mechanisms to mitigate the risks of emergency situations and mitigate their consequences, jointly respond through measures agreed by the Parties, and stimulate regional and international cooperation.

Strategic Center Activities

- Strengthen regional and international cooperation in disaster risk reduction, emergency prevention and response
- Improving the security level of the population and territories of the states of the region based on the improvement of the institutional and legal framework, institutional framework, mechanisms, strategies, policies and practices of disaster risk management and emergency
- Consolidation of efforts of all interested Parties and attraction of investments in the field of disaster risk reduction, emergency prevention
- Strengthening preparedness for effective emergency response, rescue and humanitarian operations, reconstruction and rehabilitation
- Ensuring phased institutional development and capacity building of the Center
Cooperation with 39 UN agencies, international and non-governmental organizations is organized and carried out.
Strengthening international and regional cooperation

Total from 2016 to 2018 The Center signed 20 memorandums and agreements of mutual understanding and cooperation, in 2018 - 6, with:

- The Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Armenia;
- Secretariat of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention;
- Leading British non-governmental organization MapAction;
- International Science and Technology Center;
- FOCUS Humanitarian Aid in Tajikistan;
- Abai Kazakh National Pedagogical University.

It is planned to sign an agreement with:

UNESCO
The center took part in the work:

The Second Sub-Regional Platform for Reducing the Risk of the Security of Central Asia and the South Caucasus (Yerevan, Armenia)

The tenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (Geneva, Switzerland)

Asian Security Risk Reduction Conference (Kobe, Japan)

Round Table of the Majilis of the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan

European Forum for Disaster Risk Reduction (Rome, Italy)
Training, seminars

At the site and with the participation of the Center in just 2017-2018, 47 trainings were held, at which seminars improved their skills, gained new knowledge and practical experience in the field of DRR and emergency situations for more than 1,800 representatives of state bodies, educational and scientific institutions of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Central Asian countries.

Experts of the United Nations and other international organizations from 22 states brought the best practices, experience and approaches developed by the world community in the field of emergency situations and emergency situations. In 2018, 15 seminars and trainings were held with the participation of 578 people.

1800 participants representatives from;

The total amount of funds invested by international and non-governmental organizations amounted to more than $ 137 thousand.
The Center, together with international and non-governmental organizations, has developed algorithms of actions to coordinate emergency response with:

- Formed rosters of forces and means, experts in the field of civil protection, volunteers at both regional and national levels
- A coordination mechanism for emergency response of a large and transboundary nature has been developed.
- Plans are being developed to respond to transboundary and large-scale emergencies.
As part of the implementation of memorandums signed with Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz and international scientific and educational institutions during 2018:

- A regional science and technology council is being formed to deal with emergency situations and to reduce safety risks;
- A roster of Central Asian experts in the field of natural and man-made emergency situations is established;
- Work is underway to harmonize legislation on emergencies and reduce security risks;
- Work is underway to create vector maps from open sources in Central Asia;
- The Center organized internship by students of higher educational institutions.
April 27, 2018 Regional Forum was held - Meeting of the heads of emergency departments of the countries of Central Asia

By the decision of the heads of delegations of the departments of the Central Asian countries they approved:

- The concept of creating a "Regional Register of national and international experts - experts";
- The concept of creating a "Regional Scientific and Technical Council for Emergency Situations";
- The concept of creating a "Regional Register of forces and means of Central Asian countries";
- Recommendations on enhancing emergency preparedness of international airports in Central Asian countries based on an assessment of readiness of the Almaty International Airport;
- Regulations on the Regional Forum.
Regional cooperation

At the Forum, the Center was given the status of a regional Forum secretariat - the Meeting of Heads of Emergency Offices of the Central Asian countries.

The working body identified the Working Group of the Regional Forum.

The Regional Forum was held with the participation of representatives of international and non-governmental organizations:
Projects implemented by the Center

UNDP Project of Kyrgyzstan and the Government of Japan Regional High Level Dialogue of Emergency Agencies of the Central Asian Countries to Strengthen Cooperation in the Field of Disaster Reduction and Emergency Situations (Regional Forum - Meetings of Heads of Emergency Agencies of the Central Asian Countries) concepts and provisions.

UNICEF unmanned aircraft development project to prevent and mitigate the effects of emergencies with a focus on vulnerable populations.

Project implementation includes:
- Conducting three test flights;
- Conducting an introductory seminar for employees of emergency departments of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Central Asian countries, international and non-governmental organizations;
- Study of world experience in this industry with the development of best practices and proposals for the countries participating in the Center for Pilotless Aircraft;
- Acquisition of unmanned aerial vehicle.
Promising joint projects with the Center (agreements have been reached):

- Development and strengthening of international and regional cooperation of the Central Asian countries in the framework of the activities of the ongoing consultative platform - the Regional Forum-Meeting of the heads of emergency departments of the countries of Central Asia (UNDP Kyrgyzstan)
- Strengthen the adaptation of Central Asian countries to climate change by reducing social risks and vulnerability to floods from glacier lakes (UNESCO)
- Improving the resilience of local communities and the Central Asian population to natural disasters (World Bank, European Union)
- Strengthening financial sustainability and accelerating the risk reduction process in Central Asia, including the support of experts from the Central Asian parties in the Center
- Strengthening regional scientific and technical cooperation between the emergency departments of the countries of Central Asia (UNESCO)
- Improving and strengthening the capacity of the psychological services of Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan
- Strengthening the capacity of the subdivisions of Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan for data collection, processing and mapping (MapAction)
- Strengthening the capacity of integrated risk management in the Kyrgyz Republic and regional cooperation in Central Asia (UNDP Kyrgyzstan)
- Disaster preparedness as part of the investment program of the Almaty-Bishkek corridor initiative (Asian Development Bank)
- Monitoring the Sendai Framework using modern reporting systems (Asian Disaster Preparedness Center)
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