

**MAAID002**

Appeal number

**1,650,000**

Swiss Francs

Total funding requirement

**216,500**

People to be reached

**350,000**

Volunteers country-wide

**Palang  
Merah  
Indonesia**

## **INDONESIA & REPRESENTATIVE TO ASEAN IFRC Country Cluster Support Team (CCST ) Jakarta**

### **COUNTRY PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Indonesia is the fourth most populated country in the world, and 148 million people live in areas prone to large-scale natural disasters. Despite its stable economy with a large workforce and growing industries, issues around the introduction of new or revised laws; ongoing tension in areas such as Papua; and the presence of several extremist groups have created a volatile national political environment, jeopardizing security and safety. The often back-to-back disasters along with social tension have made the role of the National Red Cross Society increasingly relevant.

The Indonesian Red Cross Society (PMI, *Palang Merah Indonesia*) is a voluntary humanitarian organization with 34 provincial offices, 474 district offices and more than 4,000 sub-district offices across the country, serving millions of people. Equipped with six warehouses, two training centres, one Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) centre, three hospitals and 39 clinics, its 7,000 staff and 350,000 volunteers cover a wide range of skills including disaster management, health, WASH, and disaster risk reduction (DRR). In 2020, to support PMI, the CCST will focus on two priorities: 1) changing the current disaster management mindset of responding to a disaster or epidemic once it has occurred to one that responds earlier to a forecast or surveillance, leveraging current capacities/strengths and applying them to anticipatory approaches; 2) systematically strengthening the PMI's organizational and response capacities on fulfilling their humanitarian mandates at local and national level.

Over the years, IFRC and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have engaged in productive and expanding partnerships. The *IFRC Engagement Strategy with ASEAN*, published in 2017, highlights the importance of joint initiatives between ASEAN Member States, National Societies (NS) and IFRC to strengthen resilience in the face of disasters in South-East Asia. A key pillar of IFRC's work with ASEAN is its partnership with the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on Disaster Management (AHA Centre), which ensures both a strategic and programmatic contribution to the *One ASEAN One Response* policy. In addition, IFRC contributed to the implementation of the *ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response*. As the IFRC–ASEAN partnership operates at the regional and national levels, a key component of this work involves strengthening the skills and capacities of the NSs so they can advocate more effectively at national and regional levels; while increasing cooperation with the ASEAN Secretariat; and building regional partnerships with other bodies working on the same issues.



## NEEDS ASSESSMENT



### Strengthening local capacity on forecast-based analysis

Following the Lombok and Central Sulawesi earthquakes and tsunamis in 2018, the Government of Indonesia took steps to introduce disaster readiness as part of the school curriculum as well as to empower the community as first responders in emergencies. With many high-density areas and a mobile population, the urgency to ensure a comprehensive response to future disasters is high. This focuses on impact-based analyses of forecasts and setting triggers for local communities to take action. To achieve this, the growing relationship between IFRC and ASEAN needs to be nurtured as it can facilitate localized preparedness and response, not only in Indonesia but across South-East Asian countries.

## STATISTICS

**62.4%**

of the country's population are living in areas prone to disaster.

**12<sup>th</sup>**

place among countries with relatively high mortality risks from multiple hazards.

**41%**

women in country have experienced some or multiple forms of violence.

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cases of polio detected, and vaccination rate as low as 15% in some regions.

## AREAS OF FOCUS

### DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

Shifting the current disaster management and small-scale DRR support, along with the mindset of responding to a disaster, to one that responds to a forecast in order to mitigate the disaster through risk reduction and resilience-building; including promoting this approach to ASEAN bodies:

- Developing a national trigger mechanism for forecast-based early action on flooding as well as information management capacities to anticipate disasters.
- 200,000 people reached through flood resilience programmes in high-density, flood-prone areas.

### HEALTH

#### REQUIRED RESOURCES: CHF 310,000

In 2020, IFRC will continue to support PMI based on IFRC's five key health priorities, especially in strengthening PMI's capacity to respond to epidemic/pandemic diseases as well as other health needs during the response to a disaster:

- 16,000 people reached by PMI programmes and services.
- 200 volunteers trained in epidemic control.

### PROTECTION, GENDER AND INCLUSION (PGI)

Mainstreaming PGI in times of emergency; and mapping PMI in the national referral pathways for Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV):

- Mainstreaming PGI in the *ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response* work plan 2021–2025.
- PMI personnel in areas prone to SGBV are aware and trained in ensuring PGI standards are met in times of emergency.
- PMI actively engaged as a part of the national referral pathways for SGBV in emergency response.

### MIGRATION

Increasing the advocacy and addressing the needs of migrants, refugees, displaced people and host communities:

- 300 returnees in border areas supported to safely return and reunite with family in Indonesia.
- Raising awareness of 40 PMI personnel at the border between Indonesia, Malaysia and Timor Leste on preventing xenophobia, discrimination and the negative perception of migrants.

## STRATEGIES FOR IMPLEMENTATION

### STRENGTHEN NATIONAL SOCIETY CAPACITIES

#### REQUIRED RESOURCES: CHF 1,140,000

IFRC will continue to support PMI in strengthening its capacity to serve local communities. The main focus of this work will be implementing the NS's development plan detailing its readiness to respond in terms of: programme management, HR in emergencies, community engagement and accountability, WASH, livelihoods, first aid and information management. This support will focus equally on strengthening PMI's financial sustainability to ensure the provision of sustainable services in local communities.

### ENSURE EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT

IFRC aims to continue developing a formal partnership framework and mechanism for both management and external partners that improves the localization of aid as well as NS sustainability. Through training as well as dialogue, IFRC will support PMI to ensure its preparedness for effective and timely responses at branch level in high-risk areas, particularly in East Indonesia. IFRC will also help PMI to develop its surge capacity mechanism in order to offer regional support across the Asia Pacific when needed.

### INFLUENCE OTHERS AS LEADING STRATEGIC PARTNERS

#### REQUIRED RESOURCES: CHF 190,000

PMI and IFRC aim to shape decisions at the local, national and international levels that affect the most vulnerable people by influencing the revision of the country's disaster management law through the National Disaster Management Law Revision Working Group. In tandem, IFRC and PMI will enhance cooperation with Indonesia's National Disaster Management Authority (Badan Nasional Penanggulangan Bencana or BNPB), ASEAN and the AHA Centre at policy and technical level. IFRC will also continue its work with ASEAN countries on scaling up Youth as Agents of Behavioural Change training, and developing a targeted communication strategy that focuses on promoting Red Cross Red Crescent comparative and competitive value to regional ASEAN bodies and ASEAN units within the government line ministries of Member States.

### ENSURE A STRONG IFRC

#### REQUIRED RESOURCES: CHF 10,000

IFRC will continue to provide services to four Partner National Societies (American Red Cross, German Red Cross, Japanese Red Cross Society and Qatar Red Crescent Society) enabling them to work and operate legally in-country and focus on programme implementation and technical assistance.

## CONTACTS

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