

Asia-Pacific Partnership for Disaster Risk Reduction (APP-DRR) Forum 2023

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Statement delivered by Debora Dian Utami, Yakkum Emergency Unit, on behalf of Huairou Commission and Community Practitioners Platform for Resilience (CPPR)

Your Excellencies,

Huairou Commission is a global movement of over 100 community-based organizations from 42 countries leading sustainable, resilient, gender-just community development and Community Practitioners Platform for Resilience. In the absence of translation support for Bahasa I am speaking on behalf of a community leader Syarifah Angreni from the Tani Migunani Women's Group in Yogyakarta City, Indonesia.

Grassroots women's organizations have demonstrated leadership in reducing climate and disaster risks, in and outside their communities using community financial mechanisms to lead risk analysis, demonstrate resilience practices, and partner with the local government and other stakeholders.

On behalf of the Community Practitioners Platform for Resilience, we call upon the UNDRR, national and local governments, inter-governmental organizations, and other stakeholders to accelerate and scale up local implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR through:

- Investing in grassroots women's leadership and knowledge to drive community risk mapping, test innovative solutions and disseminate knowledge among peers and stakeholders;
- Promoting partnerships that formally recognise and remunerate grassroots expertise in designing preparedness, response, recovery and reconstruction programs and policies including strengthening localised early warning systems that address the needs of marginalized groups.
- Placing resources in the hands of community based organizations and movements to enable them to learn, innovate and demonstrate solutions with local governments that address local priorities.

Community financing and partnerships with the government will be critical for scaling up local implementation and achieving Sendai's goals by 2030. We stand ready to collaborate with institutions committed to partnering with communities to accelerate the local implementation of the Sendai Framework.

Thank you.