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The year of 2020 was the year of COVID-19. It affected the activities of APDRC as well. In a health disaster that no one had never experienced, APDRC had to start all again from the beginning. However, the crisis of COVID-19 enabled us to realize and experience the importance of resilience. During the time, APDRC felt like that somebody pushed us to the edge of a cliff where we cannot survive without change. Thanks to that, we were able to make various attempts. APDRC was able to host on-offline forum on disaster resilience, to develop online tutorials, to hold animation contests, etc. It also had a partnership with Hanseo University and the Korean Society of Hazard Mitigation. Taking part in various training programs organized by different organizations provided APDRC new opportunities. I also experienced the power of being together, and working together. It also gives a chance to work out of the existing framework. COVID-19 made us realize once again that crisis is a new opportunity.

APDRC, turning 5 this year, still has many challenges. First and foremost, APDRC needs to strengthen its own resilience and prepare for a new five years. It also needs to support 38 National Societies in Asia-Pacific region including Korean Red Cross to become the cornerstone to create a healthy and safe society amid evolving crisis and disaster, and climate change. APDRC also needs to secure financial sustainability.

However, APDRC will not be in hurry. We will try to walk step by step without being so ambitious. We will not walk alone. We will continue to walk step by step while actively communicating with external partners, organizations and experts. We believe that walking continuously without ceasing will lead us one step closer to the destination - safe and resilient community - we dreamed of. I hope you can walk with us together on that road.
At a Glance: Covid-19 Response of the Korean RC

During the first half of 2020, APDRC's roles and functions had been temporarily changed into dealing with support from abroad for domestic Covid-19 response of KNRC. APDRC also led the publication of KNRC's Covid-19 report English version. See the full report.

Fundraising

$89,419
Unit: Million KRW

Medical Support (confirmed cases treated in the RC hospital)

628
Unit: person

Medical Support (Covid-19 test)

12,312
Unit: test

Psycho-social Support

13,050
Unit: person

Relief Items distributed (facial Mask, PPE, Gloves, Hand sanitizers, Emergency kits, Comfort kits, Food parcel)

17,868
Unit: 1,000 ea
Capacity Building

- VR experience training
- Community Resilience Toolkit
- Participating various online webinars and events

Knowledge Management

- 2nd International Disaster Resilience Forum/Seminar
- 1st Disaster Resilience Animation Contest

Partnership & Networking

- Partnership Agreement with Hanseo University
- Joining Korean Society of Hazard Mitigation
VR Training in Asia Pacific

7 countries in Asia Pacific are currently using VR for DRR training, with support from APDRC, as of 31st December 2020.
9 VR kits Support

Provide local chapters of Korean RC with 9 more VR kits (consists of laptops, gears, and contents).

New VR Content

Earthquake contents had been developed in partnership with ICRC. It is now available in 12 local languages in the AP region. Video tutorials are also ready to be shared.

Capacity Building

which is aiming to equip practical capacity of individual/organization to implement quality DRR & resilience activities on the field

VR tutorials

Facing with Covid-19 pandemic, most of face-to-face activities were hindered by distancing policy, APDRC developed video tutorials, in partnership with Hanseo university, to guide newbies to get familiar how to operate new VR equipment and content.

To see the video tutorials please visit the APDRC website.
Community Resilience Toolkit

It is people-centered and problem-oriented toolkit helping non expert community people (including volunteers) to identify and solve the root causes of the problems in their communities by following design thinking process. Development process is in the pipe and it will be complete by March 2021.

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Toolkit development Strategy

EXPLORE THE PROBLEM | DECIDE WHAT TO FIX | TEST POTENTIAL SOLUTION | REFINE FINAL SOLUTION

START | SOLUTION DELIVERED | LEAN PROCESS | SERVICE DESIGN
Development process of Community Resilience Toolkit by photo

1st step: Field visit and consulting with volunteers

2nd step: Affinity diagram and User Persona

3rd step: Ideation workshop & idea materialization

4th step: Design Thinking toolkit for volunteers

5th step: Test with volunteers (user) and iterate
Capacity Building - Webinars

As adapting covid-19 pandemic situation, APDRC tried to deliver capacity building training through multiple online webinars with partnership organizations such as KOSHAM, UNDRR and KCOC.

- "Red Cross and Resilience"
  at the online <2020 KOSHAM Academic Conference>

- "DRR training based on VR in South East Asia countries"
  at the <7th Education ODA conference>

- "Road map to Community Resilience"
  for Korean CSO practitioners, in partnership with KCOC
2nd International Disaster Resilience Forum

Covid-19: It's implication to DRR & Resilience and its Framework

Key Message

Systemic and integrated approaches by all the stakeholders participating and cooperating voluntarily are essential to strengthen resilience required for preparing and responding to uncertain crises including the COVID-19 pandemic.

Knowledge Management

to allow right persons with right knowledge at a right time.

Hosted by the Korean Red Cross (KNRC), UNDRR ONEA, IFRC, the Korean Society of Hazard Mitigation, and KCOC and organized by the APDRC, the Forum was held at the Seoul office of Korean Red Cross HQs on July 3. This year's forum provided a stage of discussion on how COVID-19 has affected the current disaster management mechanism, and which direction we should take in the future.
Gallery of the 2nd int’l resilience forum

The 2nd International Forum on Disaster Resilience
With the purpose of raising awareness of the general public about the importance of DM and resilience, APDRC co-launched the very first animation contest in partnership with the Animation Society of Korea and the Korean Society of Cartoons and Animation studies, supported by the Ministry of Interior and Safety.

The first award was given to Kim Sarang and her creative parody film 'The three little pigs'. You can enjoy the video at the APDRC website and its Youtube channel.

First Award: 'The three little pigs'.
Second Award: 'Firework'(left), 'Worker'(right)
The president of Hanseo. Univ, also former vice-president of Korean RC, enthusiastically push forward disaster-safety training for the public to contribute building safe local communities in Korea. In 2018, the Korean Red Cross and Hanseo University already signed on the MoU to work together on spreading humanitarian spirit nation-wide. 7th August 2020, both parties signed on annex agreement to collaborate on ‘DRR and Resilience agendas to build safer and more healthier communities in Asia Pacific’.

Since 2014, Hanseo University runs disaster-safety training center which is delivering safety training to the group of school aged children. It equips various high-quality training facilities including multiple 4D VR and AR machines, natural and outdoor pool for water safety, real model of aircraft(Boeing 707) to drill evacuation and so on.

“Partnership & Networking to promote importance of coalition of all member of society in building community resilience, which can protect lives of people and alleviating human suffering”

Signing Ceremony at HQ Seoul office of the Korean Red Cross/2021.08.07
2020 fiscal year's total expenditure
(Unit: thousand KRW)

68,617

Revenue & Expenditure

2020 Revenue (by income source)

384,031

* Total budget covered by Korean Red Cross alone

Expenditure Ratio against Revenue

18%

* Since February until June of 2020, APDRC's role had been changed into focusing coordinating international support to KNRC's Covid-19 response. The ordinary works had been stopped for first half of the year. It was tremendously contributed to the low expenditure ratio.

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