GOVERNMENTS’ ACTIONS FOR CHILDREN PROTECTION IN THE AFTERMATH OF TSUNAMI

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Some Key Facts of Indonesia:

- **2 provinces** out of 33 provinces are affected (Aceh and North Sumatera)
- **US $ 4.5 billion** in damage (infrastructure, lands, residences)

According to the Ministry of Health (per 6 March 2005):

- **125,690** died
- **94,495** missing
- **112,751** injured
- **400,821** displaced, living in refugee camps (± **150,000** children)
The Ministry for Women Empowerment: Main Principles in children protection

1. All children are government’s responsibilities in cooperation with parents, families, communities and other related parties.

2. Being protected is a priority right for children.

3. All governments’ actions are taken for the benefit of children.
### Recovery Program for Aceh and North Sumatera

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**THE EMERGENCY RESCUE**: to ensure the fulfillment of their basic needs, feeling of being taken care and protected so they can be relief from trauma and will be able to grow normally like other children (1)

- Rescuing those who survive and make sure they obtaining priority in medical treatment
- Providing basic needs: food, clothes, shelters
- Mapping and registering all children in the affected areas
- Establishing Children Center at all refugees’ camp (±200)
- Training of children center management (about 400 people)
- No one of children is allowed to be taken out of Aceh without permission from the government (they have to be registered in the police station and Social Affairs office), except those who need medical treatment and whose families living outside of Aceh
Prevention actions of children trafficking in cooperation with police station and the establishment of special center at several airports including in Aceh, Medan (North Sumatera), Jakarta and seaports;

To facilitate reunification with their parents, families or relatives in Aceh

undertaking education for children at refugees’ camps

Providing health services

public awareness campaign
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**THE EMERGENCY RESCUE (3)**

- Seminar/workshops on the effect of disasters for children
- Strengthening cooperation & networking with related parties (national and int’l bodies)
- Supporting efforts from NGO’s
- Enhancing coordination for children protection
REHABILITATION STEP: To recover public service standards and to continue treatments for children

- Establishment about 1000 orphanages in Sumatera, Java
- Mental rehabilitation for children
- Educational and Health service
- Continuing prevention and protection for the children from trafficking and violence
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RECONSTRUCTION STEP: to rebuilding all system of society

- Economical system
- Educational system
- Socio cultural system
- Organizational system
- Telecommunication system
Case study: Actions taken by National Commission for Child Protection

- Play therapy counseling
- Establishment of Mobile child care: mobile school, mobile Library, mobile clinic
- Train of the Trainer for local people
- Workshop on the issues of child adoption, child trafficking
TECHNIQUE: Learning through games

- Individual treatment
- Singing, games, puppet shows
- Drawing/painting, writing letters, reading story books

The challenge: the existing 2 vans cannot reach all 175 camps in Nangroe Aceh Darrusallam. They are expecting aids for more cars that can be used for mobile schools, library and mobile clinic.
CONCLUDING REMARKS

Government realizes the importance of providing special protection for children in Aceh and Nias

Three steps: Emergency Relief, Rehabilitation, Reconstruction Step

Case study from National Commission for Child Protection is one example of the actions taken by Non Governmental body

Thank you for the supports from different kinds of bodies (national and international)
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