

EM-DAT PROJECT STUDY ON:

“Strengthening the quality, reliability and sustainability of national and regional disaster databases”

In the context of the Global Risk Identification Program (GRIP) of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) framework, sponsored by USAID/OFDA, CRED coordinates a collaboration activity with disaster data compilation initiatives in the Asian region.

The present collaboration aims at the sharing of knowledge in order to improve the visibility, accessibility and applicability of disaster databases at national and regional level. This will be done by helping to reinforce disaster database structures and methodological and operational approaches. Capacity building is an essential component of this activity. The strengthening of disaster databases will eventually serve the global, international, and national humanitarian communities involved in disaster response planning and risk reduction.



Meeting CRED and Office of Civil Defense in Manila, the Philippines

CRED staff has performed on-site visits to Nepal (National Society for Earthquake Technology), Sri Lanka (Disaster Management Center), Vietnam (Department of Dyke Management, Flood and Storm Control), Philippines (Office of Civil Defense) and Thailand (Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation), to meet with the country disaster databases in order to discuss database methodological and operational issues. In early October 2009, missions to Indonesia (National Disaster Management Agency - BNPB) and Bangladesh (Disaster Management and Relief Bhaban) will be performed.



Meeting CRED and NSET in Kathmandu, Nepal.