Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Framework: Lessons from Implementation

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This paper presents the community-based disaster risk reduction and management (CBDRRM) framework as it is being implemented by various stakeholders, such as non-government organizations, people's organizations, local government units, academic institutions and other civil society organizations. The engagements of the development workers in projects and activities under each major phase of the framework are discussed. For preparedness and mitigation, projects that build disaster resilient communities are highlighted, focusing on early warning systems, advocacy with local governments and building sustainable livelihoods. For disaster response, having a damage and needs assessment (DANA) and preparing a more gender-sensitive and older persons – sensitive relief kit are presented as experienced during relief operations after typhoon Ondoy. For rehabilitation and recovery, participatory processes engaged in re-building potable water supplies are discussed.