

**LEGAL PROTECTION ON DISASTER
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Abstract

The countries of the Lao PDR, the Philippines, Vietnam and Myanmar are vulnerable to several natural disasters including typhoons, floods, drought, earthquakes, and volcanic eruption. A natural disaster may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, loss of livelihoods and services, social and economic disruption, or environmental damage. Therefore, it is necessary to reduce, to prevent and to mitigate the losses caused by natural disasters. Lao PDR, the Philippines, Vietnam and Myanmar have been working on disaster management according to international guidelines. The Disaster Management Cycle includes disaster prevention, mitigation, response and recovery systems. This dissertation aims to prevent the unnecessary loss of lives and damage to personal and national assets and properties by presenting a suitable and comprehensive disaster management model at strategic level in line with the standards of the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Risk Reduction. The research problems are identified by studying national legislation, legal documents, literature review and the events of the natural disasters. The current disaster management mechanism in these countries has certain weaknesses and an efficient disaster management system needs to be established. This dissertation will explore different approaches to achieving effective disaster risk coping strategies in order to minimize the damage caused by natural disasters in the future.

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