



While Santa is making his list and checking it twice, do we always have an Emergency Preparedness List and check it twice? Here comes the holiday season and our December Newsletter to fill you with some safety ideas! Wishing you a Joyous Holiday Season and a New Year of Happiness!

HKJCDPRI's HIGHLIGHTS

One Size Doesn't Fit All

Disaster preparedness is not “one-size-fits-all.” The risks we face are different, therefore preparedness plans should be tailored. People with disabilities and those living in sub-optimal settings (e.g. sub-divided flats and squatter houses) are examples of vulnerable populations who face higher disaster risks compared with the others. The HKJCDPRI organises “Community Campaign on Disaster Resilience (社區防災能力建設計劃)” to engage, empower and equip people with special needs to preserve lives when disaster strikes. [Read more](#)



A Survey on Public Awareness of Typhoon Preparedness and Views on Typhoon Preparedness Measures (Mangkhut)



After Typhoon Mangkhut slammed Hong Kong in September 2018, we commissioned the Public Opinion Programme at The University of Hong Kong to conduct a survey to understand the general Hong Kong public's typhoon preparedness measures and their information seeking behaviours. The survey revealed that the most common typhoon preparedness measures were taping windows (45%). Only 2% and 1% of the respondents were prepared for water and power outage respectively. 29% sought typhoon precautionary measures information from the mass media and 31% of respondents relied on their previous experience. We suggested a review of the overall disaster preparedness and response infrastructure in Hong Kong, to improve on the current

“one point of assistance” disaster response practice, i.e. citizens expect direct assistance delivered at the Government level as the only provider of assistance. Other recommendations at the community and individual levels were also shared in the media conference held last month. [Read more](#)

“I WAS THERE (我在災難現場)” Photo Essay Contest

The HKJCDPRI launched its annual multi-media competition from 1 – 31 October 2018. Under the theme “I Was There”, we encouraged participants to revisit and collect fragments of disasters, so as to remind ourselves such upheavals are so close to our daily lives. And the winner of the Gold Award is...



作品主題：煙花背後的傷痛 (Chinese version only)

2018年10月1日晚上9時許，全港焦點如常集中在維港上空綻放的國慶煙花之上，還有人記起6年前的這一晚，有一群市民為了觀賞這場煙花匯演，不幸遇上意外釀成重大傷亡嗎？作品攝於今年(2018年)國慶節的晚上，拍攝地點為中環前往南丫島的四號碼頭外，作品捕捉到一名市民為了悼念當年「南丫海難」的死者而撒溪錢和焚燒冥鏹，與背景上空正在綻放的國慶煙花構成強烈對比... [Read more](#)



Multi-media Competition 2018 Award Presentation Ceremony cum Community Education Event

The award presentation ceremony cum community education event supported by the Hong Kong Fire Services Department, Civil Aid Services and HKSKH Lady MacLehose Centre was held on 24 November 2018 at the Lok Fu Plaza. [Read more](#)

Precautionary Measures for Typhoon Preparedness

During Typhoon Mangkhut, the HKJCDPRI identified the most common precautionary measures and concerned risks for the Hong Kong's general public. To look into and have more in-depth learning in those areas, the HKJCDPRI invited Ir Lo Kwok Keung, a renowned engineer, to produce three educational videos covering safety tips on windows protection, driving and power outage.



[Read more \(Chinese version only\)](#)

Overseas Training Fellowship Programme



Our motto is “Adapting international norms and lessons learnt to meet local needs”. The HKJCDPRI's Overseas Training Fellowship Programme aims to provide a learning opportunity for Hong Kong emergency planners to gain insights from overseas emergency response organisations. The knowledge exchange among participants from Hong Kong and overseas organisations would bring insights and draw inspirations for all parties. During October

and November 2018, two programmes were organised:

- [“Crisis and Emergency Management Course”](#), in Manchester, in collaboration with the Operational Command Training Organisation
- [“A Bespoke Integrated Resilience Skills Course”](#), in York, in collaboration with the Emergency Planning College, with the expert advice of the Major Incidents Bureau of the Hong Kong Police Force

Sharing of Experience in “Innovative Learning Development at the Development Plan of Incident Command Training Using Virtual Reality (VR) Meeting”, Seoul, 25-26 October 2018

Organised by the Seoul Metropolitan Fire & Disaster Headquarters, the “Development Plan of Incident Command Training using Virtual Reality (VR) Meeting” took place from 25 to 26 October 2018 in Seoul, Korea.



The HKJCDPRI was invited to speak at the plenary and parallel sessions to share experience in using VR

simulation in disaster response training for users from different disciplines. Participants of the meeting were from Hong Kong, the Mainland China, Korea, Singapore, Thailand, the Philippines, the United Kingdom and Portugal. [Read more](#)

3-Year Work Report - "A Journey to Excellence"



The first three years of the HKJCDPRI establishment project has started a journey of achieving our ultimate goal as fostering Hong Kong as a prepared community to disasters. We built a learning platform for the Hong Kong community and the path has gained its momentum.

With the efforts of the HKJCDPRI Secretariat and our collaborative partners, we have published our first Work Report - “A Journey to Excellence 2015-2018”. The Report showcases our vision, achievements and commitment in engaging the community to prepare Hong Kong to be a more disaster-resilient city. [Read more](#)

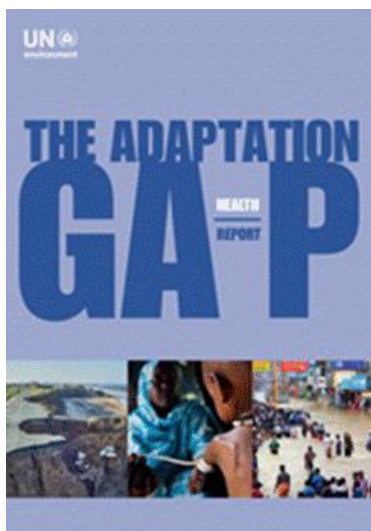
More on our Facebook

While our website offers a platform for in-depth sharing of our work, learning resources and e-learning courses, our [Facebook Page](#) connects with the general public to equip our audience with the practical preparedness tips and encouragement to plan ahead for emergencies! Our Facebook messages address the most pressing emergency issues around us.



MORE AROUND US

UN Environment Adaptation Gap Reports published on 6 December 2018



The UN Environment Adaptation Gap Report was published in 2014 for the first time to propose an approach for identifying and assessing the actions in key adaptation areas to reduce risks. The fourth edition was published in December 2018 and has revealed a considerable gap between countries' current preparedness actions and the needs to reduce risks. The first part of the report examines the gaps that exist in a number of areas such as laws, costs and policies that are central to taking stock and assessing progress on adaptation. The second part of the report focuses on the adaptation gap in the health sector including heat and extreme events, climate-sensitive infectious diseases, and food security. One of the knowledge gaps identified is the need in furthering globally accepted and operationally viable definitions of climate-related

extremes. Another example of gaps is the need to have consensus over appropriate outcome metrics for estimating the burden of mortality and morbidity from heat and extreme events. [Read more](#)

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Visit our Counter at the "Use the Ambulance Service Properly Roving Exhibition"!

The next "Use the Ambulance Service Properly" Roving Exhibition will be held on **5 Jan 2019** in **Ap Lei Chau Wind Tower Park (鴨脷洲風之塔公園)**. Click [here](#) for more details.

In collaboration with the Hong Kong Fire Services Department (HKFSD), the HKJCDPRI will set up a booth there to disseminate the knowledge of disaster preparedness including the proper use of ambulance services. We will bring immersive Virtual Reality (VR) experience to audience for interactive learning!



NEW COURSES FOR ENROLLMENT

- FREE E-learning course on "[Health System Approach in Managing Disaster](#)"
- Three New Webinars on Shelf!
 - 1) [Case Study of National Health Service \(NHS\) Ransomware Incident 2017](#)
 - 2) [Introduction to Hospital Business Continuity](#)
 - 3) [Hospital Mass Casualty Incident Preparedness and Contingency Planning](#)

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