

# Increasing CBRN Awareness

Group Discussion: The Philippines

Are CBRN a real threat? Yes.

Partners: Whole of Government

# Who is aware? Whole of Society

- Increase in awareness? Yes.
- How?
  - Information Education Dissemination (IED)
  - Legislation: Chemical Weapons Convention (except bio)
  - Trainings: training of policy makers through proj 46
  - Use of social media
  - Participation in the projects; subject-matter experts can make the suggestions

# Key Messages:

- 1. Compliance to international instruments
- 2. Whole of Government approach: social media, advertisements
- 3. Best practices

# Indicators: Policies in place

- **Memo/Circulars/EOs/AOs: cascade it down to barangay level**

# How should prevention be dealt with? Who should be prepared?

- Government through:
- Raising awareness, more tactical/strategy related
- Follow the trend
- Important: how message is delivered/sold/packaged

What role does protection play? Do you see a need for stronger laws?

- Yes.



How much resources? As much as necessary

**“If safety is expensive, try accident.”**

# Who should be informed to initiate policy development?

- Whole of Society approach.
- Media
- Private and public institutions

# What are the existing mechanism?

- National Contingency Plans – disaster, health, terrorism, etc.
- National Crisis Management Manual

Is there any progress?

On-going legislative proposals: Chemical  
Weapons Convention/Biological Weapons  
Convention/Strategic Trade Management Act

Institutionalization of the CBRN National  
Action Plan