



The Drought management in Lao PDR

- The the Prime Minister in August 1999, provide for the establishment of an inter-ministerial National Disaster Management Committee (NDMC) as a policy making and coordination body. This organization started from central government called NDMC and down to provincial, districts and village levels. The NDMO is played a secretariat of the NDMC and has a key function to build coordination procedures among Disaster Management Organizations and with among Government Institutions & other agencies.

- **The NDMC consisting of representatives from 13 key Ministries**
- **NDMC roles and responsibilities are:**
 - NDMC is acting on behalf of Government on Disaster Management and functioning through NDMO as its secretariat.
 - · To Determining and criterion for resources.
 - · Implements policies and decisions on inter-Ministries basic.
 - · Coordinates and cooperates with all government Ministries and Agencies on Disaster Management in all phases: preparedness, emergency assistance and mitigation.
 - · Develop policies, including national disaster management plan, and provides overall direction for provincial and district plans.
 - · Responsible for major operational decisions during an emergency.
 - · Decides on allocation of relief resources.
 - · Report to Government.

- There are no experiences of recent severe on the drought because the drought problem happened in the past in Laos is not as severe as the flood.