



**Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between
the Government of the People's Republic of China and
the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on
Disaster Management Cooperation**

The Government of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as China) and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (hereinafter referred to as ASEAN)

DESIRING to promote closer relations and enhance disaster management cooperation between the two sides,

Have agreed as follows:

- I. China will provide RMB 50 million of grant assistance to ASEAN to support the implementation of the ASEAN Agreement on Disaster Management and Emergency Response (AADMER) Work Programme, the operationalisation of the ASEAN Coordinating Centre for Humanitarian Assistance on disaster management (AHA Centre), and the ASEAN Secretariat's capacity building programmes on disaster management.
- II. The above amount of grant assistance shall be used to support the projects agreed by China and ASEAN. The details of the project, the usage of the money and other related matters shall be discussed and agreed by both Parties through their respective designated agencies in the form of exchange of letters.
- III. China and ASEAN designate respectively the Ministry of Commerce of China on one side and the

ASEAN Secretariat on the other to implement the terms in this MOU. For the purpose of communication with ASEAN, the Mission of the People's Republic of China to ASEAN shall be the Chinese focal point. For the purpose of communication with China, the focal point of ASEAN shall be the Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance Division of the ASEAN Secretariat.

- IV. This MOU shall enter into force on the date of its signature and remain in force for three years. An extension or any amendments to this MOU shall be agreed upon in the form of exchange of notes by respective representatives of both sides.
- v. Any dispute or difference with regard to the implementation of this MOU shall be amicably settled by both sides through negotiation and consultation.
- vi. This MOU is signed in Jakarta, Indonesia on 6 October 2014 in two originals in both English and Chinese languages. Both texts are equally authentic. In the event of difference or divergence of interpretations, the English text shall prevail.