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**Developing Disaster Safety Criteria at Commune
Level Mainstreaming into Building New Rural
Development and Process of Building the Model to
Expand at Wide-Scale**

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MAINSTREAMING INTO BUILDING NEW RURAL DEVELOPMENT
AND PROCESS OF BUILDING THE MODEL TO EXPAND AT WIDE-SCALE
APPLICATION IN VIETNAM”**

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MAIN CONTENT

1. Importance of the Safety commune criteria
2. Base of the Proposal
3. Achieved Results
4. Ongoing activities
5. Proposal for APEC support



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THE IMPORTANCE OF SCC

1. Some achievements of the National Target Program on New Rural Development in Vietnam (2010-2015)

- Improving the rural infrastructure, changing the face of Vietnamese rural area; developing agricultural production and improving people's life. Average income per capita in rural areas: **24.4** million VND / year (about **1.9** times higher than in 2010).
- At the moment, there are **1,298** communes (**14.5%**) are recognized as achieving NTM standard; **11 districts** are recognized as NTM standards: Xuan Loc, Thong Nhat, Long Khanh (Dong Nai), Cu Chi, Hoc Mon, Nha Be (Ho Chi Minh City), Dong Trieu (Quang Ninh), Hai Hau (Nam Dinh), Don Duong (Lam Dong), Dan Phuong (Hanoi), Nga Bay (Hau Giang).

1. Some achievements of the National Target Program on New Rural Development in Vietnam (2010-2015)

Increased direct enjoyment for the people:

- 56.5% of the communes met the income criteria (criterion 10)
- 85.5% of the communes meet the employment criteria (criterion 12)
- The rate of poor households in rural areas decreased from 17.4% to 8.2% compared to 2010 (average decrease of 1.84% per year).
- The rate of poor households in poor districts decreased from 50.1% to 32.6% compared to 2011 (average decrease of over 5% per year).
- 53.4% of communes meet criteria 11 for poor households



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THE IMPORTANCE OF SCC

Criteria	Achievement
<i>Rural transportation</i>	New construction: 47,436 km of roads; Repair and repair 103,394 km, new construction and repair and repair 26,997 bridges.
<i>Irrigation (Water resource)</i>	61.4% of the communes met the criteria; To build, repair, repair and upgrade over 28,765 irrigation works; 6,070 km of dykes and embankments for flood control by the commune.
<i>Rural electricity</i>	7,359 communes (82.4%) met the criteria for rural electricity. Villages and upland areas without national electricity grids have been supported by small generators..
<i>Schools at all levels</i>	42.1% of the communes met the school criteria
<i>Medical station system</i>	67.1% of the communes meet the criteria for health care, and most communes have health clinics.
<i>Post office and rural IT infrastructure</i>	90.9% of the communes meet the criteria, about 55% of the communes have public Internet access points, most of the rural population can use universal postal and telecommunication services.
<i>Cultural facilities</i>	34.6% of the communes met the criteria; 4,998 communes have Culture and Sports Centers, 54,391 / 118,034 villages (46%) have cultural houses

2. Disaster challenges to the process of building new countryside and social life:

Damage caused by natural disasters in recent years

Order	Content	Unit	2016	2015	2014
1	The dead toll and missing people	people	264	154	133
2	Injured person	people	431	127	145
3	Collapsed, drifted House	houses	5.431	1.242	1.985
4	Flooded, damaged Houses	houses	364.977	35.233	42.758
5	Damaged Rice, crops	ha	828.661	445.110	230.086
...
Total damage		Billion VNĐ	39.726	8.114	2.830

Viet Nam is affected by many types of natural disasters, and is one of the most severely affected by natural disasters; Annual average, natural disasters killed 300 people and disappeared, economic losses of 1-1.5% of GDP weakened the economy, especially in rural areas.

3. Objective of Setting Criteria:

Reducing damages caused by natural disasters during NTM construction.

- Improving the capacity, activeness and effectiveness of natural disaster prevention and control at grassroots level, contributing to improve the quality and sustainability of NTM construction.
- Ensuring active prevention and mitigation to natural disasters, contributing to minimize the damages of people and property.
- Fulfilling this criterion is the realization of the motto "4 on the spot" in the traditional disaster prevention of Vietnam, including: on-site command; Force in place; On-site equipment and supplies; Logistics in place
- Protecting achievements and enhancing sustainability in NTM.



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BASE OF THE PROPOSAL

Law on natural disaster prevention and control (QH2013)

- Decisions of Prime Minister on approving and adjusting set of criteria for NTM (491/QD-TTg dated 16 April 2009 and 342 / QD-TTg dated 10/02/2013). However, the decisions have not yet addressed the problem of ensuring the integrity of NTM in the first place.

Commands from MARD and Central Steering Committee on PCTT:

- Edion (in handwriting) of the Minister Cao Duc Phat: Document No. 1849 / TCTL-CMTT (19/11/2015) and No. 908 / KH-TL (25/11/2015)
- Edion (in handwriting) of the Minister Nguyen Xuan Cuong: Document No. 1521 / TCTL-CMTT (14/9/2016) and 149a / BCN-NTM dated 29/11/2016

Study and assess
the overall
situation of
natural disasters
and prevention
activities in
Vietnam

Study the
theoretical and
practical basis to
develop criteria
for safety
communes on
natural disaster
prevention and
control in NTM



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ACHIEVED RESULTS

- The Prime Minister approved the content of “Ensuring meeting the requirements of local livelihoods and on-site natural disaster prevention regulations” into the criterion of Irrigation (criterion 03). On new rural areas in the period 2016-2020 in Decision No. 1980 / QĐ-TTg dated 17/10/2016
- MARD issued the manual for implementation of the set of national criteria for NTM in the period 2016 - 2020 in the Decision No. 69 / QĐ-BNN-VPĐP dated 9/01/2017. .
- MARD and the Science and Technology Committee for the NTM have deployed a research project to develop the criteria for safety in natural disaster prevention and control (Article 3; pilot in 3 representative Communes of 03 regions)

1. Developing the guidance document for implementation and evaluation of safety criteria for natural disaster prevention and control, including:

A guide book for the implementation and assessment of safe commune criteria on natural disaster prevention and control in NTM

The process, identification method and questionnaire (for data collection and safe assessment of the commune on natural disaster prevention and control.

Technical documents guiding natural disaster prevention and control at commune level, especially "Planning template" for commune level.

A guideline on mechanisms and approaches to mobilize resources from different levels for the implementation of the commune-level NDPC plan, while ensuring the criteria for commune safety in NDPC.

2. Pilot implementation in three pilot communes of Quang Ninh, Ha Tinh and Tien Giang provinces (in coordination with the Steering Committee for Disaster Prevention and Control and the Steering Committee for Rural Development at local levels)

Build, improve organizational structure and improve the quality of human resources

Establishment of the Steering Committee for Natural Disaster Prevention and Search and Rescue

Assign the responsibilities of each department and the steering committee members in accordance with the conditions of each locality.

To set up, consolidate and maintain the regular activities of the key pioneers, which are the militia and self-defense force and the local people dike management force.

2. Pilot implementation in three pilot communes of Quang Ninh, Ha Tinh and Tien Giang provinces (in coordination with the Steering Committee for Disaster Prevention and Control and the Steering Committee for Rural Development at local levels)

To build and deploy activities of natural disaster prevention and control

NDPC plan; Disaster response plan; Regularly preparing or maintaining or having plans to mobilize 70% or more of the quantity of supplies according to the approved plans.

To integrate the contents of NDPC into master plan: land use plans; Development of people's life - economic - social – environment plans.

There is a system to receive, transmit and provide information to ensure 100% of people are receiving timely and sufficient. 100% of high risk points are installed guidance system, warning

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Organizing the training, awareness enhancing and implementation guiding program for law of the NDPC

100% administrators at communal level associating the policy

70% (and more) people in disaster-prone areas are disseminated knowledge

100% of organizations and 70% or more of households and individuals in disaster-prone areas are actively prepared.

2. Pilot implementation in three pilot communes of Quang Ninh, Ha Tinh and Tien Giang provinces (in coordination with the Steering Committee for Disaster Prevention and Control and the Steering Committee for Rural Development at local levels)

Guidance on the implementation and assessment of safe commune criteria on natural disaster prevention and control in new rural development and guidance on mechanisms and approaches to mobilize resources from different levels to implement the plan for natural disaster prevention and control. At the same time, the commune has also met the criteria for safe commune in natural disaster prevention and control).

3. Complete to issue guidebooks for implementation and assessment of safe commune criteria on natural disaster prevention and control in NTM.

4. Construct pilot model at commune level "Ensure to meet conditions for natural disaster prevention on control the spot." in NTM:

The need to build models

- Criterion 3.1 on Irrigation is one of the 19 criteria for the new National Rural Criteria - which has been implemented since 2009.
- Criterion 3.2 on "Ensuring meeting the requirements of local livelihoods and on-site natural disaster prevention regulations" has been added and is still in the process of applying the test to complete, in the process.
- Wide range of content, new content, natural disasters are becoming increasingly complex, the risk of increased risk, great damage, heavy duty at the commune level, the need for multiple forces and Support from all levels and sectors.

It is necessary to study and develop a pilot model at the commune level to ensure that conditions for natural disaster prevention and control are met.



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MAIN RESULTS

- Report on the review, assessment and selection of typical communes representing regions and regions to develop the pilot model.
- 05 communes are eligible to meet local regulations on natural disaster prevention and control, contributing to new and recognized rural standards by 2020.
- Guideline to implement the content of commune assessment "Ensure to meet conditions for natural disaster prevention on control the spot."
- Summary reports, lessons learned to implement replication.



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PROPOSAL FOR APEC SUPPORT

- Objective: To strengthen awareness on the set of community safety criteria before natural disasters
- Method: Organize an APEC workshop to develop a set of community safety criteria for disasters
- Recommendation: APEC provides financial support, coordinates to held mutual workshop and to complete the pilot model soon.
- Responsibility: The Vietnam Disaster Management Authority – Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development organize the workshop, using the financial support for the right purpose and effectively.



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Thank you for attention!