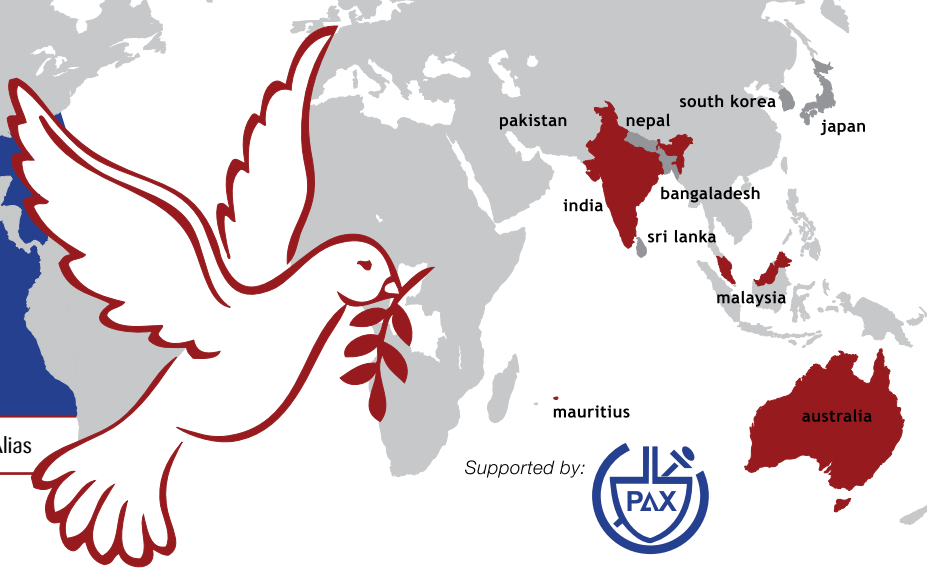


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From the editors:

Welcome back everyone! As all of us making our journey, finding the path of life that we chose, one would agree that he or she would have to make a difficult choices and sacrifices along the way. As we chose to do what we do today is the result of searching for what make us **HAPPY**.

We should be thankful everyday that we are here and try to make this world a better place for everyone. In the world that we live in today, there are many challenges. We have to find a way to prevent or minimize the effect of global warming and climate changes. In Asia itself, recently we faced with minor tsunami, flood, haze, earthquake, typhoon and list goes on....

We would like to dedicate this issue to Working for Peace-devoted for 90th Anniversary of SCI. In this issue, we would like to reflect on APPES (Asia Pacific Peace Education Seminar) and also APM (Asia Platform meeting) held in Katoomba, Australia. The APPES was a success and thank you IVP Australia for their effort and hospitality. Update and wonderful and memorable activities from branches namely South Korea, Japan,

Malaysia, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Pakistan. We hope that everyone will enjoy and benefit from this issue as much as we did.

As we look back in our journey, everyone has worked very hard to come to this stage today. We truly believed that Asia branches including Australia and Mauritius (AP&M) the friendship bond are getting stronger and we can work together. We also would like to thanked our friends all over the world for supporting us until today. We look forward to hear any comments or critique from all of you and hope to see all of you in the next issue.

*'Life is a choice. It is YOUR life.
Choose consciously,
choose wisely,
choose honestly.
Choose happiness!'*

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Penang Peace Run

SCI MALAYSIA / MPPP PENANG



Every year, for the past 20 years, SCI Malaysia Penang Chapter has been organizing a RUN known as PEACE RUN. The First Peace Run was launched in July, 1989 at the Taman Perbandaran (Youth Park) Penang. During each Peace Run, approximately 1500-2000 runners have participated. Free Food and Refreshments were provided for the "Special Children and Orphans". After the run, a concert known as "Peace Concert" will be performed by the various special schools.

The Run is called PEACE RUN because one of SCI's Objectives is to promote "PEACE AND HARMONY", "within and without" between the various people in the community. SCI Penang is happy to express that it is the first Organization in Malaysia to initiate a run known as the PEACE RUN which will bring together not only the adults and children who are able bodied, but also the "special children" who are physically handicapped, mentally challenged, visually impaired and the hearing and speech impaired.



held on 25th July, 2010, Sunday at 7.30am at Taman Perbandaran (Youth Park), Penang. The run was officiated and flagged off under the distinguished patronage of the Yang Di-pertua Negeri Pulau Pinang, Tuan Yang Terutama Tun Dato' Seri Utama (DR) Haji Abdul Rahman Bin Haji Abbas D.M.K., S.M.N., D.U.P.N., S.P.D.K., D.P., D.M.P.N., D.J.N.



Its' participants include various disabled participants and the able bodied participants. A total of two thousand participants participated this year. The distance for able bodied participants were 6kms and physically disabled participants were 1.5kms. The "special children" who participated were given T-shirts, goodie bags and free breakfast. As for the able bodied participants, prizes for the first ten participants from each category, T-shirts and certificates were given. All participants were also entitled to join the lucky draw. On the day of the event, besides the run, there were other activities like medical camp by a private hospital in Penang, SCI booth and many

others. After the run, stage performance and prize giving sessions were held.



As the run coincide with the International Workcamp, SCI Kuala Lumpur members and SCI International members from Spain, Italy and Korea joined us to make this run a memorable one.

SCI Malaysia / MPPP Penang Peace Run 2010 was jointly organized by:

- Service Civil International Malaysia, Penang Chapter
- Majlis Sukan Negeri Pulau Pinang
- Majlis Perbandaran Pulau Pinang
- Persatuan Olahraga Amatur Pulau Pinang
- with the support of its' sponsors and well wishers.



EXCLUSIVE: Interview with Vern Cork

One of the founders of IVP-Australia is Vern Cork. After APPES and APM I visited him in his house in Sydney and talked about his involvement. However, the actual interview below was mostly done by email. Vern is one of SCI's pioneers, he would like to see the movement going 'back to basics'.

It was already dark and raining hard on the way to Vern's house. After getting lost for some time, I found his house in a quiet street of Sydney. He welcomed me and we sat together in the living-room. Vern (64) would have liked to come to APPES, but his handicap nowadays is still an obstacle. Vern is not active anymore in IVP, but still follows the news what's going on.

Sydney is one of the homeplaces of Vern. Half a year he spends his time in Sydney, the other half in Bali (Indonesia). For his living he translates Indonesian writers' stories into English. For the rest of the time he likes to read Indian novels and collects Asian art, mostly Indian and Indonesian paintings from disappearing traditions. Since he got disabled he has been reading about and finding inspiration in disabled person's achievements.

Interview starts

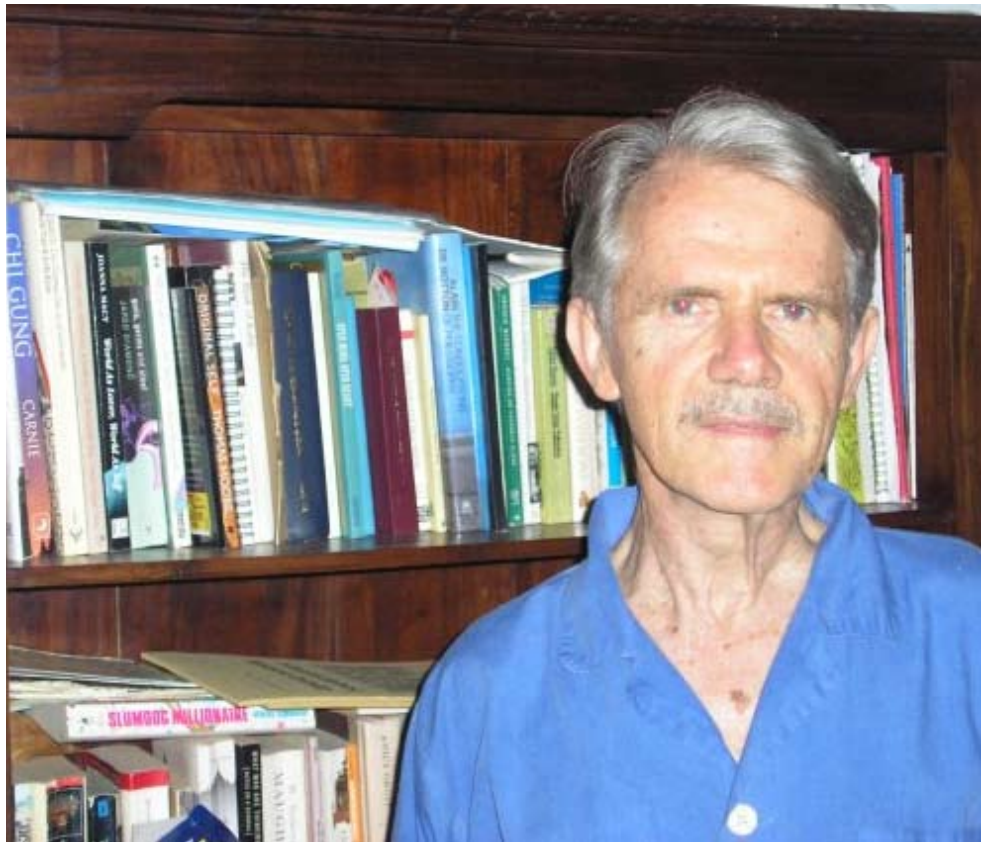
How and when did you get involved in SCI?
I had heard about SCI from an American friend I travelled with in Morocco, back in 1972-3 and was always thinking what a fine idea it was. In the 1970's I often visited my brother who lived in Paris for some years and so I visited the SCI-office there. I could attend a workcamp in Normandy, France. That was in January 1978. It seemed that we could learn about other cultures and problems as we worked together to do something useful towards breaking down class or racial barriers.

Where in the world (and especially in Asia) did you attend workcamps?

FRANCE 1978 renovation work, UK alternative lifestyles study camp, and a holiday scheme for children with disabilities, GERMANY solar energy; I organised two study camps on traditional life and skills and development in BALI 1979 and again in BALI 1982 where I was a long term volunteer. Later I worked in BANGLADESH digging village water storage tank 1986, GERMANY anti fascist study camp 1997, ITALY survey of disabled access of Padova 1997.

So, four camps in 1978?

My first camp was in January 1978, others were during European summer and autumn.



While sitting in his house, he showed me pictures, letters and other correspondence of those camps.

You are known as (one of the) founders of IVP Australia... How was IVP founded?

When I returned from Indonesia in 1981, I acted as a contact for any inquiries regarding SCI in Australia. Then I met Rita (no introduction needed, WH) and Chris Dunston in late 1980's. Rita, Chris and I tried to contact volunteers with experience of SCI when they returned.

Can you tell more about the workcamps in Indonesia 30 years ago?

In the 1980's Indonesia was still very poor -even Bali- so we stayed in bamboo huts and villagers homes while learning about their skills and problems.

If you compare SCI 30 years ago with SCI nowadays, what is the difference and what is the same?

I am not sure, but my last workcamp experiences seemed to be costly and far from simple.

SCI is celebrating this year its 90th anniversary. What can SCI activists nowadays learn from SCI's history?
Need to get back to basics...

Why do we have to go back to the basics? Do times and international voluntary service not change?

Yes but in the change it seems to me there was something important lost. By basics I meant simple living etc and not to cost a lot in administration fees: maybe this is not possible though now the world is more organised and less spontaneous.

By: Wilbert Helsloot

Peace Drama School

SCI SRI LANKA



“The city of Jaffna lies in the very north of Sri Lanka on the Jaffna peninsula. The difference between this part of the country and rest of Sri Lanka is visible on first sight. Jungles and hills are replaced by a labyrinth of banana plantations and long roadside villages, even the heat is different.

But Jaffna is very different from other Sri Lanka because of a more profound reason. It is a center of a Tamil speaking minority and has been a battleground between Liberation tigers of Tamil Eelam (Tamil tigers) and Sri Lankan army for almost 3 decades.

As situation in and around Jaffna started to normalize, SCI Sri Lanka began to consider organizing a work camp to spread their mission to part of the country, inaccessible for more than 30 years. The most important limiting factor was travel regulations for foreigners.

I have arrived to Sri Lanka in early June for 3 months to participate in work camps. Going to Jaffna was my great wish and people in the office had to travel great lengths to get authorization from the ministry of defense. Entering Jaffna town looks like entering a time capsule, where time has stopped 30 years ago. Low lying buildings, typical chaos at the main bus station, a deserted petrol station and 30 years old Morris cars that are still being used by many inhabitants make a surreal picture.



The objective of the camp was to paint two classrooms in a village called Neliady, but the most important objective was to observe the after-war situation, to learn about Tamil culture and to promote inter-cultural understanding. For my Sri Lankan friends, the experience was something special as they were able to visit part of their own country that they could never visit before.

The school where we were working was a typical srilankan country school with large classrooms (one of them in open under a tree), packed with pupils in their British looking school uniforms. The arrival of foreigners was an amazing event for them and everybody wanted to help us with our work. Headmaster of the school was very pleased with SCI coming to his school and he did everything to assist us.

We concluded our work at the school with a peace festival. On Saturday morning, we invited pupils to join us and to bring their arts, like drawings, about peace with them. We hanged the pictures and made a small exhibition. Some of the drawings were really good. The students responded in great number and the school courtyard was full of people, students, teachers and parents. We divided students into several groups and invited them to different workshops, from drawing posters about human rights to preparing small drama about peace. After about an hour, we started the final show.

Kids showed their artwork, sang songs, danced and performed dramas, they had learned and prepared in school and at home. It is incredible, how creative these children are, from writing their own poems to preparing all costumes for the drama. The event concluded with a performance of making a “peace bridge” between north and south of the island. Two groups of children made a human bridge over

Report by: Svit Senkovit
Long Term Volunteer- SCI Sri Lanka



a giant map of Sri Lanka drawn on the floor. We finished our program way beyond the time we promised but nobody cared about that. The war between Tamils and Sinhalese is over, but the problems that led to war remain and the number of soldiers on the streets is a clear reminder of that. Nevertheless, life after the war has improved tremendously. Hundreds of tourists from the south and from Tamil diaspora abroad are coming to Jaffna to visit friends and relatives and bringing much needed money to Jaffna. But the core of the problem is deeper. For example, lack of qualified teachers of sinhala language means, that children don't know the official language of the country. No matter how hard they try, their road to good universities in the south is therefore blocked. All the songs by the children were about unity of country, “no more Sinhalese, no more Tamils, we are Srilankans etc.” But the true unity is yet to come with some decisive action from the government on areas of education, health and employment. As soon we left Jaffna and started approaching the newly conquered territory, the scars of war started to show. There were less and less people and more and more rubbles until countryside turned into a deserted wasteland, a reminder of a brutal force of war. Our peace festival was just a drop in the sea. But, let us not forget, the ocean is made of millions of drops.”

ASIA PACIFIC PEACE EDUCATION SEMINAR

Held in Katoomba, Sydney, Australia from 13th July to 17th July, 2010

It was a chilly Tuesday when participants started gathering at the Youth Hostel Association of Blue Mountains in Katoomba, a small town and an attractive place for tourists. We from the Prep team Wilbert, Maud, Rita and me were there since the 9th of July, in an old house to work out the final practical arrangements and the planning.

On the 13th we shifted all requirements to the YHA and arranged for the welcoming of the participants. By the evening there were most of the participants from various Asian countries. Late in the evening we had a gathering of participants and had various games of introductions.



On Wednesday, we started with a "Welcome to Contry" by the Aboriginal elder, Aunty Lyn Stanger, who also informed us about the Aboriginals. Then we shared our expectations, fears and contributions about the seminar. Next we started with the topic "What is Peace" by Wilbert and me. There were different methods adopted to introduce the topic through flip charts and more interactive workouts. There were a lot of energizers in between sessions.

The afternoon we had communication and listening by Maud and Rita which was an interactive one well received by participants. We had a sharing session which was split in groups and got good feed back about the day. Late evening we had the Intercultural evening where each one participated by presenting their own country's sweets or song or dances.

On Thursday we began with what is culture and the participants discussed and created statues on the topic, followed by a roleplay and discussion about intercultural dialogue. After lunch the topic non-violence was put up, where Rita and me shared the session with work out on the board identifying words with a graph of violence, which was well received by participants.

In the evening we had Peace opportunities in Asia Pacific by Wilbert which was also well received by participants. Thereafter Maud and Wilbert took up the Peace Education Policy in a way that it was understood by each of them in the form of quiz.

On Friday the session began with Working in Post Conflict Areas. This was also in the form of questions, where participants split in groups to answer these questions. In the open space there were few topics put up by the participants which were addressed in groups. In the afternoon it was a free time and all of us we went to see the Blue Mountains which were really amazing.

We had a long walk along the mountain and got beautiful view of the mountain and its surroundings. Back to the YHA we had put up an Exhibition of photographs of various memories down lane of SCI camps and activities. Though there were not much visitors to view these well done posters but the work was well appreciated.

On Saturday the session started with Mrs. Jane Corpuz-Brock from WILPF who elaborated on issues related to women and UN resolution 1325, which was well received by the participants. After the coffee break we started with continuation of Peace Opportunity in Asia Pacific again answering the questions on the flip charts. After lunch the plan of action was taken up by Maud, where most branches took up different issues and brought up proposals to work on them.



The evaluation took place in the evening and got feed back from participants sharing their views on flip charts. The day ended with a song work out by participants with Peace Lyrics in it.



There were 20 participants in all, representing 13 countries. The whole program of APPEP was well received by the participants with good stay and food, sharing the kitchen work and thanking those IVP volunteers who made delicious food on all days.

Greetings from
Jayaprasad and the whole prepteam
for APPEP

Some Reflections on APPES by the PrepTeam

It is also nice to share some reflection from the Prep Team.

As you all know, the APPES Prep team has done a wonderful and great job.

Let's read what their heart and mind on the programme says; Enjoy!



Prep Team

The prep team did its good job in planning and executing the task. There was harmony and co-operation among the prep team in working together to bring in the needed result.

Worked well together, supportive, good ideas. It was great for me that I could rely on others to take a large part of the burden.

Participants:

The participants were very co operative and from a range of 13 countries other than Asia Pacific region. This was the first time a seminar like this had participation from many branches. The co operation from the local IVP vols. Were very good in preparing the photo exhibition and the cooking food and needed help and assistance to Rita.

The Group dynamics was well. They never got bored with the programs and well responded with active participation. There were energizers to keep them enjoying each sessions. They never felt being in a tight compartment ,though there were many workouts on flip charts and activity.



The Programme:

- Overall the program was good.
- I learned to accept and value our differences and throw the meetings with all of you participants, and prepteam members I managed to learn more about myself, my values and my personal culture and at the same time question the values I have.
- Some participants had a personal shift in understanding, opening of minds and hearts. Some learned facilitation skills. Other learned ideas for organising a seminar. These are all good results. Some may have been disappointed that topics and sessions did not go deep enough.
- For me the seminar is not over yet, it will maybe even start for here. We created an international (asia-pacific) network related on peace, now we should get the network going. If we succeed to support eachother, as we did during the seminar, in carrying out our actionplans and elaborate more on ideas about peace, the seminar will be successfull for me.
- I want to thank you all for being you and being SCI-activist.



PENTAPORT ROCK FESTIVAL ISWC

SCI KOREA

Introduction for this work camp.

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER WORK CAMP AT PENTAPORT ROCK FESTIVAL is our new summer work camp program in Incheon, especially for the Pentaport rock festival. First, Pentaport rock festival is the huge, popular rock festival in Korea.

Pentaport is a waterfront town with convenient public transportation in Incheon City, Korea. It's a clean, environmentally-conscious and highly-developed town whose municipal government aims to promote natural sustainability while developing the area into an international transportation hub for Northeast Asia. So it is meaningful that we have this work camp in this summer that Incheon and pentaport is gradually developing.

The theme of this work camp is "Music, Passion, Environment, D.I.Y.(Do It Yourself) and Friendship". The work camp will help the community and encourage local people to think more about the environmental resources they have, while encouraging solidarity and international citizenship.

It is the first time for SCI members to participate in rock festival as an international summer work camp. It is true that there were many trials and errors during the festival opened. But we made new rules and got know-how from this work camp because it was the start for newly-opened work camp in SCI. As you know, there was no information about this camp so at the first time, everyone felt difficulties from their work. Especially, the director and whole staff moved in confusion and the campers couldn't find their exact duties rapidly. And there were some troubles and problems in the real management team of this festival. We could see many errors in the process of this festival, so all campers may recognized that dealing with the huge event needs very tight and exact schedule and plan. In addition, the campers learned how to understand the different culture between foreign and domestic campers. Even though some korean campers were not good at English and most foreign campers were not good at Korean, they really tried to communicate each other and shared their thoughts. Therefore, they easily understood each other and there is no trouble between the whole campers. From everybody's efforts, we were appreciated by the management team that we did very well. They said we showed best teamwork so they felt they don't need to be concerned in our work. The manager highly praised our ability to plan the whole schedule, distribute

the workers, give adequate free time for the campers and outstanding idea for each situation. I think it means that we showed our possibility for managing next camp for ourselves. And this work camp is so meaningful that we made everything on the wilds. The very best word that the whole campers learned from this work camp is "The change can be made by little think and action." If we think that there is nothing to do, then there is no work and no change. But if we think little bit different and have a mind that there is something to do, we can make quite different result and from this process, the situation can be improved before then. And all these things can be made when there is the combination of leadership, friendship, and cooperation. This international summer work camp leaved these words to us and everybody will remember it.

What we learned.

1. Understanding differences in culture
 - Different view about work and rest.
 - Adapting to the Korean bath culture (for foreign campers)
2. How to organize the festival
 - The system of whole festival
3. How to show our own character (about SCI)



WEEKEND WORKCAMPS

SCI KOREA

• Cleaning the elderly's house •

(31st July, 4 members)

Dong-gu Dosshouse is a social service agency that draw up measures to support senior citizens who live alone and helps people without family.

We met in Jungang-dong at 3:00p.m and arrived at an old man's house soon. When we visited him, the all situations were so serious. The old man has lived in poor surroundings. He was sick so he could not clean the house and behave himself well. In addition, the room was extremely small so he could lie barely.

For that reason, only two of us could enter the room and repapered the room with prepared wallpaper by SCI. On the other hand, the others did a thorough cleaning of the house. We swept the kitchen floor and the floors, cleaned the sinks thoroughly, and cemented the tiles in the kitchen.

After everything was done, we talked to with him. He said, "Everweek volunteer teams

visit my house and cleaning the room and do the laundry, but today was impressive to me, thanks." Maybe, we got a happiness that cannot change with anything.



• Working with villagers •

(4-5th Sep, 21 members)

We performed a first weekend service in September and it was full of passion! Lots of works were waiting us in the village. In the first day, divided two teams went to the weekend farm and the mud snail farms. One worked really hard without any the shade of a tree and the other worked in really cold place (twenty degrees below zero).

However, no one showed sign of tired though it was the hottest day. In the evening we had a special dinner (the owner of mud snail farm gave us delicious meal) and had a really interesting education program.

In the last day, we helped the farmers in a pumpkin plantation and chives farm, experiencing their hardness. In addition, we cleaned up the town hall (our accommodation) and the village. When the last working was over, all members felt inconvenience and satisfaction. In spite of the worry of our first weekend service, it was successful! Maybe, we cannot wait the second Weekend Service!



Pakistan Flood

SCI PAKISTAN



It was 6th September when some of us received first message from SCI Pakistan about huge flood. Although we heard and watched about it on TV, but the mail directly from our Pakistan friends let our focus on the flood more.

Situation there

The heavy rain from end of July to the beginning of August covered huge area of Pakistan. Even one month after the flood, 1/5 of the land was covered by the water. About 1,220,000 houses were totally/partially destroyed. According to UNHCR, 16.8million people are affected by the floods. (see http://www.unhcr.or.jp/ref_unhcr/world/pakistan/100824-PF.pdf)

Where SCI Pakistan works?

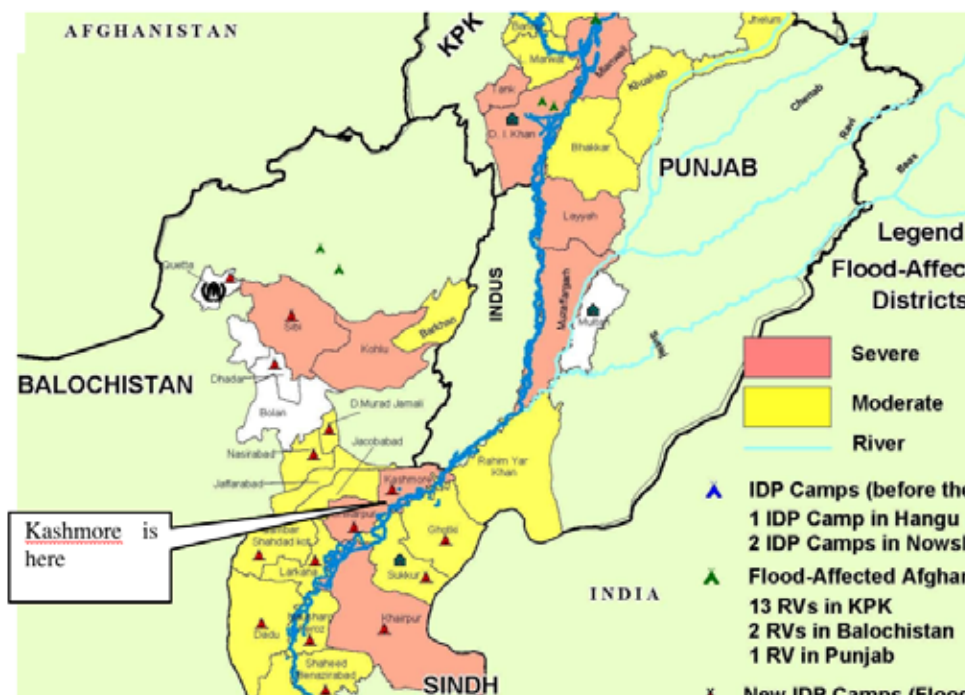
Now SCI Pakistan is working hard for the relief. The target area is Kashmir.(see the map below) Kashmir is recognized as "Severe" as affected area by UNHCR. Khurram (SCI Pakistan) says "the reason why we chose Kashmir to do relief work is that it is a dangerous remote area, plus it is the place where we had interaction with the local NGOs previously". Now Khurram, Dr. Arif Malik Al-Aziz(secretary finance of SCI Pakistan) and 6 members are working with the local NGOs of Sadiqabad and Karachi.

What SCI Pakistan does in the site?

Dr. Arif and Khurram are stationed in Lahore and are monitoring distribution of funds and purchase of relief goods which are being sent to Sadiqabad onward to Kashmir area to be distributed by SCI members and local NGOs(comprising mainly of college students).

The Message from Khurram

"I am putting all my efforts for this project of relief work and for the activities of SCI Pakistan. I'm successful in making a good and dedicated team after long time's efforts. I only request to all the SCI friends to help in this situation whatever you can."



Mixed Generation Power

SCI JAPAN

This year, very fortunately we could have good campleaders in our three workcamps. One of them just join SCI this spring (march) and brave & curious enough to join the leaders' training in this May and decided to be campleader after the training. The other of them joined SCI last summer, and also joined the leaders' training this May. She also agreed to be campleader after the training. We are always struggling to find campleader and this year was again in danger to find the campleaders for three workcamps. But our experienced members decided to organize the campleaders' training without knowing whether we can find young memers to join the training or not. Then we found three young members to join and two could lead the workcamps this summer. So I think that this leaders' training certainly inspire the young members to be the campleaders. The experienced members' existence and their thoughts enrich SCI Japan and also newer members power enrich SCI Japan's activities. Both generations in SCI Japan could mixed well during this training. And some experienced members support the three workcamps and one Hong Kong workcamp physically too. They join the workcamps and support the new young campleaders. I think that mixed age is also very important for SCI workcamp. Not only one generation(ex: only young or only seniors),

but also different generations live together. As you know the world is consist by various generation, so why not in our workcamps? I was happy that when I heard the voice from foreign volunteer(over 60s) that she enjoys the workcamp in Japan(it was her first workcamp) and has plan to join workcamp once in a year from next year!

Same as many other branches, it is hard to keep these newer members in SCI. So now, after the great workcamps, it is time to organize more activities with SCI members. Hoping the new comers will know more about SCI and will be active in near future through the activities coming next.

I hope that our experienced and young members' power continue to develop our activities more and more!

PS : LTV in&out

In one of our LTV project, Free Kids' Village, we have Ms. Paulina(KVT Finland) from this August for three months. Welcome Paulina! We are happy to send our active member to IVS Great Britain's LTV project from this September for 9 months. Thank you, IVS GB friends to accept our member.



2nd Workcamp!

SCI HONG KONG

This summer, Hong Kong SCI members could organize the workcamp as second time in Hong Kong. Some Hong Kong students who joined the last summer's workcamp, they showed more initiatives for the preparation this time. Ms Pat, our Hong Kong friend is passionate to organize the workcamp with more experience from 1st workcamp last summer. Together with students and her colleagues, she could prepare the workcamp very well. This time, more foreign volunteers join the workcamp, and all together the team creates good cooperation and it was successful workcamp.

Participation

The workcamp group comprised 16 students, 5 teachers, two local volunteers representing ethnic minorities and four SCI international volunteers(Japan, Switzerland, Ireland, Germany).

Work and Study part

Grass-cutting in the herbal garden/ organic farm and cleansing units in PineHill village and YHA youth hostel. We had study session (every day apart from holiday) in various topics such as Chinese cultural heritage, ethnic minorities in Hong Kong and Introduction to SCI peace mission. Two local volunteers who had joined SCI workcamps abroad shared

their experience. House meetings were held by end of the each day and a camp diary was maintained.

Feedback from students, international volunteers and teachers

The majority of participants thought that the workcamp lived up to their expectations. They found the workcamp unforgettable, satisfying at the same time work physically demanding. Preparation team members enjoyed the site visits and preparation meetings. Local students treasured the living-together experience with international volunteers. They worked, cooked, learned and rested together during the workcamp. At the end of the workcamp, students tailor-made souvenirs and cards for international volunteers.

The four SCI international volunteers expressed their gratitude to HKRSS teachers and students for support, contribution and participation. The 5 teachers were satisfied with the students' commitment to the workcamp as shown in the 95% attendance rate..

GREETINGS!

SCI NEPAL

April

Nec meeting was held in Panauti .
It was hosted by panauti branch.

May

Bhaktapur branch and Retract club of bhaktapur jointly organize peace lighting program in five story temple of bhaktapur on the auspicious of Buddha's birth day.
(light of asia)

June

Sci Nepal and alliance Francis Jointly organize music concert in Dattatraya square at bhaktapur. On the occasion of world music day. In this music concert 1500 people were participate on the program.

Regards

Rajan chitrakar, President
Sachhi banepali, Secretary

End Note

First of all, we are happy that we could publish our news from Asia-Pacific-Mauritius branches groups again.

Secondly we are sorry for being late to publish it. Maybe (of course?) you are waiting to see us for long time since the last issue. Good news for Asian Voices of this year 2011 is that we could welcome Wilbert (Indonesia) to the editing team! Welcome Wilbert! We try our best to enrich this newspaper this year by new team.

One more important remark is about SCI Bangladesh-Japan cooperated Cyclone shelter project. The update of the international competition of the shelter is on SCI international website. Also you can enjoy many innovative designs on the special website (http://comp.atelier-pax.jp/en/?page_id=221). Both branches have looked for the funds for the project (it is not enough yet), so if you could support this project, please contact with either branch. Thank you.

We are looking forward to meeting you again in next issue!

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