



On 26 September 2005, Dr. Kantathi Suphamongkhon, Foreign Minister and Dr. Kim Hak-Su, Executive Secretary of UNESCAP signed a trust fund agreement to support tsunami early warning arrangements in the Indian Ocean and Southeast Asia during the ceremony at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. This regional trust fund is being launched with a US\$ 10 million contribution by the Government of Thailand. The fund will be managed by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP).



The trust fund will contribute to the broader United Nations response to the tsunami by supporting development of a regional early warning system that would take the form of a network of national and regional centers. The fund will assist these centers to build capacity in terms of technologies, organizational arrangements and expertise. **Thailand is cooperating with the Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC), an international entity situated in Thailand, in establishing one such regional centre.**



Thailand is one of five countries in the Indian Ocean that is planning and intends to develop national capability to detect, analyze and provide timely warning of tsunamis generated along the Indonesian seismic zone and its extensions. This undertaking is an integral part of the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning System being coordinated by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO.

รัฐมนตรีว่าการกระทรวงการต่างประเทศ และ ดร. คิม ฮัก ซู เลขาธิการบริหารเอสแคป ได้ร่วมลงนาม ความตกลงจัดตั้งกองทุนสำหรับการจัดการเตือนภัยสึนามิล่วงหน้าในมหาสมุทรอินเดียและเอเชียตะวันออกเฉียงใต้

