

FOREWORD

The 14th Conference on Public Works Research and Development in Asia was held at the National Institute for Land and Infrastructure Management (NILIM), Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MLIT) in Tsukuba, Ibaraki Prefecture and at the Sendai International Center in Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture from Monday, October 17 to Friday, October 28, 2005.

The conference has been held every year since 1992 aiming to encourage government officials responsible for research and development of civil engineering technology in Asian countries to meet together to exchange their views and to develop their research network.

Representatives of 8(eight) countries such as Cambodia, India, Korea, Lao PDR, the Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam and Japan attended the 14th conference. In line with the subjects of “Risk Management and Mitigation for Flood and Sediment Related Disasters,” they presented their papers and discussed the related problems. The conference was a great success.

This report summarized the participants’ presentation papers, documents provided for discussion, records of lectures and related information. We hope this report will be of good use for you. In conclusion, we would like to extend our deepest gratitude to people and organizations concerned, especially, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), the Public Works Research Institute (PWRI) and the Tohoku Regional Bureau of MLIT for the support of and cooperation with the conference

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