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“One of the learnings from the fellowship is that we need to translate research outputs in a form that the community can use and understand. We will learn from them and they will learn from us. This was a new approach for me, that I will bring with me in the future.”

Dr. Lubna Alam, with students at a flood-prone area University, raising awareness about water quality and actions that everyone can take to reduce water pollution.



“During my fellowship in Taiwan, I saw firsthand how, through the cooperation and collaboration of different organizations, high quality datasets can generate information to reduce and support decision making during disasters.”

Flordeliza Del Castillo, pictured with Justin See during a visit to the Emergency Operations Center of Taipei City.



“Thanks to the fellowship, I was able to present my research at international conferences, including the Urban Environmental Accords Summit in Melaka, Malaysia.

I was also able to learn how operation centers work in Taiwan and to get extraordinary hands-on experience of their local disaster management strategies.”

Alvidon F. Asis at the Urban Environmental Accords Summit in Melaka, Malaysia.



“My mentor at the Manila Observatory brought me to meet vulnerable communities and key stakeholders. This was an eye-opening experience: as researchers, we often are so busy doing desk work that we forget to understand the real issues in the communities. Since the fellowship, I have tried to continue using both a top-down and bottom-up approach in my research on climate-related disasters and risk reduction management.”

Nurrohman Wijaya during an immersion program with an urban poor community in Quezon City, Philippines.



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“My best memory from the fellowship is the friendship I tied with colleagues from the University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB), and the collaboration to collect data about UPLB buildings.”

Ibnu Rusydy took these pictures during a progress meeting with the supervisor at UPLB and during geological field work.



“The fellowship gave me an unique opportunity to conduct independent and quality research with the mentorship and guidance of experts and practitioners from all over the world. It exposed me to the actual conditions in the field, and it enabled me to talk to people and listen to their stories. I feel very lucky to be able to do research, travel, get to know about other cultures, and expand my professional networks through the PARR fellowship.”

Justin C. See with field work interviewers in a flood-prone area near Marikina river, Metro Manila.

