



Garut flood response, 2016

**Mercy Corps Indonesia**

# INDONESIA RESPONSE TEAM

## Why Indonesia Response Team established?

The Indonesia Response Team (IRT) consists of 30 plus national staff of Mercy Corps Indonesia, spread across the programs and field offices. Our IRT members respond when disaster occurs in Indonesia round the year. Following the rigorous selection process, IRT members join special training which helps develop a qualified team with commitment and expertise for the ongoing and future humanitarian response in Indonesia. Members of IRT are being deployed all across Indonesia within a matter of 24 hours to deal with tough and challenging condition when a disaster strikes.

Since its inception in 2007, IRT has responded many disasters which occur across Indonesia. In the last five years, Mercy Corps Indonesia has aided emergency response in West Sumatra and West Java earth quake in 2009, Mentawai earthquake and tsunami 2010, Yogyakarta Merapi eruption 2010, West Sumatra flood 2011, Jakarta floods in 2013 and Garut floods in 2016. In November 2013, IRT is deployed to assist the regional team of Mercy Corps International to execute Haiyan Typhoon emergency response in Philippines & Nepal earth quake emergency response in 2015.

## IRT Capacity and Skills Development

All of members from IRT are required to participate in annual IRT training program for one week. The training provide several function which is introduce or strengthen technical skills that related with humanitarian response and help to create the dynamics of productive team. This training will take in the member's presence in annual workshop and continue to build the skills for the IRT member for a year.

The yearly workshop introduces and refreshes knowledge on basic humanitarian response topics and introduce or reinforce uses of Mercy Corps instruments.

Equipped with skills, all IRT members are prepared to deliver emergency response action in tough and challenging environment.



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IRT member