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As announced in the Newsletter No. 9, the 15th APEID Regional Seminar on Special Education was held at the National Institute of Special Education, Japan, from November 6 to 11, 1995. The sub-theme of the Seminar was "Provision of Special Educational Resources Based on the Difference of Communities," and it is situated in the fourth year of the fifth programming cycle (1992-1996), "Special Education Based on the Community."

The participants including the host country, Japan, and UNESCO/PROAP were as follows (in alphabetical order):

Australia: Alison Jacob, Director, Educational Planning, Department of Education and the Arts

Bangladesh: Md. Abdul Hannan, Secretary, Ministry of Social Welfare

China: Zeng Quan, Deputy Director, Division of Basic Education, Sichuan Provincial Education Commission

India: Usha Grover, Lecturer of Special Education, National Institute of Mentally Handicapped

Indonesia: Sarkowi Ahmad, Leader Assistant on Subdirectorate of Special Education, Directorate of Primary Education

Japan: Toshio Ioya, Director-General; Morio Shibayama, Deputy Director-General, National Institute of Special Education

Malaysia: Datin Kamariah bt. Jalil, Principal Assistant Director, Special Education, Schools Division, Ministry of Education

Nepal: Krishan Khanal, Under Secretary, Training

Section, Ministry of Education

New Zealand: Helen Joy Stevens, Senior Policy Analyst, Education Management Policy, Ministry of Education

Pakistan: Muhammad Khalid Durrani, Joint Secretary, Social Welfare and Special Education Division

Philippines: Teresita G. Inciong, Chief, Special Education Division, Bureau of Elementary Education, Department of Education, Culture and Sports

Republic of Korea: Won-kyung Kim, Senior Educational Researcher, Early Childhood and Special Education Office, Local Education Support Bureau, Ministry of Education

Sri Lanka: D.A.L.W. Ranasinghe, Assistant Director of Education, Zonal Education Office, Department of General Education, Ministry of Education

Thailand: Paitoon K. Suriyachai, Head of Special Education Section, Special Division, Department of General Education, Ministry of Education

UNESCO/PROAP: Hendrien Maat, Associate Expert in Special Education

There were four observers at this Seminar from the Korea Institute for Special Education; namely, Director-General Young-hwan Kim, Hee-chan Park and Byung-yeon Jang from the Department of Research, and Houng-yong Chae from the Division of General Affairs.

Conclusion and Recommendations

The 15th APEID Regional Seminar on Special Education focused on the differences of communities and their resource needs. This highlighted the need for special education to be developed within the context of regular education so that all students with special educational needs will have the opportunity to achieve positive learning outcomes.

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