



INDONESIA

DHAPP

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HIV/AIDS
PREVENTION PROGRAM

REDUCING THE INCIDENCE OF HIV/AIDS
AMONG UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN
SELECTED AFRICAN NATIONS AND
BEYOND

WINNING BATTLES IN THE WAR AGAINST HIV/AIDS

BACKGROUND

Country Statistics

Indonesia's debt-to-gross domestic product ratio has been declining steadily, its foreign exchange reserves are at an all-time high of over \$50 billion, and its stock market was 1 of the 3 best performers in the world in 2006 and 2007, as global investors sought out higher returns in emerging markets. The estimated population of Indonesia is 238 million people, with an average life expectancy of 70 years. Bahasa Indonesia is the official language in Indonesia, which has an estimated literacy rate of 90%, unevenly distributed between men and women. Economic difficulties in early 2008 centered on high global food and oil prices and their impact on Indonesia's poor and on the budget. The GDP per capita is \$3,900. Indonesia suffered disasters in 2006 and early 2007, including a major earthquake near Yogyakarta, an industrial accident in Sidoarjo, East Java, that created a "mud volcano," a tsunami in South Java, and major flooding in Jakarta, all of which caused additional damages in the billions of dollars. Donors are assisting Indonesia with its disaster mitigation and early-warning efforts.

HIV/AIDS Statistics

The estimated HIV prevalence rate in Indonesia's general population is less than 0.2%. Roughly 270,000 people were living with HIV in 2008. Currently, the epidemic is concentrated primarily amongst intravenous drug users.

Military Statistics

The Indonesian Armed Forces (IAF) is estimated at approximately 297,000 active-duty troops, with 400,000 reservists. Military HIV prevalence rates are unknown.

PROGRAM RESPONSE

In-Country Ongoing Assistance

USPACOM and its implementing agent, COE, have continued to collaborate with the IAF.



OUTCOMES & IMPACT

Prevention

Prevention messages reached 10,892 IAF troops and family members, and 217 peer educators were trained. Condoms and prevention education materials were distributed throughout the year to the IAF.

Care and Treatment

During FY08, there were 6 service outlets for the IAF, and 1,765 troops and family members were counseled and tested. Fifty-six (56) individuals were trained in the provision of CT services.

Four (4) laboratories with the capacity to perform HIV tests and CD4 tests were supported for the IAF. Training was provided to 5 lab technicians on the services related to the laboratories.

USPACOM/COE, together with the US Armed Forces Research Institute of Medical Sciences and the Royal Thai Armed Forces, with funding from DHAPP, stood up a military Regional Training Center (RTC) in Bangkok, Thailand. The RTC is responsible for the education of a core group of military medical officers. In FY08, 2 IAF members attended the *Asia-Pacific Regional HIV/AIDS Lab Infrastructure and Capacity Building (Train the Trainer in Lab and Diagnostics) Course* in August 2008. Also in FY08, 2 members of the IAF attended the *Asia-Pacific Regional Support and Training Capacity for Treatment and Care Initiatives (Train the Trainer in HIV/AIDS Care and Treatment) Course* in July 2008.