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I actually have had high interest in disaster-related issue since junior high school. At that time I was only curious about climate change related issues. As time goes by, I got interested in disaster studies more deeply than I expected. I joined DERU UGM first in 2009 and took part in giving aid and assistance for West Sumatra Earthquake survivors. I also took part as a volunteer of DERU UGM in the 2010 Merapi Volcano Eruption and Jakarta Great Flood in the early 2013. In addition, I also participated in numerous seminars and workshops I am interested in disaster-related issues range from national to international level. In 2011, I acted as an intern in Preparedness Team of *Badan Penanggulangan Bencana Daerah Istimewa Yogyakarta* (Disaster Management Regional Body of Yogyakarta Special Province). In 2012, I participated in the 5th Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (5<sup>th</sup> **AMCDRR**) in Yogyakarta. I gained so much new knowledge about disaster from the experts. Recently, I had a chance to attend the 9th National Conference on Community Based Disaster Risk Reduction (9<sup>th</sup> **KNPRBBK**) in Padang Pariaman Regency. This conference's theme was "Women, Children, Elderly People and People in Special Needs: Victims, Complementary or Main Actors in Community Resilience?". This conference enabled me to meet numerous disaster activists and allowed me to share experience and knowledge about community-based disaster risk reduction. Early this year I'm taking a part as a student in e-learning held by word bank. And now, with my friend, we establish a small organization called West Coast Indonesia.

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