

COMMUNITY BASED APPROACH TO ASSESS FLOOD RISK PERCEPTION ALONG CODE RIVER

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ABSTRACT

This paper presents a flood risk perception and coping mechanism along Code River, Yogyakarta Municipality based on the community approach. A total of 90 households were interviewed. Data were analysed using Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) Program. The result indicated that there are no differences of flood risk perception among the zones ($p > .05$). Perception of flood risk is influenced by several variables: gender, length of stay, RW's risk level, distance between respondents' house and river and impact level of flood. Whereas, all types of community's coping mechanism (technological, social, and economical) are influenced by impact level of flood.

Keywords: Flood, Risk perception, Coping Mechanism, Mitigation Measurements

ABSTRAK

Tulisan ini memaparkan persepsi risiko dan mekanisme penanganan banjir di sepanjang Sungai Code, Kota Yogyakarta berdasarkan pendekatan masyarakat. Sebanyak 90 rumah tangga telah diwawancarai. Data dianalisis dengan menggunakan Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS) program. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa tidak ada perbedaan persepsi risiko banjir ($p > .05$). Persepsi risiko banjir dipengaruhi oleh beberapa variabel: jenis kelamin, lama tinggal, tingkat risiko RW, jarak antara rumah responden dan sungai dan tingkat dampak banjir. Sementara itu, semua jenis mekanisme penanganan berbasis masyarakat (teknologi, sosial, dan ekonomi) dipengaruhi oleh tingkat dampak banjir.

Kata Kunci: Banjir, Persepsi Risiko, Mekanisme penanganan, Pengukuran Mitigasi

INTRODUCTION

In order to improve the preparedness for natural disaster, a better contextualization of factors related to risk perception and coping mechanism associated with the hazards is necessary. The way people perceived and behave toward risk will give an important input when developing and applying disaster risk management.

Yogyakarta Municipality in Special Province of Yogyakarta is crossed by Code River which part of Boyong River flowing from the Merapi summit at the upper stream. Following the Mt. Merapi eruption in October – November 2010, lahar flood was struck several times in Code River. As reported by *BNBP*, [2010], the first lahar flood

happened on Monday, 29 November 2010. The flood was triggered by the heavy rains which happened all day long at the upper course of Code River. The floodwater reached 1.5 m in some parts of the riverbank (Fieldwork 2011) and inundated more than 300 houses [BNBP, 2010].

This research emphasizes on assessing flood risk perception and identifying the coping mechanism of people living in Code Riverbank in Yogyakarta Municipality. People's perception and attitude to risk will be analyzed by exploring the combined effect of socio-economic status, location of the residents, people knowledge and experience and cognitive factors. The assessment is applied for both lahar and localized (urban) floods

which happened on Code River. The result of risk perception assessment and coping mechanism can be used as an input for improving the flood risk management in Yogyakarta Municipality.

Yogyakarta Municipality is one of the five regencies of the Special Province of Yogyakarta. It is located between 10°24'19" - 110°28'53" E and 07°49'26" - 07°15'24" S with total area of 32,5 km². Yogyakarta Municipality has a relatively flat area located on an average elevation of 114 m above the sea level. Three main rivers flow in this area (Figure 1). Gajahwong River on the east part, Code River on the middle part and the Winongo River on the west part of the City.

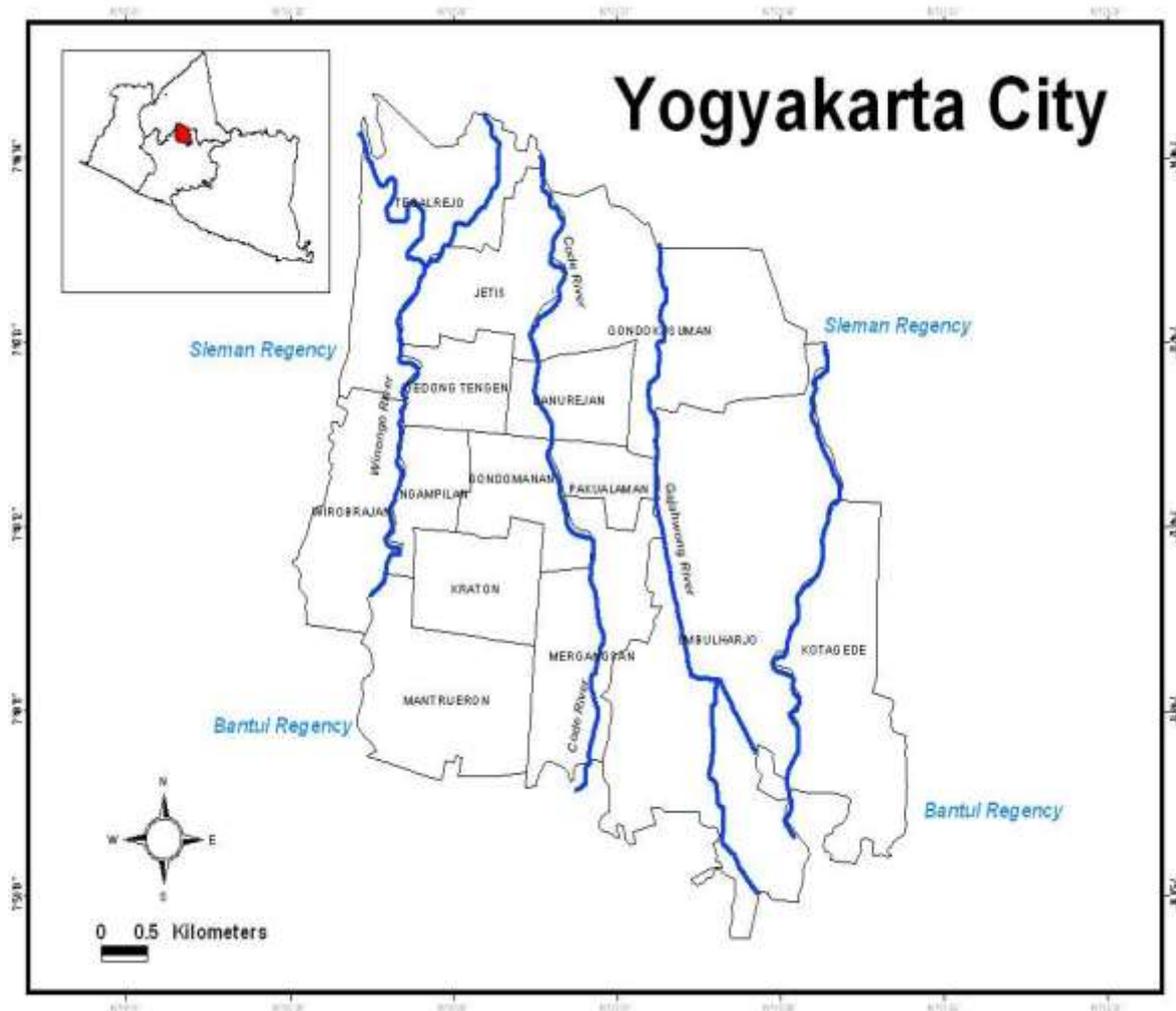


Figure 1. Administrative map and main rivers of Yogyakarta

THE METHODS

The research is concerned on analysing people's perception of flood risk, analysing the coping mechanism in household and community level, analysing the influence of contributing factors to the perception of flood risk and mitigative behavior(coping mechanism)of lay people, and identifying the local government strategy in order to reduce the impact of flood. All those objectives are accomplished through three different stages: (1) Pre-fieldwork, (2) Fieldwork, (3) Post-fieldwork. Figure 2. depict the process of the research.

Pre-fieldwork

The first activity of this stage was strengtening the concept and methodology which will be applied in this research through an intensive literature review from related books, journals, reports and previous studies. Identification of data needed and its measurement was done for designing the questionnaire.

Fieldwork

Fieldwork stage were done to collect both primary and secondary data from the local community and government. Two main activities were employed

during the fieldwork:

1. Primary data collection was conducted through in-depth interview with 90 households and community leaders by using questionnaires. Data related with socio-economic condition, flood experience including flood depth and the causal factors of flood, flood risk perception and community coping mechanism were recorded from the lay people and the community.
2. Secondary data collection through collecting data and information from related local government offices such as village offices, fire and disaster management agency, and public works agency.

Selection of Study Area

From total 58 RW located on 14 villages along the Code riverbank, 6 RW were chosen as the study area. Stratified random sampling was applied to choose the RW samples based on the level of risk. For each level of flood risk will be represented by 2 RW (Table 1).

Table 1. RW samples

Level of Risk	Area
High	RW 2, Tegal Pangung Seb-district RW 5, Prawirodirjan Sub-district
Moderate	RW 1, Suryatmajan Sub-district RW 15, Prawirodirjan Sub-district
Low	RW 5, Terban Sub-district RW 10, Gowongan Sub-district

From each RW sample, 15 households were randomly selected as the respondents. Total 90 respondents were selected as the household respondents.

Post-fieldwork

All data gathered from fieldwork were processed spatially and statistically using *SPSS 13* and *ArcGIS 9.3* software. The data collected were analyzed in three parts: contributing factors analysis, risk perception assessment and coping

mechanism analysis. All these three parts of analysis were done by using statistical analysis in *SPSS*. Descriptive analysis was used to describe the contributing factors such as: socio-economic profile and flood experience. Binary

logistic regression was used to analyze the relationship between contributing factors and flood risk perception and coping mechanism.

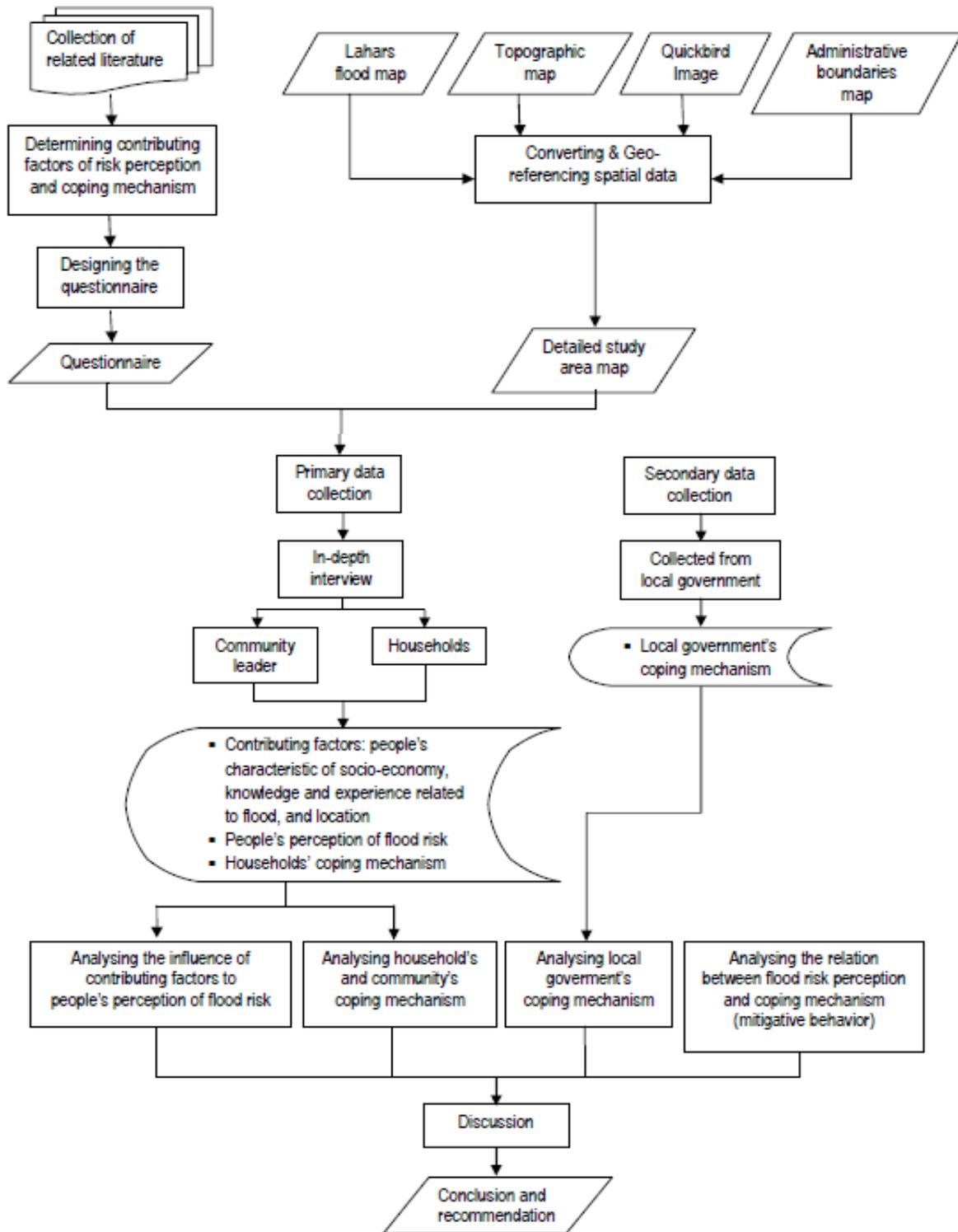


Figure 2. Research Process

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Characteristics of the situational and cognitive factors

Respondents of all ages (17 to 83 years) were represented, with the lowest age bracket was <31 years which accounted for 8 (9%) of the respondents. Most of respondents are at productive age with age bracket 31-45 and the 46-60 categories accounting for 31(34%) and 38 (42%) respectively. Only 2% of the respondents were having age bracket 76 and above years. The number of males interviewed was slightly bigger at 49 (54%) than females at 41 (46%). This can be understood that most male household members were having own business at their home whereas most females interviewed were worked as housewife who stand by at home.

Majority of the respondents graduated from the high school (43% from senior high and 29% from junior high), 21% respondents graduated from elementary school or less, and only 7 respondents obtained education up to university level. The biggest portion of the respondents' occupation was an employee (34%). This consist of respondents who work as government officer or private worker such as lawyer and consultant. A further 25 (28%) were entrepreneur, 19 (21%) were housewife, 10 (11%) were

non-permanent job, while 5 (6%) were unemployed such as student and jobless.

Almost half of the respondents are having income less than Rp. 750.000 (43%) which is less than minimum wage for Yogyakarta Province. About 36% of the total respondents have income ranged from Rp. 750,000 – Rp. 1,500,000 and 21% of respondents have income more than Rp. 1,500,000.

Most of respondents in Code Area have their own houses (87%). House from their ancestral is included on this category. The figure indicates that only 13% of the total of 90 respondents is living in a rent house. Most of respondents has been living in Code Area for 31 – 45 years (30%), 46 – 60 years (23%), less than 15 years (20%), 15 – 30 years (19%) and over 60 years (8%).

Bell, [2007] indicated that experience was the most influential factor in shaping the perception and (mitigative) behavior. From people's experience, we can obtain information about : the date, frequency, and the depth of flood event. Based on interviews, more than 50% of the respondents did not have an experience with the flood. Spatial distribution of historical inundation are shown at Figure 3.

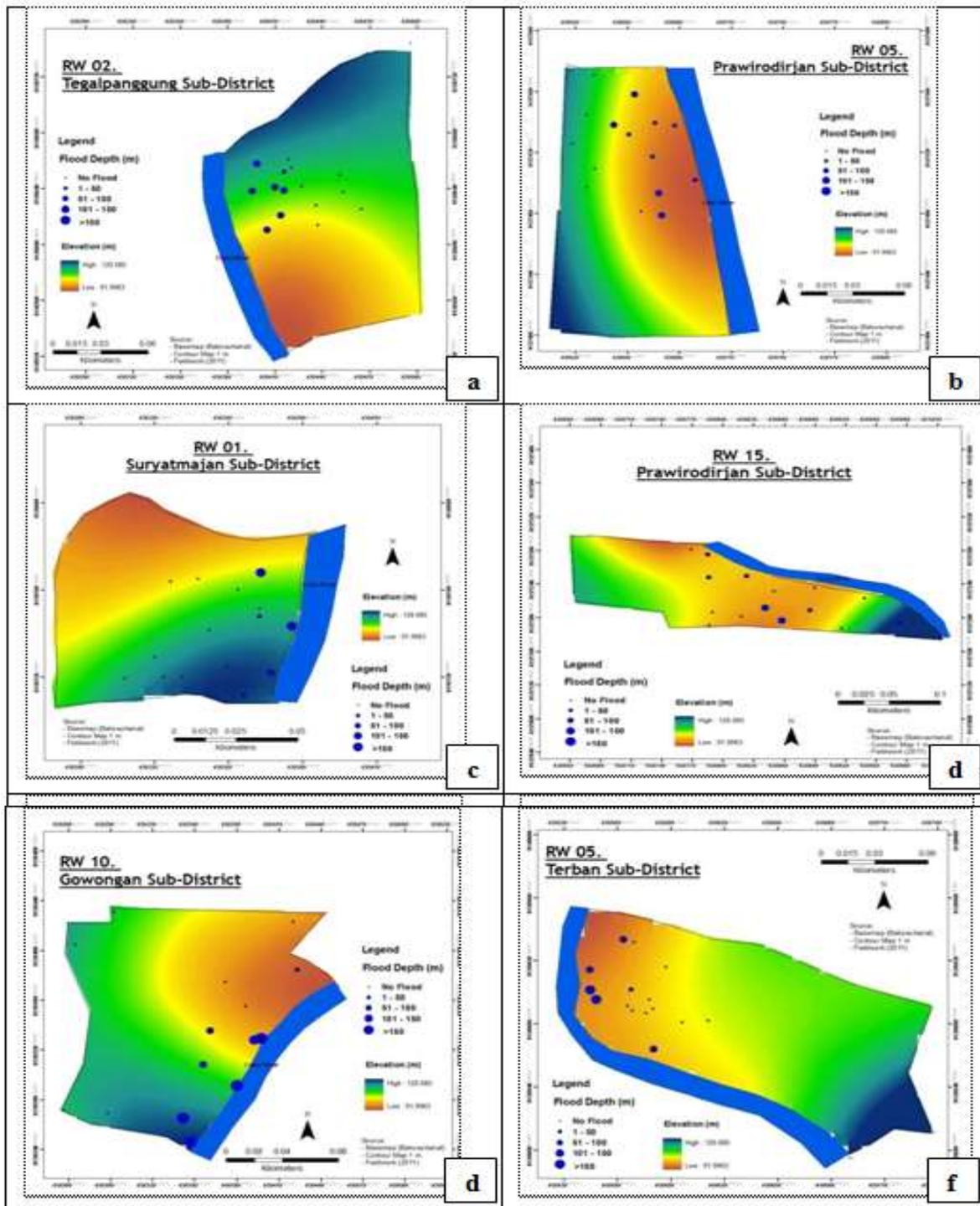


Figure 3. Spatial distribution of historical inundation at a). RW 2, Kel. Tegalpanggung, b). RW 5, Kel. Prawirodirjan, c). RW 1, Kel. Suryatmajan, d). RW 15, Kel. Prawirodirjan, e). RW 10, Kel. Gowongan, f). RW 5, Kel. Terban.

The classification of impact severity was based on flood depth and evacuation. Flood duration is not used as a factor to determine the level of impact severity because flood in this area

was happened no longer than 5 hours. Spatial distribution of impact level of flood are shown at (Figure 4).

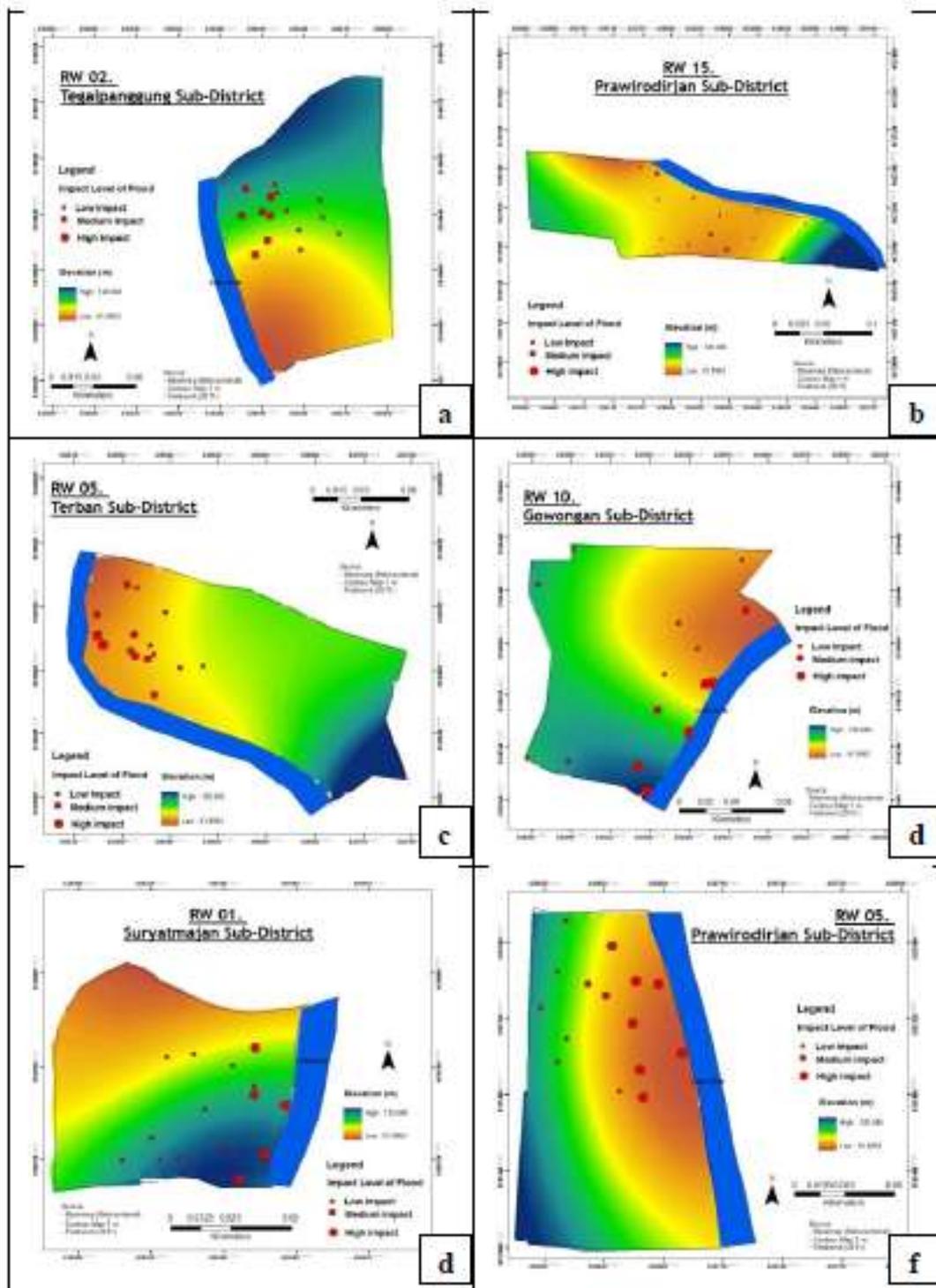


Figure 4. Spatial distribution of impact level of flood at a). RW 2, Kel. Tegalpanggung, b). RW 5, Kel. Prawirodirjan, c). RW 5, Kel. Terban, d). RW 10, Kel. Gowongan, e). RW 1, Kel. Suryatmajan, f). RW 15, Kel. Prawirodirjan.

Cognitive factors was measured using people knowledge about factors believed to contribute to flooding at Code River. The answers of the questions than grouped into four categories of flood causal factor: excessive rainfall at the upper part of

Code River, infrastructure, garbage, and river aggradation (Figure 5). Infrastructure include the following: bad drainage system and river dike. Meanwhile, river aggradation is related with the effect of lahar flood from Mt. Merapi in 2010.

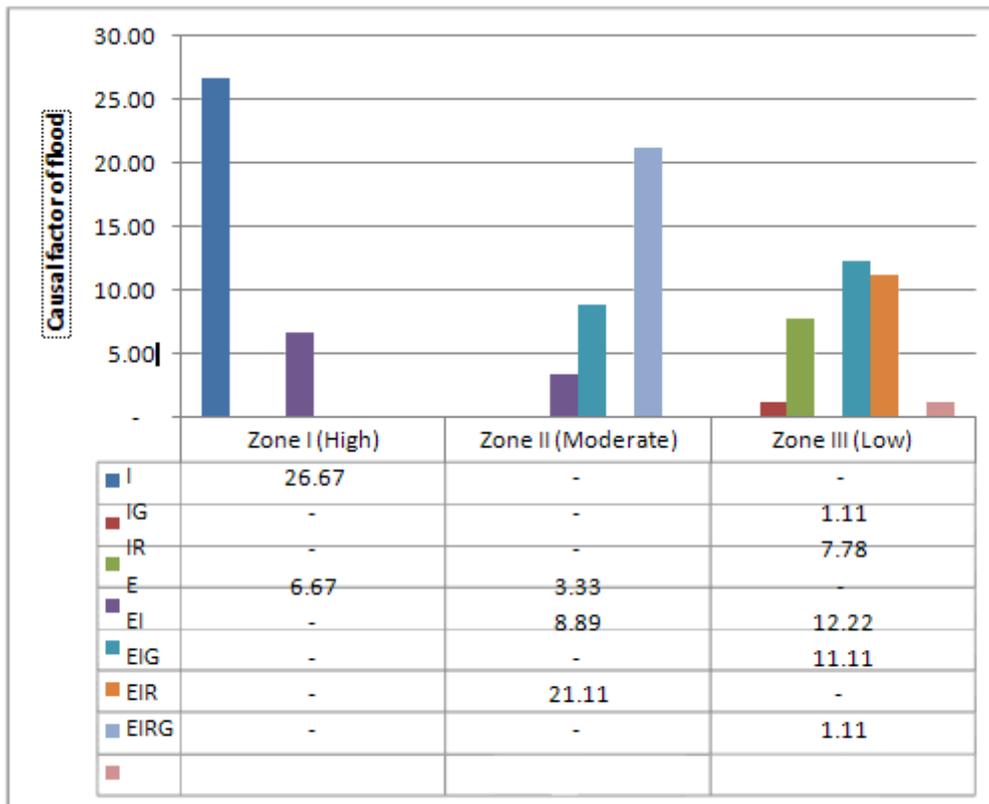


Figure 5. Causal factors of flood on Code River. I=Infrastructure, G=Garbage, R=River aggradation, E=Excessive rainfall at the upper course of Code River.

Infrastructure is considered to be the main factors causing the flood in Zone I (RW 2, Tegalpanggung and RW 5, Prawirodirjan Sub districts). Respondents at this area stated that bad drainage system gives prominent contribution of flooding event which happened at their environment.

People Perception Of Flood Risk

The flood risk perception were measured based on the perception of threat or perception of future flooding. Figure 6 indicates that 47% of the respondents living in Zone I (high risk) have high perception of threat. Meanwhile, most of the respondents in Zone II (moderate risk) perceive that their area is having low level of flood threat with 47% of the respondents. Interesting result is showed in Zone III (low risk), the percentage of respondents who have a perception of high level and low level of flood threat

is almost the same. As many as 50% of respondents have low perception of flood threat in the future, and 40 % of respondents stated that their area is having a high level of flood threat. Overall, the variation of flood risk perception for each level of risk (low risk, medium risk, high risk) among three zones is not too different. This analysis is reinforced through the chi-square test which showed that the difference in perception of threat within the zone categories was not statistically significant ($\chi^2=; 3.788$ $df =4;$ $p=.436$). Probability (p)>0.05 means that there is no differences between the people risk perception in zone I and people risk perception in zone II and III. Figure 5. Shows Causal factors of flood on Code River. I=Infrastructure, G=Garbage, R=River aggradation, E=Excessive rainfall at the upper course of Code River.

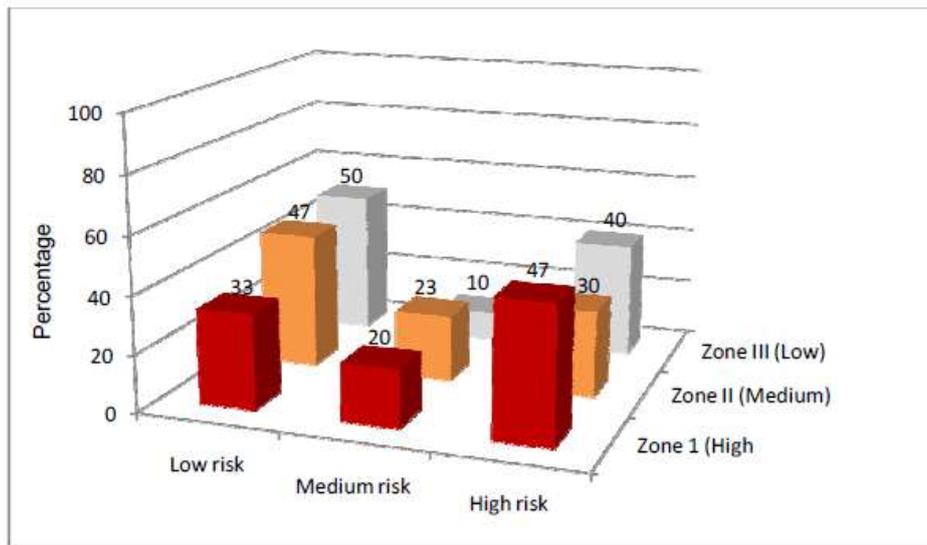


Figure 6. Comparison of flood risk perception among different zones

The Relationship Between Contributing Factors and Flood Risk Perception

To identify the relationship between contributing factors and flood risk

perception. Binary logistic regression was applied on flood risk perception for all samples. The results of the regression analysis are summarized in Table 2.

Table 2. Regression coefficients and p values (in parentheses). Asterisks indicate significance.

Predictor variables	Dependent variables (Perception of Threat)
Age	.132 (.785)
Gender	-1.989* (.019)
Education	.393 (.326)
Occupation	-.366 (.278)
Income	-.910 (.054)
Building ownership	-.852 (.368)
Length of Stay	-1.022* (.011)
RW's risk level	-1.255* (.007)
Distance between respondents' house and river	-.605* (.025)
Number of Flood	1.298 (.167)
Knowledge related to causal factors of flood	(.055)
Impact level of flood	.765 1.547* (.009)

*p≤0.05

Findings from this study indicated that five predictor variables have a relationship with the variation of flood risk perception (p<.05). Four of them

have negative correlation: gender, length of stay, RW's risk level, distance between respondents' house and river, and only variable of impact level of flood

which has positively correlated with perception of threat.

Gender is shown to have a significant causal relationship with perception of threat. That is, the female respondents perceived a higher degree of threat perception in relation to flood rather than male respondents. Decreasing perception of risk with length of stay is arising. People with longer time of stay in this area perceived a lower degree of threat perception. The explanation for this is that older people have more experience and they consider that flood is usual event when living on the riverbank. The respondents are not totally agree with the stamp of their RWs' status. This is proved by the negative correlation

between RW's risk level with the flood risk perception. Respondent who lives in RW which assigned with low risk area perceived high level degree of flood risk or vice versa. Distance between respondents' house and the river has a negative correlation with risk perception. The closer distance between house and the river, the higher people perceived the level of flood risk. Finally, impact level of flood appeared to be positively related to perception of threat. The higher impact of flood the respondents had, the higher they perceived the level of flood threat. The final model of relationship between contributing factors and perception of threat described in Table 3.

Tabel 3. Logistic Regression for Low-High Flood Risk

Model Utility	% correct categorization			Model	Beta	Exp
NR ²	Low Risk	High Risk	All	Predictor variables		
.549	76.9	80.4	78.9	Gender	-1.989	.137
				Length of sty	-1.022	.360
				RW's risk level	-1.255	.285
				Distance between respondent's house and river	-.605	.546
				Impact level of flood	1.574	4.696
				constant	8.322	4114.523

*p<0.05

The model shows Nagelkerke R Square was .549 for a whole sample. This means variability of outcome variable, flood risk perception, which could be influenced by predictor variables were 54.9%. The rest 45.1% was influenced by other variables outside the research. 76.9% respondents with low risk perception of future flooding were classified correctly. Meanwhile, 80.4% respondents with high risk perception of future were correctly classified.

Household and Community Coping Mechanism

The discussion of coping mechanism at the household and community levels will be separated into four types of

coping mechanism as proposed by Twigg [2004]: technology, economy, social, and cultural. To make better understanding related with application time for each type of coping mechanism, the discussion will be divided into three different stage of flood: before, during and after floods. Cultural coping mechanism will be discussed separately. Table 6.1, shows the type of coping mechanism applied by household and community along the Code riverbank. The cross tabulation between zone (RW's risk level and type of coping mechanism shows that technological coping mechanism is dominant rather than the other types (economical and social, see Table 4.)

Table 4. Household and community coping mechanism

TECHNOLOGICAL/ STRUCTURAL	ECONOMIC	SOCIAL
BEFORE FLOODING		
1. Build a ceiling platform to store valuable properties and food	1. Build a ceiling platform to store valuable properties and food	1. Discuss the best action to protect the community from flood**
2. Build a second floor	2. Build a second floor	2. Check the water level in Boyong and Code River**
3. Changing floor from cements into ceramics	3. Changing floor from cements into ceramics	3. Sharing flood information obtained from monitoring post**
4. Build door protection from concrete materials	4. Build door protection from concrete materials	4. Night patrol**
5. Strengthen house's foundation	5. Fixing damage in the house	
6. Raising the house	6. Fixing damage appliances	
7. Move house property and valuable things in the higher place (second floor or in the top of shelf)	7. Borrowing money from bank or relatives	
8. Keep clothes and valuable things in the plastic bag or container	8. Planting vegetables	
9. Placing properties in relative's or neighbor's house	9. Build water depth measurement**	
10. Build water depth measurement**	10. Raising the river embankment**	
11. Raising the river embankment**	11. Repairing/raising the drainage canal**	
12. Repairing/raising the drainage canal**	12. Equipping drainage canal with filter**	
13. Equipping drainage canal with filter**		
DURING FLOODING		
1. Put water barrier in front of the house by using sand bags or planks of wood		1. Evacuate the elderly, children, and women
2. Put water barrier behind the door using fabric or plastic		2. Stay at safer place (evacuation shelter /neighbors/relatives)
3. Save the important documents		3. Guard the house or the community from outsider while the hosts were staying at the evacuation shelter
IMMEDIATE POST – FLOOD		
1. Cleaning the house and the property	1. Fixing damage in the house	1. Cleaning the river channel and drainage system**
2. Fixing damage in the house	2. Fixing damage appliances	2. Cleaning the neighborhood **
3. Fixing damage appliances	3. Built new MCK**	
4. Built new MCK**		

** : done by the community

Table 5. Cross tabulation of zone (RW's risk level) and type of coping mechanism

Zone	Technology		Economy		Social	
	Yes (%)	No (%)	Yes (%)	No (%)	Yes (%)	No (%)
I (High)	25,6	7,8	12,2	21,1	18,9	14,4
II (Moderate)	18,9	14,4	7,8	25,6	12,2	21,1
III (Low)	22,2	11,1	15,6	17,8	21,1	12,2
% of Total	66,7	33,3	35,6	64,4	52,2	47,8

It can be concluded that the most common type of coping mechanism applied by the community is technology. As shown in Table 5, the percentage of technological/structural coping mechanism is relatively higher (66,7%) comparing to economical coping mechanism (35,6%) and social coping mechanism (47,8%). Of the total of 66,7% of technological coping mechanism employed by the community, people living in the high risk zone of flood has the highest proportion (25,6%) and only about 18,9% of people who live in moderate risk zone of flood tend to employ technological coping mechanism such as strengtning or modifying the house. Of the total 35,6% of economical coping mechanism, 15,6% is people living in the low risk zone of flood, 12,2% of high risk zone of flood,

and 7,8% of people living in moderate risk zone of flood. Of the total of 47,8% of social coping mechanism, similar with economical coping mechanism, the highest proportion of people who applied the social coping mechanism is people who lived in the low risk zone area, which is 21,1% , followed by high risk zone of flood (18,9%) and moderate risk zone of flood (12,2%).

In order to identify the dominant type of coping mechanism for each zone, the number of responses for each coping mechanism were ranked from the most applied to the least applied at the household level. Table 6, Table 7 and Table 8 present the household's coping mechanism before, during, and post-immediate flooding respectively.

Table 6. Households' coping mechanism before flooding

Coping mechanism applied	Zone I (High) *		Zone II (Moderate) *		Zone III (Low)*	
	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank
Build a ceiling platform to store valuable properties and food	2	8	1	8	1	11
Build a second floor	0	11	0	9	2	8
Changing floor from cements into ceramics	1	9	0	10	3	7
Build door protection from concrete materials	5	5	2	6	2	9
Strengthen house's foundation	0	12	1	7	1	
Raising the house or its foundation	2	6	3	5	7	4
Move house property and valuable things in the higher place (second floor or in the top of shelf)	12	2	6	4	11	3
Keep clothes and valuable things in the plastic bag or container	19	1	12	2	16	1

Continue Table 6.

Placing properties in relative’s or neighbor’s house	7	4	8	3	4	6
Borrowing money from bank or relatives	2	7	0	12	5	5
Planting vegetables	0	10	0	11	1	10
Do nothing	11	3	18	1	14	2

NoR = Number of responses, * : (N = 30 Respondents)

The most common coping mechanism applied by the households living in the zone I and III before flooding is keep clothes and valuable things in the

plastic bags or container. Meanwhile, most of the households living in the zone II is done nothing in order to prepare themselves from flooding.

Table 7. Households’ coping mechanism during flooding

Coping mechanism applied	Zone I (High) *		Zone II (Moderate) *		Zone III (Low)*	
	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank
Stay at safer place (evacuation shelter/neighbors/relatives)	16	1	14	1	17	1
Put water barrier in front of the door by using sand bags, planks of wood, fabric or plastics	15	2	14	2	15	2
Save the important documents	14	3	11	3	15	3
Do nothing	10	4	9	4	9	4
Guard the house or the community from outsider while the hosts were staying at the evacuation shelter	7	5	5	5	6	5

NoR = Number of responses, * : (N = 30 Respondents)

During flooding, the households at all zones preferred to stay at safer place such as evacuation shelter or relatives’ houses. To put the water barrier in front

of the door is the most common coping mechanism applied by the households living in all zones.

Table 8. Households’ coping mechanism post-immediate flooding

Coping mechanism applied	Zone I (High) *		Zone II (Moderate) *		Zone III (Low)*	
	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank	NoR	Rank
Cleaning the house and the property	16	1	16	1	14	1
Fixing the damage (house and its appliances)	0	3	0	3	2	4
Rent a house or room	0	4	0	4	3	3
Do nothing	14	2	14	2	16	2

NoR = Number of responses, * : (N = 30 Respondents)

Cleaning the house and the property is the most common activities post-immediate flooding at all zones.

Contributing factors influence on coping mechanism

To identify the relationship between contributing factors and certain coping

mechanism (technology, economy, social). Binary logistic regression was applied on coping mechanism behavior for all samples. Cultural coping mechanism

does not include in the analysis process. The results of the regression analysis are summarized in Table 9.

Table 9. Regression coefficients and p values (in parentheses). Asterisks indicate significance.

1. Technology	
Predictor variables	Dependent variables (Perception of Threat)
Length of Stay	-.860* (.035)
Number of Flood	2.997* (.014)
Impact level of flood	1.305* (.020)
2. Ekonomi	
Predictor variables	Dependent variables (Perception of Threat)
Distance between respondents house and river	-.793* (.014)
Impact level of flood	1.078* (.026)
3. Social	
Predictor variables	Dependent variables (Perception of Threat)
Impact level of flood	(.000)

*p≤0.05

The result of the regression analysis are shown as follows:

- Technological coping mechanism is influenced by three variables: length of stay, number of flood, and impact level of flood.
- Economical coping mechanism is influenced by distance between respondents' house and river and the impact level of flood.
- Social coping mechanism is only influenced by impact level of flood.

Relationship between risk perception and coping mechanism

- In this research, it is assumed that risk perception influences people's attitude's to risk. To prove this, regression analysis between risk perception and coping mechanism was done. The results from regression analysis are described in Table 10.

Table 10. Regression coefficients and p values (in parentheses). Asterisks indicate significance.

	Technology	Economy	Social
Perception of Threat	2.201* (.000)	2.035* (.000)	1.594* (.001)

The result above indicated that perception of threat has a significant correlation with all type of coping mechanism. In the case of flood risk perception of people living in Code area, it can be concluded that the way they apply some type of coping mechanism is strongly effected by the way they perceived of flood threat in their area.

Local government mitigation plan

To response the flood in the city after Mt. Merapi eruption in 2010, local authorities of Yogyakarta Municipality has developed and applied mitigation activities to cope with the flood. This actions are included structural and non-structural measurement as shown in Table 11.

Table 11. Strucutural and non structural measurement

Structural	Reparing sabo dam Raising river dike Strengtening river embakment
Non Struktural	EWWS Preparing evacuation site Evacuation drill

CONCLUSION

1. There is no difference of risk perception among people within three different zones of flood risk in Code Riverbank. The result of Chi-square test was not statistically significant with $(p) > 0,05$ which means there is no differences between the people risk perception in zone I (RW 2, Tegalpanggung and RW 5, Prawirodirjan Subdistricts) and people risk perception in zone II (RW1, Suryatmajan and RW 15, Prawirodirjan Subdistricts) and III (RW 5, Terban and RW 10, Gowongan Subdistricts).
2. The flood risk perceptions of people living in Code area are influenced by these factors: gender, length of stay, RW's risk level, distance between respondents' house and river and impact level of flood.
3. Most of the social-economic factors tested in this study show little to no significant influence on risk perception. Only gender and length of stay are the only variables of social-economic characteristic which play a role of the variability of people perception towards flood risk.

Economic factors do not seem to play a significant role in risk perception. Both income and home ownership have no influence on risk perception.

4. There are four type of coping mechanism employed by the local community at Code Area: technological, economical, social and cultural coping mechanism. Generally, all the six RW at three different zones applied the same coping strategy. In fact, technological coping mechanism is the most prominent among all RW at all zones.
5. Meanwhile, the influencing factors to select the coping mechanism at households level are explored through binary logistic regression. The result of the regression analysis are shown as follows:
 - Technological coping mechanism is influenced by three variables: length of stay, number of flood, and impact level of flood.
 - Economical coping mechanism is influenced by distance between respondents' house and river and the impactlevel of flood.

- Social coping mechanism is only influenced by impact level of flood.
- Another findings from the analysis, the perception of threat has a significant correlation with all type of coping mechanism. In the case of flood risk perception of people living in Code area, it can be concluded that the way they apply some type of coping mechanism is strongly effected by the way they perceived of flood threat in their area.
- To reduce the impact of flood in Code River, local government has been done some structural and non-structural measurements. Structural measurements consist of repairing sabo dam at the upper part of the river, raising river dike and strengthening the river embankment. Non structural measurements including the developing of early warning system called EWWS (early wireless warning system), preparing evacuation site, and held evacuation drill to increase people's knowledge to encounter of flood threat.

RECOMMENDATION

1. For further study, people knowledge related with the characteristics of lahars flood and localized (urban) flood should be more explored during the interview. This will give a chance to explore about the difference of people's attitude when dealing between lahars flood and localized (urban) flood in Code Area.
3. People risk perception can be

assessed through many contributing factors. Trust with the institution or protective measurements can be used as the predictor variables for assessing the risk perception. Information infrastructure which gives the description about the River condition is also important factors for assessing people risk perception.

4. To get more precise data about the flood history in the study area, *FGD* (Forum Discussion Group) can be employed in order to get a better description about the flood event such as the boundary of the inundation, the date, the main causal factors, and how the community cope with the situation.

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