



***Asian Center  
for  
Environmental Health***  
**Building Asian Network**

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# What is Asian Center

- Asian Center for Environmental Health-
- \* Founded by ESDO and World Alliance for Mercury-Free Dentistry (WAMFD) on 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2013;
- \* Serves the whole entire Asia-Pacific Region;
- \* Works with, and welcomes input from, international agencies, national and local governments, academic institutions, and the breadth of civil society

# Major Objectives of Asian Center

The Center is steadfast with the aim for-

- ❖ Efforts and support for ratification and implementation of “Minamata Convention on Mercury”
- ❖ Set immediate priority on stopping the use of mercury amalgam specially in treating children and women of childbearing age.

# Asian Center

**Currently  
working  
on  
initiatives:**

- Phase out dental mercury amalgam focusing on its lurking threats on Human Health & Environment

# Asian Network



1. Bangladesh- headquarters of Asian Center



2. India- Toxics Link & Orissa State Volunteers and Social Workers Association (OSVSWA)



3. Nepal- Center for Public Health and Environmental Development (CEPHED)



4. Pakistan- Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)



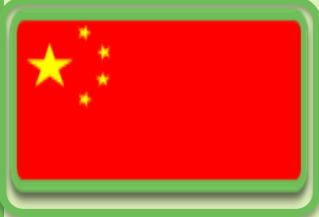
5. Sri Lanka- Centre for Environmental Justice (CEJ)



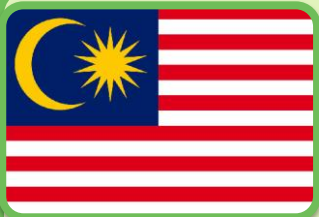
6. Viet Nam - Center for Community Health and Injury Prevention (CCHIP)



7. Philippines: BAN Toxics



8. China: All China Environment Federation (ACEF)



9. Malaysia: Consumers Association of Penang (CAP)



10. Indonesia: BaliFokus

# Recent Interventions, 2019

## Meeting on Mercury-Free Dentistry at CAP Library, Pinang, Malaysia



# High level meeting with Ministry of Health, Vietnam.





**President of World Alliance and Director of Asian  
Cntr visited the Ho Chi Minh Odonto-Maxillo-Facial  
Hospital  
(First AMALGAM – FREE HOSPITAL IN  
VIETNAM)**



**Dr. Shahriar Hossain, Secretary General  
of ESDO and Executive Vice President of  
World Alliance attending a round table  
discussion organized by Centre for  
Environmental Justice -CEJ at Sri  
Lanka**



# Meeting with Minamata focal person and director HS of Ministry of Environment, Indonesia



# Participation in Asia-Pacific Regional Preparatory Meeting for the Third Meeting the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury



# Things Asian Center Seeks For....

Voluntary  
Approach  
from  
Dentists/Ins  
titutions to  
stop using  
amalgam;

Government should  
act to promote  
Alternatives and  
implement  
regulations to stop  
using amalgam in  
practice;

Declare the  
country as an  
Amalgam  
free country;

Create Mass  
Awareness with  
help of Asian  
Center among  
general people;

Approach for  
alternative curriculum  
for all dental  
institutions including  
educational centers;