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15 January 2020

DAY 1

08.30 – 10.45	Inaugural Session
10.45 – 11.15	Refreshments

Sub-Theme 1

Coherence and inclusion: Enhancing the implementation of coherence between the global frameworks through inclusive resilience

The first Sub-Theme will focus on translating the global commitments towards inclusive approaches to building resilience into action, such as recognizing the indispensable role of disproportionately affected at-risk groups, including women, displaced people, persons with disabilities, elderly, and children in DRR.

<p>11.15 – 12.30</p> <p>Session 2: Milestones on achieving coherence in RCC countries</p> <p>RCC Host Country and the Secretariat will share the milestones and achievements of RCC member countries made in the implementation of the global agendas. The session will also highlight challenges and areas for support at the country level in enhancing the implementation of the global frameworks.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Mr. Prem Kumar Rai, <i>Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Nepal</i></p>	<p>11.15 – 11.25 Introduction of participants and delegates of the 15th RCC</p> <p>11.25 – 11.30 Overview of the session</p> <p>11.30 – 11.50 Host country presentation: DRR and resilience in Thailand <i>Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, Thailand</i></p> <p>11.50 – 12.10 Implementation of the Kathmandu Statement on “Policies and practices for coherence between global frameworks” <i>Mr. Aslam Perwaiz</i> <i>Deputy Executive Director, ADPC</i></p> <p>12.10 – 12.15 Wrap-up</p> <p>12.15 – 12.30 Announcement of iPrepare competition winners</p>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch

13.30 – 15.00**Session 3: Special session on achieving Target E by 2020**

Countries and observers will share their milestones and achievements made in the implementation of the global agendas. Countries and observers will also highlight their challenges and concrete area for support at the national level in enhancing the implementation of the global frameworks.

Chair:

Lt. General Muhammad Afzal
*Chairman
 National Disaster Management
 Authority, Pakistan*

Co-chair:

Ms. Ermelinda Pires
*Chief, Emergency Response
 Department,
 National Directorate of Disaster
 Risk Management
 Ministry of Social Solidarity,
 Timor Leste*

13.30 – 13.40**Overview of the current status of Target E in Asia and the Pacific**

*Ms. Loretta Hieber Girardet,
 Chief, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction,
 Regional Office for Asia and Pacific*

13.40 – 13.50**Achieving coherence under Target E: Experiences from Pakistan**

*Lt. General Muhammad Afzal
 Chairman, National Disaster Management Authority,
 Pakistan*

13.50 – 14.00**Efforts of local governments in adopting and implementing local DRR strategies in line with national strategies: Experiences from Bangladesh**

*Mr. Shah Kamal
 Senior Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and
 Relief, Bangladesh*

14.00 – 14.05**Q&A****14.05 – 14.15****Sendai framework-compliant national DRR strategies: Progress and experiences from the Philippines**

*USec. Ricardo B. Jalad
 Administrator, Office of the Civil Defense and Executive
 Director, National Disaster Risk Reduction and
 Management Council, Philippines*

14.15 – 14.25**Achieving sub-national level coherence in the Philippines**

*Ms. Thelma T. Vecina
 Executive Director, Department of Interior and Local
 Government, Philippines*

14.25 – 14.35**DRR at sub-national and local level in Mongolia**

*Col. Ariunaa Chadraabal
 Head of Foreign Cooperation Division, National
 Emergency Management Agency, Mongolia*



	<p>14.35 – 14.45 Overview of gender and inclusion in DRR strategies and policies in Asia and the Pacific <i>Ms. Maria Holtsberg,</i> <i>Adviser, UNWomen, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific</i></p> <p>14.45 – 15.00 Q&A</p>
<p>15.00 – 15.15</p>	<p>Refreshments</p>
<p>15.15 – 17.30</p> <p>Session 4: Integrated and inclusive solutions towards coherence</p> <p>This session will look into conducting a working group session on challenges and ways forward on promoting and supporting integrated and inclusive solutions towards the coherence of global frameworks. This session will also highlight good practices on integrated and inclusive solutions within the working groups which contribute to the coherence of the global frameworks</p> <p>Chair: Maj. General Sudantha Ranasinghe <i>Director General,</i> <i>Ministry of Defence,</i> <i>Sri Lanka</i></p> <p>Co-Chair: Ms. Taheeni Thammagoda <i>Head, ECHO Regional Office for Asia and Pacific</i></p>	<p>15.15 – 15.20 Introduction and expectations of the working group session</p> <p>15.20 – 16.50 Working group discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender equality (UNWomen/GSHG) • Children and youth (Save the Children/NCDM Cambodia) • Persons with disabilities (IFRC) • Indigenous peoples (UN Environment) • Displaced persons (IOM) <p>16.50 – 17.20 Sharing of discussion outputs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gender equality (UNWomen/GSHG) • Children and youth (Save the Children/NCDM Cambodia) • Persons with disabilities (IFRC) • Indigenous peoples (UN Environment) • Displaced persons (IOM) <p>17.20 – 17.30 Wrap-up</p>
<p>18.45 – 22.00</p>	<p>Dinner</p>

Sub-Theme 2

Building Resilience Through Inclusive and Rights-based Approaches

This session will seek to build the momentum of the discussions and the promotion of rights-based approaches in DRR and Climate Resilience, and identify practical integration of rights-based approaches in the context of building inclusive and sustainable resilience.

09.00 – 10.45

Session 5: Ensuring rights-based approaches towards effective implementation of DRR and CR

This session will look towards highlighting perspectives, obstacles, practical integration by RCC member countries, development partners, including UN Agencies, CSOs and NGOs, academe, regional organizations and the private sectors in the four identified elements of rights-based approaches in DRR. This session will also generate recommendations towards promoting and enhancing rights-based approaches in DRR and CCA in Asia and the Pacific

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USec. Ricardo B. Jalad
 Administrator, Office of the Civil
 Defense and
 Executive Director
 National Disaster Risk Reduction
 and Management Council,
 Philippines

09.00 – 09.10

Summary of Day 1

09.10 – 09.20

Overview of Sub-theme 2: Building resilience through inclusive and rights-based approaches

*Mr. Matthew Scott,
 Senior Researcher, Team Leader, Raoul Wallenberg
 Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI)*

09.20 – 09.40

Research highlights and findings on rights-based approaches in preparedness for response through the Asian Preparedness Partnership

*Mr. Niall O'Connor
 Asia Centre Director, Stockholm Environment Institute*

09.40 – 10.40

Plenary Discussion: What does it mean to have a rights-based approach towards building resilience?

Panel Co-moderators: RWI and MSB

Panel Members:

- *Hon. Roberto Eugenio T. Cadiz, Focal Commissioner for the Center for Crisis, Conflict, and Humanitarian Protection, Philippines Human Rights Commission*
- *Mayor Victorio Palangdan, Municipality of Itogon, Benguet Province, Philippines*
- *Ms. Ammarah Mubarak, Regional Emergency and Post-Crisis Specialist, Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, International Organization for Migration*
- *Ms. Inkar Kadyrzhanova, Regional Adviser on Gender and Climate Change, UNWomen*
- *Mr. Suresh Thapa, National Disaster Risk Reduction Centre, Nepal*



Co-Chair 10.40 – 10.45
Wrap-up

Mr. Oevong Keobounavong
*Director of Disaster Prevention
and Risk Reduction Division
Social Welfare Department,
Ministry of Labour and Social
Welfare,
Lao PDR*

10.40 – 11.00 **Refreshment**

Sub-Theme 3

Data for Resilience

One of the key challenges towards resilience denotes the lack of quality data and information across a wide range of indicators. Stating that there is a need for higher-resolution and local-scale data, as resilience-building planning processes and activities are usually implemented at a local level. With the global frameworks' strong emphasis on the need for disaggregated data, including sex, age, and disability, countries require capacity development related to its collection, analysis and application. This session looks at the Sendai Framework Monitoring, and data ecosystems for resilience and sustainability.

11.00 – 12.00

Session 6: The Sendai Framework Monitoring – identifying progress, challenges, and opportunities in enhancing the monitoring mechanism in Asia and the Pacific

The progress of RCC member countries in reporting to the Sendai Framework Monitor (SFM) varies due to the capacities, availability, sources, and quality of existing data. This session is dedicated for RCC member countries to share experiences, challenges, progress, and practices on the SFM. RCC member countries will share their progress and milestones on reporting to the SFM, and share their needs, challenges, and ways forward to ensure the sustainability and utility of the SFM.

11.00 – 11.10

Status of the Sendai Framework Monitoring in Asia and the Pacific

*Mr. Timothy Wilcox
Program Management Officer, United Nations Office
for Disaster Risk Reduction, Regional Office for Asia and
Pacific*

11.10 – 11.20

Enhancing disaster related statistics in Asia and the Pacific

*Ms. Tiziana Bonapace
Director, Information and Communications Technology
and Disaster Risk Reduction Division, United Nations
Economic and Social Commission for Asia and Pacific*

11.20 – 11.30

Enhancing Sendai Framework Monitoring in Bhutan

*Mr. Tshering Wangchuk, Programme Officer,
Preparedness and Response Division, Department of
Disaster Management, MoHCA*

Chair: 11.30 – 11.40

Hon. Sonam Topgay
Honorable Secretary, Ministry of Home and Cultural Affairs, Bhutan

Collection, analysis, and utility of disaster loss and damages data in Timor Leste

Ms. Ermelinda Pires
Chief, Emergency Response Department, National Directorate of Disaster Risk Management, Ministry of Social Solidarity, Timor Leste

Co-Chair:

Colonel Ariunaa Chadraabal
Head of Foreign Cooperation Division, National Emergency Management Agency, Mongolia

11.40 – 11.50

Improved effectiveness of Sendai Framework Monitoring through inter-agency collaboration

Mr. Yin Guanghui,
Deputy Director General, Ministry of Emergency Management, P.R. China

11.50 – 12.00

Monitoring the availability of and access to multi-hazard early warning systems and disaster risk information and assessments by 2030 under the Sendai Framework Monitoring

Dr. Ko Ko Naing
Director General, Department of Disaster Management, Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, Myanmar

12.00 – 13.30

Lunch

13.30 – 15.15

Session 7: Data ecosystems for resilience and sustainability: effective and efficient decision-making towards resilience through inclusive and coherent data

This session is focused on discussing the importance of mapping, big data, and machine learning to improve decision-making towards building inclusive resilience. This session will showcase practices, challenges, and innovative approaches in utilizing data for efficient and effective DRR and CR measures.

13.30 – 13.45

UNDP's Data Ecosystems Mapping for Resilience

Mr. Sanny Jegillos
Senior Adviser, United Nations Development Program, Regional Office for and the Asia Pacific

13.45 – 14.00

Views from the Frontline: Bridging the gap between national and local level monitoring of the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

Mr. Bijay Kumar
Executive Director, Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Disaster Reduction

14.00 – 14.15

Disaster loss and damages data: Experiences from the Western Balkans

Ms. Marielle Petterson
Programme Officer, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency



Chair: 14.15 – 14.30

Hon. Dr. Md. Enamur Rahman
*Member of Parliament,
Honorable State Minister
Ministry of Disaster Management
and Relief
Government of the People's
Republic of Bangladesh*

Space-based data for disaster resilience in Asia
*Dr. Peeranan Towashiraporn
Director, Geospatial Information, Asian Disaster
Preparedness Center*

14.30 – 14.45

Big Data Analytics for Natural Disaster Management in Malaysia

*Mr. Mohd Rajiun bin Abu Bakar
Director of Policy and Planning, National Disaster
Management Agency, Prime Minister's Department,
Malaysia*

Co-chair:

Mr. Stephan Huppertz
*Regional Coordinator, Asia
Global Initiative on Disaster Risk
Management*

14.45 – 15.15

Q&A and wrap-up

15.15-15.30

Refreshments

Sub-Theme 4

Building Resilience in Fragile Contexts

The linkages between disasters and conflict in the context of Asia and the Pacific need to be understood in order to identify strategies which can reduce the vulnerability to both stresses. The 15th RCC provides a platform for member countries, development partners and donors, practitioners, and academe to increase the momentum of discussing and sharing knowledge on disasters and conflict in Asia and the Pacific.

15.30 – 17.00

Session 8: Disasters and conflict in Asia and the Pacific

This session attempts to understand the relationship between disasters and conflicts in the context of Asia and the Pacific. Participants will share their experiences, perspectives, and the challenges towards identifying common solutions on disasters and conflict. This session will look to enhance the linkages, identify entry points, and find ways to integrating DRR in different fragile contexts under the RCC mechanism.

15.30 – 15.45

The context of disasters and conflict in Asia and the Pacific

*Ms. Katie Peters
Senior Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute*

15.45 – 16.00

Taking on a holistic approach to addressing overlaps between disaster and conflict risks – Experiences from Afghanistan

*Mr. Mohammad Qasim Haidari
Deputy Minister of Policy, Coordination and Planning,
State Ministry for Disaster Management and
Humanitarian Affairs, Afghanistan National Disaster
Management Authority, Afghanistan*

Chair: 16.00 – 16.15

Mr. Umar Fikry
*Deputy Chief Executive
 National Disaster Management
 Authority, Maldives*

Identifying entry points for integration of rights-based and inclusive approaches in disaster and conflict-affected areas

*Hon. Roberto Eugenio T. Cadiz
 Focal Commissioner for the Center for Crisis, Conflict,
 and Humanitarian Protection, Commission on Human
 Rights of the Philippines*

Co-Chair:

Ms. Amy Holt Martin
*Head of Office
 United Nations Office for the
 Coordination of Humanitarian
 Affairs, Regional Office in Bangkok*

16.15 – 17.00

Plenary discussion on linkages and entry points for integrating DRR and conflict prevention

Moderator: Ms. Katie Peters, ODI Panel

Members:

- *Hon. Roberto Eugenio T. Cadiz, Commission on Human Rights of the Philippines*
- *Mr. Ahmad Reshad Aziz, Head of Staff, State Ministry for Disaster Management and Humanitarian Affairs, Afghanistan National Disaster Management Authority*
- *Mr. Surya Narayan Shrestha, Executive Director, National Society for Earthquake Technology-Nepal*
- *Ms. Lisa Guppy, Regional Coordinator for Disasters and Conflicts, UN Environment Programme*

18.00 – 21.00**Dinner**



17 January 2020

DAY 3

<p>09.00 – 10.30</p> <p>Session 9: The Sendai Framework and Conflict Prevention</p> <p>This session looks to discuss ways on how countries in Asia and the Pacific can potentially maximize the utility of the Sendai Framework as a mechanism towards conflict prevention through its inclusive processes.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Ms. Loretta Hieber Girardet <i>Chief, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction</i></p>	<p>09.00 – 09.15 Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction as a vehicle for conflict mitigation? <i>Ms. Katie Peters</i> <i>Senior Research Fellow, Overseas Development Institute</i></p> <p>09.15 – 09.30 Perspective from Sri Lanka on utilizing DRR as a tool for mitigating conflict <i>Maj. General Sudantha Ranasinghe</i> <i>Director General, Ministry of Defence, Sri Lanka</i></p> <p>09.30 – 09.45 Leaving No One Behind: Responding to the needs of the most vulnerable people <i>Mr. Xavier Castellanos</i> <i>Regional Director, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies</i></p> <p>09.45 – 10.10 Q&A</p> <p>10.10 – 10.15 Wrap-up</p>
<p>10.15 – 10.40</p>	<p>Refreshments</p>
<p>10.40 – 12.40</p> <p>Session 10: Enhancing the role of the RCC mechanism in the region</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Chair: Mr. Yin Guanghui, <i>Deputy Director General, Ministry of Emergency Management, P.R. China</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Co-Chair: Mr. Hans Guttman, <i>RCC Secretariat</i></p>	<p>10.40 – 10.55 Cross-regional learning and knowledge-sharing for resilience <i>Mr. Vlatko Jovanovski</i> <i>Head of the Secretariat, Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Initiative for South-Eastern Europe</i></p> <p>10.55 – 11.00 Introducing the new RCC website <i>RCC Secretariat</i></p> <p>11.00 – 12.00 Enhancing the RCC’s effectiveness: Proposals and updates by members and observers</p> <p>12.00 – 12.30 Bangkok Statement <i>RCC Secretariat</i></p> <p>12.30 – 12.45 Closing remarks <i>Mr. Monton Sudprasert</i> <i>Director General, Department of Disaster Preparedness and Mitigation, Thailand</i></p>

12.45 - 13.45	Lunch
14.00 - 17.00	Knowledge-sharing visit and end of the 15th RCC meeting

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