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Risk-sensitive development in Asia

12th Meeting of the Regional Consultative Committee (RCC) on Disaster Management

**16–18 June 2015
Thimphu, Bhutan**

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Day 1

**08.30–09.00
Registration**

**09.00–09.35
Session 1: Introduction
and overview of the
meeting**

The session introduces the main objectives of the 12th RCC meeting, including themes and sub-themes. It also allows the participants an opportunity to introduce themselves and their organizations.

Chair:

Mr. Chhador Wangdi, Director,
Department of Disaster
Management, Bhutan

09.00–09.05

Introduction to the session by the Chair

09.05–09.20

Introduction of participants

09.20–09.30

Introduction to the rationale, purpose and sub-themes of the meeting

Mr. Shane Wright, Executive Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

09.30–09.35

Wrap-up by the Chair

09.40–10.30

**Session 2: Host country
presentation**

The session provides a space for the host country to outline its current and upcoming disaster risk reduction (DRR) activities and initiatives, as well as discuss broader issues related to resilient development and risk management within the Kingdom.

Chair:

Dasho Dr. Sonam Tenzin Hon'ble
Secretary, Ministry of Home and
Cultural Affairs, Bhutan

Co-chair:

Ms. Dechen Tshering, Disaster
Risk Management Specialist,
World Bank, South Asia Region

09.40–09.45

Introduction to the session

09.45–10.10

Bhutan country presentation: From the Hyogo Framework for Action to Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

Mr. Chhador Wangdi, Director, Department of Disaster Management, Bhutan

10.10–10.25

Plenary discussion

10.25–10.30

Wrap-up

10.30–10.50

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Session 3: The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, RCC mechanism and regional cooperation for resilient development

The session introduces the new global DRR policy framework, Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR), and outlines key linkages between the framework and other regional initiatives. In particular, discussion will concentrate on what the global SFDRR means, from an operational perspective, for Asia and the RCC member states. This session also provides a space for discussion and suggestions on the future role of the RCC mechanism.

Chair:

Dir. Romeo F. Fajardo, Deputy Administrator, Office of Civil Defense, Philippines

Co-chair:

Mr Shane Wright, Executive Director
Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

10.50–10.55

Introduction to the session

10.55–11.10

SFDRR: Key themes, concepts and options for future work in Asia

Mr. Sujit Mohanty, Program Officer, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), Thailand

11.10–11.30

Role of the RCC mechanism within the region and options for redefinition

*Madam Corazon Alma G. De Leon, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees,
Asian Disaster Preparedness Center*

11.30–11.45

Creating synergies between the RCC and the Heart of Asia mechanism

*Mr. Ahmed Kamal, Member, National Disaster Management Authority, Pakistan
(Co-Lead, Heart of Asia)*

11.45–12.00

Creating synergies between the RCC and ESCAP's regional mechanism

Mr. Puji Pujiono, Regional DRR Advisor, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), Thailand

12.00–12.15

Creating synergies between the RCC and the World Humanitarian Summit

Mr. Daniel Gilman, Humanitarian Affairs Officer, United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Thailand

12.15–12.40

Plenary discussion

12.40–12.45

Wrap-up

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Lunch

13.45–14.00

Travel to the Convention Centre

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14.00–15.30
Opening ceremony

15.30–16.00
**Travel back to the
meeting venue**

16.00–17.00
**Session 4: Reflections
and priorities for regional
disaster risk assessment**

The session will concentrate on the importance of risk assessments for risk-sensitive development and provide reflections from the RCC member countries on what can be done to improve the uptake of risk assessment information in development planning.

Chair:

Mr. Keshav Kumar Pathak, Joint Secretary, Disaster Management Division, Ministry of Home Affairs, India

Co-chair:

Dr. Poonam Pillai, Senior Environmental Specialist, World Bank, United States

16.00–16.05

Introduction to the session

16.05–16.20

Undertaking risk assessments in Asia and options for advancing disaster risk understanding
Dr. Peeranan Towashiraporn, Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

16.20–16.40

Plenary discussion of regional, national and local requirements and options to improve understanding of disaster risk

16.40–16.50

Summary and wrap-up

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**Session 5: Understanding
disaster risk at the
community level**

The session provides an opportunity for reflection on the role of communities and community-based activities to achieve resilience. Member countries will outline their experiences in developing and implementing community-based DRR frameworks and approaches.

Chair:

Mr. Suporn Ratanakin,
Department of Disaster
Prevention and Mitigation,
Ministry of Interior, Thailand

Co-chair:

Ms. Indira Kulenovic, Resilience
Coordinator, Asia-Pacific Zone
Office, International Federation of
Red Cross and Red Crescent
Societies (IFRC)

17.00–17.05

Introduction to the session

17.05–17.20

National Community-Based DRR Framework, Mongolia
*Mr. General Badral Tuvshin,
Chief of National Emergency Management Agency,
Mongolia*

17.20–17.35

Community-based DRR: Learning from the Hyogo
Framework for Action and options for an effective
implementation of the SFDRR in Asia
*Ms. Indira Kulenovic,
Resilience Coordinator, Asia-Pacific Zone Office, IFRC*

17.35–17.50

Plenary discussion

17.50–17.55

Wrap-up and end of day 1

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**Session 6: Need for
mainstreaming DRR and
CCA into development**

The session explores issues in and opportunities for mainstreaming DRR and climate change adaptation (CCA) into development planning and programming in Asia. Findings from recent research on mainstreaming needs in Asia will be presented and member countries will reflect on options for advancing the mainstreaming agenda both nationally and regionally.

Chair:

Shri R.K. Jain, Member
Secretary, National Disaster
Management Authority, India

Co-chair:

Mr. Sanny Ramos-Jegillos
Senior Advisor,
United Nations Development
Programme, Thailand

09.00–09.05

Introduction to the session

09.05–09.20

Mainstreaming DRR into development in Asia:
issues and options

*Mr. N.M.S.I Arambepola, Director, Asian Disaster
Preparedness Center*

09.20–09.35

Findings of the regional report on Sectoral Mainstreaming
Needs Assessments

*Mr. Sajedul Hasan, Director, Asian Disaster Preparedness
Center*

09.35–09.50

Implementation of the resilient development agenda over
the next five years: a proposed approach for the RCC
member countries

*Mr. Chhador Wangdi, Director, Department of Disaster
Management, Bhutan*

09.50–10.40

Countries break out into groups to identify priorities for a
regional mainstreaming program for the next five years

10.40–11.00

Refreshments

11.00–11.55

Presentation of key priorities by groups and discussion

11.55–12.00

Wrap-up

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**Session 7: Systematic
integration of DRR and
CCA into public
investment planning and
cost-benefit analysis**

The session explores experiences of investing in resilient development and undertaking cost-benefit analyses for integrating DRR and CCA into development. Presentations will be given by delegates from Asia and Latin America, permitting exchange of information between the two continents.

Chair:

Major General Asghar Nawaz,
Chairman, National Disaster
Management Authority, Pakistan

Co-chair:

Mr. Stephan Huppertz, Regional
Coordinator Asia, Deutsche
Gesellschaft für Internationale
Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH,
Germany

13.00–13.05

Introduction to the session

13.05–13.20

Options, methods and strategies for a cost-benefit analysis on mainstreaming DRR into development
*Prof. Vinod Menon,
former Member, National Disaster Management Authority,
India*

13.20–13.45

Discussion on the proposed options, methods and strategies for a cost-benefit analysis on mainstreaming DRR investments into development

13.45–15.00

Integration of DRR and CCA into public investment planning in Peru: Presentation and discussion on the experiences in Peru and their application and adaptation to the Asian context
*Ms. Nancy Zapata,
Principal Advisor to the Office of Risk Management,
Ministry of Finance and Economics, General Directorate
for Public Investments, Peru*

15.00–15.20

Refreshments

15.20–16.55

Demonstration of the process and methodology of integrating DRR and CCA into public investment planning in Peru and their application and adaptation to the Asian context

Facilitated by:

- *Ms. Nancy Zapata, Principal Advisor to the Office of Risk Management, Ministry of Finance and Economics, General Directorate for Public Investments, Peru*
- *Dr. Karen Kraft, Adviser for Public Investment in the Context of Climate Change, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Peru*

16.55–17.00

Wrap-up and end of day 2

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Session 8: Effective early warning and integration of gender approaches into post-disaster phases

The session concentrates on the need for effective early warning systems and disaster preparedness to facilitate response, and reflects on the experiences from recent major disasters such as the earthquake in Nepal on 25 April 2015. It will also explore the role of women in the response, recovery and reconstruction processes.

Chair:

Mr. W.M. Bandusena, Secretary,
Ministry of Disaster Management,
Sri Lanka

Co-chair:

Dr. Bagus Tjahjono, Chief of
Disaster Training and Education
Center,
National Authority for Disaster
Management,
Indonesia

09.00–09.05

Introduction to the session

09.05–09.20

Strengthening national, sub-national and community-level early warning systems for better preparedness and response

Mr. Olaf Neussner, DRM Specialist, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Global Initiative on Disaster Risk Management

09.20–09.35

Emergency response, preparedness and sustainable development: lessons from Nepal and Vanuatu

Mr. Daniel Gilman, Humanitarian Affairs Officer, United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), Thailand

09.35–09.50

Ready for recovery: reflections from Myanmar

Mr. Win Htein Kyaw, Director, Relief and Resettlement Department, Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement, Myanmar

09.50–10.05

Mainstreaming gender into post-disaster phases

Dr. Mahbuba Nasreen, Director and Professor, Institute of Disaster Management and Vulnerability Studies, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh

10.05–10.25

Plenary discussion

10.25–10.30

Wrap-up by the Chair

10.30–10.50

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Session 9: Development partners: Supporting risk-sensitive development

The session provides a space for development partners and donors to present on initiatives related to DRR that their agencies are currently undertaking or planning to undertake. Development partners and donors can also use this session to indicate what they consider as key components, challenges, or issues in DRR and resilience-building in the region.

Chair:

Mr. General Badral Tuvshin,
Chief, National Emergency
Management Agency, Mongolia

Co-chair:

Mr. Martin Hoppe, Head of
Division, Peace and Security,
Disaster Risk Management,
German Federal Ministry for
Economic Cooperation and
Development (BMZ)

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World Bank

11.00–11.10

United Nations Development Programme

11.10–11.20

United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

11.20–11.30

The Asia Foundation

11.30–11.40

World Vision International

11.40–11.50

Oxfam

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**Session 10: Looking
ahead**

The session focuses on ensuring that the 12th RCC meeting is effective and productive by seeking to finalize key outputs of the meeting. The meeting will discuss and adopt a five-year action plan for the RCC member countries. The revised RCC mechanism, developed based on suggestions made in Session 3, will be presented to member countries for feedback and endorsement.

Chair:

Mr. Amit Kumar Baul, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh

Co-chair:

Mr. Puji Pujiono, Regional DRR Advisor, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), Thailand

12.00–12.05

Introduction to the session

12.05–12.20

The RCC member countries' perspective on supporting the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction

12.20–12.30

Outline of a five-year action plan for the RCC member countries

12.30–12.50

Presentation and adoption of the revised RCC mechanism

12.50–13.05

Statement of the 12th RCC meeting

13.05–13.15

Wrap-up by the Chair

13.15–13.45
Closing ceremony

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Wrap-up of the 12th RCC meeting and closing remarks

13.35–13.45

Closing remarks from the Royal Government of Bhutan

13.45–14.45

Lunch

14.45–17.30

Field visit