

**Intervention of the Committee on Statistics
of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)
23 to 25 August 2022
At the United Nations Conference Centre in Bangkok and online
By National Statistical Office (NSO),
Ministry of Digital Economy and Society of Thailand**

**Agenda Item 4: Regional initiatives and partnerships for strengthening
national statistical systems for the implementation of the
2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

4(a) Progress made in support of the collective vision and framework for action by groups responsible for regional initiatives of the Committee on Statistics and by the secretariat

Report on the Technical Working Group on Disaster-related Statistics in Asia and the Pacific

Mr. President/Chair,

- Thailand welcomes the report and appreciates the work of the technical working group on disaster-related statistics in Asia and the Pacific, in particular, the working group's efforts in expand the production, dissemination and use of a basic range of disaster related statistics by countries.
- In Thailand, the disasters have occurred more frequently and have become more complex, causing tremendous losses of lives and properties by Global warming effects, advance of technology and industry development together with rapid expanded community. The Royal Thai Government have recognized to upgrade livelihood and property safety under the National Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Plan 2021-2027 which rely on Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.
- Thai NSO has been working with Department of Disaster Prevention and Mitigation to contribution of data and official statistics to support the indicators for monitoring and evaluating the plan, for example, to improve questionnaire for data collection from local agencies to central agency concordance with standards and recommendations of the Disaster-related Statistics Framework, and to calculate "direct disaster economic loss in relation to global GDP
- In looking forward, we welcome to work with Technical Working Group on Disaster-related Statistics for the five-year strategic work plan in advancing the implementation, especially the national implementation of norms and standards for disaster-related statistics and exchanging knowledge between countries and institutions on the compilation of disaster-related indicators.
- Thank you.