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Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction

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Bangkok, 27-29 October 2015

Tentative programme

Tuesday, 27 October 2015

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| 1400-1445 hours | Item 1 | <p>Moment of silence for the victims of natural disasters</p> <p>Opening of the session</p> <p>Opening remarks by the Executive Secretary of ESCAP</p> <p>Welcoming remarks by Mr. Alimbekov Davletbek, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Emergency Situations, Kyrgyzstan</p> <p>Keynote speech by Mr. Inia Seruiratu, Minister of Agriculture, Rural and Maritime Development and National Disaster Management, Fiji</p> <p>Opening statement by General Anupong Paojinda, Minister of the Interior, Thailand</p> <p>Presentation of the Asia-Pacific Disaster Report 2015 by the Executive Secretary of ESCAP</p> |
| 1445-1455 hours | Item 2 | <p>Election of officers</p> |
| 1455-1500 hours | Item 3 | <p>Adoption of the agenda</p> |
| 1500-1515 hours | | <p>Break</p> |
| 1515-1700 hours | Item 4 | <p>Regional mechanisms for disaster risk reduction in the context of the post-2015 development agenda</p> <p>Introduction by the Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of ESCAP</p> <p><i>High-level panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr. Suprayoga Hadi, Director General for Village Development and Community Empowerment, Ministry of Villages, Disadvantaged Regions and Transmigration, Indonesia ○ Mr. Inia Seruiratu, Minister of Agriculture, Rural and Maritime Development and National Disaster Management, Fiji ○ Head of the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction <p>Statements on agenda item 4 by members and associate members of ESCAP, other United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and other entities</p> |

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- 0900-1000 hours Item 5 **Regional multi-hazard early warning systems**
- Introduction by the Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of ESCAP
- High-level panel discussion*
- Major General Asghar Nawaz, Chairperson, National Disaster Management Authority, Pakistan
 - Director of the Weather and Disaster Risk Reduction Services Department, World Meteorological Organization
 - Mr. Hitoshi Kozaki, Head of the International Organizations Department and Deputy Permanent Representative to ESCAP, Embassy of Japan in Thailand
- Statements on agenda item 5 by members and associate members of ESCAP, other United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and other entities
- 1000-1015 hours Break
- 1015-1115 hours Item 6 **Risk-sensitive development**
- Introduction by the Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of ESCAP
- High-level panel discussion*
- Mr. Shahid Ula Mia, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh
 - Mr. Govind Raj Pokharel, National Planning Commission, Nepal
 - Regional Director and Representative for Asia and the Pacific, United Nations Environment Programme
- Statements on agenda item 6 by members and associate members of ESCAP, other United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and other entities
- 1115-1200 hours Item 7 **Development of disaster-related statistics**
- Introduction by the Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of ESCAP
- Presentation on the importance of disaster-related statistics and the need for regional guidelines by Mr. Romeo Recipe, Interim Deputy National Statistician, Philippines
- Presentation on the progress made by the Expert Group on Disaster-related Statistics in Asia and the Pacific by Mr. Agus Wibowo, Co-Chair of the Expert Group
- Statements on agenda item 7 by members and associate members of ESCAP, other United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and other entities
- 1200-1400 hours Lunch break

1400-1600 hours	Item 8	<p>Regional cooperation on the applications of space technology and geographic information systems for disaster risk reduction</p> <p>Introduction by the Information and Communications Technology and Disaster Risk Reduction Division of ESCAP</p> <p><i>High-level panel discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms. Chai Mei, Deputy Director General, Department of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Civil Affairs, China ○ Mr. Shantanu B, Director, Earth Observation Systems, Indian Space Research Organization ○ Mr. Anond Snidvongs, Executive Director, Geo-Informatics and Space Technology Development Agency, Thailand ○ Mr. Santosh Kumar, Director, SAARC Disaster Management Centre, India ○ Director of Research, Technology Applications and Knowledge Systems of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research <p>Statements on agenda item 8 by members and associate members of ESCAP, other United Nations bodies, intergovernmental organizations and other entities</p>
1600-1615 hours		Break
1615-1630 hours	Item 9	<p>Consideration of the future focus of the subprogramme</p> <p>Presentation on the strategic framework for 2018-2019 of the subprogramme on information and communications technology and disaster risk reduction, by the Strategy and Programme Management Division of ESCAP</p> <p>Discussions</p>
1630-1645 hours	Item 10	Consideration of possible draft resolutions for submission to the Commission at its seventy-second session
1645-1700 hours	Item 11	Other matters
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1400-1530 hours	Item 12	Adoption of the report
1530-1600 hours		Closing