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**ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

*Corrigendum*

**Page 4, item 4(a)**

The annotation should read

Report of the Committee on Poverty Reduction on its second session (E/ESCAP/1364 and Add.1)

Confronting poverty in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/1365 and Corr.1)

The Commission will have before it the report of the Committee on Poverty Reduction on its second session, held in Bangkok from 23 to 25 November 2005 (E/ESCAP/1364).

The Committee discussed the process of decentralization and its implications for poverty reduction, as well as a number of issues related to the poverty reduction activities of ESCAP. It also considered the reports of the Subcommittees on Poverty Reduction Practices and on Statistics. The Committee discussed follow-up to the High-level Plenary Meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly (14-16 September 2005), issues related to the vital role of population and housing censuses in policymaking and decision-making at local levels and revision of the international recommendations for statistics on economic activities. The Committee considered programme planning and the evaluation of a selected flagship project in the area of poverty reduction. The Commission is invited to consider the report with a view to endorsing the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee.

The addendum provides information on the progress achieved in the implementation by the secretariat of recent resolutions relating to the theme of poverty reduction. The Commission is invited to review the progress achieved and provide comments and further guidance for enhanced and effective implementation.

Document E/ESCAP/1365 draws from the outcome of the Expert Group Meeting on Rural Development and Rural Poverty Reduction, held in Bangkok on 19 and 20 May 2005, and of the Fourth Asia-Pacific Urban Forum, held in Hanoi from 11 to 14 October 2005. The Expert Group Meeting discussed issues related to rural development and rural poverty reduction that were emerging as key priorities in Asia and the Pacific. The Forum raised awareness of the Millennium Development Goals among diverse urban stakeholders and explored ways of adapting the Goals to enhance their relevance to the specific needs of cities and towns in the Asian and Pacific region.

The Commission is invited to review the document and provide guidance on actions that could be taken to strengthen the impact of poverty reduction in rural and urban areas.

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