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## SECTION 16. ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

## Overview

TABLE 16.1. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAMME

(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
A. Policy-making organs	572.4	176.0	30.7	748.4	73.4	821.8
B. Executive direction and management	3 055.6	(1 612.2)	(52.7)	1 443.4	208.0	1 651.8
C. Programme of work						
1. Regional economic cooperation	7 909.6	6.9	-	7 916.5	1 357.5	9 274.0
2. The environment and sustainable development	4 931.1	7.8	0.1	4 938.9	848.6	5 787.5
3. Poverty alleviation through economic and social development	5 382.6	187.0	3.4	5 569.6	936.2	6 505.8
4. Transport and communications	3 514.7	209.5	5.9	3 724.2	658.3	4 382.5
5. Statistics	2 114.9	58.5	2.7	2 173.4	340.3	2 513.7
6. Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries	756.4	258.2	34.1	1 014.6	175.6	1 190.2
<b>Subtotal C</b>	<b>24 609.3</b>	<b>727.9</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>25 337.2</b>	<b>4 316.5</b>	<b>29 653.7</b>
D. Programme support	27 064.6	1 553.9	5.7	28 618.5	3 953.5	32 572.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>55 301.9</b>	<b>845.6</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>56 147.5</b>	<b>8 551.8</b>	<b>64 699.3</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	3 840.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	3 133.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>3 840.0</b>		<b>3 133.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	6 540.0	(i) UNDP	4 100.0
	2 760.0	(ii) UNFPA	2 564.0
	239.0	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
	18 077.0	(iv) Bilateral resources	15 512.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>27 616.0</b>		<b>22 176.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>31 456.0</b>		<b>25 309.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>90 008.3</b>

TABLE 16.2. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	47 427.3	1 008.2	2.1	48 435.5	7 772.8	56 208.3
Consultants and experts	463.8	83.4	17.9	547.2	53.5	600.7
Travel on official business	916.3	95.4	10.4	1 011.7	102.2	1 113.9
Contractual services	797.3	(302.1)	(37.8)	495.2	49.7	544.9
General operating expenses	3 753.4	151.4	4.0	3 904.8	405.6	4 310.4
Supplies and materials	637.8	-	-	637.8	67.1	704.9
Furniture and equipment	1 306.0	(190.7)	(14.6)	1 115.3	100.9	1 216.2
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>55 301.9</b>	<b>845.6</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>56 147.5</b>	<b>8 551.6</b>	<b>64 699.3</b>

TABLE 16.3. POST REQUIREMENTS

Organizational unit: Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995
Professional category and above								
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
ASG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	12	12	-	-	-	-	12	12
P-5	24	25	-	-	16	15	40	40
P-4	57	57	1	-	12	11	70	68
P-3	56	55	2	1	4	1	62	57
P-2/1	30	30	-	-	1	2	31	32
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1*</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>211</b>
Other categories								
Local level	314	324	1	-	72	62	387	386
Field Service	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>389</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1*</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>600</b>

\* The temporary posts (one P-4, one P-3 and one local level) in the Planning Unit to oversee the construction of the conference complex will be discontinued in 1995.

16.1 The terms of reference of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) were established by Economic and Social Council resolution 37 (IV) and subsequent amendments. ESCAP headquarters is located at Bangkok and the ESCAP Pacific Operations Centre (EPOC) is located in Vanuatu.

16.2 The changing circumstances and priorities of the region and, in particular, the process of transition of several centrally planned economies in the region to a market economy, including the newly independent Central Asian republics, some of which have become members of the Commission, have presented ESCAP with new responsibilities. At the same time, the presence in the region of countries at varying stages of development, including some which have experienced a rapid growth momentum in recent years, has reaffirmed the need to strengthen regional cooperation. The challenges of the changing socio-economic and political environment have required ESCAP to place greater emphasis on providing new policy options and appropriate national, subregional and regional strategies. ESCAP's activities during the 1994-1995

biennium will focus on data collection, research and analysis for the purpose of providing a more informed understanding of the problems and emerging issues facing the countries in the region and of enhancing regional economic cooperation.

16.3 The proposed programme budget is derived from programme 31 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, as revised (A/47/6/Rev.1), which has been reorganized to reflect the thematic approach recommended by the Commission. The Commission considered that a thematic approach, with the resulting streamlining of its subsidiary bodies, would emphasize regional economic cooperation and the interdisciplinary nature of the economic and social issues being addressed and would provide ESCAP with a more comprehensive and coordinated approach in the timely implementation of its activities, as well as facilitate a more effective use of resources.

16.4 In implementing its programme of work, ESCAP will continue to coordinate and cooperate with relevant entities of the United Nations system; joint activities will continue, as well as collaboration with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations.

16.5 The estimated percentage distribution of the total resources of ESCAP in 1994-1995 would be as follows:

	<i>Regular budget</i>	<i>Extrabudgetary</i>
	<i>(percentage)</i>	
A. Policy-making organs	1.3	-
B. Executive direction and management	2.6	0.2
C. Programme of work	45.1	93.3
D. Programme support	<u>51.0</u>	<u>6.5</u>
	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>

16.6 Within the programme of work, the estimated percentage distribution of resources among subprogrammes would be as follows:

		<i>Regular budget</i>	<i>Extrabudgetary</i>
		<i>(percentage)</i>	
Subprogramme 1.*	Regional economic cooperation	31.2	18.0
Subprogramme 2.*	Environment and sustainable development	19.5	27.0
Subprogramme 3.*	Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development	22.0	29.3
Subprogramme 4.	Transport and communications	14.7	18.0
Subprogramme 5.	Statistics	8.6	4.4
Subprogramme 6.	Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries	<u>4.0</u>	<u>3.3</u>
		<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>

\* High priority.

## A. Policy-making organs

TABLE 16.4. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	187.9	140.2	74.6	328.1	-30.3	358.4
Travel on official business	301.0	-	-	301.0	31.3	332.3
Contractual services	-	77.4	-	77.4	6.0	83.4
General operating expenses	51.6	(33.8)	(65.5)	17.8	3.0	20.8
Supplies and materials	31.9	(7.8)	(24.4)	24.1	2.8	26.9
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>572.4</b>	<b>176.0</b>	<b>30.7</b>	<b>748.4</b>	<b>73.4</b>	<b>821.8</b>

16.7 The Commission, which meets annually, provides overall direction to the work of the secretariat. Its subsidiary bodies are: the Committee on Regional Economic Cooperation (annual); the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development (annual); the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development (annual); the Committee on Statistics (biennial); the Committee on Transport and Communications (annual); the Special Body on Least Developed and Land-locked Developing Countries (biennial); and the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries (annual). The Commission reports to the Economic and Social Council. In addition, an Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Committee, which meets on a monthly basis, provides a consultative link between the secretariat of ESCAP and the members and associate members of the Commission. ESCAP provides substantive and technical services to the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, and to other intergovernmental bodies and ministerial meetings.

*Resource requirements (at current rates)**Staff costs*

16.8 The estimated requirements for temporary assistance for meetings amount to \$328,100 which includes an increase of \$140,200 to provide for interpretation and translation services, for meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies, as well as for other regional meetings, including those related to global conferences. The resource growth is proposed taking into account past experience and projected requirements for conference servicing.

*Contractual services*

16.9 The estimated requirements for contractual editing, language typists and clerks required for documentation presented to the intergovernmental bodies would amount to \$77,400.

*General operating expenses*

16.10 An amount of \$17,800 is requested for short-term rental of furniture and equipment during the holding of the Commission sessions and its subsidiary bodies, and for communications, hospitality, and miscellaneous services related to those meetings. This reflects a decrease of \$33,800 which will be applied to expenditures under programme support.

*Supplies and materials*

16.11 The amount of \$24,100 is requested for supplies and materials required for the holding of the Commission sessions and meetings of the intergovernmental bodies.

**B. Executive direction and management**

TABLE 16.5. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

*(1) Regular budget*

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	2 861.3	(1 589.4)	(55.5)	1 271.9	190.5	1 462.4
Consultants and experts	-	25.6	-	25.6	1.3	26.9
Travel on official business	194.3	(48.4)	(24.9)	145.9	16.6	162.5
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>3 055.6</b>	<b>(1 612.2)</b>	<b>(52.7)</b>	<b>1 443.4</b>	<b>208.4</b>	<b>1 651.8</b>

*(2) Extrabudgetary resources*

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
		(a) Services in support of:	
	-	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
	92.0	(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	38.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>92.0</b>		<b>38.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	40.0	(i) UNDP	-
	328.0	(ii) Bilateral sources	-
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>368.0</b>		<b>-</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>460.0</b>		<b>38.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>1 689.8</b>

TABLE 16.6. POST REQUIREMENTS

Programme: Executive direction and management

Professional category and above	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
USG	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
ASG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D-2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
D-1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
P-5	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
P-4	2	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
P-3	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
P-2/1	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>
Other categories								
Local level	11	7	-	-	3	1	14	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>12</b>

16.12 The Office of the Executive Secretary provides overall direction, supervision and management of ESCAP with a view to promoting economic and social development and regional cooperation among the members and associate members of the Commission through the implementation of its legislative mandates and its approved work programme.

*Resource requirements (at current rates)*

*Staff costs*

16.13 Twelve posts (2 D-1, 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 2 P-3, 2 P-2 and 4 local level) are proposed for redeployment as follows: one D-1 to subprogramme 6 (Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries); one P-5 to subprogramme 1 (Regional economic cooperation) for activities related to development issues and policies; and 1 D-1, 1 P-5, 1 P-4, 2 P-3, 1 P-2 and 4 local level staff to programme support for programme coordination and monitoring.

*Consultants and experts*

16.14 An amount of \$25,600 is estimated for expertise in the overview of new and emerging issues being addressed by the Commission.

*Travel on official business*

16.15 The estimated requirements would amount to \$145,900 for attendance by the Executive Secretary and his staff at meetings within and outside the region, for consultations with Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and for coordination with other United Nations entities. These requirements reflect a decrease of \$48,400 redeployed as appropriate to those subprogrammes receiving the redeployed posts.

## C. Programme of work

TABLE 16.7. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	23 499.1	545.7	2.3	24 044.8	4 187.4	28 232.2
Consultants and experts	439.0	82.6	18.8	521.6	52.2	573.8
Travel on official business	384.3	120.0	31.2	504.3	49.2	553.5
Contractual services	286.9	(20.4)	(7.1)	266.5	27.7	294.2
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>24 609.3</b>	<b>727.9</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>25 337.2</b>	<b>4 316.5</b>	<b>29 653.7</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	1 938.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	1 631.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>1 938.0</b>		<b>1 631.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	6 500.0	(i) UNDP	4 100.0
	2 760.0	(ii) UNFPA	2 564.0
	239.0	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
	17 323.0	(iv) Bilateral resources	15 312.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>26 822.0</b>		<b>21 976.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>28 760.0</b>		<b>23 607.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>53 260.7</b>



TABLE 16.8. POST REQUIREMENTS

Programme: Programme of work

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
Professional category and above								
D-1	8	10	-	-	-	-	8	10
P-5	16	17	-	-	14	13	30	30
P-4	39	39	-	-	10	10	49	49
P-3	29	27	1	1	1	-	31	28
P-2/1	19	20	-	-	1	2	20	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>139</b>
Other categories								
Local level	85	85	-	-	42	37	127	122
<b>Total</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>261</b>

*Programme of work*<sup>1</sup>

16.16 Programme 31 (Regional cooperation for development in Asia and the Pacific), of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 as revised (A/47/6), adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 47/214, provides the framework for the activities to be undertaken by ESCAP during the biennium 1994-1995. Those activities are described under six subprogrammes, and while subprogrammes 1 to 3 are entirely new, reflecting the thematic approach adopted by the Commission, subprogrammes 4 to 6 are, with some revisions, the continuation of existing subprogrammes.

16.17 The programme of work has been reoriented to meet the thematic approach recommended by the Commission, with an emphasis on regional economic cooperation and the interdisciplinary nature of the economic and social issues. In view of the drastic political and economic changes in the region, the activities requiring the most urgent attention are those of data collection, research and analysis for the purpose of providing a more informed understanding of the problems facing the countries in the region. It is also in these areas of work that assistance has been most requested by countries with disadvantaged economies as well as by those with centrally planned economies in the process of transition to a market economy.

16.18 The programme performance report for the biennium 1990-1991 showed that ESCAP implemented 76 per cent of all outputs as programmed plus reformulations plus outputs added by legislation; the rate of implementation of high priority outputs as programmed, plus reformulations plus outputs added by legislation, was 80 per cent.

*Resource requirements (at current rates)**Staff costs*

16.19 It is proposed to redeploy to the substantive activities covered in the ESCAP programme of work one D-1 and one P-5 from Executive direction and management and one D-1 and one P-2 from programme support; it is also proposed

<sup>1</sup> Priority designation is indicated in the text as follows: \* for high priority and ° for low priority.

to redeploy from substantive activities two P-3s to programme support. Together with one temporary post at the P-3 level, the total number of posts for the implementation of the ESCAP programme of work would be 114 Professional and 85 local level staff under the regular budget.

*Consultants and experts*

16.20 The estimated requirements for consultants (\$272,900) and experts (\$248,700) would amount to \$521,600. This includes increases of: \$40,000 for ad hoc expert groups activities related to international trade and development finance (within subprogramme 1), human resources development (within subprogramme 3) and transport and communications (subprogramme 4) for which there was no provision made for ad hoc expert groups during the 1992-1993 biennium; non-recurrent amounts of \$10,000 for consultants to provide expertise in the preparatory work for the World Conference on Women; and \$40,000 for two ad hoc expert group meetings related to that Conference are proposed. After deducting the non-recurrent amount of \$7,400 for activities related to the World Conference on Women carried out in 1992-1993, the net increase in requirements for consultants and experts would amount to \$82,600.

*Travel on official business*

16.21 The estimated requirements for travel on official business would amount to \$504,300 for data collection, consultations and participation in meetings within and outside the region. These requirements include increases of: \$45,000 in light of the vast area covered by the increased membership and the need to attend meetings of the newly established Commission on Sustainable Development; a non-recurrent provision of \$50,000 for travel to the six major conferences and their preparatory committees, as appropriate (population, small island developing States, social development, Habitat, women and crime prevention); and \$25,000 redeployed from Executive direction and management to subprogramme 6 (Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries).

*Contractual services*

16.22 The estimated requirements for contractual services relate to external printing and binding costs and would amount to \$266,500.

## 1. REGIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION

TABLE 16.9. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Salaries and common staff costs	7 517.1	(10.9)	(0.1)	7 506.2	1 314.8	8 821.0
Consultants and experts	166.1	15.0	9.0	181.1	19.0	200.1
Travel on official business	123.0	8.0	6.5	131.0	13.5	144.5
Contractual services	103.4	(5.2)	(5.0)	98.2	10.2	108.4
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>7 909.6</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7 916.5</b>	<b>1 357.5</b>	<b>9 274.0</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	627.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	342.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>627.0</b>		<b>342.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
	2 550.0	(c) Operational projects:	1 000.0
	-	(i) UNDP	-
	125.0	(ii) UNFPA	-
	3 966.0	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
		(iv) Bilateral resources	2 931.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>6 641.0</b>		<b>3 931.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>7 268.0</b>		<b>4 273.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>13 547.0</b>

TABLE 16.10. POST REQUIREMENTS

## Subprogramme 1. Regional economic cooperation

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
Professional category and above								
D-1	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-5	4	5	-	-	5	5	9	10
P-4	11	10	-	-	1	1	12	11
P-3	12	11	-	-	1	-	13	11
P-2/1	6	7	-	-	1	-	7	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>42</b>
Other categories								
Local level	28	28	-	-	11	9	39	37
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>79</b>

*Subprogramme 1. Regional economic cooperation*

16.23 This subprogramme comprises those activities that had previously been carried out in 1992-1993 under subprogramme 2 (Development issues and policies), subprogramme 7 (Industrial and technological development) and subprogramme 8 (International trade and development finance). The proposed activities for 1994-1995 will focus on the ongoing structural changes and policy reforms in the economies which are likely to further strengthen trade, investment and technology linkages in the region. The immediate goals of the activities are to develop an appropriate policy environment and to create and strengthen institutional capacities and skills at the regional, subregional and national levels, and to enable countries to exploit more fully the increasing opportunities for intraregional trade and investment. The work programme includes a convergent and concerted set of research and operational activities which will address key issues, such as macroeconomic policies, economic restructuring, market access and trade promotion, trade in services, technology development and transfer, investment flows, joint ventures and development finance, and cooperation among subregional groups.

16.24 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee for Regional Economic Cooperation, which meets annually, as well as its Steering Group. ESCAP will also provide substantive services to a number of intergovernmental meetings convened to consider commodities cooperative arrangements in silk, jute, tropical timber and coffee as well as to the Intergovernmental Meeting on the Development of a Regional Investment Information and Promotion Service for Asia and the Pacific (RIIPS) in 1994.

*Activities:**1. Parliamentary services*

Parliamentary documentation: eight reports for the Economic and Social Council, the Commission and its subsidiary bodies: annual summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the ESCAP region to the Economic and Social Council; annual report to the Commission on the progress of activities in regional economic cooperation;\* annual report on aspects of regional economic cooperation to the Committee for Regional Economic Cooperation;\* and annual report to the Steering Group of the Committee for Regional Economic Cooperation.\*

## 2. Published materials

(a) Sixty-five issues of recurrent publications: *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* (annual)\*; *Economic Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Development Papers* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Regional Trade and Investment Review* (1995)\*\*; *TISNET Trade Information Sheet* (23 in 1994, 23 in 1995)\*; *Prices of Selected Asia/Pacific Products* (12 in 1994, 12 in 1995); *Directory of Trade Promotion/Development Organizations of Developing Countries and Areas in Asia and the Pacific*, sixth edition (1995); *Industrial Development News for Asia and the Pacific* (1994, 1995); *Small Industry Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* (1994, 1995); *Trade Information Source Data Bank: Annual Cumulative Index* (1994, 1995);

### (b) Non-recurrent publications:

- (i) Three non-recurrent publications on economic development issues: Modelling and simulation of regional and subregional interlinked macroeconomic systems, with trade, investment and technology transfer as strategic variables; macroeconomic management issues and economic reforms in the region's developing economies, within the framework of a changing global and regional economic environment; promotion of intra- and inter-subregional economic cooperation; with special attention to transitional economies;
- (ii) Twelve non-recurrent publications on trade and development finance issues: Trade and investment complementarities for joint ventures; linkages between Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) and the rest of the region\*\*; short-term impact of the Single European Market on Asia/Pacific economies; impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) on the Asia/Pacific region; trade profiles; guidebook on a selected exportable product of the region\*\* (4 in 1994, 3 in 1995);
- (iii) Eleven non-recurrent publications on industrial and technological development: Promotion of inter- and intra-regional investment flows\*\*; promotion of intra-industry investment and technology for manufacturing diversification and competitiveness (1994, 1995); regional cooperation measures for skills development to promote technology-led industrialization (1994, 1995); feasibility study for the establishment of a forum for promoting sustainable industrial and technological development; technological transaction patterns for enhancing regional cooperation\*; capabilities for acquisition and use of selected technologies\* (1994, 1995); feasibility study on establishment of a regional advisory centre for science and technology\*\* (1995); Directory of selected research and development institutions.\*\*

## 3. Ad hoc expert groups

Five ad hoc expert groups on: Enhancement of technology flows from advanced developing countries to least developed countries (1994); promoting regional economic cooperation for industrial and technological skills development, including requirements for adopting new and emerging technologies (1994); inter-subregional cooperation in trade and investment (1995); development issues and policies (1994, 1995).

## 4. Operational activities (extrabudgetary)

(a) Advisory services on: assistance to countries that are undergoing the process of transition to a market economy, least developed countries and geographically disadvantaged countries in the area of macroeconomic and trade policy issues\*\*; modelling and simulation of regional and subregional interlinked macroeconomic systems\*\*; promoting intra- and inter-subregional economic cooperation\*\*; expansion of intraregional trade\*\*; export promotion techniques and procedures and other trade promotion activities; regional databases for the Regional Trade Information Network (TISNET); international and regional trade fairs and exhibitions; trade facilitation; policy/strategy reorientation and institution-building for industrial development and restructuring, intraregional investment and joint ventures\*; strengthening capabilities for indigenous technological development and technology transfer including new and emerging technology and promotion of environmentally sound technology; technical consultancy services; standardization and quality control; technology management and support to the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (APCTT);

(b) Group training, seminars, workshops on: modelling and simulation of regional and subregional interlinked macroeconomic systems; macroeconomic management and economic reforms; evolving patterns of complementarities and interdependence in the region; intra- and inter-subregional economic cooperation in trade; intraregional trade expansion policies\*; impact of the single European market and the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) on Asian and Pacific economies; tariff and non-tariff barriers in agricultural commodities and manufactures trade, including environmental issues\*; enhancement of regional monetary cooperation; Regional Trade Information Network (TISNET) and special trading arrangements; technological developments and physical distribution techniques for expansion of trade\*\*; export promotion for economies in transition and Pacific island economies\*; trade/transit facilities for land-locked countries; regional network of national research institutions for trade-related research\*; trade in services\*\*; promotion of exports of developing countries through trade fairs; Regional Investment Information Promotion Services (RIIPS) database development; regional investment complementarities; development and improvement of agro- and allied industries including agricultural machinery; skills development including entrepreneurship for small and medium industries; private sector development; women's participation in industry; generation, transfer, adoption and use of conventional and new and emerging technologies\*\*; forum for sustainable industrial and technological development and restructuring; intraregional investment and technology flows for strengthening capabilities in areas such as technical consultancy, standardization and quality control and technology management; technology blending for development of small and medium industries.

#### 5. *Coordination, harmonization and liaison*

Participation in the Committee for Development Planning and the Administrative Committee on Coordination (ACC) Task Force on Long-term Development Objectives.

#### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

##### *Staff costs*

16.25 The redeployment of one P-5 from Executive direction and management and one P-2 from Programme support to this subprogramme is proposed for activities related to development issues and policies and international trade and development finance, respectively; one P-3 is proposed for redeployment from this subprogramme to subprogramme 4 (Transport and communications); and one P-4 post is proposed for redeployment to Programme support, respectively. for activities related to programme coordination and monitoring and management of technical cooperation.

##### *Consultants and experts*

16.26 The estimated requirements would amount to \$181,100 for consultants (\$107,600) and five ad hoc expert groups mentioned above (\$73,500). The proposed increase of \$15,000 relates to resources required for the convening of the ad hoc expert group on inter-subregional cooperation in trade and investment.

##### *Travel on official business*

16.27 The estimated requirements for travel in the amount of \$131,000, including an increase of \$8,000, relate to travel of staff for fact-finding missions, data collection, consultations with Government officials, participation in national, regional and international and inter-agency meetings, including the Committee for Development Planning and the ACC Task Force on Long-term Development Objectives.

##### *Contractual services*

16.28 The estimated requirements in the amount of \$98,200 under contractual services relate to external printing and binding of publications.

## 2. ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

TABLE 16.11. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	4 700.0	-	-	4 700.0	824.1	5 524.1
Consultants and experts	81.0	-	-	81.0	8.8	89.8
Travel on official business	73.8	11.6	15.7	85.4	8.5	93.9
Contractual services	76.3	(3.8)	(4.9)	72.5	7.2	79.7
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>4 931.1</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>4 938.9</b>	<b>848.6</b>	<b>5 787.5</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	259.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	338.0
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>259.0</b>		<b>338.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	1 240.0	(i) UNDP	1 400.0
	-	(ii) UNFPA	-
	-	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
	2 502.0	(iv) Bilateral resources	4 621.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>3 742.0</b>		<b>6 021.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>4 001.0</b>		<b>6 359.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>12 146.5</b>

TABLE 16.12. POST REQUIREMENTS

## Subprogramme 2. Environment and sustainable development

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	4	4	-	-	1	1	5	5
P-4	10	10	-	-	3	3	13	13
P-3	4	4	-	-	-	-	4	4
P-2/1	4	4	-	-	-	1	4	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
Other categories								
Local level	13	13	-	-	7	6	20	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>47</b>

## Subprogramme 2. Environment and sustainable development

16.29 This subprogramme comprises the activities that had previously been carried out in 1992-1993 under subprogramme 3 (Energy), subprogramme 4 (Environment) and subprogramme 9 (Natural resources). The immediate purpose of the programmed activities is to mitigate environmental problems and promote sustainable development by integrating environmental considerations into the economic development planning process and development activities. The focus of ESCAP's work in this subprogramme will be on the development of policies and management practices and guidelines to avoid economic and physical depletion and degradation of resources, as well as to limit demand for fossil fuels. ESCAP will also promote information technologies, particularly remote sensing and geographic information systems in the area of natural resources management and environment monitoring.

16.30 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development, which meets annually. ESCAP will also provide substantive services to a number of ministerial-level meetings to be convened to consider environment and development and the regional space applications programme.

## Activities:

## 1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation\*: 20 reports to the Commission and to the Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development: annual report to the Commission on the progress of activities in environment and sustainable development; 18 reports to the Committee on selected issues in relation to implementation of the regional strategy on Environmentally Sound and Sustainable Development (ESSD), Agenda 21,<sup>2</sup> the Ministerial Declaration on Environment and Development; regional cooperation on transboundary environmental problems; global environmental issues; promotion of regional cooperation on environment matters, including desertification, marine environment, environment and development, and

<sup>2</sup> See *Report of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development, Rio de Janeiro, 3-14 June 1992* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.93.I.8 and corrigenda), vol. I: *Resolutions Adopted by the Conference*, resolution I, annex II.



environmental awareness; remote sensing and Geographic Information System (GIS) integration for natural resource management, environmental monitoring and sustainable development in the region; progress in implementation of recommendations/resolutions of the ministerial meeting on space applications to environment and sustainable development; integrated water resources development and management; the role of geosciences in sustainable development: resource development issues and infrastructure policies; protection of water resources, water quality and aquatic ecosystems; progress in the subregional coastal zone management programmes made by the Committee for Coordination of Joint Prospecting for Mineral Resources in Asian Offshore Areas (CCOP), the South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC) and the Indian Ocean Marine Affairs Cooperation (IOMAC); status report on regional practice in the exploitation of waste as a resource; energy scene and trends, including integration of environment in energy policy and planning; sectoral energy demand trends, the potential for inter-fuel substitution and energy conservation, and the status of demand-side management in Asia; prospects for enhancing energy efficiency in the Asia-Pacific region; operational efficiency improvements including demand-side management of Asian and the Pacific electric power utilities; review of recent natural disasters and natural disaster reduction efforts in the region. Two other reports will be prepared for the Ministerial-level meeting on launching the regional space applications programme (1994) and for the ministerial-level conference on environment and development (1995).

## 2. Published materials

(a) One hundred sixteen issues of recurrent publications: *Remote Sensing Newsletter* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Asian-Pacific Remote Sensing Journal* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *ESCAP Environment Newsletter* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Environment News Briefing - A selection from the region's press* (12 in 1994, 12 in 1995); *Agro-chemicals News in Brief* (6 in 1994, 6 in 1995); *RISS: Regional Information Support Service on Agro-chemicals* (13 issues in 1994, 13 issues in 1995); *Calendar of Meetings on Agro-chemicals* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Water Resources Journal* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Confluence* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Water Resources Series* (1994, 1995); *ESCAP Energy News* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Energy Resources Development Series* (1995); *Electric Power in Asia and the Pacific* (1994); *Atlas of Mineral Resources* (1994, 1995);

(b) Non-recurrent publications on:

- (i) Policies and plans for environment and sustainable development\*\*: Environment and economics: tools and methodologies for sustainable development (1994, 1995); Environmentally sound and healthy cities in Asia (1994); Report on the state of the environment and development\* (1995); Population and environment dynamics, poverty and the quality of life (1995);
- (ii) Environment and development: sustainable agricultural development strategies; supply, marketing, distribution and safe use of fertilizer; clean technologies: options for sustainable development; environmental impact of air pollution on urban/industrial centres\*\* (3 in 1994, 3 in 1995);
- (iii) Natural resources development and management: water resources of member countries and demands by users sectors - Phase III; Geographic Information System/Land Information System (GIS/LIS) and remote sensing in land use planning and desertification and soil erosion mapping; earth space information application to agriculture/fisheries resources management; resource assessment, development and management\*\*; geology for land use planning and environmental management; technological advances in treating wastes as resources\*\*; marine environment and non-living marine resources development; mineral concentrations and hydrocarbon accumulations (4 in 1994, 5 in 1995);
- (iv) Energy development and management: energy efficiency guidebook for the Asia-Pacific region\*\*; new and renewable sources of energy supply and environmental management\*\*; environmental management for power systems\*\* (1 in 1994, 2 in 1995);
- (v) Natural disaster reduction: seismic and volcanic monitoring systems (1994);

- (vi) Manuals, guidelines and rosters relating to environment and sustainable development: environmental impact assessment guidelines to be utilized in fertilizers and pesticides\*; manual for agricultural extension agents on environmental issues related to fertilization; manual on environmentally sound management of national parks and reserves\*\*; guidelines on the participatory approach to urban environmental management; operational aspects of Agenda 21;<sup>2</sup> guidelines on water and sustainable development\*\*; roster of regional experts and institutions on conservation and efficient utilization of energy;
- (vii) Proceedings of meetings relating to environment and sustainable development: regional information service\*\*; socio-economic implications of global environmental issues in Asia and the Pacific; tropical ecosystem management\*\*; remote sensing and GIS for land and marine applications in the South Pacific\*\*; protection of water resources, water quality and aquatic ecosystems (2 in 1994, 3 in 1995);
- (c) Technical material: illustrated pesticide safety guide translated or reprinted into local languages; update on sectoral energy demand database and analysis of the energy situation in Asia; update of energy planning software\*\*.

### 3. *Ad hoc expert groups*

Three ad hoc expert groups on analysis of linkages between population factors and sustainable development; protection of water resources, water quality and aquatic ecosystems\*; energy resiliency and integration of environmental policy in energy development and management\*.

### 4. *Operational activities (extrabudgetary resources)*

(a) Advisory services on: implementation of Agenda 21, including management of critical ecosystems; the Asia-Pacific Forum of Environmental Journalists; environment and sustainable development, and safe management of fertilizer and pesticides; agro-chemicals and the environment under the Fertilizer Advisory Development and Information Network for Asia and the Pacific/Agricultural Requisites Schemes for Asia and the Pacific (FADINAP/ARSAP) network of advisory and information systems; population, environment and sustainable development; urban environment management; building up technological capabilities for application of environmentally sound technologies for industrial restructuring; mineral resource assessment and development\*; water resources supply and demand assessment\*; environmental geology and geology for land use planning\*; mineral economics, legislation and investment promotion\*; remote sensing and GIS, with emphasis on institution-building; reducing the impact of droughts, drought early warning systems\*\*; energy development, conservation and management policy, environmental impact and risk assessment; energy resource options and technologies; new and renewable sources in energy mixes; rural energy supply; and electricity demand management;

(b) Group training, seminars and workshops on: sustainable agricultural development for least developed countries\*; environmentally sound development and management in the area of fertilizers and pesticides; national parks and reserves; healthy cities; industrial and urban development in coastal areas; implementation of Agenda 21; waste management audit and technology\*\*; assessment and dissemination of environmentally sound technology; population and environment dynamics, poverty and the quality of life; energy audit techniques\*; energy resource options and technologies\*; electricity demand management\*; GIS/LIS and remote sensing for land use planning; desertification/soil erosion mapping; tropical ecosystem management; regional information service; monitoring, mapping and sampling techniques for resource assessment; RS/GIS integration for resource management; mineral resource economics, legislation and development; integrated water resources development and management; women's role in the provision, management and safeguarding of water\*\*; water and sustainable development; the use of underground space for confinement of wastes\*\*; integrated marine policies\*\*; mineral resource assessment and development techniques; geological factors of land use planning and resource accounting; and drought early warning systems.

### 5. *Coordination, harmonization and liaison*

Participation in and coordination with the Committee on Natural Resources, Typhoon Committee, Panel on Tropical Cyclones, Interim Committee for Coordination of Investigations of the Lower Mekong Basin, CCOP, SOPAC, IOMAC and South-East Asia Tin Research and Development Centre (SEATRADC); Inter-secretariat Coordinating Meeting on Space Applications; Inter-agency Task Force on Water for Asia and the Pacific, ACC Intersecretariat Group for Water, Steering Committee for Water Supply and Sanitation, Steering Committee for Natural Disaster Reduction; South Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP), ASEAN Senior Officials on Environment (ASOEN)\*\* and South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme (SACEP)\*\*; Regional Network of Research and Training Institutions on Desertification Control\*\*; Regional Network of Environment and Economic Policy Research Institutes\*\*; Regional Working Group on Marine Environment and Oceanographic Studies; Commission on Sustainable Development; Asia-Pacific Forum of Environmental Journalists; Inter-agency Committee on Environment and Development; Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and Energy for Development, and regional working groups in various energy subsectors.

#### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

##### *Consultants and experts*

16.31 The estimated requirements in the amount of \$81,000 would be for consultants (\$42,000) and the convening of the three ad hoc expert groups mentioned above (\$39,000).

##### *Travel on official business*

16.32 The estimated requirements for travel in the amount of \$85,400, which include an increase of \$11,600 for participation in the Commission on Sustainable Development and the Committee on Natural Resources, relate to travel of staff for data collection and consultations and participation in meetings.

##### *Contractual services*

16.33 The estimated requirements in the amount of \$72,500 under contractual services relate to external printing and binding of publications.

### 3. POVERTY ALLEVIATION THROUGH ECONOMIC GROWTH AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

TABLE 16.13. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

<i>(1) Regular budget</i>						
<i>Object of expenditure</i>	<i>1992-1993 revised appropriation</i>	<i>Resource growth</i>		<i>Total before recosting</i>	<i>Recosting</i>	<i>1994-1995 estimates</i>
		<i>Amount</i>	<i>Percentage</i>			
Staff costs	5 138.0	74.8	1.4	5 212.8	901.9	6 114.7
Consultants and experts	114.1	54.6	47.8	168.7	15.8	184.5
Travel on official business	97.7	54.4	55.6	152.1	14.6	166.7
Contractual services	32.8	3.2	9.7	36.0	3.9	39.9
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>5 382.6</b>	<b>187.0</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>5 569.6</b>	<b>936.2</b>	<b>6 505.8</b>
<i>(2) Extrabudgetary resources</i>						
	<i>1992-1993 estimated expenditures</i>	<i>Source of funds</i>			<i>1994-1995 estimated expenditures</i>	
	-	<i>(a) Services in support of:</i>			-	
	602.0	<i>(i) Other United Nations organizations</i>			500.0	
		<i>(ii) Extrabudgetary activities</i>				
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>602.0</b>				<b>500.0</b>	
<b>Total (b)</b>	-	<i>(b) Substantive activities</i>			-	
		<i>(c) Operational projects:</i>				
	410.0	<i>(i) UNDP</i>			600.0	
	2 400.0	<i>(ii) UNFPA</i>			1 814.0	
	114.0	<i>(iii) Other multilateral resources</i>			2 000.0	
	6 020.0	<i>(iv) Bilateral resources</i>			2 008.0	
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>8 944.0</b>				<b>6 422.0</b>	
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>9 546.0</b>				<b>6 922.0</b>	
<b>Total costs</b>					<b>13 427.8</b>	

TABLE 16.14. POST REQUIREMENTS

## Subprogramme 3. Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
Professional category and above								
D-1	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
P-5	4	4	-	-	4	3	8	7
P-4	8	10	-	-	1	1	9	11
P-3	6	4	-	-	-	-	6	4
P-2/1	3	3	-	-	-	1	3	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>29</b>
Other categories								
Local level	17	17	-	-	11	10	28	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>56</b>

## Subprogramme 3. Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development

16.34 This subprogramme comprises those activities that had previously been carried out in 1992-1993 under subprogramme 1 (Agricultural and rural development), subprogramme 5 (Human resources development), subprogramme 6 (Human settlements), subprogramme 10 (Population), subprogramme 11 (Social development) and subprogramme 15 (Women in development). Particular attention will be directed during the 1994-1995 biennium towards promotion of cooperation between Governments, non-governmental organizations and the private sector in dealing with the following key issues: (a) fulfilment of basic needs; (b) provision of essential services, including health care, family welfare services, education, water supply and sanitation and housing; (c) employment generation; (d) technological progress and the minimization of adverse effects of technology on the poor; and (e) interrelationships between poverty and the environment.

16.35 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development. ESCAP will also provide substantive services to a number of intergovernmental and ministerial meetings to be convened to discuss poverty alleviation issues, including the Regional Ministerial Conference in Preparation for the World Summit for Social Development.

## Activities:

## 1. Parliamentary services

## Parliamentary documentation:\*

(a) Four reports to the Commission on: progress on activities carried out under the subprogramme (annual); Second Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Women in Development (1995); Regional Ministerial Conference in Preparation for the World Summit for Social Development (1994);

(b) Seventeen reports to the annual sessions of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation through Economic Growth and Social Development on: poverty conditions and poverty alleviation policies and programmes in the region, within the context of national development strategies and macroeconomic policies (1994); factors giving rise to poverty (1995); major economic trends, activities and policies and their impact on employment, income distribution, poverty and environment (1994, 1995); progress in the implementation of ESCAP resolutions 274 (XLIV) and 48/6 concerning the Jakarta Plan of

Action on Human Resources Development in the ESCAP Region (1995); implementation of resolution 48/3 on the Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons (1995); population issues relating to poverty alleviation strategies, policies and programmes (1994, 1995); issues relating to agriculture and rural development (1994, 1995); human settlements and urbanization issues, including implementation of the Global Strategy for Shelter to the Year 2000 in response to ESCAP resolution 268 (XLIV) (1994); implementation of the regional action plan on urbanization (1995); issues in the field of human resources development (1994); issues in the field of social policy, social services and social security (1994); issues concerning women in development (1994, 1995); and selected successful experience in introduction and utilization of science and technologies in rural areas (1994);

(c) Reports to the Second Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Women in Development (1994); International Conference on Population and Development (1994); Intergovernmental meeting on the implementation of the Social Development Strategy for the ESCAP Region (1994).

## 2. Published materials

(a) 26 recurrent publications: *Social Development Newsletter* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Women-in-Development Newsletter* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Asia-Pacific Population Journal* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Population Headliners* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995); *Demographic Data Sheet* (1994, 1995)\*\*; *Newsletter on Poverty Alleviation Initiatives* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995);

### (b) Non-recurrent publications:

- (i) *Human Resources Development: Jakarta Plan of Action on Human Resources Development in the ESCAP Region*, revised edition (1995); *Fiscal Incentives to Support the Growth and Viability of NGOs in Support of Human Resources Development* (1994);
- (ii) *Social Policy, Social Services and Social Security: The Role of NGOs in Implementation of the Social Development Strategy for the ESCAP Region* (1995); *Legislation on Equal Opportunities and Full Participation in Development for Disabled Persons* (1994);
- (iii) *Women in Development: Asian and Pacific Plan of Action for the Advancement of the Status of Women* (1995);
- (iv) *Population and Migration: Changing Family Structure and Its Implications for Poverty Alleviation* (1995); *Trends in Urbanization with Special Reference to Rural-urban Migration\** (1995); *Fertility and Family Planning, including the Development and Strengthening of Management Information Systems* (1995);
- (v) *Growth Strategies and Structural Reform: regional information base on poverty issues\**; *causes, characteristics and consequences of poverty\**; *role of the informal service sector in poverty alleviation* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995);
- (vi) *Agriculture and Rural Development Series: compendium of inter-agency work programmes on rural development; impact of target group-oriented policies and institutional support programmes on rural poverty alleviation, rural industrialization and employment creation; communication strategies for rural poverty alleviation; successful experience in introduction and utilization of science and technologies in rural areas* (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995);
- (vii) *Human settlements and urbanization: innovative infrastructure and service delivery in low-income settlements* (1995); *review of current research in urban issues* (1994); *impact of innovative settlements-based poverty alleviation programmes* (1995);
- (viii) *Manuals, guidelines and annotated bibliography series: Guidelines for National Programmes of Action in Implementation of the Social Development Strategy for the ESCAP Region* (1995); *Training Manual for the Development of Community-based Approaches to Drug Abuse Demand Reduction* (1994); *Guidelines for the*

Promotion of Non-handicapping Physical Environments for Disabled Persons (1995); Guidelines on the Development of Comprehensive National Policies on Ageing (1995); Annotated Bibliography on Policy and Programme Issues in the Field of Ageing (1995); Manuals on Population Information Networking and Database Development\*\* (1994, 1995); Guidelines for the Activities of National and Local "Urban Forums"\* (1995);

(c) Technical materials: Training material on the role of the private sector in human resources development (1994); Translations of "Establishing and strengthening self-help organizations of disabled persons" into five national languages, and into English Braille (1995); Regional database on women in development (1995); Asia-Pacific POPIN data bank.

### 3. *Ad hoc expert groups*

Four ad hoc expert groups on review and revision of the Jakarta Plan of Action on Human Resources Development in the ESCAP Region (1994); linkages between population and poverty (1994); regional preparations for the World Summit for Social Development (1994); regional preparations for the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) (1995).

### 4. *Informational materials and services*

Information kit for the Second Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Women in Development (1994, 1995); exhibits for the Second Asian and Pacific Ministerial Conference on Women in Development (1995) .

### 5. *Operational activities (extrabudgetary resources)*

(a) Advisory services on: Formulation of macroeconomic national policies for poverty alleviation\*\*; human resources development planning and programming; Social Development Strategy for the ESCAP Region\*; Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons; youth crime prevention and the treatment of young offenders; Asian and Pacific plan of action for the advancement of the status of women\*; national women's information centres; implementation of the Bali Declaration on Population and Sustainable Development\*; population information centres and networks within the framework of the Population Information Network (POPIN); urbanization and sub-national area planning; CITYNET, in promotion of NGO/city cooperation\*\*; programmes on settlements-based poverty alleviation;

(b) Group training, seminars and workshops: Development of a comprehensive information base on poverty issues; causes, characteristics and consequences of poverty; national development strategies and their impact on the poor; role of the informal service sector in poverty alleviation\*\*; ESCAP network of national focal points for human resources development; role of the private sector in human resources development\*\*; government-non-governmental organization cooperation in the planning and delivery of basic services to the poor; participation of women in politics as an aspect of human resources development; critical social issues in poverty alleviation; implementation of the Asian and Pacific Decade of Disabled Persons; alleviation of poverty among women; establishment and strengthening of national women's information centres; implementation of the Asian and Pacific plan of action for the advancement of the status of women\* (1995); demographic analysis, demographic estimates and projections; Asia-Pacific POPIN Network; target group-oriented policies and programmes for rural development; impact of market reforms and price liberalization on agriculture and rural development; rural industrialization and communication strategies for rural poverty alleviation and employment creation; institutional support programmes for rural poverty alleviation; introduction, utilization and assessment of conventional and new technologies in rural areas; infrastructure and services in low-income settlements; sub-national area planning in the urbanization process; regional urban forum and regional network of human settlements research and training institutes on alleviation of urban poverty and settlements-based poverty alleviation programmes.

### 6. *Coordination, harmonization, liaison*

Participation in the ACC Task Force on Rural Development\*\*; Inter-agency Committee on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific; Inter-organizational Task Force on the Ministerial Conference on Urbanization.

*Resource requirements (at current rates)**Staff costs*

16.36 It is proposed to redeploy to this subprogramme one P-4 from programme support and one P-4 from subprogramme 4 (Transport and communications); it is also proposed to redeploy from this subprogramme one P-3 to subprogramme 4 and one P-3 to programme support.

*Consultants and experts*

16.37 The estimated requirements would amount to \$168,700 for consultants (\$59,100) and ad hoc expert groups (\$109,600), which includes an increase of \$62,000 comprising a non-recurrent provision \$50,000 (\$40,000 for two ad hoc expert groups and \$10,000 for consultants) for activities related to the Fourth World Conference on Women and a provision of \$12,000 for the ad hoc expert group on review and revision of the Jakarta Plan of Action on Human Resources Development. The net growth of \$54,600 reflects a decrease of \$7,400 which was a non-recurrent provision in 1992-1993 for preparatory activities related to the Fourth World Conference.

*Travel of staff on official business*

16.38 The estimated requirements for travel in the amount of \$152,100, including an increase of \$54,400, relate to travel of staff for fact-finding missions, data collection, consultations with Government officials, participation in national, regional and international and inter-agency meetings, including the Commission for Social Development, the Commission on the Status of Women, and the Population Commission. The increase includes a non-recurrent amount of \$40,000 for travel of staff to the World Summit on Social Development, the Fourth World Conference on Women, the Ninth Congress on Crime Prevention and the Treatment of Offenders and the preparatory meetings of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II).

*Contractual services*

16.39 The estimated requirements in the amount of \$36,000, which includes an increase of \$3,200, relate to external printing and binding of the publications and information materials.



## 4. TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS

TABLE 16.15. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	3 449.7	189.3	5.4	3 639.0	650.6	4 289.6
Consultants and experts	13.2	13.0	98.4	26.2	1.9	28.1
Travel on official business	46.4	7.4	15.9	53.8	5.4	59.2
Contractual services	5.4	(0.2)	(3.7)	5.2	0.4	5.6
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>3 514.7</b>	<b>209.5</b>	<b>5.9</b>	<b>3 724.2</b>	<b>658.3</b>	<b>4 382.5</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	345.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	304.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>345.0</b>		<b>304.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
	2 130.0	(c) Operational projects:	
	-	(i) UNDP	1 100.0
	-	(ii) UNFPA	-
	1 477.0	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
		(iv) Bilateral resources	2 822.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>3 607.0</b>		<b>3 922.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>3 952.0</b>		<b>4 226.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>8 608.5</b>

TABLE 16.16. POST REQUIREMENTS

## Subprogramme 4. Transport and communications

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources		Total	
	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995
Professional category and above								
D-1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-5	2	2	-	-	4	4	6	6
P-4	8	7	-	-	3	3	11	10
P-3	2	4	1	1	-	-	3	5
P-2/1	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
Other categories								
Local level	11	11	-	-	9	8	20	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>

## Subprogramme 4. Transport and communications

16.40 The activities for the 1994-1995 biennium are designed to: (a) identify the problems of transport, communications and tourism in the region and work out feasible solutions; (b) coordinate transport, communications and tourism-related activities undertaken in the region by international and intergovernmental organizations; (c) strengthen interregional cooperation, in particular with the ESCWA region; and (d) provide technical assistance to developing member and associate member Governments at subregional and regional levels in the areas identified as high priorities by the Commission and the Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Transport and Communications, which are reflected in the new regional action programme for phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific.

16.41 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee on Transport and Communications, which meets biennially. ESCAP will also provide substantive services to a number of intergovernmental and ministerial meetings.

## Activities:

## 1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation:\* one report to the Economic and Social Council on Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific (1994); annual report to the Commission on the progress of work carried out under this subprogramme; five reports to the Committee on Transport and Communications on factors affecting the growth and development of transport and communications infrastructure and services in the ESCAP region (1995), development of land transport linkages and facilitation measures (1995), implementation of the regional action programme for Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific (1995), development and perspective of waterborne transport (1995), and tourism development; and a report to the Intergovernmental Meeting on Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific (1994).

## 2. *Published materials*

(a) Twelve recurrent publications: *Review of Developments in Transport, Communications and Tourism\** (1995); *Transport and Communications Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific\*\** (1994, 1995); *Decade News* (2 issues each in 1994, 1995); *ESCAP Tourism Review* (one in 1994, two in 1995); *ESCAP Tourism Newsletter\*\** (1994, 1995);

(b) Seventeen non-recurrent publications: Development of multimodal transport\* (1994); Manpower resources in the shipping industry (1995); Road safety in the region (1994); Railway break-of-gauge problems (1995); Prospects for container shipping and port development (1994); Development of freight forwarding industry\* (1995); Development of urban transport (1995); Improving the management/operation of inland water transport (1995); Transport financial/economic models - inland water transport module (1994); Commercialization of transport business undertakings\* (1994); Computerized asset management system (Ports) (1994); Upgrading of dredging\*\* (1995); Land transport linkages development in newly independent States of Central Asia (1994); Asian Highway Network development\* (1994); promotion of tourism with emphasis on policy issues to maximize its socio-economic benefits\*; policy issues for expansion of tourism, strengthening of regional cooperation and promotion of intraregional tourism; tourism development in the Mekong River area\* (1 in 1994, 2 in 1995); map: Asian Highway Map (revised edition) (1994);

(c) Technical materials: database for maritime policy planning models (1994-1995); database and information system on regional action programme\* (1994-1995); transport financial/economic planning models (1994-1995).

## 3. *Ad hoc expert groups and related work*

One ad hoc expert group on road standards and rail route requirements will be convened in 1995.

## 4. *Information materials and services*

Exhibit for the Committee on Transport and Communications\*\* (1995).

## 5. *Operational activities (extrabudgetary resources)*

(a) Advisory services on: institutional development; transport and communications operations; multimodal transport and logistics; commercialization of transport and communications operations; environment, safety and health in transport; strengthening of national capabilities in expansion of tourism;

(b) Group training, seminars and workshops: institutional development; transport and communications operations; human resources development; multimodal transport and logistics; commercialization of transport and communications operations; environment, safety and health in transport; strengthening of national capabilities in expansion of tourism.\*

## 6. *Coordination, harmonization and liaison*

Interregional coordination with ESCWA for Phase II (1992-1996) of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific; coordination and liaison with the World Tourism Organization.

### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

#### *Staff costs*

16.42 It is proposed to redeploy to this subprogramme one P-3 from subprogramme 1 (Regional economic cooperation) and one P-3 from subprogramme 3 (Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development); it is also proposed to redeploy one P-4 to subprogramme 3.

*Consultants and experts*

16.43 The estimated requirements would amount to \$26,200 for consultants and include an increase of \$13,000 for one ad hoc expert group on road standards and rail route requirements.

*Travel on official business*

16.44 The estimated requirements for travel in the amount of \$53,800, including an increase of \$7,400, relate to travel of staff for fact-finding missions, data collection, consultations with Government officials, participation in national, regional and inter-agency meetings, including coordination with ESCWA for Phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific.

*Contractual services*

16.45 The estimated requirements in the amount of \$5,200 relate to external printing and binding of the publications and information materials.

## 5. STATISTICS

TABLE 16.17. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

*(1) Regular budget*

<i>Object of expenditure</i>	<i>1992-1993 revised appropriation</i>	<i>Resource growth</i>		<i>Total before recosting</i>	<i>Recosting</i>	<i>1994-1995 estimates</i>
		<i>Amount</i>	<i>Percentage</i>			
Staff costs	1 967.8	69.3	3.5	2 037.1	325.9	2 363.0
Consultants and experts	48.4	-	-	48.4	5.0	53.4
Travel on official business	29.7	3.6	12.1	33.3	3.4	36.7
Contractual services	69.0	(14.4)	(20.8)	54.6	6.0	60.6
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>2 114.9</b>	<b>58.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2 173.4</b>	<b>340.3</b>	<b>2 513.7</b>

*(2) Extrabudgetary resources*

	<i>1992-1993 estimated expenditures</i>	<i>Source of funds</i>	<i>1994-1995 estimated expenditures</i>
	-	(a) Services in support of:	
	55.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	76.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>55.0</b>		<b>76.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	170.0	(i) UNDP	-
	360.0	(ii) UNFPA	750.0
	-	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
	3 059.0	(iv) Bilateral resources	222.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>3 589.0</b>		<b>972.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>3 644.0</b>		<b>1 048.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>3 561.7</b>

TABLE 16.18 POST REQUIREMENTS

## Subprogramme 5. Statistics

	Established posts		Temporary posts				Total	
	Regular budget		Regular budget		Extrabudgetary resources			
	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995	1992-1993	1994-1995
Professional category and above								
D-1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	1	-	-	1	1	2	2
P-3	4	3	-	-	-	-	4	3
P-2/1	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>
Other categories								
Local level	15	15	-	-	2	2	17	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>

## Subprogramme 5. Statistics

16.46 The activities for the 1994-1995 biennium will focus on assisting member countries and groups of countries in developing and improving their capability to identify, collect, process, analyse and utilize the data needed for the formulation, monitoring and evaluation of development plans and policies. This subprogramme will also aim to improve the availability of data at the regional and national levels, through the gathering from member countries of demographic, social, economic and other statistics, and through their maintenance in a form suitable for retrieval and dissemination through various means. The subprogramme will foster the utilization of modern information technology in the public sector in order to strengthen the ability at both central and subnational levels to plan and manage economic and social development. In the implementation of the subprogramme, due consideration will be given to the priorities given by the work programmes on regional economic cooperation, environment and sustainable development, and poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development.

16.47 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Committee on Statistics, which meets biennially, as well as under the guidance of the other subsidiary bodies of the Commission, as relevant. ESCAP also provides substantive services to other intergovernmental meetings convened to consider statistical questions.

## Activities:

## 1. Parliamentary services

Parliamentary documentation: annual report to the Commission on progress of work carried out under the subprogramme; reports to the Committee on Statistics (biennial); reports to other subsidiary bodies of the Commission.

## 2. Published materials

(a) Twenty-eight recurrent publications: *Sample Surveys in the ESCAP Region\*\** (1994, 1995); *Statistical Newsletter\*\** (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Statistical Yearbook for Asia and the Pacific* (1994, 1995); *Foreign Trade Statistics of Asia and the Pacific* (1994, 1995); *Statistical Indicators for Asia and the Pacific* (4 in 1994, 4 in 1995); *Asia-Pacific in Figures* (1994, 1995); *Government Computerization Newsletter\*\** (2 in 1994, 2 in 1995);

(b) Three non-recurrent publications: Statistical Development: social and economic statistics and environmental accounting (1994, 1995); Guidelines for the collection of environment data (1995);

(c) Technical material: Compilation and dissemination of data on social indicators (1994-1995); processing of data received from countries on national average prices and on expenditures (International Comparison Programme) (1994-1995); development of statistical databases\*\*; continuation of work on network of compatible general and sectoral/thematic-specific numerical databases within the secretariat, as part of the United Nations information network (1994-1995).

### 3. *Ad hoc expert groups*

Working Group of Statistical Experts\* (1995); Working Group of Experts on Government Computerization (1995).

### 4. *Operational activities*

(a) Advisory services: Organizational and institutional issues affecting national statistical services; utilization of existing data on poverty; planning, conduct, processing and analysis of population censuses and surveys; implementation of revised System of National Accounts (SNA); implementation of Phase VI of the International Comparison Programme in the ESCAP region; various aspects of economic statistics and sample surveys including for transition economies; design and development of government information systems;

(b) Group training, seminars, workshops: Improved management and organization of national statistical services\*; workshop on methodologies of poverty measurement\*; meetings on population statistics, geographic information systems and demographic surveys; selected aspects of human development indicators, including meetings on the development of statistics on women\*; technical meetings on development of statistics on quality of life, children and women; subregional workshops on implementation of the revised System of National Accounts (SNA)\*; workshop to review data inputs for Phase VI of the International Comparison Programme in the ESCAP region; training workshop on trade statistics processing packages\*\*; regional seminars on environment statistics and environmental accounting; training workshops on the design and development of government information systems;

(c) Field project: Technical and substantive support to the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP).

### 5. *Coordination, harmonization and liaison*

Coordination with other programmes as well as at the inter-agency level will be undertaken through the United Nations Statistical Commission, the Administrative Committee on Coordination Subcommittee on Statistical Activities and its Technical Working Group on Statistical Databases and the Advisory Committee for the Coordination of Information Systems.

#### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

#### *Staff costs*

16.48 The redeployment of one D-1 from the Technical Cooperation Division under programme support to this subprogramme is proposed to strengthen the statistics subprogramme, in light of the additional responsibilities and activities related to statistical information and data needed in response to the thematic approach recommended by the Commission and in light of the increased membership of ESCAP. It is also proposed to redeploy from this subprogramme one P-5 post to programme support for the Data-processing Section.

16.49 Given the expanded statistical programme, including activities related to the new Member States, it is proposed to reclassify one P-4 to the P-5 level for statistical development, particularly to address new issues and develop indicators

for sustainable development, poverty alleviation and quality of life. It is also proposed to reclassify one P-3 to the P-4 level for the expansion of statistical information services related to the collection of data and information.

#### *Travel on official business*

16.50 The estimated requirements for travel in the amount of \$33,300, including an increase of \$3,600, relate to travel of staff for data collection, consultations with Government officials, participation in national, regional and inter-agency meetings, including the Statistical Commission and the ACC Subcommittee on Statistics.

#### *Contractual services*

16.51 The estimated requirements of \$54,600 relate to external printing and binding of publications and information materials.

## 6. LEAST DEVELOPED, LAND-LOCKED AND ISLAND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

TABLE 16.19. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE

(Thousands of United States dollars)

#### *(1) Regular budget*

<i>Object of expenditure</i>	<i>1992-1993 revised appropriation</i>	<i>Resource growth</i>		<i>Total before recosting</i>	<i>Recosting</i>	<i>1994-1995 estimates</i>
		<i>Amount</i>	<i>Percentage</i>			
Staff costs	726.5	223.2	30.7	949.7	170.1	1 119.8
Consultants and experts	16.2	-	-	16.2	1.7	17.9
Travel on official business	13.7	35.0	255.4	48.7	3.8	52.5
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>756.4</b>	<b>258.2</b>	<b>34.1</b>	<b>1 014.6</b>	<b>175.6</b>	<b>1 190.2</b>

#### *(2) Extrabudgetary resources*

	<i>1992-1993 estimated expenditures</i>	<i>Source of funds</i>	<i>1994-1995 estimated expenditures</i>
	-	(a) Services in support of:	
	50.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	71.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>50.0</b>		<b>71.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	(b) Substantive activities	<b>-</b>
	-	(c) Operational projects:	
	-	(i) UNDP	-
	-	(ii) UNFPA	-
	-	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
	299.0	(iv) Bilateral resources	708.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>299.0</b>		<b>708.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>349.0</b>		<b>779.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>1 969.2</b>

TABLE 16.20. POST REQUIREMENTS

**Subprogramme 6. Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries**

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
<b>Professional category and above</b>								
D-1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
P-5	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-4	1	1	-	-	1	1	2	2
P-3	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
P-2/1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Other categories</b>								
Local level	1	1	-	-	2	2	3	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>

*Subprogramme 6. Least developed, land-locked and island developing countries*

16.52 The activities of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific under this subprogramme will focus during the 1994-1995 biennium on assisting the least developed, land-locked and island developing countries to forge closer cooperative relationships among themselves and with the rest of the ESCAP region. The activities are closely linked to those carried out under the other subprogrammes.

16.53 The work will be carried out under the guidance of the Special Body on Least Developed and Land-locked Developing Countries (biennial) and the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries (annual).

*Activities:**1. Parliamentary services*

Parliamentary documentation: \* annual report to the Commission on the progress of work carried out under the subprogramme; reports to the Special Body on Least Developed and Land-locked Developing Countries (biennial); reports to the Special Body on Pacific Island Developing Countries (1994, 1995).

*2. Published materials:*

(a) Seven non-recurrent publications: economic and financial reforms for sustainable development of the least developed countries\*\*; regional cooperation in support of the economic and social development of the least developed countries; review, monitoring and assistance in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s\*; island developing countries: major issues and implications for macroeconomic and sectoral development policy and planning associated with greater economic and technical cooperation for development, especially with East and South-East Asia\*; island developing countries: the potential and modalities for closer subregional and/or regional cooperation in trade and investment; transport planning development for land-locked countries (4 in 1994, 3 in 1995);

(b) Technical materials: database on inter-island shipping (1994-1995).



### 3. *Operational activities (extrabudgetary resources)*

(a) Advisory services on: strengthening economic cooperation between least developed countries and other developing countries\*\*; integrating population factors into development policy and planning; island developing countries: selected aspects of development policy management and reforms of development policy and planning;\*\*

(b) Group training, seminars and workshops: Country-level training courses on preparation of a quantitative macroeconomic framework (model) for policy design/evaluation in the least developed countries; mid-term review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s\*; national workshops and regional seminar on improving the access of women to formal credit and financial institutions in the least developed countries; regional cooperation in support of the economic and social development of least developed countries; economic stabilization, liberalization and deregulation in Pacific island economies; small ship management/operation between island developing countries.

### 4. *Coordination, harmonization and liaison*

Coordination with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), in the review and implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s.

#### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

##### *Staff costs*

16.54 The redeployment of one D-1 from Executive direction and management to this subprogramme is proposed.

##### *Travel on official business*

16.55 The estimated requirements for travel related to consultations with Government officials, data collection and participation in meetings would amount to \$48,700. The increase of \$35,000 is offset by a decrease in travel under Executive direction and management, and includes a non-recurrent amount of \$10,000 for travel to the Global Conference on Small Island Developing States.

## D. Programme support

Table 16.21. SUMMARY OF 1994-1995 ESTIMATES BY OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE  
(Thousands of United States dollars)

## (1) Regular budget

Object of expenditure	1992-1993 revised appropriation	Resource growth		Total before recosting	Recosting	1994-1995 estimates
		Amount	Percentage			
Staff costs	20 879.0	1 911.7	9.1	22 790.7	3 364.6	26 155.3
Consultants and experts	24.8	(24.8)	(100.0)	-	-	-
Travel on official business	36.7	23.8	64.8	60.5	5.1	65.6
Contractual services	510.4	(359.1)	(70.3)	151.3	16.0	167.3
General operating expenses	3 701.8	185.2	5.0	3 887.0	402.6	4 289.6
Supplies and materials	605.9	7.8	1.2	613.7	64.3	678.0
Furniture and equipment	1 306.0	(190.7)	(14.6)	1 115.3	100.9	1 216.2
<b>Total, regular budget</b>	<b>27 064.6</b>	<b>1 553.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>28 618.5</b>	<b>3 953.5</b>	<b>32 572.0</b>

## (2) Extrabudgetary resources

	1992-1993 estimated expenditures	Source of funds	1994-1995 estimated expenditures
	-	(a) Services in support of:	-
	1 810.0	(i) Other United Nations organizations	-
		(ii) Extrabudgetary activities	1 464.0
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>1 810.0</b>		<b>1 464.0</b>
<b>Total (b)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(b) Substantive activities</b>	<b>-</b>
		(c) Operational projects:	
	-	(i) UNDP	-
	-	(ii) UNFPA	-
	-	(iii) Other multilateral resources	-
426.0		(iv) Bilateral resources	200.0
<b>Total (c)</b>	<b>426.0</b>		<b>200.0</b>
<b>Total (a), (b) and (c)</b>	<b>2 236.0</b>		<b>1 664.0</b>
		<b>Total costs</b>	<b>34 236.0</b>

TABLE 16.22. POST REQUIREMENTS

**Programme: Programme support**

	<i>Established posts</i>		<i>Temporary posts</i>				<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Regular budget</i>		<i>Extrabudgetary resources</i>			
	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>	<i>1992-1993</i>	<i>1994-1995</i>
<b>Professional category and above</b>								
D-1	2	2	-	-	-	-	2	2
P-5	6	7	-	-	2	2	8	9
P-4	16	17	1	-	2	1	19	18
P-3	25	28	1	-	3	1	29	29
P-2/1	9	10	-	-	-	-	9	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>68</b>
<b>Other categories</b>								
Local level	218	232	1	-	27	24	246	256
Field Service	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-*</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>327</b>

\* Temporary posts (one P-4, one P-3 and one local level) established for the Planning Unit to oversee the construction of the conference complex will be discontinued in 1995.

16.56 The Division of Administration provides programme support and comprises programme coordination and monitoring, management of technical cooperation, information services, conference and library services, and administration and common services.

*Activities:*1. *Programme coordination and monitoring and management of technical cooperation activities*

(a) Functions previously performed by the Programme Coordination and Monitoring Office under Executive Direction and Management and the management of technical cooperation activities, previously the responsibility of the Technical Cooperation Division, have been amalgamated into a single administrative entity. The combined activities will include overall coordination of programme planning, budgeting, monitoring and evaluation, services to the Commission and other meetings, collaboration with other entities and organizations of the United Nations system and appropriate outside institutions, mobilization of extrabudgetary resources and management of technical cooperation activities;

(b) Parliamentary documentation: annual report to the Commission on technical cooperation activities and on economic and technical cooperation among developing countries; biennial report to the High-Level Committee on the Review of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC);

(c) Recurrent publication: Directory of TCDC National Focal Points (annual).

2. *Information services*

Activities include full coverage of the work of the Commission by preparing press releases, summaries of proceedings and debates; special brochures, booklets, wall charts, information kits, films, videotapes; briefings, exhibitions.

### 3. *Conference and library services*

Activities will continue to include the provision of conference services to meetings of the policy-making organs of ESCAP (the annual sessions of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies) and other intergovernmental meetings held under the auspices of ESCAP; translation and printing of documents and publications; and library services.

### 4. *Administration and common services*

16.57 The Division of Administration provides services in connection with human resources management, financial administration and resource planning, and use of common services to support the implementation of the work programme. Activities will include: (a) recruitment, placement, career development, staff training, staff administration, staff counselling and medical services; (b) financial management, control and treasury services; (c) general services, including security and safety, communications, procurement, transportation, etc.; and (d) electronic data-processing services.

#### *Resource requirements (at current rates)*

##### *Staff costs*

16.58 An amount of \$22,790,700 is required for the established posts as well as for the following requirements:

(a) General temporary assistance (\$232,700) for peak-time workload conditions and for the replacement of staff on sick leave and maternity leave, and so forth;

(b) Overtime (\$201,600), representing additional hours of work required during the biennium for ESCAP as a whole.

16.59 The establishment of 10 local level posts for operating the conference complex is proposed.

16.60 The following redeployments from Programme Support to the substantive areas are proposed: 1 D-1 from the Technical Cooperation Division to subprogramme 5 (Statistics); 1 P-4 to subprogramme 3 (Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development) specifically for population activities; and 1 P-2 to subprogramme 1 (Regional economic cooperation) specifically for activities related to international trade and development finance.

16.61 The following redeployments to Programme Support are proposed: 10 posts (1 D-1, 1 P-4, 2 P-3, 1 P-2 and 4 local level) from Executive direction and management and one P-4 post from subprogramme 1 (Regional economic cooperation), specifically for activities related to programme coordination and monitoring; 1 P-2 post from Executive direction and management to administration and common services; 1 P-5 post from subprogramme 5 (Statistics) to the Data-processing Section; 1 P-3 post from subprogramme 3 (Poverty alleviation through economic growth and social development) to the Budget and Finance Section.

16.62 It is also proposed to transfer three Field Service posts from the Field Operations Division under section 25A to ESCAP in connection with the implementation of the new global satellite communications network. One post would be for a Senior technician for the Telecommunications Operations; and the other two posts would be utilized for two technicians, one each for the Satellite and the Switching Units of the Telecommunications Operations.

##### *Travel on official business*

16.63 An amount of \$60,500 is required for the travel of staff for consultations on programme coordination, administrative, financial and personnel matters, within and outside the region.

16.64 The increase of \$23,800 reflects the redeployment of resources for travel as a result of the redeployment of posts from Executive Direction and Management to programme support.

*Contractual services*

16.65 An amount of \$151,300, which reflects decreases of \$46,500 and a non-recurrent provision in 1992-1993 of \$312,600 for data-processing services, is required for translation and editing of documentation and publications and for data-processing services.

*General operating expenses*

16.66 An amount of \$3,887,000, which includes an increase of \$185,200 primarily related to increased costs for the conference complex, is required for rental and maintainance of premises and of furniture and equipment, communications, utilities, insurance, bank charges and other miscellaneous charges, including those for the Vanuatu Office.

*Supplies and materials*

16.67 An amount of \$613,700, which includes an increase of \$7,800, is required for the purchase of office supplies, internal reproduction supplies, data-processing supplies and library books; it is offset by a decrease under policy-making organs.

*Furniture and equipment*

16.68 An amount of \$1,115,300, which includes an increase of \$180,000 primarily for security communications and safety equipment required by the United Nations Security Plan for Bangkok and conference-servicing equipment, is required for replacement of existing furniture and equipment as part of the replacement schedule. A non-recurrent amount of \$185,300 is required for the establishment of the local area network (LAN) as part of office automation. The net decrease of \$190,700 reflects the deduction of the non-recurrent amount of \$556,000 provided in 1992-1993 for computer equipment.