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**Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**

Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management

Governing Council

**Second session**

Tehran, 31 January 2018

**Annotated provisional agenda**

The present document contains the provisional agenda for the second session of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management (section I) and the annotations thereto (section II).

**I. Provisional agenda**

1. Opening of the session:
  - (a) Opening statements;
  - (b) Election of officers;
  - (c) Adoption of the agenda.
2. Activities of the Centre since the first session of the Governing Council.
3. Regional cooperation and capacity development projects.
4. Report on the governance and the administrative and financial status of the Centre.
5. Programme of work for 2018 and beyond.
6. Date of and venue for the third session of the Governing Council.
7. Other matters.
8. Adoption of the report.

**II. Annotations**

1. **Opening of the session:**
  - (a) **Opening statements**

The tentative programme for the opening of the session will be made available in due course.

**(b) Election of officers**

In accordance with paragraph 33 of the statute of the Centre, annexed to resolution 71/11 of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific on the establishment of the Centre, the Governing Council will elect a chairperson and vice-chairperson, who will hold office until the next regular session of the Council. The list of participants will be made available in due course.

**(c) Adoption of the agenda**

**Documentation**

Annotated provisional agenda (E/ESCAP/APDIM/GC(2)/L.1)

**Annotation**

The Governing Council will consider and adopt the provisional agenda, subject to such changes as may be necessary.

**2. Activities of the Centre since the first session of the Governing Council**

**Documentation**

Report on the activities of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management since the first session of the Governing Council (E/ESCAP/APDIM/GC(2)/1)

**Annotation**

The document contains an outline of the activities undertaken and results achieved in line with the Centre's programme of work, including with respect to seismic risk reduction and sand and dust storms. The Governing Council may wish to review the progress achieved since its first session, which was held in New Delhi in November 2016, and provide the Centre with further guidance on carrying out its mandate.

**3. Regional cooperation and capacity development projects**

The Governing Council will be briefed on the concepts of proposed capacity development projects for reducing seismic risks, including seismic microzonation in Bhutan and retrofitting of cultural monuments in Nepal, drawing early lessons from the earthquake that occurred in Kermanshah, Islamic Republic of Iran, on 12 November 2017, for implementation with the Centre's partner, the Road, Housing and Urban Development Research Centre of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Council will also be briefed on the Commission's approach to regional cooperation to combat sand and dust storms in Asia and the Pacific, in line with Commission resolution 72/7.

**4. Report on the governance and the administrative and financial status of the Centre**

**Documentation**

Report on the governance and the administrative and financial status of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management (E/ESCAP/APDIM/GC(2)/2)

**Annotation**

The document includes an overview of the governing structure of the Centre and its administrative and financial status as of November 2017. The Governing Council may wish to review that status and provide guidance on the topic.

**5. Programme of work for 2018 and beyond****Documentation**

Proposed workplan of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management for 2018 and beyond (E/ESCAP/APDIM/GC(2)/3)

**Annotation**

The document contains an outline of the proposed workplan for 2018 with respect to establishing the Centre, its advocacy and capacity-building activities and its strategy for 2019 and beyond in line with the programme of work of the Centre which was endorsed by the Governing Council at its first session. The Council is invited to review and provide guidance on the workplan, taking into account the strategic framework and programme of work for the biennium 2018–2019 for the Commission.

**6. Date of and venue for the third session of the Governing Council**

The Governing Council is invited to propose the date of and venue for its third session, to be held in 2018.

**7. Other matters**

The Governing Council may wish to consider other matters brought to its attention.

**8. Adoption of the report****Documentation**

Draft report (E/ESCAP/APDIM/GC(2)/L.2)

**Annotation**

The Governing Council will consider and adopt the draft report on its second session, including the decisions therein. The draft of the proceedings will be prepared by the secretariat and circulated to the Council for comments after the conclusion of the session. The report of the Council will be submitted to the Commission for its consideration at its seventy-fourth session, to be held in May 2018.