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Report on proposal of SSOP III

(Submitted by AWG Co-vice Chair)

ACTION REQUIRED:

The Committee is invited to discuss and approve the request for submitting a proposal to the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP) Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness.

APPENDICES:

- 1) DRAFT TEXT FOR INCLUSION AT SESSION REPORT
- 2) REPORT ON PROPOSAL OF SSOP III

APPENDIX A:

DRAFT TEXT FOR INCLUSION IN THE SESSION REPORT

Report on Proposal of SSOP III

The Committee noted the request to submit the proposal for the SSOP III to the UN ESCAP Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness (agenda item 11).

Recommendation for proposal of SSOP III

Endorse pursuing the submission for an SSOP III project to the UN ESCAP Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness.

APPENDIX B:

REPORT ON THE PROPOSAL FOR SYNERGIZED STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR COASTAL MULTI-HAZARD EARLY WARNING SYSTEM PHASE 3 (SSOP III)

- 1. SSOP-III project Objectives
 - a. Build upon the first two phases of SSOP
 - Initial project: Promote community level resilience, including vulnerable and special needs individuals, to coastal hazards through effective, synergized SOPs for multi-hazards EWS
 - 1. Training missions
 - a. PTC: Bangladesh, Maldives and Myanmar
 - b. TC: Cambodia, Lao PDR and the Philippines
 - 2. Published the Manual on SSOP
 - 3. Published the Quick Reference Guide on SSOP
 - ii. To extend the achievements from the SSOP initial project among 10 beneficiary countries, and transit the existing technical methodologies onto productive forces, promoting capacity on disaster risk reduction.
 - 1. Training on the mechanism to establish and improve SOPs
 - 2. Training workshop (10 beneficiary countries, 5 each PTC & TC)
 - 3. Consultation in-country workshops (4-6 beneficiary countries, 2-3 each)
 - 4. RSMC attachment training (Tokyo and New Delhi, 8 beneficiary countries, 4 each)
 - b. Provide a people-centric, bottom up approach to Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems (MHEWSs) by bringing the SSOP concepts and guidance to the last mile/kilometer assisting vulnerable, underserved communities.
 - c. Enhance regional cooperation and collaboration through joint training, education and awareness within a regional body and among regional bodies.
 - d. Integrate current and new regional body project plans within the scope of the SSOP III project in order to synergize efforts and avoid unnecessary duplication.

2. Action Stages

- a. Incorporate current and new Regional Bodies' Annual Operating Plans (AOPs).
 - i. For example, Typhoon Committee's (TC's) Working Groups (WGs):
 - 1. WG Meteorology AOP9 Enhancement of disaster risk reduction against heavy rain in collaboration with AOP7 of WGH
 - 2. WG Hydrology AOP6 Flood Risk Watch for Life Saving (Water Level Gauges)
 - 3. Tropical Cyclone Research Group AOP4 To: (a) implement training initiatives in the priority operational and research areas as identified in the TRCG annual report; and (b) enhance Members' capability and capacity in the assessment of damage and pre-assessment of potential impact caused by land-falling TCs
 - 4. WG Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) AOP1 Capacity Building/Knowledge Sharing in DRR
 - 5. WG DRR AOP2 Setting up Early Warning and Alert System
 - 6. WG DRR AOP5 Sharing Information related to DRR
 - 7. WG DRR AOP6 Making Educational Videos related to DRR
- b. Provide training to NMHSs and NDMSs (others as appropriate)
 - i. Regional cooperation and collaboration

- ii. Shared learning
- iii. Attachment training
- c. Determine beneficiary member countries
- d. For each beneficiary country (7 total, 3 from TC, 2 each from PTC and RA V)
 - i. Determine a vulnerable, underserved community needing assistance
 - ii. Determine a time/place for meeting with community leaders
 - iii. Develop a plan for applying the SSOP guidance
- e. Applying the SSOP concepts
 - i. Meeting with the community, including their leaders (relationship building)
 - 1. Listening to their concerns, limitations and local knowledge
 - 2. Incorporating these into training, outreach and education (used both locally and throughout all levels to enhance understanding and awareness)
 - ii. Develop local MHEWS SSOP, as appropriate
 - iii. Exercise local/national MHEWS SSOP within the community
- f. Concepts for the meetings
 - i. Provide training for NMHSs and NDMSs
 - 1. Conduct a single training workshop to teach the SSOP concepts and application of the SSOP III project objectives (3 days)
 - ii. Meet with the chosen beneficiary countries' vulnerable community leaders (2 days)
 - iii. Meet with the chosen beneficiary countries' vulnerable community (3 days)
 - 1. Listening sessions, training sessions, develop local plans, outreach/education event, exercise the plans
 - iv. Attachment training for across regional bodies (variable)
 - 1. Support individuals to attend already scheduled training in other regional bodies to promote sharing, collaboration and cooperation
- g. When presented to the WGM, WGH and WGDRR, participants recognized the SSOP-III as a meaningful proposal to TC Members. Participants also discussed in their respective WGs how they might be able to share in the proposed SSOP-III project.
- h. When presented to the ESCAP Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness Advisory Council, the Council accepted the initial outline for the project and encouraged a proposal be developed and submitted.
- 3. Mr. Tom Evans expressed his gratitude for considering endorsing the proposed project.