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**Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction 2016
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**Concept Note for Pre-conference events on 02 November 2016
Hotel The Ashok, New Delhi**

Event title	Engendering the Implementing of Sendai Framework in Asia - Consultation of the Stakeholder Group on Individuals and Organizations concerned with Gender Issues
Event code	PC-8
Date and Time	Wednesday, 2 nd November, 09.00-12.00
Venue/ Room no.	Friendship Lounge Partition 2, Third Floor
Theme	Providing inputs to Asia Regional Plan for ensuring inclusive implementation of the Sendai Framework
Organizers	<p>Lead: Stakeholder Group on Individuals and Organizations concerned with Gender Issues</p> <p>Collaborators: All members of the Stakeholder Group (esp. Duryog Nivaran, UNWomen, IFRC, GDN, IPPF, ADPC, Sphere Network etc.), JICA (tbc), UNCEDAW, UNFPA, UNISDR</p> <p>Contact Details* (lead):</p> <p>Name: Ramona Miranda/Mihir Bhatt</p> <p>Designation: Steering Committee member, Duryog Nivaran/Chair, Duryog Nivaran</p> <p>Email id and phone number: secretariat@duryognivaran.org</p> <p>Organization name and address: Duryog Nivaran, 5 Lionel Edirisinghe Mawatha, Colombo 5, Sri Lanka.</p>
Session Objectives	<p>To discuss the priority steps for ensuring gender sensitivity in the Asia Plan (esp. Guidance Note) for implementing the Sendai Framework for implementing gender sensitive Sendai Framework to be endorsed at the AMCDRR</p> <p>To discuss and finalise commitments of the SHG towards the above</p> <p>To provide inputs to CEDAW General Recommendation on disaster risk in a</p>

	changing climate
Background and context	<p>The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction states that a gender, age, disability and cultural perspective is needed in all policies and practices; and that “women and their participation are critical to effectively managing disaster risk and designing, resourcing and implementing gender-sensitive disaster risk reduction policies, plans and programmes; and adequate capacity building measures need to be taken to empower women for preparedness as well as build their capacity for alternate livelihood means in post-disaster situations.”</p> <p>Governments in Asia have committed to working towards gender inclusion through the statements made at the 6AMCDRR, 3 WCDRR. The stakeholder group ‘Individuals and Organizations Concerned with Gender issues’ has since 2012 worked to bring the status, recommendations and commitments of the governments and key partners to the forefront. This session will specifically explore the tools and guidance to facilitate the Asia plan for Sendai Framework implementation with gender inclusion and sensitivity, and identify priority actions for the 2 year plan of Action and milestones. The event will strengthen governments’ and agencies’ efforts to implement gender sensitive DRR. It will also confirm the commitments from within the stakeholder group to assist the process.</p> <p>In addition, the Committee of the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women is developing a General Recommendation on disaster risk in a changing climate. The objective of the Committee is to adopt it in 2017. There are numerous provisions of the CEDAW Convention that are relevant to each of the different phases of disaster risk reduction from prevention and preparedness, to the planning of response, provision of relief and recovery, and long-term adaptation. In the past, the disaster risk reduction, climate change, development and human rights communities have taken distinct approaches and developed specific priorities to deal with the various components of prevention, response and recovery/adaptation. The general recommendation seeks to develop an integrated framework to disaster risk reduction in the context of climate change that is grounded in the principle of substantive gender equality as expressed in articles 1, 2 (f) and 5 (a) of the CEDAW Convention. As such, once adopted, the General Recommendation will be a significant policy document guiding States Parties in implementing the Convention as well as supporting the implementation of the Sendai Framework and of gender sensitive DRR.</p> <p>Support documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asia Regional Plan for implementation of Sendai Framework; • Gender Disaster Risk Reduction Outcome Document from Hanoi Conference; • Guidance Note for Gender Inclusion of the Asia Regional Plan; • UNISDR latest publication "Women leadership in risk-resilient development" https://www.unisdr.org/we/inform/publications/42882; • CEDAW General Recommendation on disaster risk in a changing climate
Session format and programme	<p><i>Suggested agenda:</i></p> <p>Facilitator: Stakeholder Group Lead & UNISDR – Outline of the session (10 mins)</p>

	<p>Welcome and introductory remarks by the</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discussion on the Guidance Note and plan for incorporating gender in implementing the Asia Plan for Sendai Framework implementation <p>Co-Chairs: SDMC, ASEAN, ECU (TBC) - introductory remarks on sub-regional priorities (15 mins)</p> <p>Reflections from the governments [5 government representatives will be asked to reflect] (30 mins)</p> <p>Reflections from local government/authority representatives [at least 3] (15 mins)</p> <p>Reflections from other stakeholders (15 mins)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Consultation on CEDAW Recommendation on disaster risk in a changing climate <p>Reflections from the governments [Government representatives will be asked to reflect – (30 mins)</p> <p>Q&A (15 mins)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Finalizing Statement of Commitments <p>Presenting the Statement and the already obtained commitments (15 mins)</p> <p>Group work on refining the statement and obtaining more commitments (30 mins)</p> <p>Feedback to plenary and finalization (15 mins)</p> <p>Closing remarks and way forward (15 mins)</p>
<p>Intended main outcome and Key messages</p>	<p>All stakeholders understand the need for the 2 year plan of action of the Asia Plan for Sendai framework implementation to be gender sensitive in its implementation; the particular role of regional bodies, governments at all levels, NGOs, academia etc.; and the value of multi-sectorial collaboration consolidating efforts and synergies for designing, resourcing and implementing gender-sensitive disaster risk reduction policies, plans and programmes.</p> <p>Outputs:</p> <p>An endorsed Guidance Note and Plan for Gender Inclusion in implementing the Regional Plan of Action</p> <p>Feedback to the CEDAW recommendations on DRR & CC</p> <p>Statement of Commitments from the Stakeholder Group on Individuals and Organizations concerned with Gender Issues</p>
<p>List of Speakers and their interventions</p>	<p>DRR Focal Point for Governments of Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Japan ... (At least 5) on their commitments towards incorporating gender in implementing the Asia Plan for Sendai Framework implementation (names TBC), as well as feedback on the CEDAW document</p>

	<p>At least 3 local government officials (TBC)</p> <p>Facilitators of the sessions/Group facilitators to be drawn from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duryog Nivaran – Mihir Bhatt, Ramona Miranda, Mahbuba Nasreen, Vandana Chaudari, Kopila Thapa, Karin Fernando • UN Women - Cecilia Aipira, Dilruba Haider, Sumaiya Kabir • Christian Aid – Ram Kishan, Shakeb Nabi, Shamina Akhtar • IFRC - Christina Haneef • UNCEDAW - Nahla El Addal Haidar • GDN - Maureen Fordham • JICA (tbc) • All India Women’s Conference - Kalyani Raj • JWNDRR – Akiko Domoto • City Net/Makati City Adviser - Violeta Seva • Gender and Water Alliance - Shaila Shahid • IPPF – Aditi Ghosh • Sphere India - Henna Hejazi • UNFPA – Sriram Haridass • ADPC – Maria Holtsberg
<p>Technical Equipment</p>	<p>Projector, computer, microphones (podium & FM for audience)</p>