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TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

Monday, 17 December 2012

Time

08:30 – 09:30 hrs **Registration**

09:30 – 10:15 hrs **Opening session**

Welcome remarks by H.E. Mr. Ly Thuch, Senior Minister and Chairman of National Committee for ESCAP, Royal Government of Cambodia

Statement by Mr. Douglas Broderick, UN Resident Coordinator, Phnom Penh

Statement by Ms. Susann Roth, Senior Social Development Specialist, Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB

Statement by Mr. Rathin Roy, Regional Manager, UNDP Asia-Pacific Regional Centre

Statement by Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programme, UNCTAD, Geneva

Statement by Ms. Heidi Schroderus-Fox, Director, UN-OHRLLS

Statement by Mr. Shun-ichi Murata, Deputy Executive Secretary, ESCAP

Inaugural Statement by H.E. Madam Dr. Men Sam An, Permanent Deputy Prime Minister, Royal Government of Cambodia

Election of Officers [One Chair and 3 Vice-chairs will be elected from the participating LDCs to form the Bureau of the Meeting]

10:15 – 10:30 hrs *Coffee Break*

10:30 – 11:30 hrs **Session 1**

Promoting inclusive and sustainable growth and development in Asia-Pacific LDCs during the Decade 2011-2020 (Priorities A and B of IPoA)

Chairperson: Mr. Tuon Thavrak, Director General, Ministry of Planning, Royal Government of Cambodia

Presentations by

Mr. Mustafa Kamal Mujeri, Director-General, BIDS, Dhaka, *“Inclusive Growth and Development in LDCs in an era of global uncertainty”*

Mr. Sudip Ranjan Basu, Economic Affairs Officer, MPDD, ESCAP, *“Promoting Productive capacity development in the LDCs”*

The main objective of this session is to discuss key issues and priorities, and identify challenges and opportunities in promoting inclusive and sustainable growth and development in the LDCs during the next decade as part of the implementation of the Istanbul Programme Action (IPoA). National policies of LDCs and international support measures to enable half the number of LDCs to meet the criteria for graduation by 2020 would require accelerated progress in achieving sustained, equitable and inclusive economic growth in LDCs by at least 7 per cent per annum. Key drivers of inclusive and sustainable growth and development such as creation of productive capacity, infrastructure development, energy, and promotion of science, technology and innovation would be fully explored and benchmarked. The critical role of agriculture for employment generation and inclusive growth would be highlighted. The private sector’s contribution in promoting growth, including through regional cooperation and South-South Cooperation, would be emphasized. Forward looking medium- to long-term policy options that would be essential for the Asia-Pacific LDCs to meet the income threshold for graduating from their LDCs status would be discussed.

11:30 – 13:00 hrs *Lunch break*

13:00 – 14:30 hrs **Session 1 (continued)**

- **Country statements**
- **Open discussion**
- **Summary by the Chair**

14:30 – 15:00 hrs *Coffee break*

15:00 – 17:30 hrs **Session 2**

**Achieving human and social development in the Asia-Pacific LDCs
(Priority E of IPoA)**

Chair: Mr. Yuba Raj Bhusal, Secretary, National Planning Commission Secretariat, Nepal

Presentations by

Mr. Abul Barkat, Professor of Economics and Chair, Department of Economics, Dhaka University, Dhaka, Bangladesh, *“Inclusive human and social development in LDCs: Prospects and challenges”*.

Ms. Susann Roth, Senior Social Development Specialist, Regional and Sustainable Development Department, ADB, *“Promoting social protection in LDCs”*.

The main objective of this session is to focus on the key drivers of achieving human and social development in the Asia-Pacific LDCs, one of the criteria for graduation. A critical concern for the LDCs is to introduce deliberate changes in growth pattern and government policies such that economic growth becomes more inclusive allowing a more equal sharing of the benefits of growth. The prospects for achieving the MDGs by 2015 by the “off-track” LDCs depend on accelerating pro-poor growth and narrowing internal disparities. In that regard, men, women and children are the greatest assets of the LDCs, and policies and instruments must be in place to harness their full potential. This session will try to map the critical human and social development challenges that will continue to constrain the development of the Asia-Pacific LDCs during the next decade and suggest policies and strategies in addressing some of the action points, as enunciated in the IPoA, in areas such as education and training, population and primary health, youth development, water and sanitation, gender equality and empowerment of women, and social protection.

- **Country statements**
- **Open discussion**
- **Summary by the Chair**

18:00 – 19:30 hrs **Welcome Dinner: Jointly hosted by UNESCAP and NC-ESCAP, Royal Government of Cambodia**

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09:00 – 10:30 hrs **Session 3**

Trade and commodities: Joining the value chains (Priorities C and D of IPoA)

Chair: Mr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director, Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programme, UNCTAD

Presentation by Mr. Posh Raj Pandey, Executive Chairman, South Asia Watch on Trade Economics and Environment (SAWTEE), *“Integrating LDCs in the*

regional flows of trade and investment: Situation and Prospects”.

This session will assess some of the important trends in the composition and direction of trade of Asia-Pacific LDCs in recent years. Discussions will focus on some of the policies and measures that will have to be pursued in increasing the share of least developed countries’ trade in global and regional trade with the aim of doubling the share of Asia-Pacific LDCs’ exports in global and regional exports by 2020. In that context, concrete steps and measures needed for integrating trade and trade capacity-building policies into national development strategies, improving productivity and competitiveness and diversifying production bases into dynamic products and markets will be highlighted. Options for generating a stronger voice by all Asia-Pacific LDCs in ensuring that the actions and commitments made by their development partners, as enshrined in the IPoA, will be explored. Several Asia-Pacific LDCs derive a good part of their incomes and employment from extraction of very few natural resources and primary products for export. Options will be suggested in using these resources for domestic productive capacity development and broadening the economic base of these LDCs to reduce their commodity dependence.

10:30 – 10:45 hrs *Coffee break*

10:45 – 11:30 hrs **Session 3 (continued)**

- **Country statements**
- **Open discussion**
- **Summary by the Chair**

11:30 – 13:00 hrs *Lunch break*

13:00 – 14:30 hrs **Session 4**

Challenges in reducing vulnerabilities and achieving equitable and sustainable development in LDCs (Priority F of IPoA)

Chair: Mr. Jeremiah Manele, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Development Planning and Aid Coordination, Solomon Islands

Presentations by

Ms. Gulsora Pulatova, HFA Focal Point for Asia Pacific, UNISDR, Bangkok, *“Looking into the Future: Post-2015 Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction”.*

Mr. Hamid Rashid, Senior Adviser for Macroeconomic Policy, Development Policy and Analysis Division, UN DESA, *“Capacity development of national authorities in LDCs to design and implement development strategies that promote productivity and inclusive growth, reduce employment and income vulnerabilities and accelerate graduation”.*

Discussions will highlight vulnerability of LDCs to natural and economic shocks which is beyond domestic control and is a major symptom of the structural weaknesses of the LDCs. Environmental fragility is not an LDC-specific issue, but it can be exacerbated, in LDCs, by poverty and lack of access to green technology products and processes. Just about every LDC is

undergoing huge environmental stress, and climate change has appeared as a real threat to the Pacific LDCs. Natural disasters are also inflicting significant losses on many LDCs in the region. These have threatened the survival of several Pacific LDCs while putting enormous strain on the Pacific Ocean, which, at a third of the world's surface, represents one of the greatest global commons for humanity. Discussants will have an opportunity to assess the effective implementation of IPOA and relevant MDG targets in this crucial area and suggest urgent mitigation and adaptation measures for adoption by the LDCs and the international community.

- **Country statements**
- **Open discussion**
- **Summary by the Chair**

16:15 – 16:30 hrs *Coffee break*

16-45 - 18:00 hrs **Session 5**

Mobilizing resources for development and capacity building (Priorities G and H of IPoA)

Chair: Mr. Syviengxay Oraboune, Deputy Director General, Senior Researcher, National Economic Research Institute, Ministry of Planning and Investment, Lao PDR

Presentation by Mr. Aynul Hasan, O-i-C,a.i., MPDD, ESCAP, *“Recent trends in resource flows to LDCs and prospects for generating domestic financial, human and institutional resources and capacities for sustainable growth and development”*.

Presentation by Mr. Tesfachew Taffere, Director , Division for Africa, LDCs and Special Programme, UNCTAD, Geneva, *“The role of remittances in LDCs’ development: policies and strategies”*.

During the next decade, the LDCs need increased access to financial resources in achieving sustained, inclusive and equitable growth and sustainable development and make progress towards graduation. Domestic resource mobilization efforts are constrained by low levels of per capita income, domestic savings and investment and a narrow tax base. LDCs therefore continue to depend heavily on ODA, FDI and other forms of external resource flows that add to their capacity and development. South-south cooperation is

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