

**2nd meeting of the Technical Working Group (TWG) on Disaster-related Statistics
25 November 2020, 1:00 – 2:30 PM (Bangkok time)**

Decisions

TWG members through a survey indicated the following objectives, functions and research topics as priorities:

1. Objectives:
 - a. Clarified and better-defined roles of NSOs, NDMAs, and other agencies in disaster statistics (rules and regulation)
 - b. Establish multi-sectoral mechanisms to produce and exchange disaster-related data (coordination platforms)
 - c. Map out disaster-related data ownership and utilisation (data mapping)

2. Priority functions:
 - a. Be a platform for sharing national level disaster statistics - related experience, methods, tools and set-ups.
 - b. Maintain, map out, and build capacity of a pool of experts for regional level disaster-related analysis
 - c. Be a platform for sharing experience in promoting and establishing national level coordination

3. New research areas:
 - a. Integration of operational/administrative data with official statistics
 - b. Disaster-risk reduction expenditure and transfers
 - c. Common indicators for a gender perspective for DRSF

4. The meeting also agreed to schedule the regular meetings of the TWG every last Wednesday of the month (except in December 2020 where the TWG will meet on 16 December)

Next steps

1. The third meeting of the TWG will be held on Wednesday, 16 December 2020, 2:00-3:00 PM Bangkok time.
2. The Secretariat will prepare a Regional Situation Analysis Report to provide the basis for the TWG's mid-term work strategies. In this context, a second questionnaire was circulated on 4 December 2020 to solicit views from members on the state of production, dissemination, and use of disaster-related statistics in their country.
3. The Secretariat will coordinate with the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP) regarding the availability of pilot testing of the e-learning course on disaster-related statistics.

More information on the agenda for the second meeting and other meeting materials are available at: <https://www.unescap.org/events/second-meeting-technical-working-group-twg-disaster-related-statistics>