Training Workshop:
Urban Risk Reduction and Making Cities Resilient:
Development of Local Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies

ABOUT THE SENDAI FRAMEWORK

The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 is the global roadmap for reducing human and economic loss as a direct result of disasters. Adopted at the Third UN World Conference for Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR) in March 2015, it was the first major agreement of the post-2015 development agenda adopted, with seven global targets and four priorities for actions. The Sendai Framework reinforces the shift from managing disasters to managing risk, and establishes resilience-building as a shared vision of the 2030 Agenda.

The Sendai Framework calls for strong political leadership, commitment, and involvement of all stakeholders at all levels from local to national and international to pursue a goal to:

“prevent new and reduce existing disaster risk through the implementation of integrated and inclusive economic, structural, legal, social, health, cultural, educational, environmental, technological, political and institutional measures that prevent and reduce hazard exposure and vulnerability to disaster, increase preparedness for response and recovery, and thus strengthen resilience”.

Disaster Risk Reduction Strategies

Pursuit of the goal requires strategic, inclusive and all-of-society approaches. Reflecting this foundational requirement, Sendai Framework global Target E calls to “substantially increase the number of countries with national and local disaster risk reduction strategies by 2020”.

Target E is shared with indicators of SDG 1 that calls for an end to poverty, SDG 11 on sustainable cities and communities, and SDG 13 on climate action.¹

National and local disaster risk reduction strategies are essential for implementing and monitoring a country’s risk reduction priorities by setting implementation milestones, establishing key roles and responsibilities of government and nongovernment actors, and identifying technical and financial resources. In order to implement the priorities they are set out to achieve, they need to be supported by a well-coordinated institutional architecture, legislative mandates, political buy-in of decision makers, and human and financial capacities at all levels of society.

¹ https://www.preventionweb.net/sendai-framework/sendai-framework-monitor/common-indicators
**Overall Objective:**
Equip local national and local government officials with knowledge and tools in making cities resilient with focus on development and implementation of local DRR strategies and action plans in alignment with the national DRR strategies and the Sendai Framework.

**Expected Outcome:**
Increased understanding and capacity to develop local disaster risk-informed policies that guide implementation of disaster risk reduction in coherence with climate change action and other Sustainable Development Goals.

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| **Section 1:** Understanding and Managing Disaster Risk: Concepts and Trends | **Module 1:** Introduction to the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction: Reducing Risk for Sustainable Development.  
- DRR concepts and current trends  
- Trends and barriers in disaster risk reduction and making cities resilient  
- Local aspects of the Sendai Framework in coherence with global frameworks including the Sustainable Development Goals |
| **Section 2:** Understanding, Adapting and Using the tools to align National/Local plans and strategies with the Sendai Framework | **Module 2:** Getting to know the Tools: Introduction to Making Cities Resilient Campaign Ten Essentials for Resilient Cities and tools  
**Module 4:** Applying the Tools: Disaster Resilience Scorecard for Cities to conduct assessment and analysis of disaster risk reduction readiness at local level  
**Module 5:** Case studies on mainstreaming DRR into sectoral programmes for sustainable development (e.g. Governance, Finance, Climate Change Adaptation, Environment, Land Use Planning, Infrastructure, Housing, Livelihood Protection, Health, Gender)  
**Module 6:** Understanding how to develop Local DRR Strategies and Plans: Words into Action for developing local disaster risk reduction strategies (Sendai Framework Target E and SDG 1, 11 and 13 indicators). Proposed methodology with steps and the approach  
**Module 7:** Monitoring and Evaluation: Setting indicators for DRR strategic action plans, monitoring, evaluation & follow-up |
| **Section 3:** Planning the way forward | **Module 10:** The Way Forward: Scaling up Capacity Development on Sendai Framework implementation and aligning national and local strategies |

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<td>Participants understand the Sendai Framework and SDG interlinkages, the Ten Essentials for Resilient Cities, status of DRR planning and implementation in the city, and identified gaps in current strategy(ies) and plans towards alignment and implementation.</td>
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