SUMMARY OF OUTCOMES

Training of Trainers Programme: Guidance on planning and implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030

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Background
The Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 was endorsed as the global guidance for resilience building to disasters at the Third UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (WCDRR) held in March 2015, attended by 187 states.

The Sendai Framework provides the way forward to prevent and reduce disaster risk. It offers a solution to saving lives, livelihoods and assets, protect the gains of development as well as for reducing the fiscal burden on governments to recover the damages and losses. The Sendai Framework’s primary focus on stronger risk management is one of the key elements that binds together the whole 2015 Sustainable Development Agenda. Its implementation, addressing a broad scope of both natural and man-made hazards and related environmental, technological and biological hazards, will substantially lower the level of disaster risk and losses. Under the leadership of national governments and embracing all actors at all levels, the Sendai Framework is a means to protect the economic, physical, social, cultural and environmental assets of people, communities, businesses and countries.

About the Workshop
This Training of Trainers (ToT) programme aimed to support and facilitate the implementation of the Priorities for Action recommended in the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction in the Central Asia and South Caucasus (CASC) region.
The participants of the ToT included the National Focal Points of the Sendai Framework for DRR from 7 countries in the CASC region; technical and decision making officials from Ministries of Emergency Situations and other Ministries which are key for the implementation of the Priorities for Action such as, Economic and social development, National planning, Environment and natural resource management, Education and Health; National Platforms for DRR; International Development Organisations; Civil Society Organisations; relevant United Nations organisations and the representatives of the newly established Inter-governmental ‘Centre for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction’.

The ToT programme was developed by the UNISDR Global Education and Training Institute (GETI) and the UNISDR Sub-regional Office for CASC with the Centre for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction as the main partner. The programme was delivered by the experts from UNISDR ONEA-GETI, (Incheon, Korea), UNISDR CASC, partners and UN agencies in the CASC region including the UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub, UNICEF, UN Women and UNOCHA Regional Offices, who shared region-specific experiences and good practices.

**Objectives**

1. Strengthen understanding of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and develop capacity on how to use tools proposed by UNISDR to identify gaps and develop action plans to align policies and plans for implementation;
2. Train trainers to support the advancement of capacity development initiatives for Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and resilience building in the countries of the CASC region.

**Outcome**

Participants are equipped with knowledge, information and capacities, shown the way forward with planning and implementation of the Priorities of Action of the Sendai Framework.

The ToT improved participants’ knowledge and understanding of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction innovations, including the shift from disaster management to disaster risk management, the role of States, and the activities required at national and local level and corresponding tools for its implementation. Through participation in the training, participants became familiar with the modules and tools for implementing capacity development initiatives with national sectoral focal points and other relevant stakeholders. Furthermore, the CASC trained trainers understand the methodology for implementing this programme within their context, and have access to the modules and guidance in the Russian language.

A participant manual containing key resources, training methodology and recommended resources for further reference was developed and made accessible to serve as a guide for the current ToT, as well as a resource for responding the capacity building and training needs of the CASC region.

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