Explanatory notes

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ESCAP region: Afghanistan; American Samoa; Armenia; Australia; Azerbaijan; Bangladesh; Bhutan;

Brunei Darussalam; Cambodia; China; Cook Islands; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Fiji; French Polynesia; Georgia; Guam; Hong Kong, China; India; Indonesia; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Japan; Kazakhstan; Kiribati; Kyrgyzstan; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Macao, China; Malaysia; Maldives; Marshall Islands; Micronesia (Federated States of); Mongolia; Myanmar; Nauru; Nepal; New Caledonia; New Zealand; Niue; Northern Mariana Islands; Pakistan; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Philippines; Republic of Korea; Russian Federation; Samoa; Singapore; Solomon Islands; Sri Lanka; Tajikistan; Thailand; Timor-Leste; Tonga; Turkey; Turkmenistan; Tuvalu; Uzbekistan; Vanuatu; and Viet Nam

East and North-East Asia: China; Democratic People's Republic of Korea; Hong Kong, China; Japan; Macao, China; Mongolia and Republic of Korea

North and Central Asia: Armenia; Azerbaijan; Georgia; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Russian Federation; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan

Pacific: American Samoa; Australia; Cook Islands; Fiji; French Polynesia; Guam; Kiribati; Marshall Islands; Micronesia (Federated States of); Nauru; New Caledonia; New Zealand; Niue; Northern Marina Islands; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Samoa; Solomon Islands; Tonga; Tuvalu and Vanuatu

South and South-West Asia: Afghanistan; Bangladesh; Bhutan; India; Iran (Islamic Republic of); Maldives; Nepal; Pakistan; Sri Lanka and Turkey

South-East Asia: Brunei Darussalam; Cambodia; Indonesia; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Malaysia; Myanmar; Philippines; Singapore; Thailand; Timor-Leste and Viet Nam

Developing ESCAP region: ESCAP region excluding Australia; Japan and New Zealand

Developed ESCAP region: Australia; Japan and New Zealand

COUNTRIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Least developed countries: Afghanistan; Bangladesh; Bhutan; Cambodia; Kiribati; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Myanmar; Nepal; Solomon Islands; Timor-Leste; Tuvalu and Vanuatu. Samoa was part of the least developed countries prior to its graduation in 2014

Landlocked developing countries: Afghanistan; Armenia; Azerbaijan; Bhutan; Kazakhstan; Kyrgyzstan; Lao People's Democratic Republic; Mongolia; Nepal; Tajikistan; Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan

Small island developing States: Cook Islands; Fiji; Kiribati; Maldives; Marshall Islands; Micronesia (Federated States of); Nauru; Niue; Palau; Papua New Guinea; Samoa; Solomon Islands; Timor-Leste; Tonga; Tuvalu and Vanuatu

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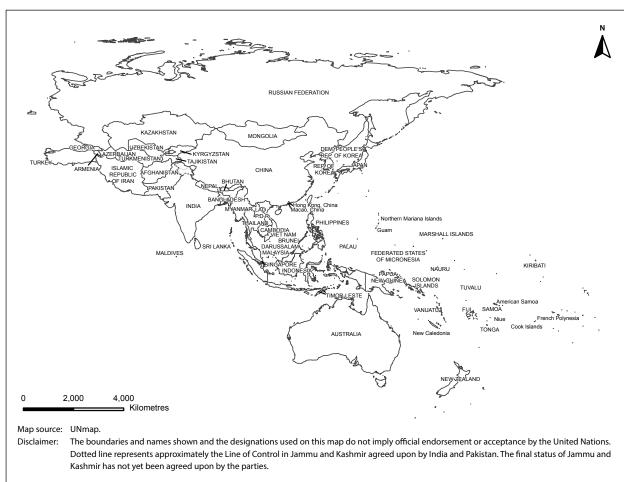
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In dates, a hyphen (-) is used to signify the full period involved, including the beginning and end years, and a stroke (/) indicates a crop year, fiscal year or plan year.

COUNTRY PROFILE MAP



Acronyms and Abbreviations

AAL	Average Annual Losses	LDC	Least Developed Country
ADB	Asian Development Bank	ML	Machine Learning
Al	Artificial Intelligence	MWICCC	Melbourne Water Industry
APDRN	Asia-Pacific Disaster Resilience	NAP	Climate Change Committee National Adaptation Plans
ArcGIS	Network Arc Geographic Information System	NAPA	National Adaptation Programmes of Action
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations	NCA	North and Central Asia (ESCAP subregion)
BNPB	Indonesian National Board for Disaster Management	NCCHAP	National Climate Change and Health Action Plans
C.auris	Candida Auris (fungal pathogen)	NDC	Nationally Determined Contributions
C. deuterogattii	Cryptococcus deuterogattii (fungal pathogen)	NDHM	National Digital Health Mission
		PNG	Papua New Guinea
COVID-19	coronavirus disease 2019	PM	Particulate Matter
DEM	digital elevation model	RCP	Representative Concentration
DRM	Disaster Risk Management	CARC	Pathways
DRR	Disaster Risk Reduction	SARS	severe acute respiratory syndrome
EECC	essential emergency and critical care	SDG	Sustainable Development Goals
ENEA	East and North-East Asia (ESCAP	SDS	sand and dust storms
ESCAP	subregion) Economic and Social	SEA	South-East Asia (ESCAP subregion)
	Commission for Asia and the Pacific	SHDI	sub-national Human Development Index
EWS	Early Warning Systems	SIDS	small island developing States
FHB	Fusarium head blight (fungal	SST	sea surface temperatures
G2P	pathogen) government-to-person	SSWA	South and South-West Asia (ESCAP Subregion)
GBM	Ganga-Brahmaputra-Meghna	тс	tropical cyclones
GDP	Gross Domestic Product	TERI	The Energy and Resources
HDI	Human Development Index	Institute	
HNAP	Health National Adaptation	UN	United Nations
ICT	Plans Information and	UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
INDC	Communications Technology Intended Nationally	UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
	Determined Contributions	WHO	World Health Organization
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change	WMO	World Meteorological Organization
IPCC AR5	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Assessment Report		