

Agenda item 4 | Youth Statement

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Review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific and issues pertinent to the subsidiary structure of the Commission:

(j) Statistics

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Excellencies, distinguished delegates, youth advocates, ladies and gentlemen

Thank you very much to the UN ESCAP and YECAP for giving youth the opportunity to speak.

My name is Prim Rajasurang Wongkrasaemongkol. I am the APFSD Youth Representative and the UN Youth Representative at the UN World Data Forum.

Statistics play a key role in data-driven solutions for climate action. Youth must come to the forefront to amplify innovative efforts. We call for using data-driven methods with disaggregated data for SDG solutions, policy making, and inclusive data for vulnerable groups. We, the youth, are the key contributors to generating data to analyze.

We need a rapid boost in data and statistics. Data will help build a systematic approach and get everyone in the picture in a world that counts. We need funding for big data, collaboration between public, private, and civil society, and open, quality, and timely data. This is our world.

We must utilize data for forecasting to look into the future, with an accurate AI model developed by youth for climate change risk analysis, mitigation, and adaptation, including early warning systems.

We, the youth, call for strengthening collaboration all over the world, which is very important for our climate.

A better climate leads to better lives and a better economy. Let's have inclusive data with youth at the forefront.

Thank you