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**Report of the sixth session of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific
Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management
8 February 2022**

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Excellencies, distinguished delegates,

Ladies and gentlemen,

It is my honour to present the outcomes of the sixth session of APDIM Governing Council which was held online on 8 February 2022.

1. The Council addressed the programmatic and technical activities and the administrative and financial issues of the Centre and expressed its satisfaction with the progress in the implementation of the Centre's strategic programme of work and programme of work for the period 2021–2022. The Council endorsed the Centre's revised programme of work 2021–2022.
2. The Council was informed that partnerships had been expanded in the past year. The Centre had contributed to the development of the Economic Cooperation Organization Regional Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and its Roadmap and the disaster risk reduction and management component of the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework for the Islamic Republic of Iran.
3. Council members praised APDIM for the thorough and in-depth analysis presented in the report Sand and Dust Storms Risk Assessment in Asia and the Pacific. The Council endorsed the draft elements for a regional plan of action on sand and dust storms in Asia and the Pacific and recommended further consultations with ESCAP member States with a view to submitting the draft regional plan of action to the Commission at its seventy-eighth session, in May 2022, for its consideration and endorsement. The final draft of the Regional Plan of Action on Sand and Dust Storms in Asia and the

Pacific is accordingly submitted to this Commission (Document ESCAP_78_12 Add 1_E).

4. The Council expressed its appreciation to APDIM host Government, the Islamic Republic of Iran for its generous financial and non-financial contributions and encouraged the Government of the host country, to continue providing its valuable support to the Centre. The Council also expressed its thanks and appreciation to the governments of Macao, China, and Cambodia for their valuable contributions to the Centre. The Council further encouraged the members and associate members of the Commission to mobilize financial and/or in-kind support for the Centre and to take an active role in the delivery of the Centre's programme of work.

Thank you for your attention

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