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Statement:
We appreciate the progress made by national statistical systems in Asia and the Pacific toward the commitments in the collective vision and framework for action and the Declaration on Navigating Policy with Data to Leave No One Behind. Based on our Master Plan Concerning the Development of Official Statistics, Japan is committed to various efforts such as promoting the cross-ministerial development of official statistics that accurately reflect socioeconomic changes, improving the international comparability of statistics, promoting the use of statistical data from user perspectives, developing infrastructure for the production of high-quality statistics, and accurately and efficiently producing statistics through the use of digital technology and diverse information sources. These efforts contribute to implementing the commitments of the collective vision and framework for action and the Declaration. As for Commitment 5(c) of the monitoring and evaluation framework regarding the number of participants in SIAP training courses, this indicator does not accord with any indicators in the next strategic plan of SIAP, which was endorsed at the session of the SIAP GC held prior to this Committee session. Therefore, the achievement of this indicator should be reviewed flexibly in consideration of the status of activities and financial administration based on the strategic plan and annual workplan of SIAP. Furthermore, in the future, we request the secretariat to engage in appropriate communication with member and associate member countries regarding the setting of this kind of indicator.
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