Launch of the Questionnaire for the 2025 Review of the Asia and Pacific CRVS Decade (2015-2024)

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Asia-Pacific Stats Café Series

Opening remarks:



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2. Importance of reviews for identifying areas of support for countries and monitoring and evaluation of progress
3. Rationale, timeline, process and support for completing the 2024 review questionnaire

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Rationale, timeline, process and support for completing the 2024 review questionnaire



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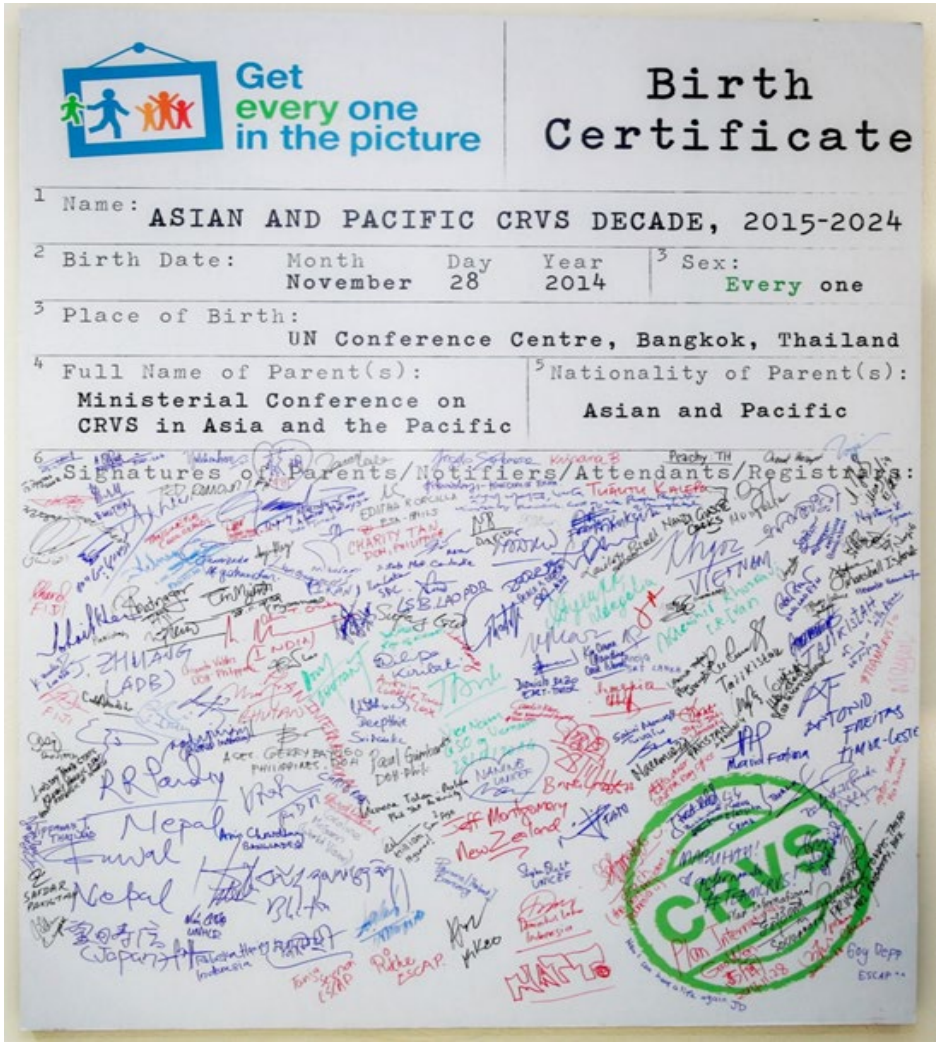
Asia Pacific CRVS decade: 2015-2024



Building on the agreements from 2014 to achieve our shared vision:

"…by 2024, all people in Asia and the Pacific will benefit from universal and responsive CRVS systems that facilitate the realization of their rights and support good governance, health and development"

So how far have we come ?

Year	Activity
2015	Members and associate members submit baseline report to the secretariat
2016	Regional baseline analysis
2019	Members and associate members submit midterm report to the secretariat
2020	Midterm regional review conducted
2024	Members and associate members submit final report to the secretariat
2025	Final regional review conducted

Why conduct a review? Two primary reasons



Monitoring progress

In 2015, Countries in the Asia-Pacific region self-selected targets under the Regional Action Framework (RAF) for CRVS in Asia and the Pacific and committed to reaching those targets by 2024

The 2024 questionnaire will be used to monitor progress

ESCAP will use these answers to draft a regional synthesis report



Basis for the Third Ministerial Conference

ESCAP will be able to present current data on regional progress toward meeting the goals of the RAF

Ministers will assess progress and prioritize areas needing acceleration

The review will also provide the basis for Ministers to decide on the future direction of CRVS initiatives in Asia and the Pacific

Why conduct a review in 2024? Additional reasons



Targeted development funding

Monitoring will also enable development partners and researchers to address areas of country-specific weaknesses

In turn, this will grant relevant ministries, a basis upon which to make funding requests

2030 Agenda

Population data makes up a significant portion of the data needed to monitor the SDGs

Without accurate population data, countries may not be able to accurately report on their SDG progress

2024 Review

- Countries report on progress in achieving the goals of the RAF (i.e., universal registration; legal documentation for all; and accurate, complete and timely production of vital statistics) using the review questionnaire (2024);

- Compilation of country reports in a regional synthesis report; to serve as the basis for the 2024 review of progress by the Ministerial Conference in 2025;

- Ministerial Conference to celebrate the end of the Asian and Pacific Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade (2015– 2024), review progress and consider the direction and focus of efforts during a potential extension of the Decade until 2030.

The 2024 Review questionnaire



- Guidance
- Definitions used
- Birth registration completeness data (some prefilled)
- Death registration completeness data (some prefilled)
- Data and information on causes of death and processes (some prefilled)
- Information about the production of vital statistics (some prefilled)
- Information on progress made towards implementation steps (some prefilled)
- Information on activities by action areas

How should the questionnaire be completed?

- National Focal Points must act as the central coordinator
- Involve the relevant ministries, possibly through national CRVS coordination mechanism
- Involve the relevant development partners
- If possible, ESCAP recommends hosting a small national meeting to allow representatives to validate answers and respond to National Focal Point's questions

Support for reporting

- Questions and answers on reporting will be on www.getinthepicture.org
- Online Q&A sessions on the 2024 questionnaire to be conducted in August/September 2024
- Series of workshops on the 2024 review questionnaire in various subregions adjacent to other events
- Partners will support national focal points to complete the questionnaire
- Please direct questions and inquiries to escap-crvs@un.org copying sovannaroth.tey@un.org

Timeline of the 2024 Review of the CRVS Decade

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MAR-APR 2024 — Pilot the 2024 review questionnaire with a few RSG members

MAY 2024 — Final review of the questionnaire by the RSG

JUNE 2024 — Launch the questionnaire for the 2024 Review of the CRVS Decade in Asia and the Pacific

JUN-JUL 2024 — Support from ESCAP and development partners for completion of the questionnaire

AUG-SEP 2024 — Webinars to assist countries in completing the questionnaire

OCT-DEC 2024 — Validate data, generate findings, and draft regional synthesis report

JAN-FEB 2025 — Send draft regional synthesis report to RSG members for comments, incorporate feedback, and submit final draft to RSG members for endorsement

EARLY MAR 2025 — Submit final version for editorial and translation

24-26 JUNE 2025 — The third Ministerial Conference for CRVS in Asia and the Pacific, and launch of the 2024 review report

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Regional Report

General Objectives

- Regional overview of implementation of the Regional Action Framework
- Basis for the discussions on the review to be conducted at the Third Ministerial Conference in 2025

Content

- Progress towards the targets
- Implementation of CRVS improvement activities (implementation steps)
- Recommendations for countries to achieve the regional goals
- Additional chapter(s) on selected Action Areas or key topic(s) including resilience and inclusivity

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Q&A

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