

REPUBLIC OF KOREA Country Statement

Agenda item 3(c): Civil registration and vital statistics

- Republic of Korea would like to express deep appreciation to UNESCAP. We fully support the recommendations suggested at the meeting of the Regional Steering Group for CRVS in Asia and the Pacific.
- In regard to Recommendation A, we strongly agree on the Ministerial Declaration to “Get Everyone in the Picture”. We consider the UNESCAP Secretariat has to play an active role in following up on the submission of baseline reports by countries who should be supported by the development partners.
- In regard to Recommendation B, we consider the provision of a concrete guideline as necessary for the inequality assessment of social groups. As one of the development partners, we are willing to share its manual on the vital statistics systems which applies advanced procedures to use administrative data for vital statistics and to provide technical assistances.
- In regard to Recommendation C, it is essential to devise a way of enhancing the visibility of the CRVS during the course of the SDGs implementation.
- Lastly, we think a continuous monitoring would be necessary to achieve the goals of the CRVS 10-year plan. The strong cooperation of development partners is also required to improve CRVS in Asia and the Pacific by engaging statistically advanced countries and sharing their experience in compiling vital statistics with other countries.