



Regional Conference

“Strengthening resilient food and agriculture systems –  
Implementing the Sendai Framework for DRR in the Agriculture Sector in Asia and the Pacific”

15 - 16 March 2018, Ha Noi, Viet Nam

## Opening Ceremony and First Plenary

<b>Date and Time</b>	Thursday, 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 09.00 - 12.30 hours
<b>Venue</b>	Main Hall
<b>09.00 – 10.00</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony and Launch of FAO Global Report on Disaster Damage and Loss in the Agriculture sectors</b>
09.00 – 09.05	Introduction by Dr. Chu Van Chuong, Deputy Director, ICD MARD
09.05 – 09.15	Welcome remarks by FAO Representative
09.15 - 09.25	Remarks by Deputy Minister of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry of Mongolia
09.25 – 09.35	Opening remarks Deputy Minister of MARD, Viet Nam
09.35 – 09.45	Launch of the FAO Global Report on Agriculture Damage and Loss (Dr. Chuong invites FAO Rep and two Ministers to launch the report, followed by a photo)
09.45 – 10.05	Key note speech “ <i>Food security and resilient livelihoods – the daunting task of agriculture sectors</i> ” – H.E. Mofazzal Hossain Chowdhury Maya, Minister of Disaster Management and Relief, Bangladesh
10.05 – 10.15	<b>Group photo</b>
10.15 – 10.30	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>10.30 – 12.30</b>	<b>First Plenary: “<i>From loss to resilience – progress and challenges in managing risks to agriculture sectors</i>”</b>
<b>Background</b>	This First Plenary session will set the context for the Conference by taking stock of the progress in tackling disaster and climate risks facing food and agriculture systems in Asia and the Pacific. Unpacking past disaster damage and loss, the panel will deliberate on the nature of evolving risks to food and agriculture in the region. These risks are driven by changing hazard characteristics and their geographical patterns, rapid urbanization, globally connected economies and market forces, transforming consumption / demand patterns, as well as changing priorities of rural youth and producer families, and national policies underpinned by global and regional agreements. On-going efforts of the agriculture sectors to reduce risk and strengthen resilience will

	<p>be shared as well as challenges and emerging learnings, setting the scene for further deliberations and identification of required actions at policy, programmatic and community/farm levels across agricultural sub-sectors (viz. agriculture, livestock / pastoral / animal husbandry, fisheries, aquaculture, land, water, and forest). The role of the agriculture sectors in achieving resilience related SDGs, implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR (SFDRR) and the Paris Agreement will be highlighted, given that the sector is the most relevant to demonstrate coherence in implementing these interlinked frameworks.</p>
<b>Session objectives</b>	<p>The session aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Share findings of the FAO Global Report on Agricultural Disaster Damage and Loss as the basis for a better understanding of risks and vulnerabilities facing food and agriculture.</li> <li>• Discuss the progress and challenges in managing risk and building resilience in the agriculture sectors.</li> <li>• Discuss the priorities for action in the agriculture sectors for strengthening the sectors’ resilience and implementing the SFDRR, Paris Agreement and the SDGs</li> </ul>
<b>Expected outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved and shared understanding of disaster damage and loss in the agriculture sectors and the risks facing food and agriculture and dependent livelihoods;</li> <li>• Shared understanding of the importance of the agriculture sectors in implementing the SFDRR and the 2030 Agenda at large.</li> <li>• Identification of priorities for action by the agriculture sectors in reducing risks and building resilience and implementing the SFDRR.</li> </ul>
<b>Session format</b>	<p>10.30 – 10.35 Introduction by the Chair  10.35 – 10.55 Presentation of key findings of FAO report “2017 – Impacts of Disasters and Crisis on Agriculture, questions and answers  10.55 – 11.55 Panel discussion  11.55 – 12.25 Plenary discussion  12.25 – 12.30 Wrap up by the Chair</p>

## Second Plenary

<b>Date and Time</b>	Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 09.00 - 10.15 hours
<b>Venue</b>	Main Hall
<b>10.30 – 12.30</b>	<b>Second Plenary: “Bringing sub-sectors together – Common priorities for managing risks and strengthening resilience in agriculture sectors”</b>
<b>Background</b>	This Second Plenary will serve for reporting back from the parallel sessions on Day 1 that will discuss the progress and identify future priorities for managing risks and strengthening resilience in sub-sectors (vis. Crop, Livestock, Fisheries/Aquaculture and Forestry). Deliberations will bring synergies across the sub-sectors, identify common challenges as well priorities to address risk and resilience agriculture in a coherent and coordinated manner within the agriculture sectors and with other sectors. These priorities would be aligned to priorities for action of the Sendai Framework, countries commitments for the Paris Agreement and the SDGs.
<b>Session objectives</b>	The session aims to build consensus on priorities for actions across the agriculture sectors to implement the Sendai Framework for DRR, Paris Agreement and related SDGs to enhance the resilience of the sectors and dependent livelihoods against disaster and climate change.
<b>Expected outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared outcomes of parallel sessions on Day 1.</li> <li>• Identification of common priorities to accelerate actions to manage risk and building resilience in the agriculture sectors as a whole.</li> <li>• Consensus on priorities for the agriculture sectors’ implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR, Paris Agreement and related SDGs to enhance the resilience of the sectors and dependent livelihoods against disaster and climate change.</li> </ul>
<b>Session format</b>	<p>The indicative schedule is below:</p> <p>09.00 – 09.05 Introduction by the Chair. What we did in Day 1 and What to expect today and of the session</p> <p>09.05 – 09.25 Presentation of outcomes of parallel sessions on Day 1 by the chair/moderator of the sessions</p> <p>09.25 – 09.35 Question and Answer.</p> <p>09.35 – 10.10 Panel discussion ‘<i>What are our common priorities for action? How do we work together across sub-sectors and with other sectors to implementing them?</i>’ Reflections by panelists, followed by interactions with the audience</p> <p>10.10 – 10.15 Wrap up by the Chair</p>

## Final Plenary

<b>Title</b>	<b><i>‘Resilient agriculture for resilient nations – The ways forward’</i></b>
<b>Date and Time</b>	Friday, 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2018 14.00 - 16.45 hours
<b>Venue</b>	Main Hall
<b>Session objective</b>	This Final Plenary will consolidate the outcomes of discussions and discuss the ways forward to take the identified priorities for actions for the agriculture sectors to implement the Sendai Framework as well as the Paris Agreement and the SDGs to strengthen the resilience of the sectors and dependent livelihoods.
<b>Session objectives</b>	The session aims to build consensus on the priorities for actions across the agriculture sectors to implement the Sendai Framework for DRR, Paris Agreement and related SDGs to enhance the resilience of the sectors and dependent livelihoods against disaster and climate change.
<b>Expected outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreed priorities to accelerate actions for the agriculture sectors to manage risk and building resilience through the implementation of the Sendai Framework for DRR, the Paris Agreement and SDGs.</li> <li>• Recommendations for the FAO 34<sup>th</sup> APRC and the 2018 Asian Ministerial Conference for DRR</li> </ul>
<b>Session format</b>	
14.00-14.45	Reporting back from Parallel sessions of Day 2
14.45- 15.00	Coffee break
<b>15.00 – 16.45</b>	<p>Final Plenary</p> <p>15.00 – 15.05 Introduction by the Chair.</p> <p>15.05 – 15.20 <b>Key note speech</b> – <i>Towards an Agriculture Sector Action Plan for implementation of the Sendai Framework (SendaiASAP)</i> by Hon. Saber Chowdhury, Chair, Asian Advisory Group of Parliamentarians for DRR and former President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union</p> <p>15.20 - 16.20 <b>Panel discussion</b> ‘<i>Taking the SendaiASAP forward</i>’. Representatives from the government, communities, civil society, academia and the private sector will reflect on FAO recommendations and share views on how their country/sector/constituency would take the priorities for action identified at the Conference forward for implementation, opportunities for regional collaboration in support of these actions.</p> <p>16.20 – 16.40 Co-Chair summary</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Key messages to convey at the FAO 34<sup>th</sup> APDR by MARD, Viet Nam</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Key message to convey at the 2018 AMCDRR by MoFALI, Mongolia</p> <p>16.40 – 16.45 Closing remarks by the Government of Viet Nam</p>