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Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific

Final Programme Agenda

Senior Officials Meeting of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific, 6 October 2021, Wednesday

09:30-10:30
(GMT+9)

Registration

Agenda item 1: Opening of the Senior Officials Meeting of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific

10:30-11:15
(GMT+9)

Mr. Naresh Pal Gangwar, Joint Secretary of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, India and Senior Officials Bureau, Third Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific (Chair)

Welcome

- H.E. Hong Jeong-kee, Vice Minister, Ministry of Environment, Republic of Korea (5 min)
- H.E. Mr. Yeom Tae-young, Mayor, Suwon City, Republic of Korea (5 min)
- Ms. Dechen Tsering, Regional Director and Representative, UN Environment Programme, Asia and the Pacific (5 min)

Inaugural address

- Ms. Laksmi Dhewanthi, Vice President of the 5th session of the United Nations Environment Assembly Bureau, and Director General, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Indonesia (7 min)

Election of Officers and adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 2: Review of the implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations Environment Assembly in Asia and the Pacific

11:15-12:30
(GMT+9)

Review of the implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations Environment Assembly in Asia and the Pacific

- Introduction by the Secretariat (10 min)
- Country Statements

The agenda item will provide an opportunity for Member States to report on progress on implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Environment Assembly and provide guidance on priorities to be addressed in the region. Lead countries sponsored resolutions at preceding United Nations Environment Assembly are India, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Mongolia, Samoa, and Sri Lanka.

<p>12:30-13:30 (GMT+9)</p>	<p><i>Lunch break</i></p>
<p>Agenda item 3: Regional input to the second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly outcome (UNEA-5.2)</p>	
<p>13:30-14:30 (GMT+9)</p>	<p>5th United Nations Environment Assembly theme: ‘Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific’</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction by the Secretariat (10 min) <input type="checkbox"/> Country Statements <input type="checkbox"/> Stakeholders Statements (Intergovernmental, International, UN Organisations, Major Groups and Stakeholders) <p><i>The senior officials and other stakeholders may wish to review the report and provide regional inputs, including priorities, environmental success stories and important initiatives, on the theme ‘Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific’.</i></p> <p><i>Statements from the Asia Pacific Science-Policy-Business Forum on the Environment, and the Asia Pacific Major Groups and Stakeholders Forum, linked to the Forum theme, held prior to the high-level segment will be delivered in this agenda item.</i></p>
<p>14:30-16:15 (GMT+9)</p>	<p>Outcome for the second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2)</p> <p>Draft resolutions for the for the second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction by UNEP’s Committee of Permanent Representative Bureau Member <input type="checkbox"/> Country Statements <p><i>Member States may consider sharing relevant concept(s) to be submitted to the Secretariat of the Governing Bodies of the United Nations Environment Programme. The senior officials may wish to briefly present the potential concept or draft resolutions at the Forum.</i></p> <p>Draft Ministerial Declaration for the second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction by the United Nations Environment Assembly Bureau Member <input type="checkbox"/> Country statements <input type="checkbox"/> Stakeholders Statements (Intergovernmental, International, UN Organisations, Major Groups and Stakeholders) <p><i>A process of consultation on a draft political declaration, addressing the theme of the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly ‘Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific’, was initiated by the President of the Assembly. The main objective is to develop, in a transparent and inclusive manner, a joint vision and achievable actions to address the theme.</i></p> <p><i>The senior officials and other stakeholders are invited to provide regional inputs to the draft declaration that will be adopted at the second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2).</i></p>

Agenda item 4: Endorsement of the report of the Senior Officials Meeting of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific

16:15-16:30 (GMT+9)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Introduction by the Secretariat<input type="checkbox"/> Endorsement of the report of the Senior Officials Meeting of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific
18:00-20:00 (GMT+9)	Welcome Reception hosted by the Minister of Environment, Republic of Korea

**Ministerial Segment of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific
7 October 2021, Thursday**

09:00-10:00 (GMT+9)	Registration
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Agenda item 5: Opening of the Ministerial Segment of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific

10:00-11:05 (GMT+9)	<p>Opening Performance (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> LED dance performance<input type="checkbox"/> Promotional Video on Forum theme<input type="checkbox"/> Musical performance – children’s choir <p>Welcome address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Han Jeoung-ae, Minister of Environment, Republic of Korea (5 min)<input type="checkbox"/> H.E Sveinung Rotevatn, President of 5th session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5) and Minister of Environment and Climate of Norway (video message) (3 min)<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Joyce Msuya, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director, UN Environment Programme (5 min) <p>Keynote address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Moon Jae-in, President, Republic of Korea (video message) (7 min)<input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Fiame Naomi Mata'afa, Prime Minister, Samoa (7 min)<input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Armida Salsiah Alisjahbana, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of ESCAP (4 min)<input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Amy Khor, Senior Minister of State of Singapore and Chair of the Third Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific (4 min)<input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Zuhair Ahmed Kowshik, Representative of the Asia Pacific Regional Youth Environment Forum (4 min)<input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Ban Ki-moon, Chair, Global Green Growth Institute (7 min)
11:05 – 11:25 (GMT+9)	Photo Session & Break
11:25 – 11:40 (GMT+9)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> H.E. Dr. Amy Khor, Senior Minister of State of Singapore and Chair of the Third Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific (Chair)<input type="checkbox"/> Election of officers and Adoption of the agenda<input type="checkbox"/> <i>'Fair share Video'</i>

Agenda item 6: Leadership Dialogue on Strengthening Nature Actions to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific

11:40-12:40

(GMT+9)

The second session of the 5th United Nations Environment Assembly provides a unique opportunity for the multilateral community to share successes, best practices, and actions on nature that contribute to building back better and achieving the sustainable development goals, in a balanced and integrated manner. It also is an opportunity to leverage other strategic 'nature focused' objectives, commitments and action plans that underpin the UN Decade of Action to deliver the Global Goals (2020-2030), the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration (2021-2030), the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework to be adopted at the fifteenth session of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD COP15), the Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030), the Paris Agreement under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the UN Food Systems Summit.

High Level Dialogue will focus on issues and relevant policy measures to address critical challenges related to strengthening the nature actions to achieve the sustainable development goals in Asia and the Pacific. Ministers, and other high-level representatives will have the opportunity to share perspectives on innovative policy solutions and commitments at national, subregional and regional levels.

Ministers and other high-level representatives are also invited to announce new or existing concrete actions by their respective Governments or organisations that will promote the nature actions, in areas, including: Nature for Poverty Eradication, Jobs and Economic Prosperity; Nature for Human and Ecosystems Health; Nature for Climate; and Nature for Sustainable Food Systems.

- Introduction by the Secretariat (Video)
- Country statements
- Stakeholders Statements (Intergovernmental, International, UN Organisations, Major Groups and Stakeholders)

12:40-13:30

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Lunch break

13:30-14:15

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Continued Agenda item 6: High Level Dialogue on Strengthening Nature Actions to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific

- Country statements
- Stakeholders Statements (Intergovernmental, International, UN Organisations, Major Groups and Stakeholders)

Agenda item 7: Multistakeholder's Dialogue on the 50th anniversary of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP@50 celebration)

14:15-15:45

(GMT+9)

2022 marks the 50th anniversary of the establishment of UNEP. The online session of the fifth United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.1), held on 22 – 23 February 2021, decided to convene a special session of the Assembly to mark the 50th anniversary of UNEP (UNEP@50).

This event will be held on 3 and 4 March 2022 in Nairobi, Kenya, in conjunction with the second session of the fifth United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-5.2), scheduled for 28 February – 2 March 2022. The special session on UNEP@50 will inspire a debate focus on how to strengthen UNEP to reaffirm its position as the lead organization for the environment by:

- Strengthening UNEP's work to promote the environmental science-policy interface

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthening UNEP's role as a catalyst for implementation <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthening UNEP's role as the global environmental authority within the UN system <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthening UNEP's financial capacity to fulfil its mandate <p>The Ministers, Heads of the Delegation and other stakeholders and representatives will have the opportunity to share their regional perspectives on UNEP@50.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Introduction by the Secretariat (Video) <input type="checkbox"/> Country statements <input type="checkbox"/> Stakeholders Statements (Intergovernmental, International, UN Organisations, Major Groups and Stakeholders and Special Invitees)
Agenda item 8: Presentation of Senior Officials Meeting report and draft outcomes of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific	
15:45-16:00 (GMT+9)	Under this item, the Ministers and Heads of Delegation may wish to take note of the key elements of the report of the Senior Officials Meeting.
Agenda item 9: Adoption of the outcome of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific	
16:00-16:15 (GMT+9)	<p>Adoption of the outcome of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific</p> <p><i>The Ministers and Heads of Delegation will consider the draft report of the Senior Officials Meeting and the draft ministerial outcome for adoption. The outcome will reflect policy perspectives and commitments in Asia Pacific to address the theme of the fifth session of the United Nations Environment Assembly 'Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific'.</i></p>
Agenda item 10: Closing Session	
16:15-16:30 (GMT+9)	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> UNEP representative <input type="checkbox"/> Chair of the Fourth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific
18:00-20:00 (GMT+9)	Gala Dinner hosted by the Mayor of Suwon City, Republic of Korea