

Towards AMCDRR 2020

As plans are being made to move closer to Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction (APMCDRR) 2020 in Australia time has come to have a closer look at key aspects of Gender Equality and Social Inclusion ([click here](#)). A lot has been done in Asia and Pacific in implementing Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction (SFDRR). And a lot more can be done by accelerating the pace and improving the quality of results.

The document offers an extensive list of key issues arising from the progress review including issues of livelihood recovery, access to Early Warning System, and role of women in governance of Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR).

The report concludes that far more needs to be done—rapid sector specific review of women’s leadership in DRR activities as well as impact evaluation of DRR results at community level—to make implementation of Sendai Framework inclusive under women’s leadership.

AMCDRR 2020 must go beyond the above to find ways for vulnerable women to deal with climate uncertainties; more South-South Cooperation; and formation of National Disaster Management Guidelines for Inclusion. Within this range of ways accountability to affected population is an area that demands urgent attention in AMCDRR 2020. Islamic Relief Worldwide; Save the Children; Caritas, and Christian Aid have produced a learning document on accountability to affected population ([Click here](#)).

Asia Pacific is at a profound, at a historic turning point, life defining opportunities. AMCDRR 2020 must help Asia Pacific governments see this turning point and therefore be better positioned to seize the opportunity that AMCDRR 2020 offers.

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