



## **Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bureau of the Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD) held on 29 November 2010 at Bali, Indonesia**

The List of Participants is enclosed.

At the outset the, the Chief Coordinator welcomed the Hon'ble members of the Bureau to the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bureau of APMCHUD. He thanks the Government of Indonesia for hosting this meeting. He conveyed the regret of Ministers (Pakistan, Jordan, Iran, India, and Iraq) members of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bureau of APMCHUD due to exigencies, and conveyed their best wishes for the success of the Bureau Meeting.

The Hon'ble Chairperson HE Mr. Suharso Monoarfa, State Minister for Housing, Government of the Republic of Indonesia welcomed the Hon'ble members of the Bureau to the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. The Hon'ble Chairperson in his welcome remarks indicated that the APMCHUD serves as a forum and network to discuss matters related to housing and urban challenges at the regional level. The Hon'ble Chairperson highlighted that the discussion focuses on the attainment of the Habitat Agenda and the relevant MDGs targets. His Excellency further indicated that with the adoption of Solo Declaration and the Solo Implementation Plan APMCHUD achieved a milestone because now APMCHUD has set an agenda for action to empower communities for sustainable housing and urban development. The Hon'ble Chairperson also indicated that the Government of Indonesia has launched the Regional Center for Community Empowerment on Housing and Urban Development. The Hon'ble Chairperson indicated that the permanent Secretariat of Bureau APMCHUD in New Delhi should play an active engagement.

The Chief Coordinator reported that post Solo Conference, the Solo Declaration and the implementation plan have been uploaded to the APMCHUD website. The Secretariat requested active participation and full reports of the member countries on the Solo Implementation Plan. The Secretariat also informed the Bureau members some of the activities that have been initiated since the Solo Conference.

The Hon'ble Minister for Local Government, Urban Development, Housing and Environment, Government of the Republic of Fiji Islands, HE Mr. Samuela Saumatua, appreciated the Government of Indonesia for convening this meeting. His Excellency expresses the sympathy of the People and Government of the Republic of Fiji Islands to the Asia Pacific Countries that are suffering from various natural disasters.

The Deputy Minister for Housing and Land, Government of Republic of Korea, HE Mr. Sang Woo Park thanking the Government of Indonesia for hosting the meeting and the warm hospitality. His Excellency accepted the offer of the Bureau to host the Third Bureau Meeting in Republic of Korea sometime in the last quarter of 2011.

The Ambassador of Iran to Indonesia, HE Mr. Mahmoud Farazande expresses his appreciation to Government of Republic of Indonesia and wishes the success of the meeting. His Excellency apologizes that the Minister for Housing of Iran could not be here for the meeting. The ambassador conveyed the Iranian sympathy to the people of Indonesia for the natural disasters that have occurred in Indonesia.

Mr. Syed Sajjad Haider, Counselor from the Embassy of Pakistan in Jakarta indicated that HE Mr Rahamatullah Kakar, Hon'ble Minister is currently in Saudi Arabia and hence could not participate personally in the meeting. He highlighted the importance of this meeting and expresses his gratitude to the Indonesian Government for the generous hospitality to hold this meeting. His Excellency pointed it out that the region had the similar problems, therefore this forum could provide a good opportunity to interact and share ideas to tackle the problems faced by countries in the region.

With the above remarks, the agenda items were taken up for consideration.

- Item No. 1**
- a. Adoption of the Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bureau of the Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD)**
  - b. Adoption of the Proceeding of the 3<sup>rd</sup> APMCHUD Conference held at Solo, Republic of Indonesia held during 22-24 June, 2010.**

The minutes were confirmed for item agenda 1 (a) and accepted with slight amendments for item 1 (b). In regard to the proceedings of the 3rd APMCHUD, the Member from Iran indicated that the Working Group 3 was Chaired by Iran and the same needs to be corrected in the proceedings. With this correction, the proceedings were adopted. The Bureau was very appreciative of the Proceedings document brought out and put its appreciation on record.

## **Item no. 2 Report on Action Taken**

- a) Action Taken report on the decisions of the 5th meeting of the Bureau held on 23rd February, 2010 at Tehran, Iran**

The status of actions taken was outlined by the Chief Coordinator. The issue of location of the permanent secretariat, as decided by the 2nd Bureau, was considered by the APMCHUD in its 3rd Conference at Solo. It was also noted by the Bureau that the Solo Declaration had announced the establishment of the Permanent Secretariat of APMCHUD in New Delhi. The Bureau also noted that required actions in regard to the World Urban Forum and organization of a panel discussion on slum upgrading aspects in Solo Conference were duly completed.

**b) Follow-up actions taken subsequent to the 3rd Conference of the APMCHUD on 22-24th June, 2010 at Solo, Indonesia:**

The Bureau was reported in regard to the secretariat's actions including forging ties with TERI, APUHF and Water for Asian Cities.

The reports on Action Taken were noted by the Bureau.

**Item No. 3 Coordination of activities of the Five Working Group by Member countries as proposed in the Solo Declaration**

The Honorable Chair encouraged members of the bureau to play significant role and take leadership in these Working Groups. His Excellency informed that Iran has offered to take lead on related issues regarding urban slum upgrading.

HE Mr. Sang Woo Park from Republic of Korea has offered to take the lead on the Working Group on financing for sustainable housing. After deliberation it was decided that the Republic of Korea lead the Working Group on Financing Sustainable Housing and the Republic of Indonesia lead the Working Group on Climate Change.

The Bureau further decided that the Bureau members desirous of taking the lead role in respect of other working groups may indicate their willingness to the Secretariat which could be considered by the Bureau.

**Item No. 4 Solo Implementation Plan – Follow up actions**

The Honorable Chair indicated that the focus of the Bureau Meeting should emphasize on what would be next after Solo. His Excellency also noted that all of the five Working Groups are equally important in achieving the objectives of APMCHUD for the betterment of housing and urban development in Asia and Pacific.

The Chief Coordinator highlighted the actions by the Secretariat in regard to the cooperation with the Asia Pacific Union for Housing Finance (APUHF) and The Energy Resource Institute (TERI). He further indicated that if approved by the Bureau, a draft MOU shall be formulated to be considered by the Chairperson and the same could be signed during the next Bureau meeting.

The Delegation from Indonesia reported that the Government of Indonesia have established a Regional Center in Bandung, West Java where the main objectives of the regional center is to serve as a medium of information and knowledge exchange on community empowerment on housing and urban development issues. Further information on the Regional Center will be sent in a written report to the Secretariat.

Indonesia suggested that the Secretariat could cooperate with other institutions on consolidating global housing finance, e.g. Housing Finance Information Network ([www.HOFINET.org](http://www.HOFINET.org)). As the world's largest archipelagic nation, Indonesia is more focused

on climate change associated with the presence of small islands that are threatened. One form of cooperation that already exists is the inauguration of Indonesia - China Center for Ocean and Climate (ICCOC) in September 2010.

HE Col. Samuela Saumatua will report the follow up actions in a separate report to the Secretariat and will coordinate with countries in the Pacific region to come up with a strategy to work on the follow-up of the Solo Declaration.

The Chief Coordinator highlighted the actions by the Secretariat in regard to the possible cooperation with APHUF and the TERI on housing finance and climate change issues respectively. He further indicated that if approved by the Bureau, a draft MoU shall be formulated which shall be considered by the Chairperson and the same could be signed during the next Bureau meeting. The Chief Coordinator suggested that Indonesia, South Korea and other Bureau member countries may like to interact with the suggested Institutions and may formulate collaboration proposals which could be considered by the Bureau. The Bureau agreed to the same and decided to consider such proposals along with the proposals for association with TERI and APUHF in the next meeting of the Bureau.

**Item No. 5            Association with Cities Development Initiative for Asia - Agenda item on the request of the Republic of the Fiji Islands.**

Being a special item proposed by the Government of Fiji Islands, the Chairperson invited the Hon'ble Minister from Fiji to elaborate the same to the members. Hon'ble Minister highlighted the salient features of the Cities Development Initiative for Asia (CDIA). He suggested that similarly a number of opportunities for availing technical as well as financial resources are available which could be explored for the benefit of the member countries of APMCHUD.

APMCHUD will forge close cooperation with CDIA and other such activities. The Bureau also invited other members to suggest such other opportunities that may benefit the member countries of APMCHUD.

**Item No. 6            Administrative matters**

- **Permanent secretariat**
- **Issues for financial resources**
- **Working mechanism and relationship with other partners**

In regard to the permanent secretariat, the Chair indicated that the matter will be discussed in the next Bureau meeting after receiving further information on modalities.

In regard to issues for financial resources for APMCHUD, it was indicated that as of now, the Secretariat has been supported by the Government of India, and the events namely the APMCHUD Conferences and the Bureau meetings are being supported by the host

countries. The Bureau expressed that for taking up various initiatives as enlisted in the Solo action plan, it would be necessary to strengthen APMCHUD financially. It was also felt that the initial contributions would have to come from the member countries that could be supplemented by possible support from multi-lateral and other donor agencies.

Indonesia highlighted that modalities of financial resources should be discussed to determine member countries' contribution. APMCHUD could emulate other international organization, such as G77, in establishing obligatory pledge with voluntary and/or in-kind contribution as additional income. This was also supported by the Republic of Korea.

After discussions, it was decided that the Secretariat may work out the tentative financial requirements for supporting the manpower as approved in the Solo Conference, as well as for undertaking initial and preparatory actions in line with the Solo Implementation Plan.

The Bureau further decided that the financing mechanisms of some of the other inter-governmental bodies may also be looked into. The Bureau also desired that the item be put up for consideration in the next meeting of the Bureau with the details sought.

#### **Item No. 7      Other matters**

It is accepted by the member Bureau that the 2<sup>nd</sup> Bureau Meeting will be held in Nairobi during the sidelines of the UN-Habitat GC scheduled in the first quarter 2011. The third meeting would be held in Republic Korea in the last quarter of 2011 and the Fourth Bureau Meeting would be held in Jordan taking into account the preparation of the Fourth APMCHUD in 2012.

In view of the forthcoming 23<sup>rd</sup> Governing Council Meeting of the UN-Habitat in April 2011, the Chief Coordinator proposed that in line with the previous practice, the Chairperson may make a statement in the Governing Council meeting on behalf of APMCHUD. This was agreed by the Bureau.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and closing remarks by the Chair. His Excellency wishes that this meeting can further enhance opportunities to strengthen cooperation amongst Asia Pacific countries and the common efforts to follow-up the Solo Declaration and Implementation Plan.

**Delegation of the 1st Meeting of the Third Bureau of the  
Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development**

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