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by the Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Management Authorities
of the Central Asian countries
Protocol of 15 August 2024

Nº	Nº	Activities	Place and Timeframe	Responsible Parties	Expected Outcomes	Expected Technical Parties
I. ENHANCEMENT OF REGIONAL INSTITUTIONAL AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS FOR DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT						
1	1	Organization and convening of the annual Regional Forum-Meeting of the Heads of Emergency Management Authorities of the Central Asian countries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2025• 2026	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, Working Group of the Regional Forum	Regional Forums-Meetings of the Heads of Emergency Management Authorities of the Central Asian countries were convened. Decisions were discussed and adopted in the fields of disaster risk reduction, civil protection and emergency management.	UNDRR, GIZ, UNDP, WFP and other international organizations
2	2	Organization and convening of meetings of the Working Group of the Regional Forum	Two meetings annually	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, Working Group of the Regional Forum	Meetings of the Working Group of the Regional Forum were held: – in 2025, within the framework of the Regional Forum; – in 2026, within the framework of the Regional Forum. Draft agendas, the Road Map for 2025-2026, the protocol and other materials of the Regional Forum were discussed and approved.	UNDRR, GIZ, UNDP, WFP and other international organizations
3	3	Organization and convening of meetings of the Regional Scientific and Technical Council on Emergency Situations for the purpose of conducting expert assessments of projects and programmes, initiatives and proposals submitted by international organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2025• 2026	CESDRR, Regional Scientific and Technical Council (RSTC)	In 2025-2026, initiatives, projects and programmes in the field of disaster risk reduction will undergo expert review by the members of the Regional Scientific and Technical Council.	World Bank, WFP and other international organizations
4	4	Preparation and delivery of training sessions for national coordinators of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2025• 2026	CESDRR	Support was provided to improve the quality of monitoring and reporting under the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction.	CESDRR, UNDRR, UNDP
5	5	Organization and convening of meetings of the Technical Working Group on the establishment of a	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2025• 2026	CESDRR, emergency management	Expert technical advisory support was provided for the establishment of a	Emergency management authorities of the Central

		Regional Early Warning System for emergencies in Central Asia		authorities of the Central Asian countries	Regional Early Warning System for emergencies in Central Asia.	Asian countries, CESDRR, UNDP, UNDRR, GIZ, WFP
6	6	Improvement of national legislation of the Central Asian countries in the field of coordination of emergency response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	The legal framework aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of coordination and the provision of humanitarian assistance among the Central Asian countries was strengthened and improved.	CESDRR, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
7	7	Promotion of enhanced urban resilience to hazards related to climate change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	Regional cooperation and partnerships were strengthened through existing coordination platforms, while innovative approaches to urban planning based on practical experience were introduced. New approaches to the integration of climate and disaster risk considerations into urban planning were developed.	UNDP
8	8	Facilitation of the adoption and adaptation of common standards and methodologies for disaster risk assessment, damage and loss assessment, and unified reporting formats, including through the application and deployment of software solutions to automate these processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	Emergency management authorities have access to a unified automated tool for disaster risk assessment.	GIZ
II. ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF DISASTER RISKS, IN PARTICULAR OF A TRANSBOUNDARY NATURE						
9	1	Organization and convening of working meetings with the participation of representatives of the emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries (border services, legal units, emergency management centres) to develop joint measures for establishing a legal framework in line with International Disaster Response Law (IDRL), taking into account the need to establish a Regional Coordination Centre for Emergency Response.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)	A common understanding and interest were established among representatives of the emergency management authorities regarding the need to adopt a binding Regional document, in line with International Disaster Response Law, defining the mandate and resources of the Center.	Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, CESDRR, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), and other international organizations.
10	2	Promotion of capacity-building for specialists in the field of disaster risk reduction, including in the areas of seismic construction, seismic safety and monitoring, through the conduct of joint research, seminars, conferences, training sessions and field tests.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	The capacity of specialists in the field of disaster risk reduction was enhanced.	JICA, other international organizations, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, and scientific and educational

						institutions.
11	3	Strengthening the capacity of drone operators in the operation of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) in the Central Asian countries through training delivered via the “Online School of Unmanned Aviation” platform, developed by the Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction and hosted on its website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	The capacity of specialists of the Central Asian countries in the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) for disaster risk reduction, as well as for the prevention of and response to emergencies, was strengthened.	Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, CESDRR
III. MOBILIZATION OF INVESTMENTS FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION MEASURES AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL						
12	1	Implementation of measures to scale up the project on the development of the Digital Safety Passport and the Digital Atlas of Transboundary Hazards of the Central Asian countries, based on the example of cooperation between the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the OSCE.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR	The Digital Atlas of Transboundary Hazards of the Central Asian countries was implemented.	Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, CESDR, “Safety GIS” LLP, OSCE, European Union, UNDP, ISTC, MapAction, GIZ, WFP, and other donor agencies and international organizations.
13	2	Implementation of measures to advance the project proposal for the establishment of a Regional Early Warning System for transboundary emergencies, including through the pooling of financing from two or more national projects, followed by scaling up to the regional level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	<p>Access to and availability of early warning systems for various hazards for the population were increased.</p> <p>An earthquake early warning system for Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan was established.</p> <p>All national warning systems were integrated into a single regional early warning system.</p> <p>The capacity of the Central Asian countries to protect populations and territories from large-scale transboundary disasters was strengthened.</p>	<p>International organizations, UNDP, UNDRR, GIZ, WFP, OSCE</p> <p>Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries.</p>
14	3	Expansion of the practice of mobilizing investments from international organizations for the establishment of humanitarian relief stockpiles in the territories of the Central Asian countries in areas most exposed to the risks of emergencies and disasters, based on the example of cooperation between the Ministry of Emergency Situations of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	The effectiveness of the practice of pre-positioning humanitarian relief stockpiles in areas most exposed to emergency risks was implemented and demonstrated.	UNICEF, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), WFP, and other international organizations.

		Reduction, and UNICEF.				
15	4	Implementation of measures to mobilize investments based on co-financing principles in advancing the project concept for the establishment of a Regional Coordination Center for Emergency Response.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	Engagement of donor organizations and partners in the implementation of the project to establish a Regional Coordination Center for Emergency Response, including the expansion of staffing and the modernization of the response centre to ensure effective information exchange and round-the-clock monitoring.	CESDRR, European Union, GIZ, JICA, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), UNICEF, DG ECHO
16	5	Promotion of mutually beneficial partnerships between the private sector, public authorities and other stakeholders in order to enhance capacities for disaster risk reduction (across all implemented projects).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	Engagement of the private sector, public authorities and other stakeholders in the implementation of international projects aimed at enhancing disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation measures in Central Asia.	Public authorities, private sector actors, other stakeholders and international organizations.
17	6	Strengthening regional capacity in disaster risk financing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	Preparation of a regional study for Central Asia aimed at identifying gaps and opportunities for the development of disaster risk financing.	UNDP
IV. STRENGTHENING EMERGENCY RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS						
18	1	Further work to improve the Regulations on the “Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response”, taking into account the findings of the Regional Report on International Disaster Response Law (IDRL), within the framework of the agreement between the CESDRR and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries	Introduction of amendments to the Regulations on the Regional Coordination Mechanism for Emergency Response, in line with International Disaster Response Law (IDRL).	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), GIZ and other international organizations.
19	2	Support for strengthening the capacity of emergency response services of the Central Asian countries through training activities, participation in exercises, master classes and seminars.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	Enhancement of the capacity of canine units, UAV operators, emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries and other relevant services through the conduct of advanced training sessions, exercises and drills.	Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, CESDRR, International Civil Defence Organization (ICDO), MapAction, WFP and other interested international organizations.
20	3	Promotion of the dissemination, adaptation and implementation of digital technologies aimed at automating damage and loss assessment processes for	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	The methodology for damage and loss assessment for the agricultural sector was institutionalized, and the E-PDNA	FAO, WFP

		the agricultural sector in the Central Asian countries, taking into account the experience of cooperation between the Center for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction and FAO.			web-based application was reviewed and adapted to the needs of the Central Asian countries.	
21	4	Support for measures aimed at establishing a transboundary early warning system for hydrological hazards within the framework of enhancing climate risk management processes in Central Asia.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	A technical solution for the establishment of a transboundary early warning system for hydrological hazards in the Central Asian countries was developed.	Emergency management authorities of the Central Asian countries, CESDRR, hydrometeorological services, GIZ, WFP
22	5	Improvement of approaches to the management of transboundary disaster risks, taking into account climate change.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	The recommendations outlined in the Concept of an Integrated Approach to the Management of Transboundary Disaster Risks, taking into account climate change, were taken into consideration.	UNDRR
23	6	Strengthening regional capacity in disaster preparedness and in the application of Post-Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2025 • 2026 	CESDRR	Assessment of the capacity of the CESDRR to apply Post-Disaster Needs Assessment (PDNA) methodologies and development of a corresponding capacity development plan. Regional training was conducted to strengthen the pool of regional PDNA experts.	UNDP