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Virtual Dialogues on
RESILIENT INFRASTRUCTURE



Emerging Perspectives on Making Infrastructure Resilient

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Image Source: UNEP



1.Importance of Investing in Resilient Infrastructure

Image Source: Brooking Institutions



Between 2008-2017, disasters has resulted in direct physical losses worth \$138 m/day in ADB's developing member countries, straining public budgets and reducing the attractiveness of investments.

Multitude of climate change threat is resulting in increased damage and disruption to infrastructure services.

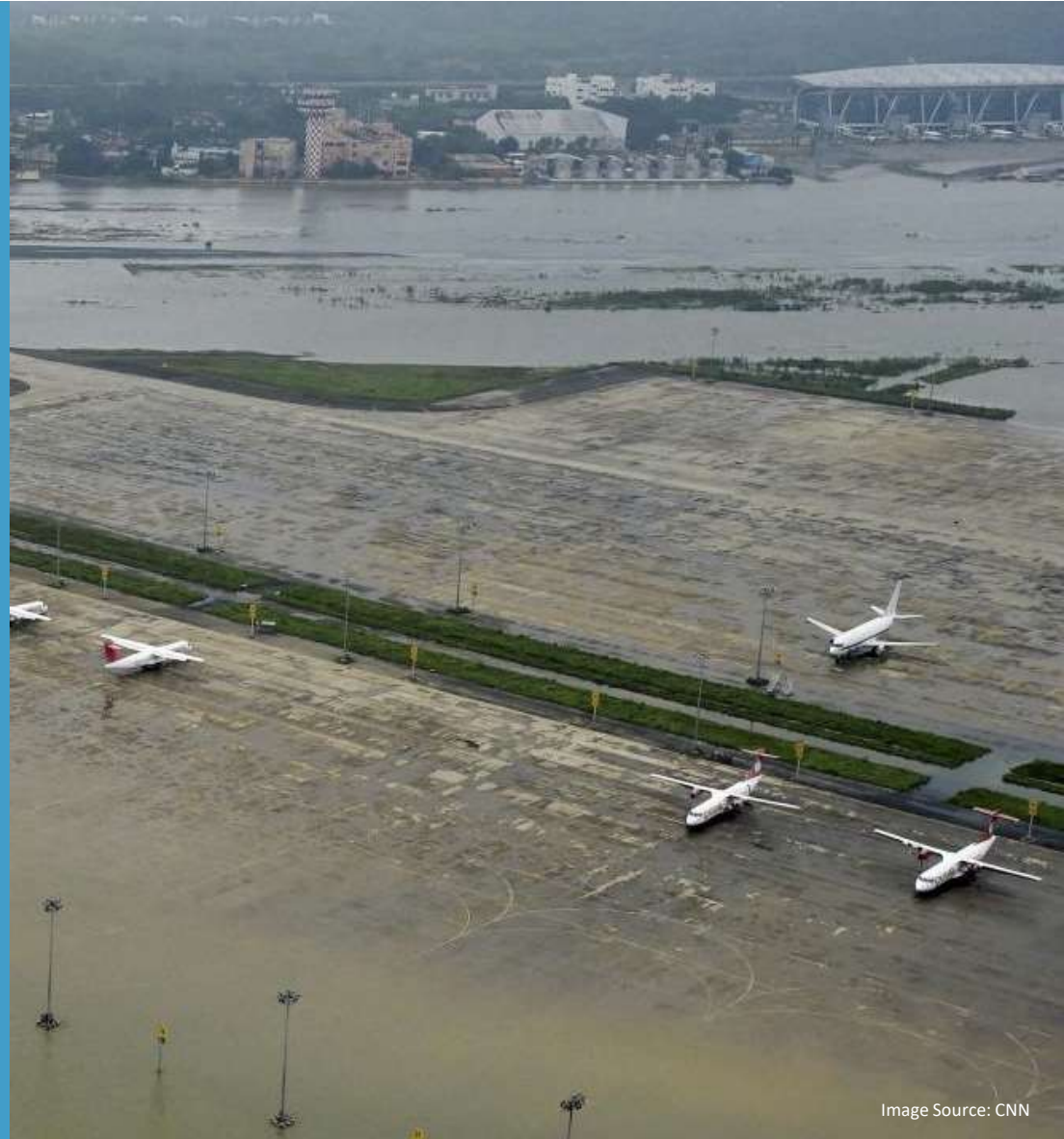


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Recent study of 30,000 assets rates more than 50% assets in transport sector as “red flag” to floods and 40% in energy sector as “high risk” to water stress.

Data source: ADB 2020 (Forthcoming)

Ports handling over 80% of global merchandise are particularly vulnerable to sea level rise. Asset exposure to flooding in 236 port megacities will be \$28trillion by 2050.

Data source: Lenton et al



Image Source: ADB

An aerial photograph of a coastal city and its port. The foreground is dominated by a large container yard filled with stacks of colorful shipping containers (red, blue, yellow, green). Several smaller boats and barges are docked along the pier. In the background, a dense urban skyline is visible, including a prominent tall glass skyscraper. The sea extends to the horizon under a sky with scattered white clouds. A semi-transparent red rectangular box is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing white text.

2. Perspectives for Strengthening Infrastructure Resilience

Importance of understanding and communicating current and future risk and uncertainties faced by infrastructure assets and systems.

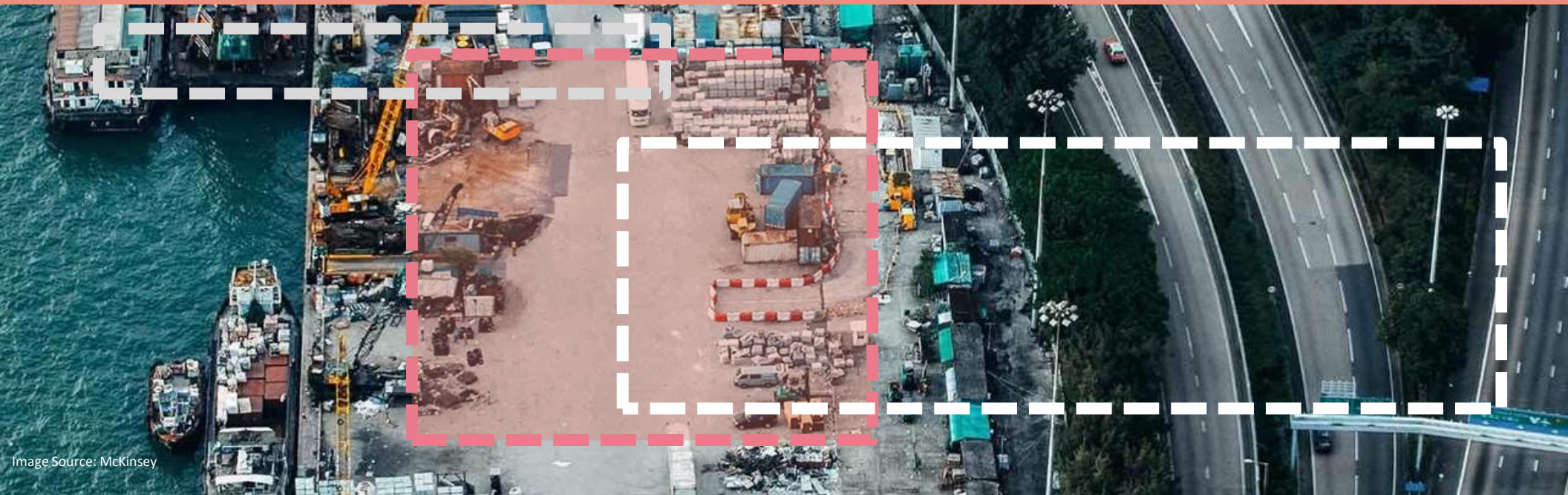


Image Source: McKinsey



Image Source: Business Insider

Adopting a suite of green and grey resilience measures aligned with local needs and following principles of adaptive management. Strengthen standards, local capacity and institutions.

Promoting behavioral change-related measures to manage natural resources and thereby strengthen infrastructure resilience.



Image Source: Cape Town FMS



Image Source: ADB

Strengthening pre-disaster planning for post-disaster recovery, including adopting building back better principles and strategy for disaster risk financing.

An aerial photograph of a wide river system with a large dam spanning across it. The river flows through a landscape with green vegetation and some exposed sandbars. In the background, a city is visible. A green rectangular overlay is positioned on the right side of the image, containing white text.

3.Opportunities for Strengthening Infrastructure Resilience

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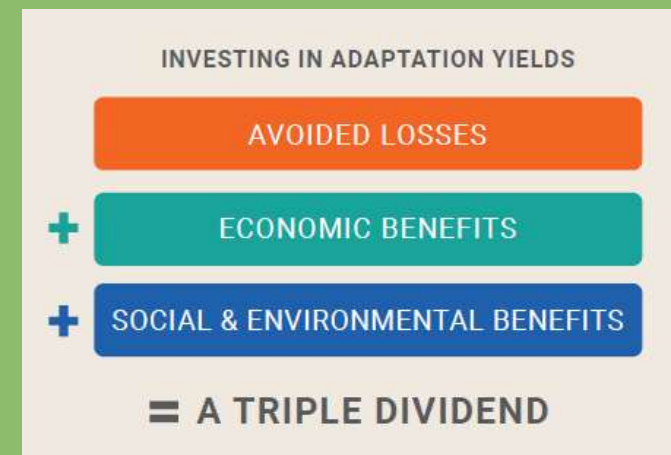
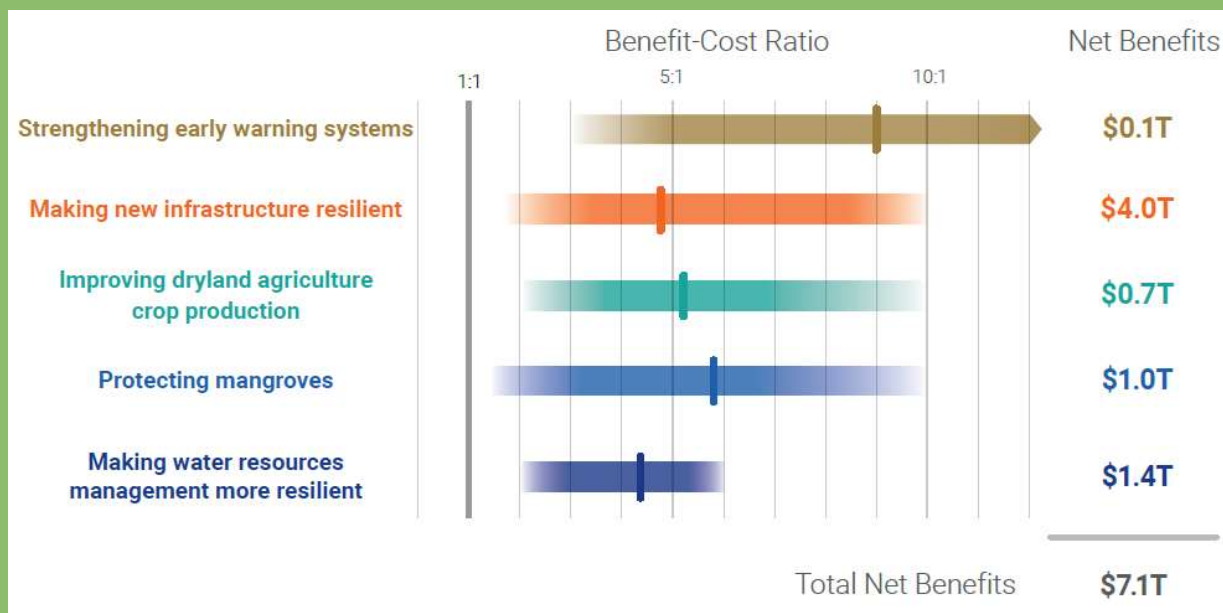
**Asia and Pacific Region
needs to invest in
\$1.5 trillion/year
between 2016-2030 to
meet infrastructure
needs.**

Data source: ADB 2016



Image Source: ADB

Investing \$1.8 trillion globally in five areas from 2020-2030 could generate \$7.1 trillion in total net benefits.



COVID-19 Recovery provides opportunities for low-carbon and resilient infrastructure.

Image Source: ADB

