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ADB's EWS Investments in Asia and the Pacific

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Asian Development Bank
Climate Change and Sustainable Development Department



State of EWS per the Sendai Framework on DRR Mid-Term Review

On target G: 108 countries reported having MHEWS, compared to only 52 in 2015

Target G	As of March 2024			
	Number of countries	Percentage of countries	Number of countries	
	reported having access to	of each country group	that reported having	
	multi-hazard early warning	that reported having	access to MHEWS	
	systems (MHEWS)	access to MHEWS	(Global)	
LDC	20	44%	108	
SIDS	14	38%		
LLDC	20	59%	(55%)	

- 69 countries having MHEWS have self-assessed their MHEWS with "limited to moderate" achievement, 39 countries self-scored to have "substantial to comprehensive" achievement.
- On other targets:

Target A: Reduce global disaster mortality	Target B: Reduce the number of affected people	Target C: Reduce disaster economic loss in relation to global GDP	Target D: Reduce disaster damage to critical infrastructure & disruption of basic services
Average disaster-related mortality has a decline of 49% from 2005-2014 to 2014-2023	Number of disaster-affected people increased to 71% from 2005-2014 to 2014-2023	Economic loss in global GDP exceed \$131 billion per year in 2015-2022.	94,428 critical infrastructure units were damaged each year from 2015-2023. More than 1.6 million basic services were disrupted.

ADB Commitments for Early Warning Systems

- Increasing resilience and reducing losses a priority of corporate strategy and corporate results framework
- Priority in Disaster Risk
 Management Action Plan and
 Climate Change Action Plan.
- Increase commitment for providing climate finance.
- Adopt a multi-hazard approach for building resilience.
- Focus investments on impactbased multihazard EWS



ADB's Portfolio on EWS: A Review

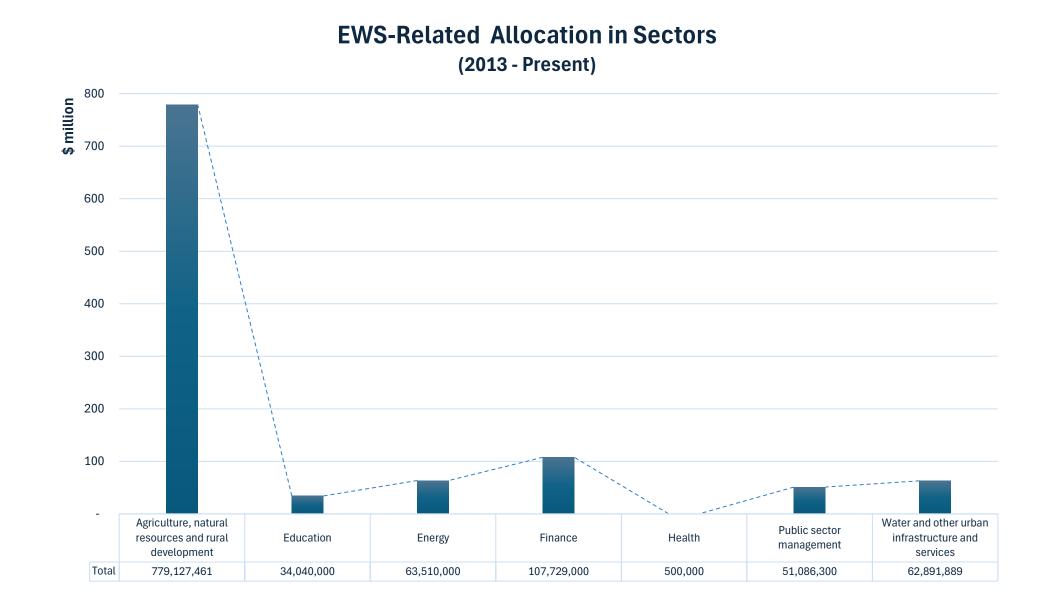
Key points from the 2021 assessment of ADB's EWS engagement

- Mostly for floods
- National level intervention
- Mostly focused on ANR
- Limited engagement with NMHS
- Limited sustainability
- Relevance of early warning products and information as critical inputs in planning and decision making



EWS Investments in Ongoing ADB Projects

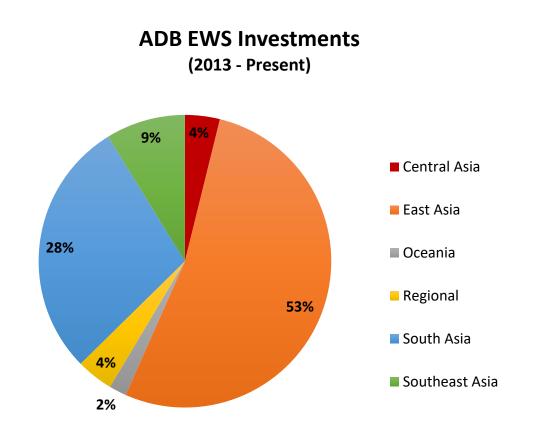
- ADB is providing support to several projects with an early warning component in different sectors across DMCs.
- As recorded by WMO's Global Observatory for EWS Investments -- from 2013 to present, ADB EWS-related investments have cost estimates of up to \$1.036 billion.





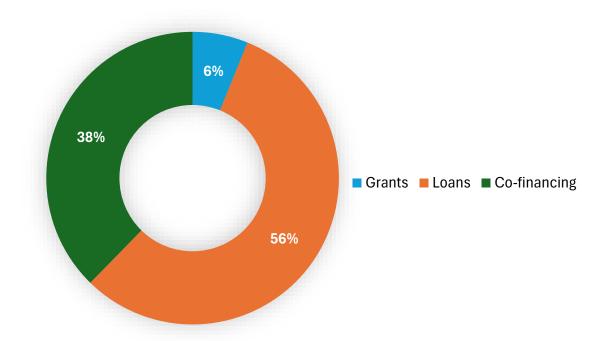
EWS Investments in Ongoing ADB Projects

Most of the projects with EWS components are focused on East Asia with around \$580 million EWS-related investments. This is followed by South Asia with \$314 million.



• Most of these projects are financed through loans, followed by cofinancing with governments and other entities. Some are through grants from the Asian Development Fund.







TA10103: Increasing Investments on EWS to Strengthen Climate and Disaster Resilience

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OUTCOME

- OUTPUT 1
 Scoping report of a new early warning <…
 - facility completed
- (02) OUTPUT 2
 - Regional consultation workshop conducted
- O3 OUTPUT 3
 Design of EWS investments

developed



- Scoping report of the new EWS facility completed
- At least three investment concept notes completed
- Workshop conducted to present the findings and recommendations of the scoping, and determine EWS priorities, activities and next steps
- Situational analysis, climate and disaster risk assessment, and sectoral analysis on EWS application for at least three DMCs completed
- At least three in-country investment design workshops conducted
- At least three EWS investment frameworks completed
- Environmental and social impact assessments conducted for at least three EWS investment frameworks
- At least one EWS funding proposal to global fund or bilateral donor completed



TA10103: Scoping Report Priority DMCs for EWS Support

Priority DMCs	AAL (\$ billion)	AAL/GDP
Bangladesh	17.00	6.2%
Nepal	6.40	6.4%
Kazakhstan	3.35	1.6%
Uzbekistan	3,10	3.0%
Cambodia	2.48	6.7%
Lao PDR	1.26	6.6%
Timor-Leste	0.87	4.1%
Tajikistan	0.63	5.5%
Mongolia	0.43	3.2%
Kyrgyz Republic	0.39	5.4%
Maldives	0.05	1.3%





TA10103: Scoping Report: Key Gaps on EWS and ADB's Offer



Impact forecast and risk knowledge not operationalized and integrated in decision-making.

Limited availability of tailored climate information services and their application to key economic sectors.



Strong sectoral expertise to promote and influence sectoral application of EWS and extend the impact of EWS beyond saving lives towards saving livelihoods, and reducing damages and losses



Uneven financing across different components of EWS, thus, development gains made in a single pillar is not translated into improvement of the overall EWS.



Capacity to influence financing for EWS in country's **fiscal system, and anchor in sector budgets,** and influence EWS investment at **scale** and across **systems**



EWSs are often **not sustained or scaled up** due to lack of institutional mechanisms, funding, and technical supporrt for operation and maintenance.



Use of different **financial instruments** to pursue and incentivize reforms, and access to dedicated **concessional financing** for DRR and CCA



Public-Private Partnerships are minimal compared to its full possible extent and potential.



Pursue **private sector** opportunities in EWS

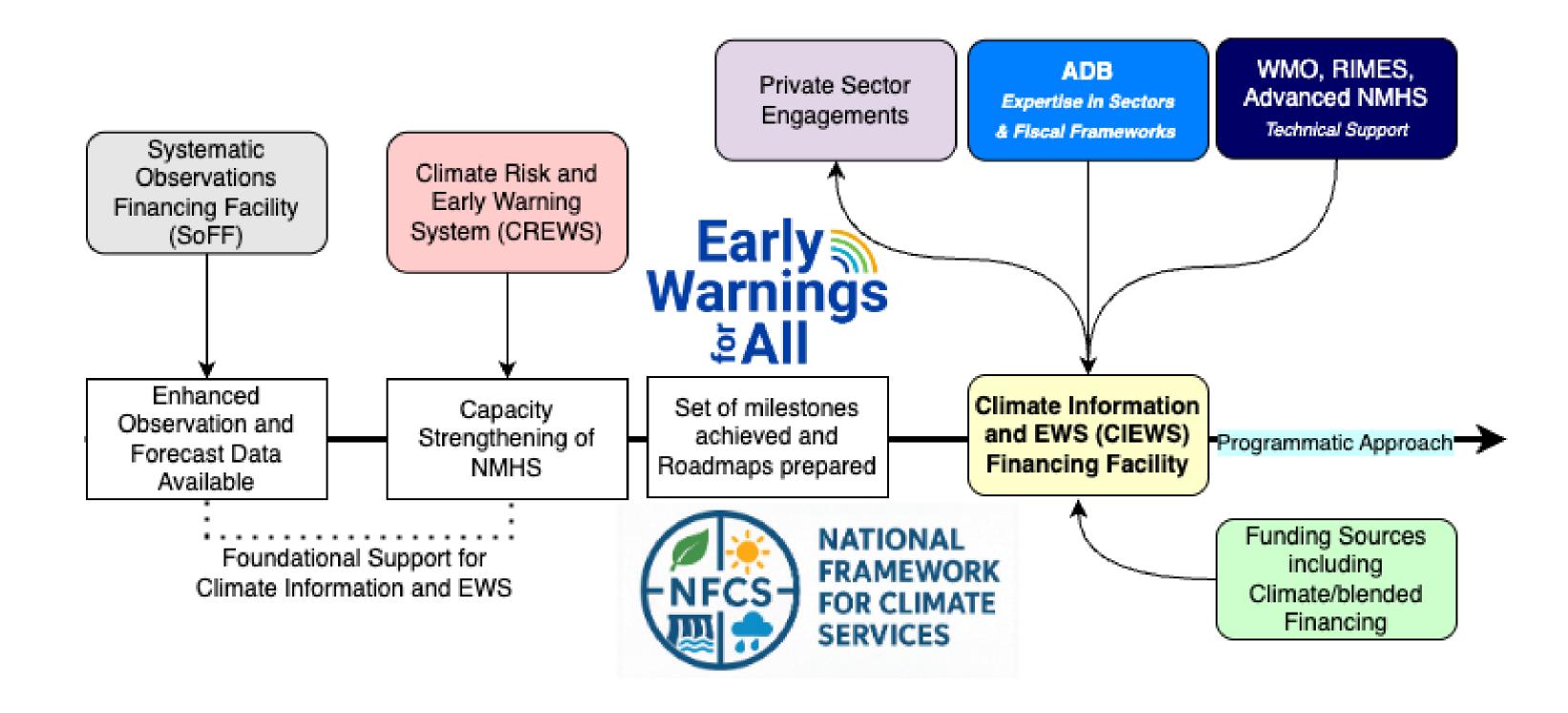


TA10103: Proposed EWS Financing Partnership Facility for Programmatic Support

Component 1 Country EWS Program (building on national EWS roadmaps) with defined KPIs 2.3. EWS in Financial 2.1. Generation of EWS 2.2. Sector Application of EWS **Systems** Agriculture, Energy, Transport, Water Capacity for impact-based Education, Health, Social Protection forecasting, different time Embedded within wider Finance (insurance) country fiscal systems range (ensure O&M, PFM, **Component 2** mobilized \$) Partnership with national Partnership with finance Partnership with sector ministries and hydromet and disaster ministries private sector management agencies **Knowledge Generation and Dissemination Component 3**



TA10103: Leveraging Current Channels and Expertise on EWS



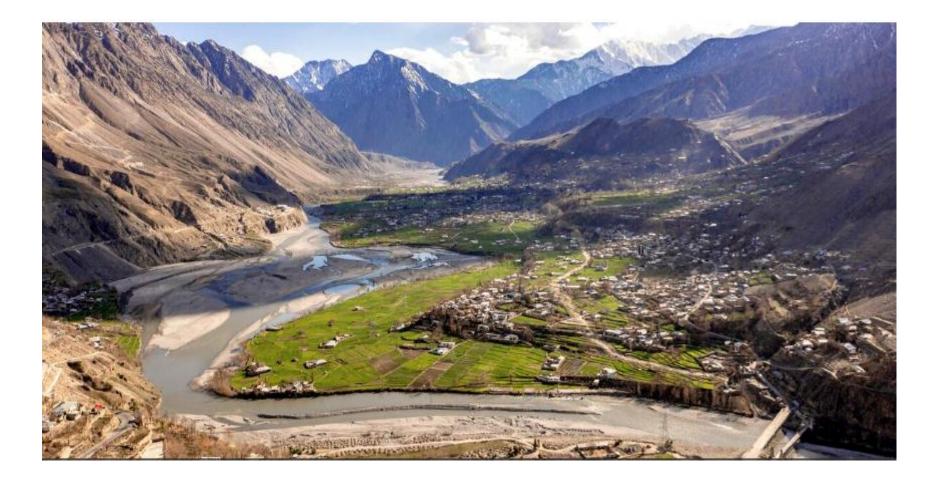


TA10103: Supporting CIEWS design of sectoral projects

Maldives: Enhancing Climate Resilience and Food Security Project



Uzbekistan : Resilient Amu Darya River Basin Sector Development





TA10103: Scoping and Regional Validation Workshop Reports



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