How ESCAP can support EAS EMM ESC work and
Recommendations for EAS EMM

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CURRENT AND UPCOMING ESCAP ACTIVITIES ON ESC

• Projects
  – Pro-poor and sustainable solid waste management in secondary cities and small towns (Bangladesh, Cambodia, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Viet Nam)
  – Integrated Resource Management in Asian Cities – Urban Nexus (China, Indonesia, Mongolia, Philippines, Thailand, Viet Nam)
  – Alternative building materials (Philippines)

• Analytical work
  – Planning principles for sustainable green cities
  – Role of local governments in the Future we Want
  – Quick Guide on Climate Change Adaptation
  – State of Asia-Pacific Cities Report

• Regional Policy Dialogues
  – Thematic: (i) Urban governance, (ii) Infrastructure, (iii) Review of urban-related MDG achievement
  – Regional preparatory meeting for HABITAT III (2015)
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EAS EMM

• Include governance as a topic for ESC
  – Implementation of many national, as well as global, sustainable development goals lies on the shoulders of local governments – but gaps exist in terms of mandates, financing and capacities
  – Environmental issues transcend administrative boundaries - managing the resource footprint of cities across various ecosystems calls for institutional coordination and other forms of collaboration.

• EAS Environment Ministers are encouraged to feed relevant lessons learnt and recommendations on ESC into global processes such as the post-2015 development agenda and the preparations for the 3rd United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (HABITAT III) and to provide full support to their regional preparatory processes