

SIAP Information

Message from Mr Ashish Kumar, Director of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific

Thank you very much for your continued support to the activities of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (SIAP). The spread of COVID-19 has impacted the way we carry on with our lives, regardless of which part of the world we live in. SIAP is no exception to such impact and has adopted to the situation by making changes in the schedule and mode of delivery of its training programmes.

We have shifted from our face-to-face training programmes to e-learning programmes which contains some webinar series on certain topics. Our e-learning programmes are easily accessible from your houses under safe conditions and at your convenience. We are focusing on developing new e-learning programmes ourselves and in collaboration with our partners. I hope you are enjoying the new modality of learning.

We have received increased participation in our e-learning programmes, and we look forward to your continued interest in future courses both from national statistical offices and other ministries/government offices.

On behalf of all staff members at SIAP, I would like to sincerely wish that you and your family members are safe and well and would continue to be so. We all look forward to the day when we come out of this crisis successfully and welcome you and your colleagues to our training courses and workshops in-person.

Regional Course on Supply and Use Tables

[Chiba, Japan; 20-24 January 2020]

The course was organised, in collaboration with the United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD) and Asian Development Bank (ADB). It provided training on compilation of Supply and Use Tables and its use for compilation of national accounts following SNA 2008.

Twenty-four (24) statisticians who were involved in the compilation of national accounts and Supply and Use Tables from the Asia and Pacific region participated.

Experts from UN Statistics Division and Asian Development Bank along with faculty from the Institute delivered the training and practical sessions.



E-learning course on official statistics for SDGs

[9 March-7 April 2020]

This course introduced fundamental knowledge on official statistics, with an aim to help the participants to understand how to compile Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) monitoring indicators using official statistics.

Seven hundred and nineteen (719) officials from national statistical offices and users of official statistics from other ministries/offices participated in the course.

E-learning course on introduction to the System of Environmental Economic Accounting (SEEA)-Central Framework

[6 April-15 May 2020]

The SEEA Central Framework is the international statistical standard for measuring the relationship between the environment and the economy. Over five hundred fifty (550) officials from national statistical offices and line ministries who wanted to learn more about the SEEA, participated in this course. The course provided knowledge on the following aspects:

- (a) what the SEEA is and how it can be used in measuring the interaction between the economy and environment;
- (b) how to compile physical flow accounts, asset accounts and other accounts relevant to informing policies in the environmental space.

E-learning course on health statistics for monitoring SDGs [18 May-12 June 2020]

This course shall provide understanding of the basic concepts, methods and frameworks required to compile and monitor the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable development, in particular of SDG goal 3 indicators. After the completion of the course, participants are expected to:

- (a) understand key concepts, definitions, methodologies and data sources for health statistics;
- (b) understand how to compile and monitor health related SDG indicators.

Five hundred and forty-five (545) officials have registered for participation in this course.

Upcoming e-learning courses:

Intermediate level e-learning course on the System of National Accounts (SNA): Integrated transaction account [8 June-17 July 2020]
E-learning course on compiling national metadata for the SDGs
E-learning course on energy statistics including energy accounts
E-learning course on international accounts
E-learning course on climate change indicators based on an accounting approach
E-learning course on gender statistics