



International Civil Aviation Organization

8th Meeting of the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of public health events in Civil Aviation Asia Pacific (CAPSCA-AP)

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Review of 7th CAPSCA-AP Meeting Conclusions

Colombo, Sri Lanka

20-23 May 2014

The 7th Meeting of the CAPSCA-Asia Pacific Colombo, Sri Lanka, 20-23 May 2014



- A total of 69 participants attended the 7th Meeting of the CAPSCA-Asia Pacific, representing Civil Aviation Administrations, Public Health Authorities, CAPSCA Partner Organizations, aviation and other related agencies:
 - 13 States/Administrations of the Asia Pacific Region were - Bangladesh, Brunei, China, Hong Kong SAR, Indonesia, Macao SAR, Malaysia, Maldives, Nepal, New Zealand, Singapore, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.
 - 3 CAPSCA International Partners - World Health Organization (WHO), Airports Council International (ACI) and Association of Asia Pacific Airlines (AAPA),
 - Representative from University of Toronto and various air operators and other related agencies.

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Conclusion No 1:

- Mr. H.M.C. Nimalsiri, Director General of Civil Aviation and Chief Executive Officer of Civil Aviation Authority of Sri Lanka was elected as Chairperson of the CAPSCA-AP project until the 8th CAPSCA-AP Meeting. The meeting also agreed to the continuation of Malaysia as Vice-Chairperson of the CAPSCA AP Project.

Conclusion No 2:

States are encouraged to:

- a. confirm participation in the CAPSCA-AP Project by the civil aviation authority (CAA) and/or public health authority (PHA) (if not yet members) by sending a letter to ICAO and/or WHO regional offices respectively in accordance with the Asia Pacific Air Navigation Planning and Implementation Regional Group (APANPIRG/23) Conclusion 23/51 (**Note:-** there is currently no cost to join CAPSCA);

Update: *New Members – Bangladesh (2015) and Lao PDR (Oct. 2016)*

- b. designate CAPSCA focal point(s) from CAA and/or PHA (States are requested to advise the ICAO Regional Office);

Update: *List of CAPSCA-AP Focal Points*

- c. request Assistance Visits (on a cost-recovery basis) by sending a letter to ICAO APAC Regional Office.

Update: *Assistance visit to Bangladesh and Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport : 12 -13 August 2015.*

Conclusion No 3:



- The meeting congratulated Sri Lanka on the Launch of the Sri Lanka National Civil Aviation Preparedness Plan for Public Health Emergencies. CAA Sri Lanka has agreed to share its Plan with CAPSCA for posting on the CAPSCA website: www.CAPSCA.org

Update: *Accomplished.*

- Other States' authorities, airport operators, aircraft operators and air navigation service providers (ANSP) are encouraged to provide their Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plans to ICAO for posting on the CAPSCA website.

Update: *CAA Singapore, CAA Sri Lanka & CAA Bangladesh*
<http://www.capsca.org/CAPSCAStateRefsDocuments.html>

Conclusion No 4:

- States/Administrations should develop, update and test aviation public health emergency (PHE) preparedness plans in collaboration with public health authorities, in compliance with related ICAO SARPs and WHO IHR (2005), and prepare for the ICAO USOAP Continuous Monitoring Approach (CMA) audit which, from 2013, included protocol questions concerning PHE related ICAO Standards and Recommended Practices.

Update: *Bangladesh; Hong Kong, SAR; Nepal; Sri Lanka*

Conclusion No 5:

- WHO, represented by the South East Asia Regional Office (SEARO) and WHO country office of Sri Lanka, encourages all Member States (MS):
 - i. requesting a second extension, to develop and strengthen their national IHR core capacities set forth in Annex 1 of IHR (2005) for designated points of entry (PoE) by working with WHO, partners and CAPSCA within the new extended timeframe.
 - ii. to “designate” required PoE and identifying competent authorities for implementing IHR at PoE.

Update: *Bangladesh; Hong Kong SAR; Nepal; Sri Lanka*

Conclusion No 6:

- State aerodrome operators and public health authorities are invited to consider developing a local standard operating procedure for an arriving affected aircraft, including timelines for response. Recommendations developed by the United Kingdom working group are available for reference on the CAPSCA website: <http://www.capsca.org/CAPSCAStateRefsDocuments.html>
Update: *Bangladesh; Hong Kong SAR; Sri Lanka*

Conclusion No 14:

- ICAO drew the attention of the meeting participants to the ICAO State Letter Ref.: AN 5/28-14/33 dated 11 April 2014, regarding the establishment of the special ICAO's voluntary Safety Fund (SAFE) earmarked for CAPSCA.
- States, Organizations and Industry are encouraged to make voluntary contributions to the Collaborative Arrangement for the Prevention and Management of Public Health Events in Civil Aviation (CAPSCA).
Update: *Nepal and Thailand has contributed to ICAO Voluntary Safety Fund earmarked for CAPSCA*

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