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## **Launch of ADB Report on Climate-Induced Migration**

United Nations Conference Centre, Meeting Room B  
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Climate change will be a major driver of migration in Asia and the Pacific this century. A staggering 42 million people in the region were displaced by environmental disasters over the past two years, with the region having six of the 10 most climate-change vulnerable countries in the world.

The new ADB report, *Addressing Climate Change and Migration in Asia and the Pacific*, argues that disaster-prone Asia and Pacific countries must act now to stave off future humanitarian crises. The report includes detailed analyses of climate change impacts on migration in Asian sub-regions, highlighting 'hot spots'. It also shows how governments and the private sector can work together to finance the cost of climate-induced migration.

Most importantly, this is the first study to develop policy recommendations to address the phenomenon at the regional level.

### **You are invited to attend the press briefing:**

Speakers: Bindu Lohani, *Vice President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, Asian Development Bank (ADB)*  
Bart Edes, *Director, Poverty Reduction, Gender, and Social Development Division, ADB*

Date: Tuesday, 13 March 2012

Time: 9:30 – 10:00 A.M.

Venue: United Nations Conference Centre (UNCC), Meeting Room B (1<sup>st</sup> floor), Rajdamnern Nok Avenue, Klong Phadung Krungkasem Road, Bangkok

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