Media Update 7 April 2020

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Virtual regional launch and Press briefing of the Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2020

When: Tomorrow 8 Apr 2020
Pakistan time: (09 – 1030 am)

Bangkok, Thailand, Virtual
Event URL: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a0MqjDTbuOM

You are cordially invited to the
VIRTUAL REGIONAL LAUNCH AND PRESS BRIEFING OF
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SURVEY OF ASIA AND THE PACIFIC 2020

Wednesday, 8 April 2020, 11:00 – 12:30 (Bangkok Time)

Key speakers: Mr. Hamza Ali Malik, Director
Ms. Sweta C. Saxena, Chief
Macroeconomic Policy and Financing for Development Division, ESCAP

The COVID-19 pandemic and continuing trade uncertainties are having far-reaching economic and social consequences for the Asia-Pacific region, with strong cross-border spillover effects through trade, tourism and financial linkages. Economic growth in the region is also expected to sharply decline in 2020.

The longest running UN publication on the region’s progress, this year’s edition of the Survey proposes a transition towards cleaner production and less material-intensive lifestyles supported by enabling policies. It further calls for all stakeholders, notably Governments, businesses and consumers, to urgently align their own goals and actions with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Participate via a live webcast at:
http://unescap.org/events/survey-2020
Advice on the use of masks in the context of COVID-19

Dear Journalists,

Please find the link to newly released guidance on the use of masks in the context of COVID-19.

Overview

This document provides advice on the use of masks in communities, during home care, and in health care settings in areas that have reported cases of COVID-19. It is intended for individuals in the community, public health and infection prevention and control (IPC) professionals, health care managers, health care workers (HCWs), and community health workers. This updated version includes a section on Advice to decision makers on the use of masks for healthy people in community settings.

Best regards,

WHO media team