

Regional briefings on Preparations for the Eighth Biennial Meetings of States (BMS8) on the UN Programme of Action and the International Tracing Instrument

The UN PoA in Asia-Pacific and the work of the United Nations Regional Centre for Peace and Disarmament in Asia and the Pacific

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Road map

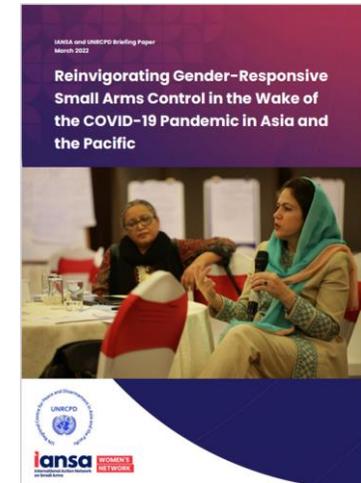
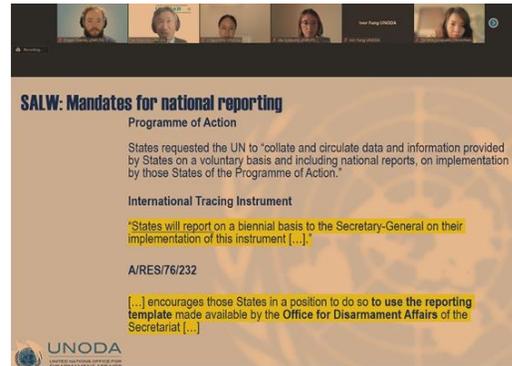
- Action-oriented approaches by UNRCPD since the BMS7 in supporting member States in the implementation of PoA
- PoA implementation status in Asia-Pacific: data from the 2020 national reports
- Upcoming projects and opportunities



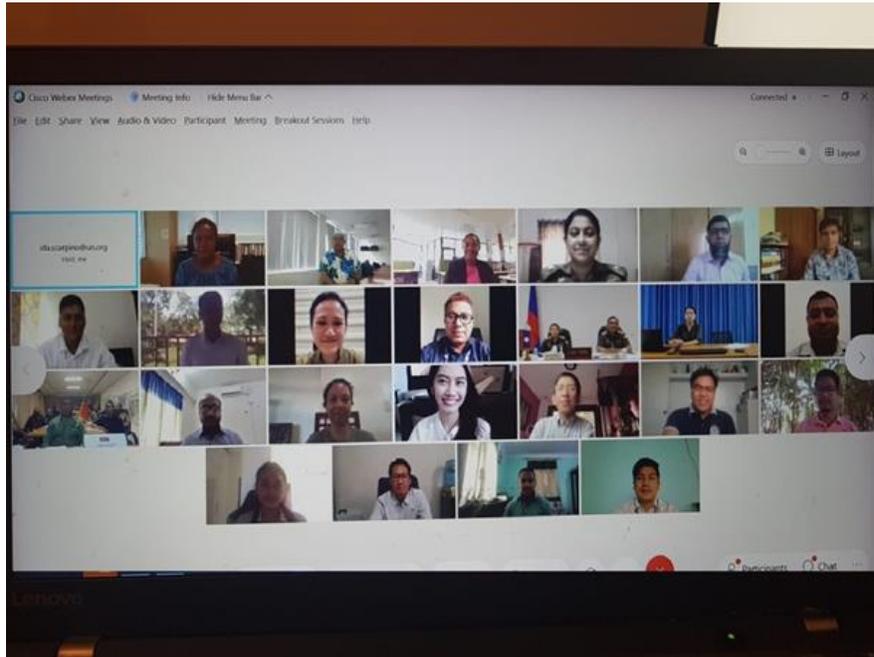
In-Country Training Programme on Gender Mainstreaming Small Arms control in Asia-Pacific



- Trainings on gender mainstreaming small arms control reaching out to **147 government officials, parliamentarians and civil society representatives** (of whom **72 are women**) from five countries (Cambodia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Nepal, Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste).
- Practical activities on SALW control tailored to the respective country, with emphasis on convergence with relevant agendas (WPS, GBV prevention, SDGs).
- Two regional webinars on 8 March 2021 and 9 March 2022 in partnership with IANSA on gun violence and illicit small arms trafficking from a gender perspective .
- UNRCPD/IANSA briefing paper on gender and small arms in the wake of COVID-19 in Asia-Pacific.



UNRCPD online training on national reports on the UN PoA



28 May 2021 – lead up to BMS7



20 May 2022 – lead up to BMS8

2022 Asia-Pacific PoA Reporting

UNRCPD mandate includes **43 states** in the region

- Out of the 75 national reports submitted worldwide, only **11 reports** originate from states covered by the UNRCPD mandate*
 - Approximately **15% of total reports** submitted in 2022
- 2020 comparison: 97 submitted worldwide and **14** from within region
 - Approximately **14%** of total reports submitted in 2020

Asia-Pacific Comparison

2022 (as of 15 June)

Bangladesh China India
Japan Kazakhstan Malaysia
Maldives New Zealand
Philippines
Republic of Korea Thailand

11 states

2020

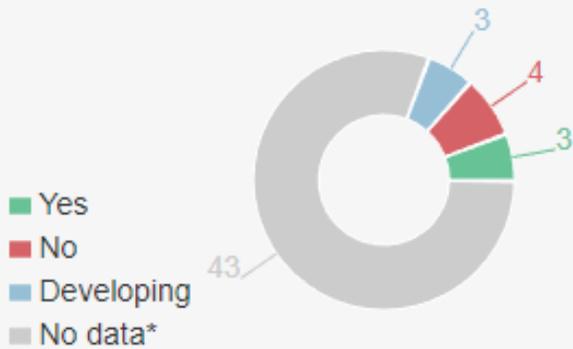
China India Indonesia
Japan Kazakhstan Lao PDR
Malaysia Maldives Mongolia
Nauru Philippines
Republic of Korea Singapore
Thailand

14 states

Asia-Pacific Data from PoA Reporting – National Control Infrastructure

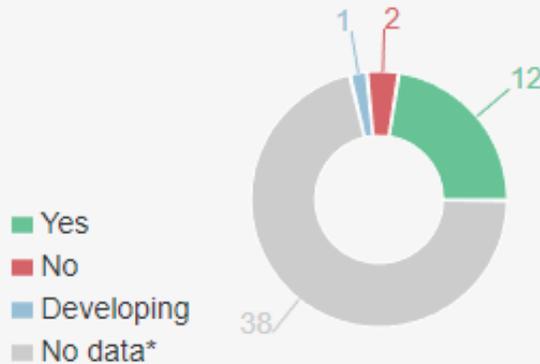
National Action Plan on SALW

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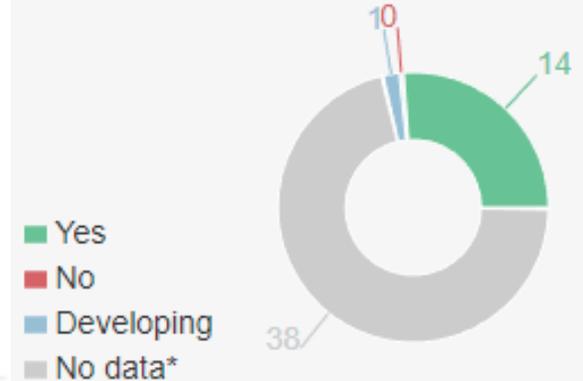
National coordination agency

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National point of contact for PoA

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Improved language and indicators in the 2022 reporting template

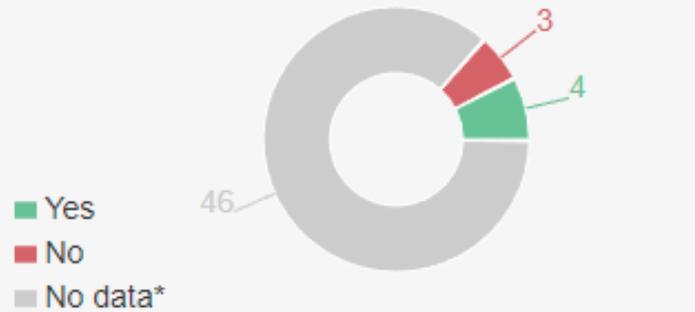
Section 10: Gender and additional information

<i>Sources</i>	<i>Question</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
Gender considerations			
RevCon3 outcome	10.1. Does your country take into account gender considerations? [If yes, click where applicable]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.B.2.79 II.B.2.74	10.1.1 Increase understanding of the gender-specific impacts of the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons (training, workshops, gender-analysis)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BMS7, para 72	10.1.2 Promote the meaningful, equal, full and effective participation and representation of women in policymaking, planning and implementation processes related to the implementation of the PoA, including their participation in national small arms commissions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BMS6 outcome Sec. I. para 61	10.1.3 Seriously consider increasing funding for policies and programmes that take account of the differing impacts of illicit small arms and light weapons on women, men, girls and boys	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.B.2.76	10.1.4 Mainstream gender dimensions into your implementation efforts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.A.5.65	10.1.5 Exchange national experiences, lessons learned and best practices on the mainstreaming gender dimensions into policies and programmes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.B.2.75	10.1.6 Ensure coordination on the implementation of the PoA between relevant national small arms authorities with other national authorities working on gender equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
II.B.2.75	10.1.7 Ensure coordination on the implementation of the PoA between relevant national authorities and women's civil society groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	10.1.8 Others. Specify: <input type="text"/>		
BMS7 Outcome Para 74	10.2 Does your country collect disaggregated data by sex, age, and disability regarding SALW?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	10.2.1 Details: <input type="text"/>		

Gender-Specific Data Reporting (2022 reports)

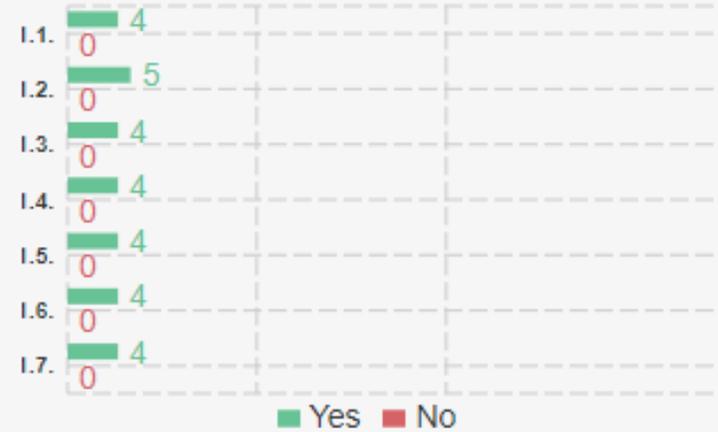
Disaggregated data collected on gender and illicit trade in SALW

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Information accounting gender consideration

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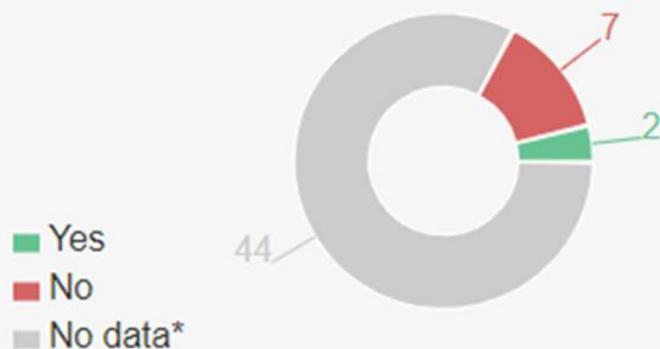


*see: <https://smallarms.un-arm.org/statistics>

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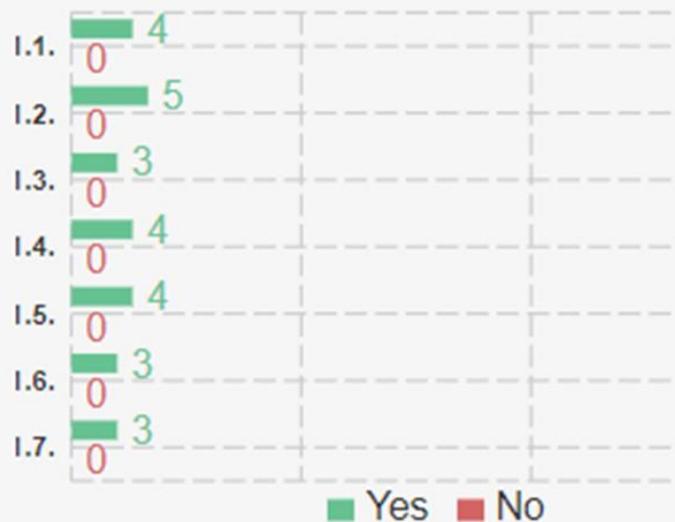
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Requests for International Assistance (from AP reports)

- Requests are articulated within submitted PoA national reports
- Used to facilitate the matching of SALW-related assistance needs with relevant donors and resources
- Although no detail is required, states can and are encouraged to propose projects and identify relevant frameworks for assistance
- Manufacturing: 2
- Transfers: 2
- Brokering: 3
- Stockpile Management: 4
- Destruction: 2
- Seizure: 3
- Record Keeping: 4
- Tracing: 5

EU-Project Phase II: FROM COMMITMENTS TO ACTION: SUPPORTING PROGRESS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION ON SMALL ARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS

Three provisional pillars:

1. Advancing global policies and commitments in the context of the 2024 Fourth UN Review Conference (RevCon4)
2. Ensuring the full and effective implementation of the PoA/ITI based on national and regional priorities, targets, strategies, and action plans.
3. Serving the ongoing demand to strengthen and deepen gender-mainstreamed small arms control policies and programmes, in line with the Women, Peace and Security Agenda.



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Thank you! Questions?

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