

**SWA Asia and the Pacific Finance Ministers' Meetings**  
**Sparking Economic Growth: The Case for Investing in water, Sanitation and Hygiene**  
**Draft Agenda**

**Wednesday, 2 December, 12:30 India | 14:00 Bangkok | 2:00 New York**

To register and join: [www.sanitationandwaterforall.org/meeting/asia-and-pacific-finance-ministers-meeting](http://www.sanitationandwaterforall.org/meeting/asia-and-pacific-finance-ministers-meeting)

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**

<b>Introductory video</b>	Why invest in water, sanitation and hygiene	3 mins
<b>Welcome remarks</b>	Catarina de Albuquerque, Chief Executive Officer, SWA	2 mins
<b>Opening remarks</b>	Henrietta Fore, Executive Director, UNICEF	15 mins
	Karin Hulshof, Regional Director UNICEF, East Asia and Pacific Regional Office	
	Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General, World Health Organization	
	Bambang Susantono, Vice-President for Knowledge Management and Sustainable Development, Asia Development Bank	

**CONTEXT SETTING**

<b>Global political context</b>	The Hon. Kevin Rudd, High-Level Chair, SWA <i>Making the social, political and economic case for investment in water, sanitation and hygiene and the role of ministers of finance</i>	5 mins
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<p>Regional water, sanitation and hygiene context</p>	<p>Dr. Oyun Sanjaasuren, Director of Division of External Affairs, Green Climate Fund  <i>The state of water, sanitation and hygiene in Asia and Pacific, the extent to which COVID-19 has impacted its delivery, and the role of finance in maximizing economic and health benefits offered by this sector</i></p>	<p>5 mins</p>
<p><b>PANEL DISCUSSION: SPARKING ECONOMIC RECOVERY, THE CASE FOR INVESTING IN WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE</b></p>		
<p>Introduction by Moderator</p>	<p>Jyoti Shukla, Director, Singapore Infrastructure and Urban Development Hub, World Bank  <i>Introducing panelists and summarizing noteworthy practices from each country</i></p>	<p>5 mins</p>
<p><b>Session 1:          Ministerial Dialogue          Investing in water, sanitation and hygiene: country practices</b></p>	<p>Panel discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Bishnu Prasad Paudel, Minister of Finance, Nepal</li> <li>• Hon. Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, Attorney-General and Minister for Economy, Civil Service and Communications, Fiji</li> <li>• Hon. Suahasil Nazara, Vice Minister of Finance, Indonesia</li> <li>• Hon. Ibrahim Ameer, Minister of Finance, Maldives</li> <li>• Hon. Ajith Nivard Cabraal, State Minister of Money &amp; Capital Market and State Enterprise Reforms, Sri Lanka</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A with ministers of finance          Reactions from peers</p>	<p>45 mins</p>
<p><b>Session 2:          Multi-stakeholder dialogue with ministers of finance</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hon. Shri. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Minister of Jal Shakti, India</li> <li>• Hon. Md Tazul Islam, Minister of Local Government, Rural Development &amp; Cooperatives, Bangladesh</li> </ul> <p>Dialogue with other stakeholders, including sector ministers, on how to address the financing challenge</p>	<p>28 mins</p>



Elevator pitches to finance ministers

Different partners and constituencies present 20-second-long pitches to ministers of finance about how they can help facilitate improved financing arrangements in the sector

**CLOSING SESSION**

Concluding remarks  
 Invitation to the 2021  
 Sector Ministers' Meeting

Hon. Suharso Monoarfa, Minister of National Development and Planning, Indonesia

5 mins

Final Thank You

Patrick Moriarty, Steering Committee Chair, SWA

3 mins

TOTAL TIME

120 mins