



Sri Lanka Resident Mission

1 September 2021

Mr. Ajith Abeysekera
Director General
External Resources Department
Ministry of Finance
Colombo 1

Dear Mr. Abeysekera,

Invitation
Regional Conference on Health and Socioeconomic Well-Being
of Older Persons in Developing Asia: Role of Individual and Household Data
7–9 September 2021, Online via Zoom

We are pleased to inform you that the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), and Japan International Cooperation Agency Ogata Sadako Research Institute for Peace and Development (JICA Ogata RI) are organizing a virtual conference entitled **“Regional Conference on the Health and Socioeconomic Well-Being of Older Persons in Developing Asia: Role of Individual and Household Data”** on **7–9 September 2021 at 14:00–17:00 JST on Day 1, 14:30-17:20 JST on Day 2, and 14:30-16:35 JST on Day 3.**

Government officials who are interested in the event and whose work is related to the theme of the program are welcome to attend. We encourage you to share this invitation and the registration link below with interested parties, as this is an open registration event. Once the online registration form is completed, information details including a unique ID to join the webinar will be sent to the registrant. Please keep and use this link to join the event on the scheduled date. **Registration link:** <https://www.adb.org/news/events/regional-conference-health-socioeconomic-well-being-older-persons-developing-asia>

Should you require any further information on the proposed event, please do not hesitate to contact our event coordinator, Dr. Pitchaya Sirivunnabood (psirivunnabood@adbi.org).

Sincerely,


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Country Director

Attachments:
Draft Agenda, Brochure, & Open invitation

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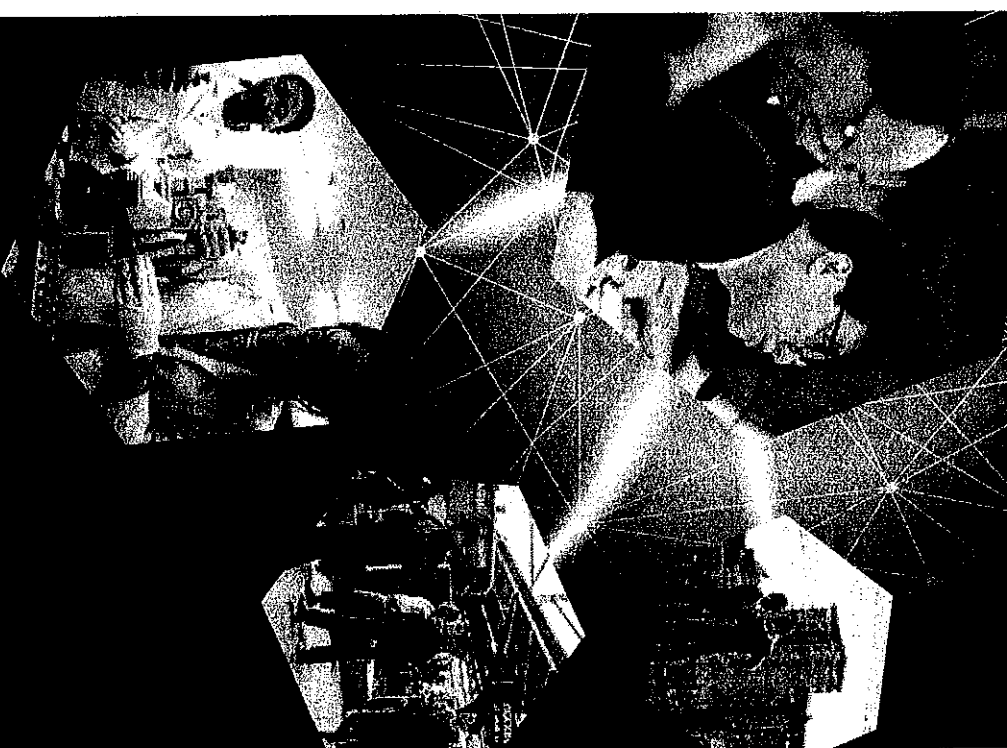
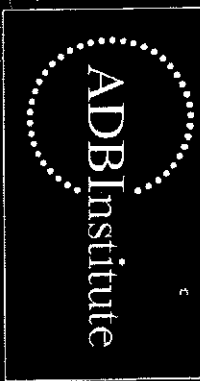
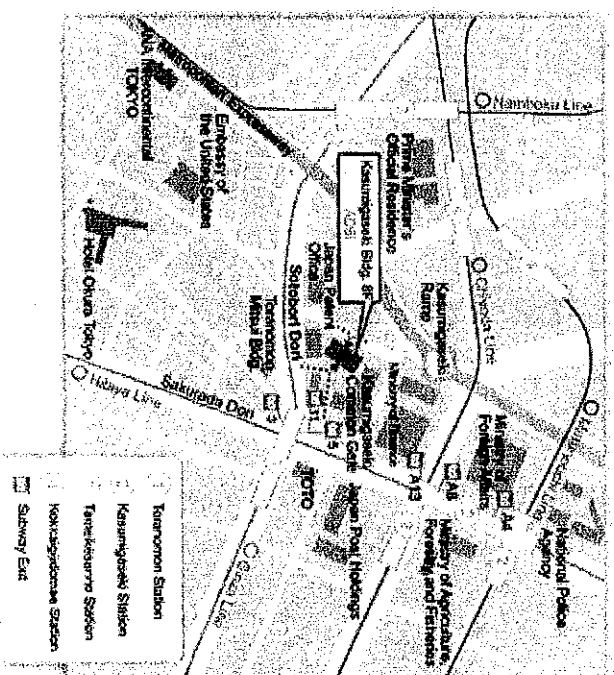
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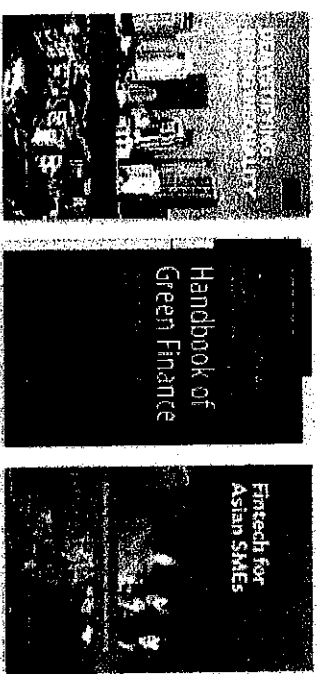
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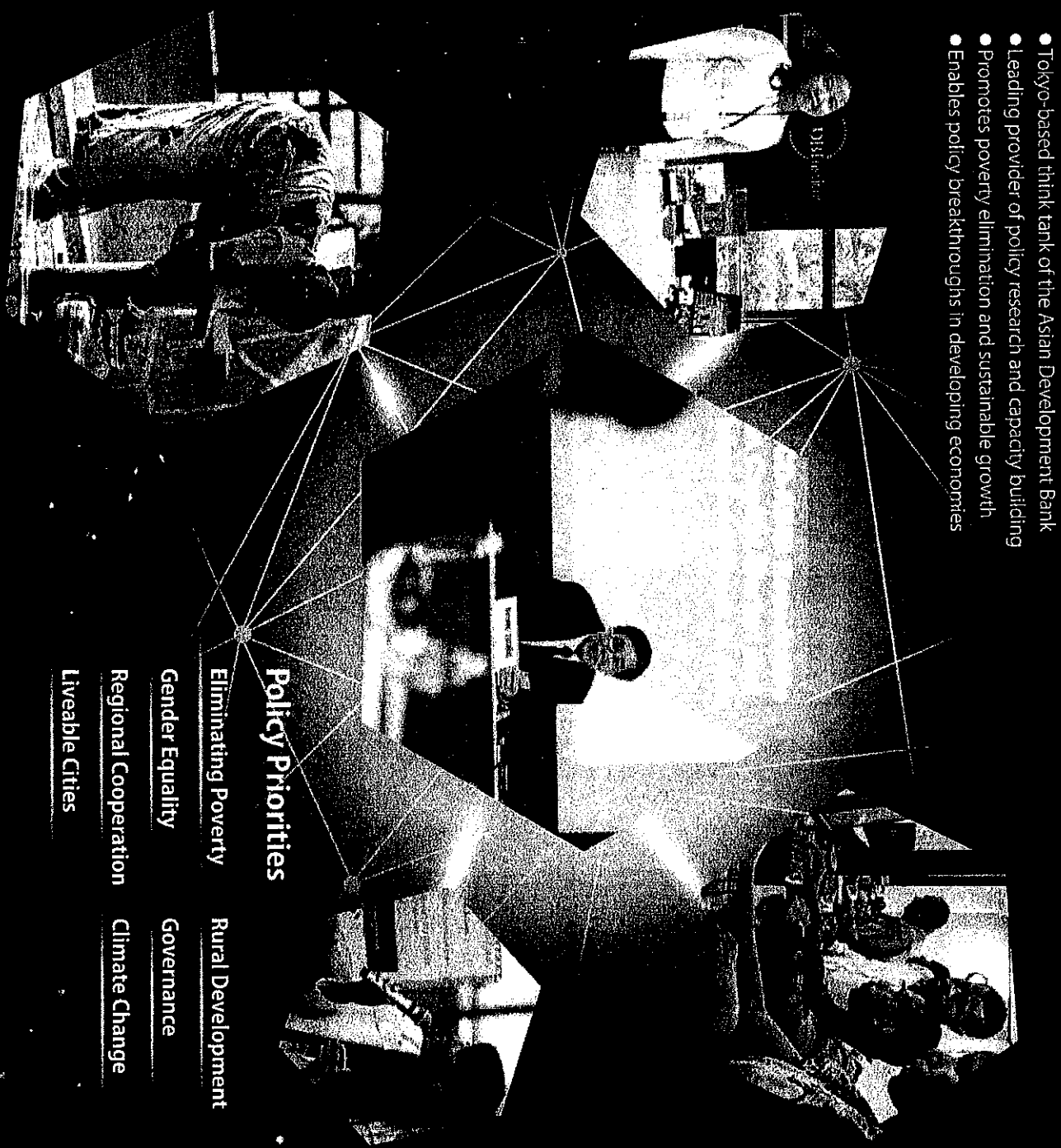
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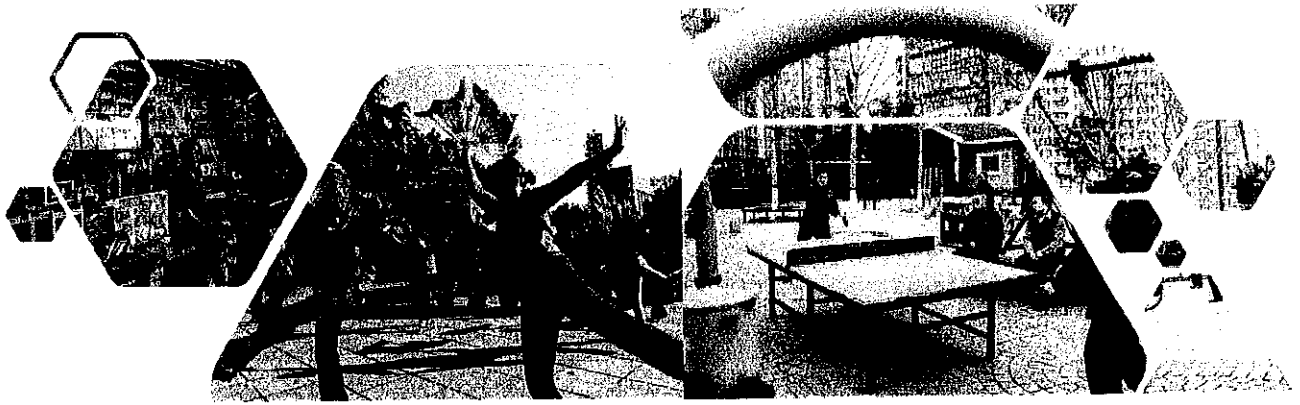
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13:20–13:35	Presentation 1: Plight of the Elderly: Senior Citizen Allowance and Gender Disparities in Economic and Behavioral Outcomes Jayash Paudel , Assistant Professor of Economics, Boise State University
13:35–13:40	Atonu Rabbani , Associate Professor of Economics, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh Discussant
13:40–13:55	Presentation 2: Psychosocial Wellbeing of Older Adults in Malaysia Halimah Awang , Senior Research Fellow, Social Wellbeing Research Centre, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia
13:55–14:00	Dinar Dana Kharisma , Policy Planner, Ministry of National Development Planning, Indonesia Discussant
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15:25–15:40	Panel Session Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maliki, Director for Poverty Alleviation and Community Empowerment, Ministry of National Development Planning, Indonesia • Norma Mansor, Emeritus Professor/Director, Social Wellbeing Research Centre (SWRC), Faculty of Economics and Administration, Universiti Malaya, Malaysia • Aiko Kikkawa, Economist, ADB
15:40–16:00	Q and A <p style="text-align: right;">*This session will be broadcast live at ASIAN IMPACT Webinar series.</p>
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