

2022 ANNUAL MEETING: President Masa meets with Pacific, South Asia DMCs



President Masa on 28 September opened the 32nd Pacific DMC Governors and ADB Management Meeting, and outlined ADB's commitment on three key areas: confronting the climate crisis with bold and urgent action; addressing the social and economic setbacks caused by the pandemic; and ensuring the Pacific is prepared for future crises. Chairperson for the Pacific Governors and Palau's Minister of Finance and ADB Governor Kaleb Udoi, Jr. reiterated the need for ADB's support towards the Pacific's recovery through a differentiated approach in the areas of climate change, digital connectivity, private sector development, safeguards, capacity development and supplementation, concessional financing and assistance, and diversity and inclusion at ADB. VP Ahmed co-chaired and moderated the session, and Dean of the Board, ED Tony McDonald, ED Noor Ahmed, ED Arif Baharudin, and VP Bruce also joined.

President Masa also joined the inaugural South Asia Finance Ministers' Retreat where discussions were focused on how the region can work together to overcome current challenges and identify potential areas for greater regional cooperation and ADB support. Health and safety checks have been applied for all in-person Annual Meeting activities.