

# YECAP AGYLE Training Programme

## NDCs: Regional Perspective for Asia and the Pacific

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# Overview

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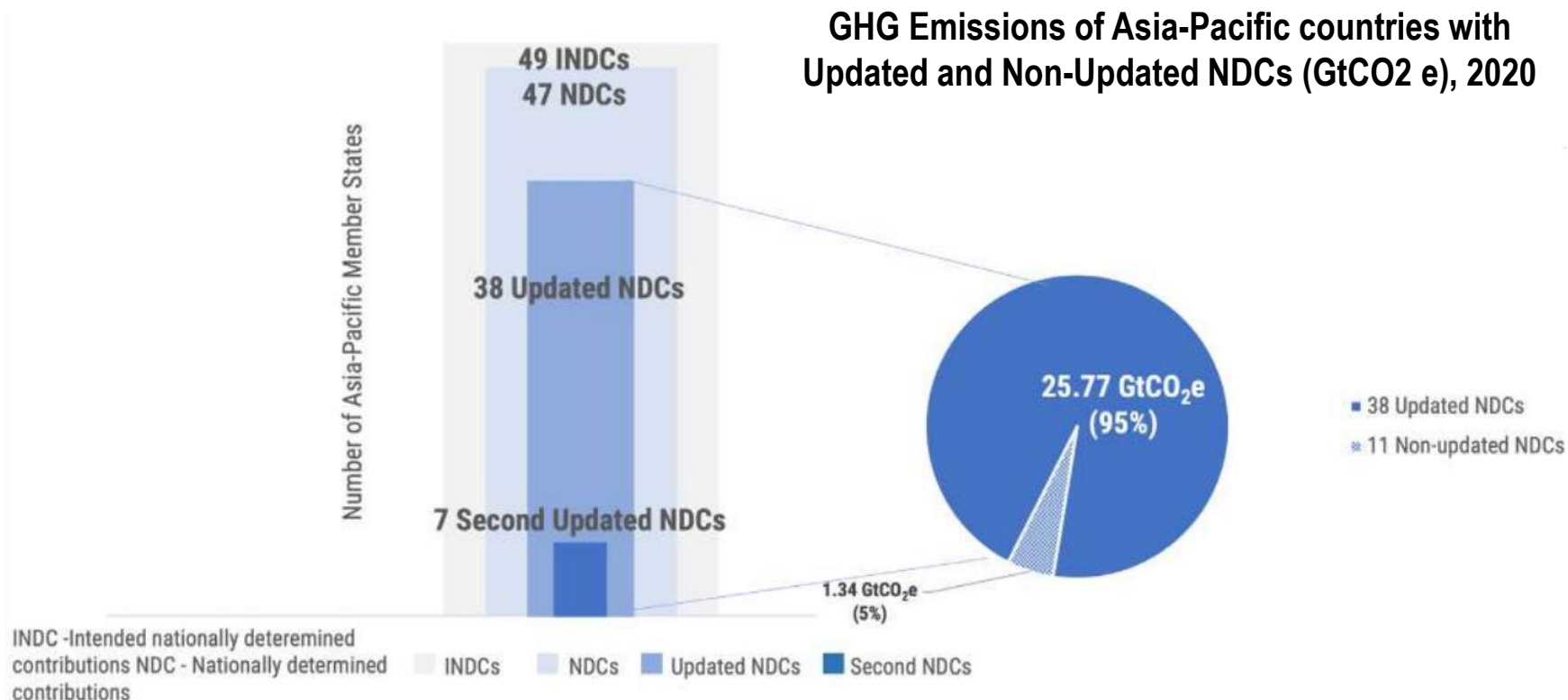
- Increasingly **ambitious NDCs** are to be communicated **every 5 years**, reflecting a **progression compared to the previous**
- NDCs in 2023 are a truly a **global response to climate change but not sufficient**
  - All Parties to the Paris Agreement have NDCs representing 95% of global GHG emissions, 98% of global GDP, and 98% of the global population
  - Current NDCs are better than previous INDCs, both in terms of quality of information and in terms of GHG emissions projected for 2030
  - However, current NDCs are not sufficient in terms of ambition
  - Combined pledges could put the world on track for around **2.5 °C** of warming by the end of the century (range from about 2.1 to 2.9 °C).
- Next **NDCs in 2025**, with targets until 2035, need to **increase ambition significantly**, align with net-zero targets of LTLEDS and respond to the GST

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- Collectively, the **49 countries in Asia and the Pacific** were responsible for **more than half of global greenhouse gas emissions** in 2020.
- Their **current NDC commitments are projected to result in a 16 per cent increase** from 2010 levels, rather than the **45 per cent reductions** required by the 1.5°C pathway.
- As of August 2022, **38 Asia-Pacific** countries have submitted updated NDCs, which taken **together contribute to 95 per cent of regional emissions**.
- **39 Asia-Pacific states** have made carbon neutrality and net-zero pledges and have started developing enabling frameworks to the support implementation of their commitments.
- However, **very few of these pledges are supported by updated and ambitious NDC commitments** that will scale down greenhouse gas emissions to keep global warming within 1.5°C pathway.
- However, most of the major emitters are lagging – especially with regards to **higher ambition** in the updated NDCs.

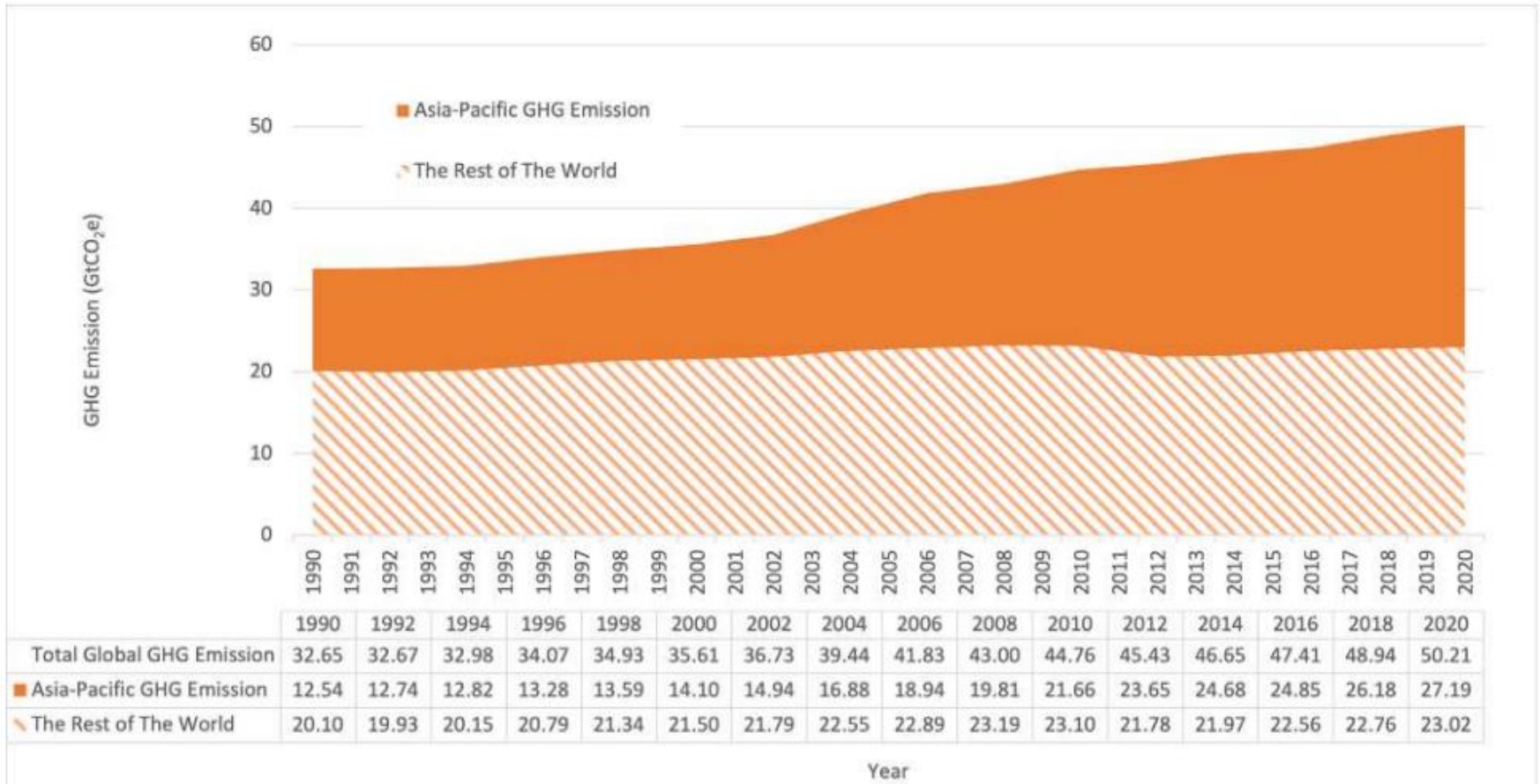
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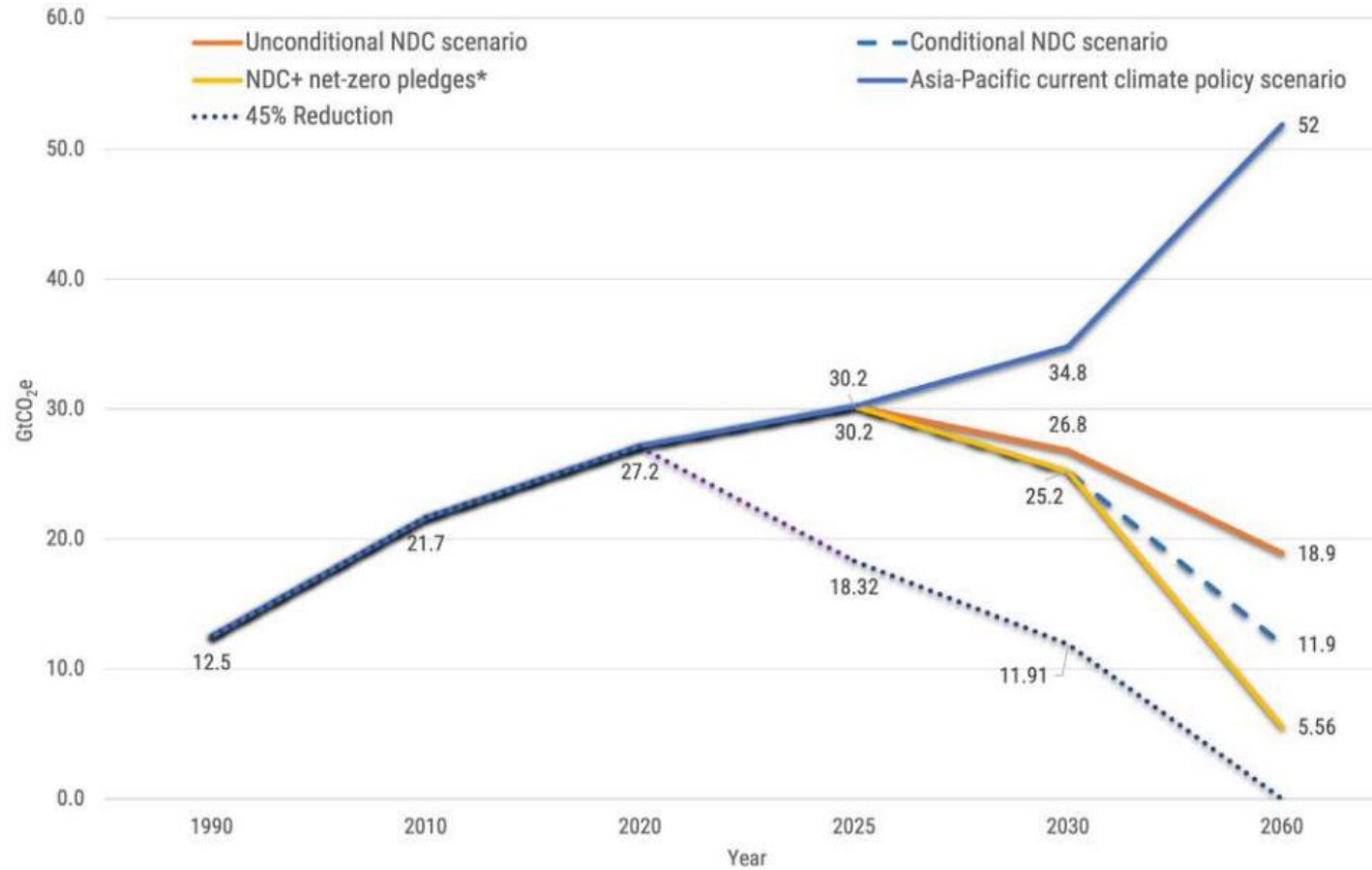
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GHG emissions trends of the Asia-Pacific region compared to the rest of the world, 1990-2020 (GtCO<sub>2</sub>e)



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GHG emissions scenario with compounded NDC and carbon neutral pledges for the Asia-Pacific region, (GtCO<sub>2</sub> e), 1990-2060



# Focus Areas

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- Alignment of NDCs with 2030 SDGs and long-term strategies (LT-LEDS)
- Inclusion of specific, measurable, achievable, relevant and time-bound targets
- Mainstreaming climate change into national development policies
- National and inter-ministerial/ inter-departmental coordination
- Climate finance and green investments
- Inclusion of youth in climate action and NDC implementation policies

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