

EIGHTH REGIONAL 3R FORUM IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Discussion Points of Mayors Session-2

1. The Smart City Mission of the Government of India envisions the development of one hundred “smart cities” by 2020. What can 3R offer towards this mission? Why should “zero waste” matter to these smart cities?
2. Business and cities are closely tied to each other for their own success, survival and sustainability. Pursuing 3R as an economic industry can provide multiple benefits for cities and their citizens – (a) entrepreneurship development, new business opportunities and green jobs; (b) quality environment and life through improved and scientific management of various waste streams, and (c) inclusiveness. What are the prospects in promoting 3R as new business opportunities in Asian cities? What coordinated actions are necessary among the scientific (R&D), government, private/business sector, and communities/consumers?

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3. What specific lessons do the cases of Kawasaki city and South Australia offer us in this regard?
4. To what extent do we understand the nexus between 3R and resilience? What lessons does the case of Bandung city provide to us?