DA Gives Perspective to the UN 2030 Agenda

Development Alternatives (DA) was invited to the ‘Asia Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development’ (APFSD) and ‘Leaving No One Behind in the Asia-Pacific Region’ events organised by UNESCAP and Overseas Development Institute from 27th to 30th March 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand. The theme for this year was “Transformation towards Sustainable and Resilient Societies” and the cluster of SDGs - Goal 6 (Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all), Goal 7 (Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all), Goal 11 (Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable), Goal 12 (Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns), Goal 15 (Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss), and Goal 17 (Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development) - to be reviewed at the HLPF, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/29. More than 1000 people participated – including Government delegates and representatives of all Asia-Pacific countries, countries with development aid programmes in Asia-Pacific, UN Accredited Agencies, and stakeholders and representatives from NGOs and civil society. The APFSD agenda addressed regional perspectives on the implementation, follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including in-depth review of the theme and cluster of goals; and strengthening implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Asia-Pacific, including the consideration of a draft regional road map for it. Anshul Bhamra (Manager) represented DA, and contributed to the fruition of the Draft Report and the overall event.