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Food Security in Asia and the Pacific: Key Policy Issues and Options

Introduction

Notes re framing (please note: a paper will be shared shortly)

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Introduction- contents

- Defining the objectives of this policy research / set of background papers
- Defining food security
 - Standard definitions and application
 - Why hunger / food insecurity is a central issue and is forecast to remain so in the future
- Framing the dynamics of food security
 - Supply, demand, access, utilization and sustainability

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- Defining the Asia and Pacific Region in this context
 - Relevance of the region to the issue (e.g., 65% of global hunger total is in 7 countries, 5 of which are in Asia; other measures such as undernourishment, resilience to food price shocks, etc.)
 - Key dynamics in the region (population growth and consumption patterns)
 - Differences between groups of countries
 - Challenges of sustainability
 - AsDB, APEC and other key international institutional frames for food security
- Framing the background papers

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- Framing the key policy analysis and options
 - o In progress

Framing the Dynamics of Food Security

Supply

Production, including competition for resources (land, water, fertilizers, crops, etc) Productivity / technology

Demand

Population growth

Consumption patterns

Sustainability

Natural capital stock
Climate change

Sustained access at population, household and individual level

Utilization

Adequate use of food to meet sufficient nutritional needs

Access

Resources can be accessed (land, credit, infrastructure; especially for women anc children)



Framing the background papers

Based on the current
15 background papers, a quick mapping across my frame of the "dynamics" produced this. For reaction and discussion...

