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Report of Indonesia

Summary**

The full report of Indonesia, prepared by the Geospatial Information Agency (Badan Informasi Geospasial), provides an outline of all activities carried out by Indonesia since the 2021 session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names.

As the national mapping agency and the national names authority of Indonesia, the Agency has undertaken great efforts to implement geographical names standardization. The programmes that have been implemented include the dissemination of government regulation No. 2 of 2021 on geographical names standardization, the publication of national gazetteers, toponymic capacity-building, the maintenance and development of the Sistem Informasi Nama Rupabumi (SINAR) and the national award for stakeholders in geographic names standardization.

The public’s awareness of geographical names standardization has recently increased, along with substantial demand for capacity-building from local governments and a significant increase in SINAR data and users. Meanwhile, national issues have arisen in the context of practices that needed to adhere to the principle, policy and procedure of geographical names.

In order to facilitate the improvement of national geographical names standardization, the Agency works inclusively and collaboratively to strengthen relationships, links and connections in geographical names standardization with all stakeholders involved. The Agency encourages collaboration and cooperation with ministries or agencies, local governments, academic institutions, experts, the private sector and communities in data collection, verification and data integration.

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** The full report was prepared by the Geospatial Information Agency. The report will be available under document symbol GEGN.2/2023/42/CRP.42, in the language of submission only, at https://unstats.un.org/unsd/ungegn/sessions/3rd_session_2023/.