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National workshop on Graduation from the LDC category, Myanmar

The CDP Secretariat participated in the joint United Nations Mission to Myanmar (Nay Pyi Taw, 9-10 December) to support the country in its efforts towards graduation from the LDC category. The Secretariat gave a series of presentations on the LDC graduation process, the LDC criteria and international support measures, to help closing the knowledge gap and provide a better understand

the officially sanctioned processes underlining graduation from the LDC category.

- Accelerating Development in the Least Developed Countries through International Support Measures: Findings from Country Case Studies

 This background paper by Cortez, Kinniburgh and Mollerus, reviews some of the main international support measures from the perspective of five LDCs. It highlights country approaches to the support received and identifies challenges confronted in accessing the measures. It stresses the need of stronger country ownership and improved donor support for an effective use of the special support measures.
- Nepal's Accession to the World Trade Organization: Case Study of Issues Relevant to Least Developed Countries

 As the first LDC to negotiate its accession to the WTO, Nepal obtained a more satisfactory accession package than others in terms of the policy space that it retained and the transition period for

package than others in terms of the policy space that it retained and the transition period for implementation. Pandey, Adhikari and Waglé argue in this background paper that the lessons learned from the experience of Nepal in its accession negotiations should be applied for other acceding LDCs.

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The CDP is a subsidiary body of the United Nations Economic and Social Council. It provides inputs and independent advice to the Council on emerging cross-sectoral development issues and on international cooperation for development, focusing on medium- and long-term aspects. The CDP is also responsible for the triennial review of the list of least developed countries (LDCs).

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