ADB’S REGIONAL COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION INITIATIVES & EXPERIENCE IN CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT

Meeting on Best Practices in Corridor Development and Management for the Benefit of LLDCs and Transit Countries

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ADB’s REGIONAL COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION

• ADB’s RCI strategy (2006) aims to build and deepen integration in four interrelated pillars:
  i. regional and subregional programs on cross-border infrastructure and related software
  ii. trade and investment
  iii. money and finance
  iv. regional public goods

• Under Strategy 2030, RCI remains an Operational Priority:
  • Improve connectivity in the region and enhance the competitiveness of DMCs by addressing cross-border infrastructure needs.
  • Support policy dialogue and coordination among DMCs to transform transport corridors into trade and economic corridors
  • Strengthen multimodal transport links and energy sector connectivity across subregions.
Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC)
- 6 transport corridors
- Almaty – Bishkek Economic Corridor (ABEC)
- PRC/China – Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)
- Shymkent-Tashkent-Khujand Economic Corridor (STKEC)

Greater Mekong Subregion (GMS)
- 3 major economic corridors (East-West, North-South, Southern)

South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC)
- 4 land transport corridors (Bangladesh-Dhaka, Bhutan-Pasakha, India-Panitanki-Fulbari West Bengal, Nepal’s strategic roads)
- 3 economic corridors (East Coast in India, Sylhet-Dhaka-Khulna in Bangladesh, Colombo-Trincomalee in Sri Lanka)
LEVERAGING TRANSPORT CORRIDORS & DEVELOPING ECONOMIC CORRIDORS IN CAREC

**CAREC 2020**
- Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy 2020

**CAREC 2030**
- CAREC Integrated Trade Agenda 2030
- CAREC Transport Strategy 2030*

*for endorsement at the 18th CAREC Ministerial Conference in November 2019
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TOOL TO EVALUATE CORRIDOR PERFORMANCE

CAREC Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring (CPMM)

Using data gathered from real-time road and rail cargo shipments, the corridor performance measurement and monitoring (CPMM) mechanism monitors and assesses the efficiency of the six Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) transport corridors that link the 11 CAREC country members.

It shows where shipments are moving faster along the corridors, while also pinpointing where delays and blockages are hindering rapid and cost-effective trade. It informs national policy-making bodies on transport and trade blockages, and helps guide infrastructure investment and trade facilitation reform and modernization.

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Road transport exhibited positive trends on speed, but deteriorating border-crossing duration.

As a landlocked country, Mongolia faces high transport costs that erode competitive advantage.

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TFI = Trade Facilitation Indicator

CPMM = Corridor Performance Measurement and Monitoring
RCI PROJECTS SUPPORTING TRANSPORT & ECONOMIC CORRIDOR

• CAREC Advanced Transit System (CATS) and Information Common Exchange (ICE) pilot project between Azerbaijan, Georgia and Kazakhstan
• Joint Customs Control (JCC) pilot project between Mongolia and PRC
• Regional Improvement of Border Services (RIBS) projects for Mongolia, Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan and Tajikistan
Thank you!