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Country Presentation (Myanmar)

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Outline of the Presentation

- Introduction
- Transport Connectivity
- Transport Development of National Strategies
- Implemented Process for National Single Window (MACCS)
- Challenges for Cross Border Connectivity
Introduction

Country Profile

- Population: 52 millions
- Land Area: 676,578 sq.km
- Coastal Length: 2800 km
- Road Length: 148690 km
- ESCAP Membership: 19 April 1948
- Member of sub-regional networks as:
  - ASEAN, Greater Mekong Sub-region (GMS), BIMSTEC, the ASEAN Mekong Basin Development Cooperation (AMBDC), the Bangladesh-China-India-Myanmar (BCIM) Economic Corridor and the Mekong-Ginga Cooperation (MGC). And also involved in the Tran-Asian Railways and Tran-Asian Highways networks.
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  - the Tran-Asian Railways
  - Tran-Asian Highways networks.
Many proven initiatives and efforts to participate the regional framework agreements on the cross border movement of goods and people and transport facilitation as a member of regional networks.

Myanmar-Thai Bilateral IIC BTA MoU has been signed 13-3-2019.

Great potential for the enhancement of trade and transport facilitation measures under the GMS program to promote cross border movement of goods, people, services, and economic integration as well.
Framework Agreements as Legal Instrument for Cross Border and Transit Transport

GMS-CBTA; Greater Mekong Subregion Cross-Border Transport Facilitation Agreement

AFAGIT; ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Goods in Transit

AFAIST; ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Inter-State Transport

AFAMT; ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Multimodal Transport

ACBTP; ASEAN Framework Agreement on the Facilitation of Cross-Border Transport of Passenger
## Regional Economic Corridor in Myanmar

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Transport Connectivity

Current initiative for cross border and transit transport

East-West Economic Corridor
Transport Connectivity

Missing Rail Links in GMS Countries

1. CAM-THA
   Poipet/Border Bridge/Aranyaprathet

2. CAM-VIE
   Snoul/Loc Ninh

3. MYA-THA
   Dawei/Banpunamron

4. MYA-PRC
   Muse/Ruili

5. LAO-PRC
   Boten/Mohan

6. LAO-VIE
   Thakhek/Mu Gia/Vung Ang

7. THA-LAO-VIE
   Chongmek/Vangtau/ Lao Bao

8. LAO-CAM
   Dong Kralor/Voun Kam

9. VIE-PRC
   Hekou/Lao Cai
ASEAN Highways

ASEAN Highway - 1:
Tamu-Mandalay-Meiktila-
Yangon-Bago-Payagyi-Thaton-
Myawady Road

ASEAN Highway - 12:
Thaton-Mawlamyine-
Thanbyuzayat-Ye- Dawei-
Lehnya-Khamaukgyi-
Kawthaung Road + Lehnya-
Khongloi Road

ASEAN Highway - 14:
Mandalay-Hsipaw-Muse Road

ASEAN Highway - 2:
Meiktila-Loilen-Kengtung-
Tachileik Road

ASEAN Highway - 3:
Mongla-Kengtung Road

ASEAN Highway - 111:
Hsipaw-Loilen Road

ASEAN Highway - 113:
Dawei- Htee Khee Road
Transport Connectivity

India-Myanmar-Thai Trilateral Highway

1. Portion aided by Government of India (Tamu-Yargyi)
   - 2 lanes, 5.5 m
   - Upgraded by India (BRO) from Tamu to Kalewa

2. Portion conducted by Myanmar (Yargyi-Eindu)
   - Chaung Ma-Yinmabin-Pale-Lingataw Portion

3. Portion aided by ADB (Eindu-Kawkareik)
   - Alternative ways of Trilateral Highways

4. Portion aided by Government of Thailand (Kawkareik-Myawady)

- Tamu-Kyigone-Kalaywa = 160.0 Km
- Kalaywa-Yargyi-Chaungma = 159.5 Km
- Chaungma-Pale-Lingadaw = 73.0 Km
- Lingadaw-Pakokku = 77.5 Km
- Pakokku-Bagan-Kyaukpyaung
  - -Theegone = 154.0 Km
  - Theegone-Naypyitaw-Bawnatgyi = 393.0 Km
  - Bawnatgyi-Payagyi-Thaton = 84.5 Km
  - Thaton-Hpa an = 52.00 Km
  - Hpa an – Myawady = 146.0 Km
- Total = 1299.5 Km
Transport Development of National Strategies

- National Comprehensive Development Plan (Long-Term Strategies for the Myanmar Economic Development and Investment Plans)
- National Transport Master Plan (2015-2020) (Conducted by JICA)
- Myanmar Transport Sector Policy Statement (Conducted by ADB and Policy Notes publication was launched in July 2016 and also part of the National Transport Master Plan)
- Master Plan for Arterial Roads Network Development (2016-2040) (Conducted by KOICA)
- National Logistics Master Plan (Ongoing Process by JICA)
## Myanmar Sustainable Development Plan (MSDP)

### 28 Strategies & 251 Action Plans

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<td>HR &amp; Social Development for 21st Century Society</td>
<td>Natural Resources &amp; the Environment for Prosperity of the Nation</td>
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### Pillars

- **Pillar 1**
  - Peace & Stability
- **Pillar 2**
  - Prosperity & Partnership
- **Pillar 3**
  - People & Planet
Myanmar Sustainable Development Plan (MSDP)

- 24 out of 251 Action Plans are specifically related with transportation and connectivity
  - **Goal1: Strategy 2: Action Plan 4**: Strengthen social, economic and physical connectivity in lagging regions with growth/population hubs within Myanmar and regions beyond
  - **Goal3: Strategy 4: Action Plan 8**: Implement the GMS Cross Border Transport Facilitation Agreement (CBTA)
  - **Goal3: Strategy 6: Action Plan 10**: Improve rural transport connectivity, including through a new National Rural Road Access Program
  - **Goal3: Strategy 6: Action Plan 11**: Revise and enhance key transport related laws, polices programmes and strategies
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<td>Implement the GMS Cross Border Transport Facilitation Agreement (CBTA)</td>
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<td>MoCOM, MoTC, MoALI</td>
<td>EP6</td>
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Potential Connectivity of the Rail links projects

(Listed in the National Project Bank)

- Yangon Circular Railway Line upgrading Project
- Bago-Mawlamyine Railway Line Improvement Project
- Yangon-Mandalay Railway Improvement Project
- Mandalay-Myitkyina Railway Improvement Project
- Yangon-Pyay Railway Line Improvement Project
- Yangon Central Railway Station Development Project
- Insein Railway Area development Project
- Rehabilitation of railway line between Thilawa Port and Yangon Downtown
Implemented Process for National Single Window

Implemented Process for NSW (MACCS)

- Myanmar Automated Cargo Clearance System
- Initiated - July, 2013, with the support from JICA
- Applied – 12th November, 2016 in Yangon Area (including Thilawa SEZ) → the successful achievement,
- introduced in Myawaddy Trade Zone, Kayin State on 5th of June, 2018.
- trade facilitations using the MACCS for national single window,
- Shall gradually implement this system in Muse (with China) and Tachileik (with Thailand) Border Trade Zone
Key Facts for Myanmar Customs

- **Three main laws:**
  - The Sea Customs Act (amended in 2015, 2018)
  - The Land Customs Act (amended in 2015, 2018)
  - The Tariff law, 1992

- **Relevant laws for inspecting the goods**

- **International Guidelines/Programs**
  - WCO Guidelines, implementing
  - AEO Program (notification issued on 30th March, 2018)
  - PCA Program (for trade facilitations)

- **Trying to enter RKC (Reviewing, substituting our main laws)**
Implemented Process for National Single Window

**National Single Window – Routing Platform (NSW-RP)**

- Implemented NSW-RP to exchange messages within ASEAN Member States (AMS) through the ASW Gateways since 2018 (with the support from USAID)
- able to exchange e-ATIGA Form D with ASEAN Member States.

**Milestone Dates**

- 1st round of End-to-End Test starting from May 2019
- 2nd Round End-to-End Test starting from July 2019
- Parallel test starting from 16th September 2019
- Hope to join the Live Operation on 1st November 2019.

- MN SW blueprint (English-Myanmar version) has been submitted to MOPF since April 2019 and waiting for the approval (with the support from World Bank)
Myanmar ASEAN Custom Transit System (ACTS) - Status

- Myanmar Customs Department has sent the Instrument of Ratification (IoR)
  - Protocol (2) - Designation of Frontier Posts (Myawaddy and Tachileik) on 9th April 2019
  - Protocol (7) - Customs Transit System on 21st July 2016
- Still negotiating with banking sectors for ACTS’s Guarantee
- About the ACTS Hardware Procurement
  - has submitted to Ministry of Planning and Finance for the fiscal year (2019-2020)
  - intend to process the installation of ACTS Hardware Procurement in 2020 February.
Single Window Inspection / Single Stop Inspection

- **SSI/SWI for transport facilitation at the border crossings**
  - It can only be conducted after the completion of the Border Control Facilities; BCF at the Thai-Myanmar Friendship Bridge (II).

- **Electronic Lock, Vehicle Cargo Checking System**
  - Tested with 2 vehicles operating from Thai-Myanmar Border through Myawady to Mawlamyaing on 31.3.2017 and with 40 vehicles operating from Thai-Myanmar Border through Myawady to Thilawa SEZ on 22.5.2017 respectively.
  - Currently, E-Lock not yet being used in the Country and still tendering.
  - VCCS will be implemented in Myawaddy and Yangon to control the vehicle and cargo information.
Implemented Process for National Single Window

Single Window Inspection / Single Stop Inspection

- **IIC BTA → TAD**
  - issued the Temporary Admission Document (TAD) Procedure on 21\textsuperscript{st} June 2019.
  - Public Awareness (2 times)
  - Customs Officer Trainings (6 times)

- **Bonded Warehouse**
  - Bonded warehouse procedure is also issued on 20\textsuperscript{th} August 2019
Dry Port

- Two Dry Ports in Myanmar
  - Yangon
  - Mandalay
- Open in 11th November 2018
- Operation has been started with minimum services such as freight transport from Yangon Port to Dry port
- Still attempting for dry port procedure by making negotiation with related departments/organizations
- (initiated with the feasibility study from UN ESCAP in 2012)
Challenges for Cross Border Connectivity

- Less experience of Transport Operators in cross border transport
- Less infrastructure development and Border Control Facilities
- Less Capacity Building in Border Management and Formalities
- Less familiarity with international best practices for Cross-Border Transport Operation (Procedures at the borders are unsynchronized since each border has different practice.)
- The absence of guarantee system has hindered transport operators to regularly perform transit operation.
- Weakness in online banking sector hinders for implementing N SW to ASW
Challenges for Cross Border Connectivity

Assistance needed

- Needed Equipment ➔ Convenience modern and advance border crossing techniques
  - such as; machine reading of passport, X-ray machine for goods and container inspection, automatic vehicle identification (license plate readers), and bar code readers for other documents.
- Capacity Building in Border Management and Formalities/
  Consultation in the bilateral negotiation/
  Support for infrastructure development and BCFs
- Support Single Window Inspection initiatives among the CLMV-T through experience sharing and other matters based on the request.
Challenges for Cross Border Connectivity

Issues from Last Meeting

- Mapping of physical and non-physical barriers between Myanmar and Thailand with view to recommend improvement in the cross-border procedure
- Understanding study on logistics information system to support reduction in logistics cost in Myanmar
- Undertaking study on improving costal shipping including information on cabotage policies as well as institutional mechanism of ship owner association among the CLMV-T countries
Thanks for your attentions

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