Capacity Building Workshop on Sustainable Urban Transport Index
30-31 October 2017
Colombo, Sri Lanka

Provisional Programme

Day 1, 30 October 2017

08:30 - 09:00 Registration

09:00 - 09:45 Opening of the Workshop: Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Arrival and welcome of the Chief Guest: Hon. Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, H. E. Mr. Nimal Siripala de Silva
- Opening of the Workshop by Lighting of Traditional Oil Lamp
- Welcome and opening Remarks: Mr. J. M. Thilakarathna Banda, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka
- Objectives of the Workshop: Mr. Madan B. Regmi, Economic Affairs Officer, Transport Division, UNESCAP
- Introductory remarks: Mr. G. S. Vithanage, Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka
- Inaugural address: H. E. Mr. Nimal Siripala de Silva, Hon. Minister, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka

09:45 - 10:00 Tea/coffee break

10:00 - 11:30 1. Regional overview of sustainable urban transport policies and systems
2. Introduction to the sustainable urban transport index

(Session Chair: Prof. Saman Bandara, Head of the Civil Engineering Department, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka)

- Regional overview of sustainable urban transport systems in Asia, Mr. Madan B. Regmi, Economic Affairs Officer, UNESCAP
- An overview of planning and designing for sustainable urban transportation systems and services: Prof. Sanjay Gupta, Head, Transport Planning Department, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
- Sustainable Urban Transport Index (SUTI) for Asian cities, Mr. Henrik Gudmundsson, Chief Advisor, CONCITO, Denmark

Discussion

This session will introduce global mandates and initiatives relating sustainable transport and urban transport and will provide status and regional overview of urban transportation systems.

The sustainable urban transport index (SUTI) for Asian cities will be introduced. SUTI
comprises of ten indicators of system, economic, social and environmental dimensions. The index would objectively measure sustainable urban transport system and policy and can be used to compare state of urban transport among cities.

11:30 - 12:30 3. Pilot application of SUTI: Experiences from pilot cities

*(Chair: Mr. Madan B. Regmi, Transport Division, UNESCAP)*

- Application of SUTI in Colombo: Dr. Dimantha De Silva, University of Moratuwa
- Application of SUTI in Greater Jakarta: Mr. Muhammad Nanang, Consultant SUTI, Jakarta

Discussion

This session presents experience of pilot cities in application of SUTI. It will discuss the pilot results and share the experience of pilot cities on data collection and analysis.

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 - 14:30 3. Pilot application of SUTI: Experiences from pilot cities (continued)

*(Chair: Mr. Madan B. Regmi, Transport Division, UNESCAP)*

- Application of SUTI in Hanoi: Mr. Pham Hoai Chung, Director, Center for Urban Transport Development, Transport Development and Strategy Institute, Hanoi

Discussion

14:30 - 15:30 4. Urban transport system and strategies in major cities in Sri Lanka

*(Session Chair: Mr. J. M. Thilakarathna Banda, Additional Secretary-Planning, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka)*

- Western Region Megapolis Transport Master Plan in Sri Lanka: Dr. Dimanatha de Silva, University of Moratuwa
- Colombo Suburban Railway Electrification Project: Mr. Palitha Samarasingha, Additional Secretary- Technical/ Project Director.
- Introduction to LRT project in Colombo: Mr. Chaminda Ariyadasa, Project Director, Colombo LRT Project.

Discussion

This special session on urban transport systems and strategies in major cities in Sri Lanka will provide opportunities to present state of urban transport, urban transport strategies, polices and challenges in major cities in Sri Lanka. It will also provide opportunities to discuss and receive feedback on the proposed policies, plans and strategies.

15:30 - 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 - 17:00 4. Urban transport system and strategies in major cities in Sri Lanka (continued)
• Sustainable transport initiatives in Sri Lanka: Prof. Saman Bandara, Head of the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Moratuwa
• Initiatives for sustainable energy: Dr. Thusitha Sugathapala, Senior Lecturer, University of Moratuwa

Discussion

Day 2, 31 October 2017

09:00 - 10:30 5. Discussion on results from pilot cities and feedback
6. Data needs, collection approaches and analysis and application in other cities/countries.

(Session Chair: Mr. Madan B. Regmi, Transport Division, UNESCAP)

• SUTI pilot application in four cities: Mr. Henrik Gudmundsson, Chief Advisor, CONCITO, Denmark
• General discussion and feedback on SUTI
• Introduction to the data collection guidelines for SUTI: Mr. Henrik Gudmundsson, Chief Advisor, CONCITO, Denmark
• Experience of pilot cities on data collection
• SUTI application in other cities/countries

Discussion

This session will further discuss the results of pilot application of sustainable urban transport index (SUTI) for Asian cities.

This session also presents data needs and state of data availability for sustainable urban transport indicators in Asian cities in order assess and evaluate the urban transport system. It will introduce the data collection guidelines for sustainable urban transport index (SUTI) and share the experience of pilot cities on data collection. The session will also discuss the need and proposal to collect urban transport data at city level.

10:30 - 10:45 Coffee Break

10:45 - 12:30 7. Strategies for improving urban transportation systems and services

(Session Chair: Dr. Dimantha de Silva, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka)

• Integrated land use and urban transport planning: principles and practices: Prof. Sanjay Gupta, Head, Transport Planning Department, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
• Improving urban transport system in Dhaka: Mr. Noor-e Alam, Project Manager, Greater Dhaka Sustainable Urban Transport Project, Bangladesh
• Development and operation of LRT: Experience from Kuala Lumpur: Ms. Rosnina Yaacob, Deputy Under Secretary, Ministry of Transport, Malaysia
• Improvement of urban transport system in Greater Jakarta: Mr. Muiz Thohir, Deputy Director, Greater Jakarta Transportation Authority, Jakarta, Indonesia
• Policies and strategies for improving urban transport: perspectives of development partners, and international organization
Discussion

This session presents examples of planning and development, policies and strategies employed by countries/cities to improve urban transport systems including various public transport modes, emerging transit options, and non-motorized transport being planned & implemented in selected Asian cities.

12:30 – 13:30 Lunch Break

13:30 - 15:00 7. Strategies for improving urban transportation systems and services (Breakout sessions)

(Session Moderators: Mr. Palitha Samarasingha, Additional Secretary- Technical, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka and Mr. Madan B. Regmi, UNESCAP)

Topics for breakout sessions:

i. Policies and strategies - assessment and integrated urban transport planning
ii. Public mass transportation systems (LRT, MRT, BRT, Bus sector transformation, NMT, etc)
iii. Multimodal integration and intermodal transfer facilities
iv. Financing urban transport infrastructure: options, internal resource mobilization and collaboration with development partners

Four separate Group Discussion

• Reporting back from four break-out sessions

The four breakout sessions will discuss four key topics: (i) Policies and strategies for assessment and integrated urban transport planning; (ii) Public mass transportation systems; (iii) Multimodal integration; and (iv) Financing urban transport. The groups will report back to the plenary.

This interactive session provides opportunities for the participants and experts to contribute to the four key topics selected for group discussion and share their views and experiences on the topics with a view to come up with suggestions and recommendations to improve urban transport systems.

15:00-15:30 Tea/Coffee Break

15:30 - 16:30 8. The way forward, next steps and adoption of the draft conclusions and recommendations of the workshop

(Session Co-Chairs: Mr. Madan B Regmi, Transport Division, UNESCAP and Mr. G. S. Vithanage, Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka)

• Discussion on the way forward and next steps
• Adoption of the draft workshop conclusions and recommendations.
• Closing remarks by UNESCAP
• Closing remarks by the Secretary, Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, Sri Lanka.