

Enhancing Rural Transport Connectivity to Regional and International Transport Networks

Country Report:

(name of your country)

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Part I. Introduction

Please describe how the transport sector is administered within your government. Which government office is responsible for the rural transport sector?

Part II. National and local government policies on rural transport connectivity to regional and international transport networks

1. National strategies for rural transport connectivity

Please describe the guiding principles underlying rural transport policies in your country.

How do the officials responsible for different network levels communicate with each other vertically, for example regarding priorities for new construction or maintenance? Are there formal mechanisms for communication?

Are there any communication mechanisms between different ministries, for example between the transport/public works ministry, agricultural ministry or health ministry, to discuss issues relating to rural transport connectivity?

2. Rural Road Maintenance Regimes

Please describe the rural road maintenance regime in your country and the policies which dictate how maintenance is managed. Are there differences in how priorities for new construction and maintenance are decided?

3. Linking national and local road networks to reap the benefits of connectivity

Please describe how official transport planning processes take connectivity between different network levels into account.

Please describe any examples of how such connectivity is helping people living in rural areas.

Part III. Strengthening government capacities to plan rural transport connectivity to regional and international transport networks

4. Data collection, monitoring and analysis for rural connectivity, including GIS and spatial data

Please describe what kind of data your government collects on rural connectivity. For example, do you collect data on the Rural Access Index?

Does your government have a common rural transport data platform, for example a GIS system, which is shared by different parts of government?

5. Use of data from non-transport sectors to better integrate SDGs in rural transport policies and projects

Please share any innovative ways your government collects data, for example from non-public sources such as users of the networks.

Part IV. Future priorities for rural transport connectivity to regional and international transport networks

Please list any suggestions you may have on policies to strengthen rural transport connectivity to regional and international transport networks.

Please also describe any research topics which you think will help improve government policies or data collection efforts towards this end.

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