

Editorial Statement

The *Transport and Communications Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific* is a journal published once a year by the Transport, Communications, Tourism and Infrastructure Development Division (TCTIDD) of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP). The main objectives of the *Bulletin* are to provide a medium for the sharing of knowledge, experience, ideas, policy options, and information on the development of transport infrastructure and services in the Asian and Pacific region; to stimulate policy-oriented research; and to increase awareness of transport policy issues and responses. It is hoped that the *Bulletin* will help to widen and deepen debate on issues of interest and concern in the transport sector.

Each volume of the *Bulletin* focuses on a particular theme of interest, primarily in the transport sector. The themes for the last two issues of the *Bulletin* were urban transport and the participatory approach to transport infrastructure development. The theme chosen for this issue (No. 70) is logistics for the efficient transportation of domestic goods. Four articles which focus on some of the issues in domestic transport logistics and two good practices in the region have been selected. The first discusses some general issues in the logistics area and suggests actions to address them. The second discusses the possible gains in environmental improvement through reductions in emissions from the road transport sector at the macro level by improving efficiency in the logistics sector in Korea. The third and fourth are on good practices in logistics in Thailand, one in the rural area and one in the urban area. All the articles are policy oriented. It is expected that they will generate further debate on the issues that have been discussed and increase awareness of their policy implications and responses.

The *Bulletin* welcomes analytical articles on topics that are currently at the forefront of transport infrastructure development and services in the region and on policy analysis and best practices. Articles should be based on original research and should have analytical depth. Empirically based articles should emphasize policy implications emerging from the analysis. Book reviews are also welcome. See inside back cover for guidelines on contributing articles.

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