



#### SECOND MEETING

# G / S Urban Development Working Group

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RECAP OF 1ST URBAN DEVELOPMENT WG MEETING

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#### **OUTLINE AND OBJECTIVES**

- The 1st meeting of GMS Urban Development WG was held on 28–29 June 2017 in Ha Noi
- The meeting aimed to
  - (i) update recent developments of the overall GMS program
  - (ii) discuss the planning and implementation of GMS Corridor Towns Development Projects
  - (iii) discuss the ongoing ADB TA for BEZ coordination and planning between PRC and Viet Nam
  - (iv) discuss the TOR for the GMS Urban WG
- A site visit to the Ha Noi Metro Rail System Project

### RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE GMS PROGRAM

- The 21st Ministerial Conference (Dec 2016) endorsed
  - (i) Upgrading GMS Urban TF to GMS Urban WG
  - (ii) Reconfiguration of economic corridors
  - (iii) Midterm review of 2012-2022 GMS strategic framework
- Upcoming events
  - (i) Senior Officials Meeting (Jul 2017)
  - (ii) 9th Economic Corridor Forum (Sep 2017)
  - (iii) 22nd Ministerial Conference (Sep 2017)
  - (iv) 6th GMS Summit (Mar 2018)

### ADB TA-PRC&VIE: BEZ COORDINATION AND PLANNING

- Presented by Public Management, Financial Sector, and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB
- ADB's regional strategy and overview of GMS initiatives
- Lessons for border economic zones based on previous experience
- ADB's support for BEZs through both TA and investment in PRC (Guangxi and Yunnan)

## GMS CORRIDOR TOWNS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

- Inception Report of ADB Regional TA: Capacity
   Development for Economic Zones in Border Areas
- BEZs should be defined in a flexible manner to include "anchor cities"
- The project towns should be identified as those in the economic "hot spots"
- Multi-sectoral approach should be taken not only infrastructure but also spatial planning, urban management enforcement, and capacity development

#### TOR FOR GMS URBAN WG

- Strategies and priorities for the urban development, border economic zones, and other multisector spatial projects (the Ha Noi Action Plan 2018–2022)
- Pillar 1: Planning and development of key urban centers
- Pillar 2: Planning and development of border areas
- Pillar 3: Capacity development in urban planning and management
- Cross-cutting themes: Green development and climate change resilience, disaster risk management, inclusive development, competitiveness





