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and COVID Plan Implementation in
GMS Transport Sector
THAILAND

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Targets

- 1 Becoming a **regional gateway for trade and investment**
- 2 Promoting participation in **regional supply chain**
Total value of investment increases by 6% per year
- 3 Becoming a **regional transportation and logistics hub**

Thailand's rank in World Bank's '*Logistics Performance Index*' reaches the world's top 25



Strategies

- 1 **Strengthening Thailand's position**
in the new global context
- 2 Investing in **infrastructure** to drive Thailand towards becoming a trade and investment gateway and a major economy in the region
- 3 Investing in **targeted industries** towards Thailand 4.0

02

INFRASTRUCTURE

RIF-2022 Implementation / MR-MAP

RIF-2022 Implementation

COMPLETE 5 projects

- Mae Sot - Myawaddy Border Crossing Project and Infrastructure Improvements
- Single Rail Transfer Operator Development Project of Laem Chabang Port
- Coastal Terminal Development Project of Laem Chabang Port
- Tak - Mae Sot Highway Improvement Project
- Study on Dry Port Development Plan

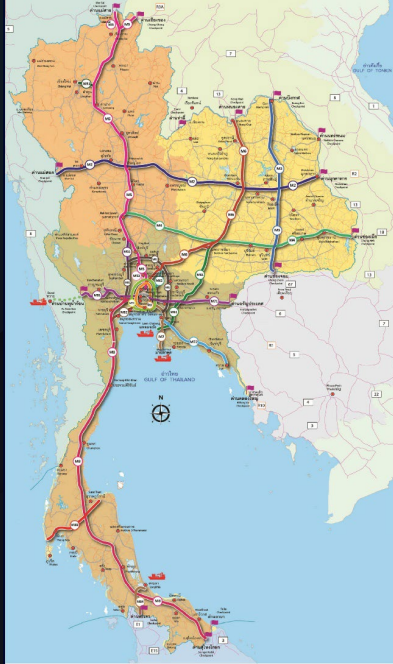
ONGOING 11 projects

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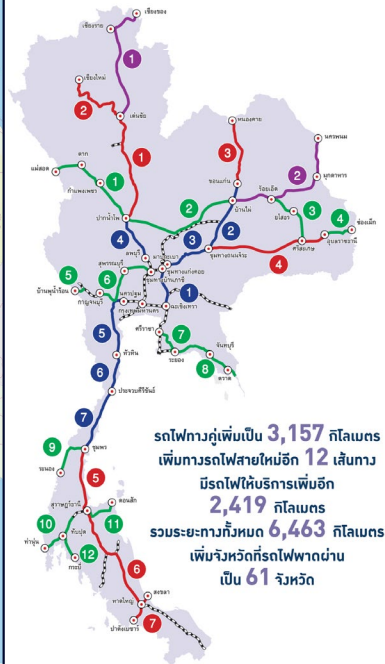
- Aranyaprathet - Poipet New Road with Border - Crossing Facilities
- Mekong Bridge at Bueng Kan - Bolikhamxai (Thailand Part)
- Laem Chabang Port Development Project, Phase 3
- National Railway Improvement

Intercity Motorway and Railway Network Development Plan (MR-Map)

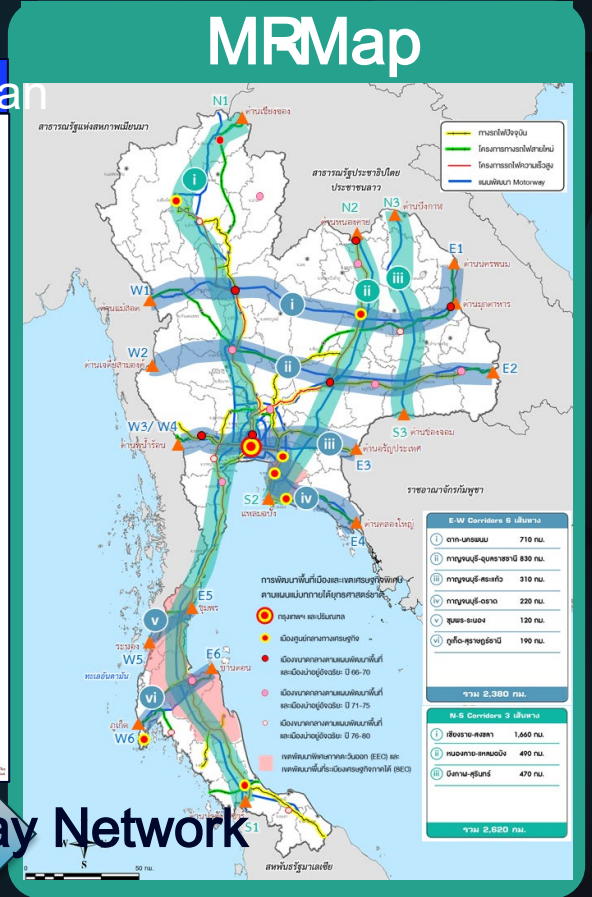
Motorway Master



Dual Track Railway

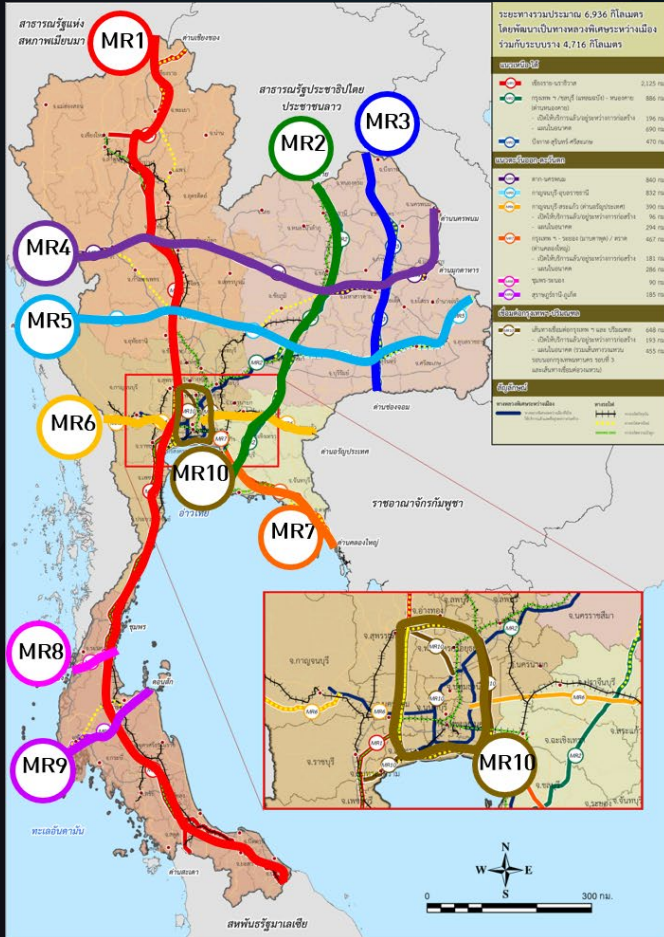


High Speed Rail Plan



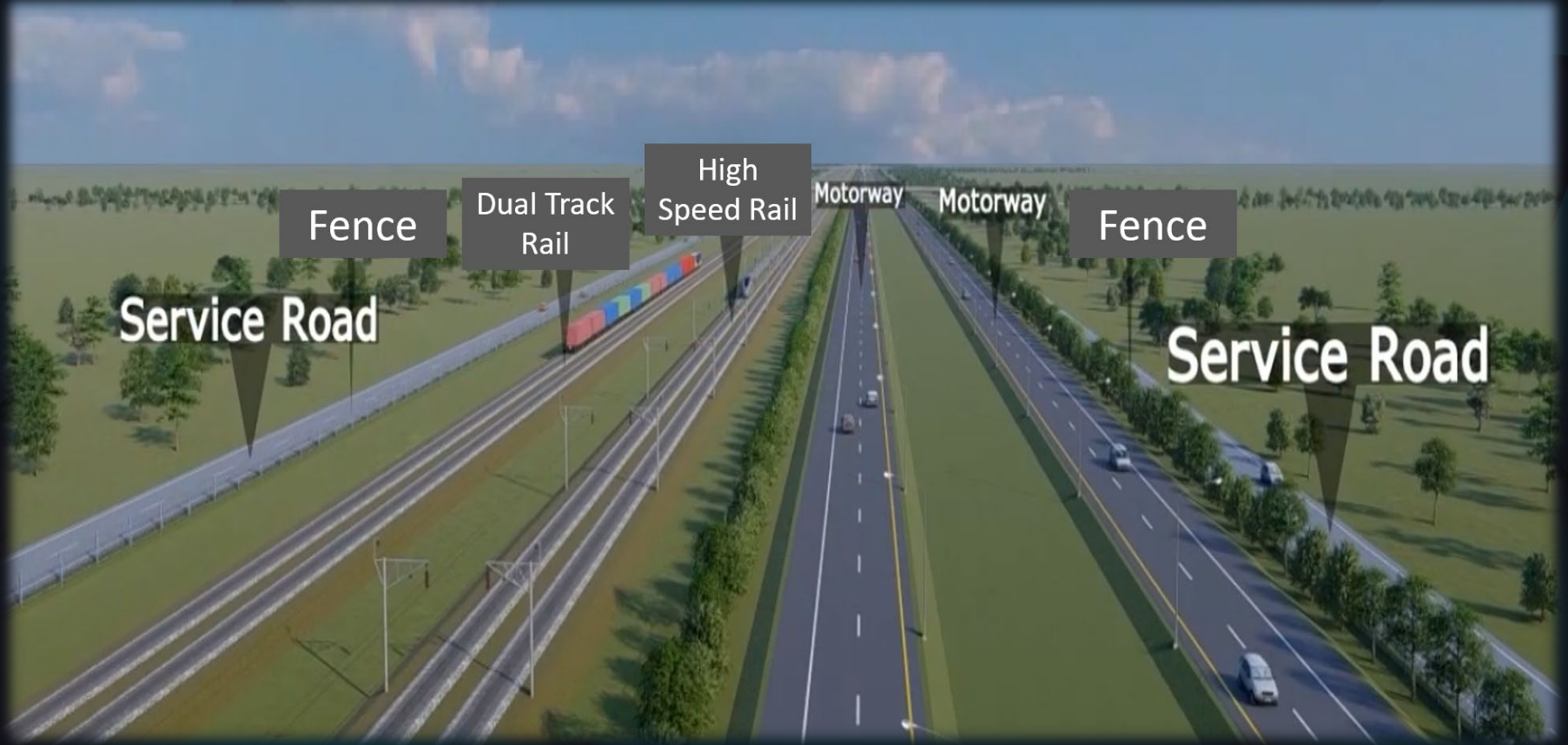
Integration Plan between Motorway and Railway Network

MR-Map Master Plan Concept



- MR1** MR1 Chiangrai (Chiangkhong) – Narathiwat
- MR2** MR2 Nongkhai (Friendship Bridge #1) – Chonburi (Laemchabang)
- MR3** MR3 Buengkan (Friendship Bridge #5) – Surin (Chongjom)
- MR4** MR4 Tak (Maesot) – Nakhon Phanom (Friendship Bridge #3)
- MR5** MR5 Kanchanaburi (Three Padoga) – Ubonratchathani (Friendship Bridge #6)
- MR6** MR6 Kanchanaburi (Phunamron) – Sakaew (Aranyaprathet)
- MR7** MR7 Chonburi – Trat (Khlongyai)
- MR8** MR8 Chumphon – Ranong (Landbridge)
- MR9** MR9 Suratthani - Phuket
- MR10** MR10 Bangkok Outer Ring Road #3

Typical Cross Section for MR-Map



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**CROSS-BORDER
FACILITATION**

CBTA Early Harvest & IICBTAs

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Memorandum of Understanding on the 'Early Harvest' Implementation of The Greater Mekong Subregion Cross-Border Transport Agreement

The Initial Implementation of the CBTA: IICBTA

- IICBTA TH-LAO-VN

at Mukdahan - Savannakhet and Dansavanh -
Laobao Border Crossing points

Implementation started: 13 June 2009

- IICBTA TH-CAM

at Aranyaprathet - Poipet Border Crossing Points

Implementation started: 14 June 2012

- IICBTA TH-MYA

at Mae Sot - Myawaddy

Implementation started: 1 November 2019

GMS ROAD TRANSPORT PERMIT



EARLY HARVEST (500 PERMITS)

GOODS	PASSENGERS
18 operators	1 operator
452 permits	0 permit



IICBTA THAI-MYANMAR (100 permits)

GOODS	PASSENGERS
13 operators	-
86 permits	-



IICBTA THAI-CAMBODIA (150 permits)

GOODS	PASSENGERS
17 operators	Non-scheduled 1 operator 13 permits
121 permits	Scheduled 1 operator 4 permits



IICBTA THAI-LAO-VIETNAM (400 permits)

GOODS	
15 operators	253 permits

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**CROSS-BORDER ACTIVITIES
DURING COVID-19**

Re-opening Borders on Land Transport

CROSS-BORDER ACTIVITIES DURING COVID-19

- All land border checkpoints closed for passengers
- Freight transport was allowed with restrictions in compliance with national public health measures
- Not much progress in the cross-border transportation between Thailand and neighboring countries.

Current situation



- Set out a phased approach to reopening borders with pandemic mitigation measures to increase value of trade and economic recovery
- To resume activities under the **MOU on Early Harvest and IICBTAs**

ENTRY MEASURES INTO THAILAND

Effective from 1 June 2022 onwards

THAI NATIONALS

THAILAND PASS NOT REQUIRED


- No quarantine nor COVID-19 test upon arrival
- Must present a **certificate of vaccination** or if unvaccinated / not fully vaccinated, an **RT-PCR / Professional ATK COVID-19** test result issued within 72 hours before departure
- Can enter Thailand via every border checkpoint (for land travel)

FOREIGN NATIONALS


- Register on Thailand Pass
- Attach documents, as follows:
 - Passport
 - **Certificate of vaccination** or if unvaccinated / not fully vaccinated, **RT-PCR / Professional ATK COVID-19** test result issued within 72 hours before departure
 - Proof of Medical Treatments Coverage (minimum coverage 10,000 USD)


RE-OPENING BORDERS FOR LAND TRANSPORT

Effective from 1 June 2022 onwards

 LAO PDR	
Province	Border Crossing Point
Chiang Rai	Chiangkhong
Loei	Tha Li
Nong Khai	1 st TH-LAO Friendship Bridge
Bueng Kan	Bueng Kan
Nakhon Phanom	3 rd TH-LAO Friendship Bridge
Mukdahan	Mukdahan
Ubon Ratchathani	Chong Mek
Nan	Ban Huai Kon

 CAMBODIA	
Province	Border Crossing Point
Sa Kaeo	Ban Klong Luk

 MYANMAR	
Province	Border Crossing Point
Tak	2 nd TH-MYA Friendship Bridge

 MALAYSIA	
Province	Border Crossing Point
Songkhla	Sadao

- 11 border checkpoints as listed in bilateral and multilateral agreements between Thailand and neighboring countries.
- For **transport operator** personnel, a person shall submit a proof or a document containing following detail;
 - Certify that a person is a transport personnel of accompanying vehicle
 - Indicate time of entering and exiting Thailand
 - Declaring purpose of journey

SCHEDULED PASSENGER BUS SERVICE

OPERATING

1 route

Mukdahan - Savannakhet
Since 1 May 2022

NOT YET OPENED

5 routes

TH - LAO

- Chiang Mai-Chiang Rai-Bo Kaew-Luang Nam Tha-Oudomaxy-Luang Prabang
- Bangkok-Pakse
- Nan-Luang Prabang

TH - CAM

- Bangkok-Aranyaprathet-Poi Pet-Siem Reap
- Bangkok-Aranyaprathet-Poi Pet-Phnom Penh

OPEN SOON

9 routes

Starting 15 June 2022

- Nongkhai – Vientiane
- Udonthani – Vientiane
- Ubon Ratchathani – Pakse
- Khon Khan – Vientiane
- Bangkok – Vientiane
- Nakhon Phnom – Thakak
- Udon Thani-Nongkhai-Wang Vieng
- Chiang Rai – Bo Kaew
- Leoi-Sainyabuli-Luang Prabang

➤ The state-operated **Transport Co Ltd** has resumed running bus service from Thailand to Lao PDR on Mukdahan - Savannakhet route since **1 May 2022**

➤ 9 more routes to Lao destinations to be opened on **15 June 2022**

➤ 2 routes to Cambodia are yet to open.

Thank you