

Twenty-Second Meeting of the GMS Subregional Transport Forum

Mandalay, Myanmar
21–22 June 2018

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM AND AGENDA

Proposed Meeting Theme:

Committed to Moving Forward along the Path of the New GMS Transport Strategy

Objectives:

1. To be briefed on the implications of the Ha Noi Action Plan (2018–022) adopted by the Sixth GMS Summit on the GMS transport sector, and review the supporting pipeline of GMS transport sector projects in the GMS Regional Investment Framework (RIF) 2022.
2. To review the state of development of GMS economic corridors.
3. To review the progress of work on the priority rail links identified under Greater Mekong Railway Association (GMRA).
4. To be briefed on the progress of the CBTA “Early Harvest” implementation.
5. To review the status of road safety in GMS countries.
6. To discuss other topics that have a bearing on the GMS transport sector.

First Day: 21 June 2018

0830–0900

Registration

0900–0920

Opening Session

Welcome Remarks

H.E. Kyaw Myo
Deputy Minister
Ministry of Transport and Communications
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

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Chair, Mr. Win Khant
Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Transport and Communications
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

Co-Chair, Mr. Hiroaki Yamaguchi
Director, Transport and Communications Division,
Southeast Asia Department
Asian Development Bank (ADB)

0920–0930	Group Photo Session
0930–0945	Coffee Break
0945–1145 (120 min)	<p>Session 1. Implications of the Ha Noi Action Plan (2018–2022) on the GMS Transport Sector and Review of the Pipeline of GMS Transport Sector Projects in the GMS Regional Investment Framework (RIF) 2022</p> <p><i>Part 1. The STF will be briefed on the Ha Noi Action Plan (2018–2022) adopted by the GMS Leaders at their 6th Summit (31 March 2018, Ha Noi, Viet Nam), particularly its implications on the GMS Transport Sector, considered together with the strategic thrusts set in the GMS Transport Sector Strategy 2030.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Ms. Rhodora B. Concepcion Senior Regional Cooperation Specialist Regional Cooperation Division (SERC), Southeast Asia Department, ADB</p> <p><i>[The presentation is allotted 10 minutes.]</i></p> <p><i>Part 2. The country delegations will brief the STF on their respective pipelines of transport sector projects in the RIF 2022 as endorsed by the GMS Ministers and adopted by the 6th GMS Summit.</i></p> <p>Presenters: Representative from each country delegation. <i>[Each country is given 8 minutes for the presentation plus 10 minutes for discussion, for a total of 18 minutes.]</i></p>
1145–1230 (45 min = 20 min presentation + 25 min open discussion)	<p>Session 2. Review the State of Development of the GMS Economic Corridors</p> <p><i>Presentation of the Report on the Assessment of GMS Economic Corridors</i></p> <p>Presenter: Dr. Filologo Pante, Jr. Principal Consultant Study on the Assessment of GMS Economic Corridors</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
1230–1400	Lunch
1400–1445 (45 min = 20 min presentation + 25 min open discussion)	<p>Session 3. Review of the Progress of Work on the Priority GMS Railway Links</p> <p><i>The Greater Mekong Railway Association (GMRA) will report on the status of the 9 identified priority railway links to connect the GMS countries.</i></p>

	<p>Presenter: Mr. Aung Win General Manager Myanmar Railways</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<p>1445–1530</p> <p>(45 min = 20 min presentation + 25 min open discussion)</p>	<p>Session 4. Progress on the CBTA “Early Harvest” MOU</p> <p><i>The STF will be briefed on the progress regarding the MOU on the CBTA “Early Harvest” implementation, as well as the steps going forward.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Mr. Nguyen Ngoc Thuyen, Deputy Director General, International Cooperation Division, Ministry of Transport, Viet Nam</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<p>1530–1545</p>	<p>Coffee Break</p>
<p>1545–1630</p> <p>(45 min = 20 min presentation + 25 min open discussion)</p>	<p>Session 5. Review of the Status of Road Safety in GMS countries</p> <p><i>Presentation of the findings of an initial review of road safety measures in various GMS countries and some recommendations toward improvements in this important area of transport development.</i></p> <p>Presenter: Mr. Shihiru Date, Senior Transport Specialist Transport and Communications Division (SETC)/ Myanmar Resident Mission, Nay Pyi Taw, Southeast Asia Department, ADB</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<p>1630–1700</p>	<p>Wrap Up of First Day Sessions</p> <p><i>[Chair and Co-Chair summarizes the key issues and points raised during the day’s sessions, as well as the agreements reached. They also open the floor for any other matters related to the topics taken up that the participants may wish to raise.]</i></p>
	<p>Dinner to be hosted by Myanmar Government</p>

Second Day: 22 June 2018	
0900–1000	<p>Session 6: Statements/Updates from Development Partners</p> <p><i>A number of Development Partner attendees will be given a chance to present to the STF their actual and planned activities in the GMS transport sector, as well as identify possible areas of synergy and collaboration.</i></p> <p>Moderated by Co-Chairs</p>
1000–1030 (30 min)	<p>Session 7. Other Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Forum can take up any other matter raised from the floor, which have a bearing on GMS transport sector cooperation and development.</i> • <i>Venue of the next STF (STF-23) (traditionally confirmed by the next STF host, i.e., Thailand, based on alphabetical rotation)</i>
1030–1100	<p>Wrap Up of the Meeting and Concluding Remarks</p> <p>Closing by Chair and Co-Chair</p>
1100–1130	<p>Break <i>[Note: This is to allow participants to attend to personal needs/arrangements, e.g., packing their luggage for flights later in the day, things to bring for the field visit.]</i></p>
1130–1330	<p>Lunch</p>
1330 onward	<p>Field Visit: Dry Port Construction site at the Myitnge (near Mandalay); Jade Pagoda; and U Bein Bridge.</p>