

Strategy of Development of Transport Sector in the Republic of Azerbaijan

Brief Abstract

As one of the infrastructural side of country's economy transport plays significant role in reaching main state social, economic and other priorities.

Main objectives of transport system development are followings:

- Reach maximum level of positive impact for regularly increased needs of population in transport services;
- Conduct reliable, healthy, convenient transport policy, which supports economic growth;
- Create single sustainable transport network, as well as abolish factor of non-equal transport system development in various regions and administrative obstacles in goods turnover system, development single economic space, facilitate goods turnover and decrease transport expenditures;
- Eliminate transport discrimination, provide sustainable public development and whole population especially in countryside with transport by strengthening development of regions and creation of national labor market, increase quality of transport services, decrease negative impact of transport to population and environment, prepare specialized staff for transport complex;
- Reconstruct transport infrastructure adopted for integration of Azerbaijan into world economy process and broad foreign trade, fully use existing opportunities of Azerbaijan as transit country, increase competition of country's freight forwarders and develop export of transport services;
- Implement new security standards in transport system due to change of geopolitical situation;
- Use new methods for implementation of structural reforms and develop of infrastructure;
- Develop transport activity on the basis of single juridical principles;
- Implement balanced policy of taxes, financing, investment, technical and tariffs control in transport sphere;
- Balanced distribution of separated for transport sphere budget and other resources among various types of transport;
- Cooperate for unite interests and needs of entrepreneurs for development of transport system;
- Facilitate regulation of competition among transport types;
- Create single information space in transport;

- Unite state and other efforts for development of transport system, protect and coordinate their interests.

Priority directions of development infrastructure of various transport types:

- Railway – reconstruct the sector in order to increase its capacity, modernize existing infrastructure and railway equipment;
- Water transport – due to perspective development of foreign trade construct new seaport, increase transportation capacity for export of liquids and containers for cargos;
- Car transport – reconstruct highways along crossing the country transport corridors, modernize highways and roads connected regions, organize road traffic and improve regulative system, renovate car transport units in order to suite international technical and ecological standards, create and implement standardized and certification systems in car and city passenger transport;
- Air transport – optimize quantity of international airports, implement single system for airports, technical modernize air traffic management system in order to suite modern and international requirements;
- Modernization of transport infrastructures of Baku and other cities of the country – reconstruct and broaden highways and roads within the country, construct new highways and roads, bridges, underground and aboveground street crossings, multistory and underground car parking, replace small capacity passenger buses to large ones.