Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Program

CAREC 2020: Progress Update 2011-2012

Rose McKenzie

Results Management Specialist, CAREC Secretariat

Customs Cooperation Committee

23-24 October 2012

Chengdu, People's Republic of China



CAREC 2020: Focus, Action, Results

- Strategic objectives
 - Expanded trade
 - Improved competitiveness
- Operational priorities
 - Transport, energy, trade
 - CAREC Institute, economic corridors
- Medium-term priority projects list
- Country ownership
- Better partnerships



Transport and Trade Facilitation Future Directions

- Midterm review of TTF strategy and action plan
- Implement priority projects/address gaps
- Implement transport facilitation measures
- Continue customs modernization & other measures
- Improve border facilities & implement single window
- Study transformation of transport corridors into economic corridors

2011 CAREC Development Effectiveness Review: Highlights

- Overall positive picture for 2011
- Trends emerging more clearly in both technical sectors and financing
- Sector targets clarified and tightened
- Need to continue the results focus going forward under CAREC 2020



'Traffic Light' Rating System

- "On track": indicator value has made progress and improved on the indicator value reflected in the previous DEfR cycle.
- "Stalled": indicator value has neither made progress nor deteriorated since the previous cycle. Necessary action should be identified to prevent further deterioration.
- "Off track": indicator value has deteriorated for two consecutive years. Immediate attention is required.



Level 1: Performance Snapshot

- Poverty and human development outcomes
 - Over 40 million less people living in poverty than in 2002
- Gross domestic product, trade, and business environment
 - Overall positive trend, implying resilience to global financial crisis



Level 2: Performance Snapshot

- G Transport sector
- A Trade facilitation sector
- G Trade policy sector
- G Energy sector



Transport G

- 1,022 kilometers of roads built or improved
- 79% of the total 8,640 kilometers completed by end-2011
 - Exceeds 2011 target



Trade Facilitation



- Time to clear a border crossing point reduced to 7.9 hours
- Cost to clear a border crossing reduced to US\$156
- Speed to travel 500 km on CAREC corridor section decreased 8%
- Cost to travel corridor section increased 35%



Transport and Trade Facilitation: Action

- Implement on a timely basis the planned midterm review of the Transport and Trade Facilitation Strategy and Action Plan
- Identify key nonphysical barriers to crossborder transport and feasible approaches to implementing transport facilitation agreements in the CAREC corridors



Trade Policy G

- G CAREC Trade Liberalization Index
 - 2011 target exceeded by 5 CAREC countries
 - 2012 target already exceeded by the Kyrgyz Republic



Energy G

- 1,150 km of transmission lines installed or upgraded
- Increased energy generation capacity (MW)



Level 3: Performance Snapshot

- G Operations growth
 - > \$17.7 billion / 122 projects
- A Finance mobilization
 - > \$3.5 billion / 15 new investment projects
- Knowledge management
 - 93% of TAs rated successful
 - > 1,582 person days of training



CAREC 2020: Focus, Action, Results

Rose McKenzie

rmckenzie@adb.org

www.carecprogram.org

