

**Report of Senior Officials
to the
8th Ministerial Conference
on CAREC**

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Overview of Progress

- Implementation on track
- \$3.9 billion in grants and lending
 - Up from \$2 billion in 2008
- Expanding research and training

Transport and Trade Facilitation

- Corridor rehabilitation progressing
- 52 projects ongoing; 1 completed

Mode	KM good condition, Jan. 2008	KM good condition, Oct. 2009 (% increase)	Total in good condition	Action Plan goal, 2012
Road	15,300	16,400 (5%)	69%	75%
Rail	14,800	16,600 (9%)	83%	75%

Institutional Development

- National Joint Transport and Trade Facilitation Committees
 - Country ownership
 - Coordination
 - Implementation
- Establishing regional committee

Customs Cooperation

- Single window systems
- Joint customs control initiatives
- Cross-border transport agreement
Corridor 5

Corridors Performance Measurement and Monitoring

- Time and cost of traveling CAREC corridors
- Information to remove bottlenecks
- Border infrastructure, customs modernization, single window schemes
- CAREC Federation of Carrier and Forwarder Associations

Energy

- Transmission, generation, efficiency, clean energy projects
- Power to Kabul
 - Uzbekistan-Afghanistan transmission line
- Improving energy security and trade

Trade Policy

- Support for WTO accession process
 - WTO accession discussions
 - Tariff reductions
- Key outputs by TPCC in 2009
 - Seminars on WTO accession
 - Monitoring mechanism

CAREC Institute

- Leadership Development Initiative launched
- Collaborative research program
- www.carecinstitute.org

Private Sector Development

- Awareness Raising Workshops on PPPs
- PPP Workshop: Lessons from Asian Experience

Partner Coordination

- CAREC Partnership Forum
 - Collaboration in transport and trade facilitation
 - Harmonization, coordination, reducing gaps

Second Tier Activities

- Communicable disease control
- Central Asian Countries Initiative for Land Management
- Central Asia and Caucasus Disaster Risk Management Initiative

Work Plan 2010

- Implement strategies and action plans
- Priority projects: hard and soft infrastructure
- Capacity building
- Research activities
- Private sector engagement

Recommendations

- Senior Officials support endorsement of:
 - CAREC Energy Action Plan Framework
 - CAREC Program Results Framework
 - Report of Senior Officials to 8th MC