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Performance Based Contracts (PBC): Enabling better RAM



Performance Based Road Maintenance Contracts – Reference Note

- Main Sections:
 - Basics of PBC concept
 - Implementation experiences
 - Lessons learned



CAREC Transport Knowledge Series Performance Based Road Maintenance Contracts – Reference Note

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- PBC implementation strategy in CAREC countries
- Recommended options for pilot PBCs in CAREC member countries
- Role of international financial institutions

Delivery of Road Maintenance

- In-house with own staff (force account)
- Contracts with private sector
 - Traditional contracts
 - \circ Unit rates for work items
 - Payments are based on quantity of completed and measured work

• Pure performance contract (PBC)

- $\,\circ\,$ Performance Standards or Service Quality Levels
- Fixed monthly payments if service quality levels are complied with

• Hybrid contract (PBC)

 Mixture of method based contract and performance contract

Basics of PBC Concept

Performance or Service Levels define the <u>minimum conditions</u> related to road assets during the <u>entire</u> contract period

- The contractor is free to decide on how to satisfy the minimum conditions.
- Lump sum payments are made periodically and might be adjusted in accordance with agreed factors (e.g. inflation or increased traffic volumes).
- Deductions are made for non-compliance with terms and conditions of contract, particularly the service levels.

Advantages of PBC

- Deliver good value for money
- Provide better guarantee of sufficient funding for road maintenance
- Improve road conditions, help to reduce road user cost and improve road safety
- Help to save substantial amounts of road rehabilitation and reconstruction works



Keys to Successful Implementation

- Strong commitment and support by key decision makers
- Qualified and motivated staff of the client, contractors and consultants
- Adequate road asset management system to support the requirements of PBC
- Enabling operating environment, including:
 - legal (multi-year contracts),
 - \circ financial (long-term funding), and
 - institutional (separation of client and contractor) framework

PBCs in CAREC member countries

- Afghanistan
 - 8 PBCs awarded between 2006-2011, 1913 km in total
- Tajikistan
 - 2 PBCs awarded in 2013, 150 km in total
- Peoples Republic of China
 - More than 20 PBCs awarded between 2004-2015, over 300 km in total
- Georgia
 - 2 PBCs awarded in 2016, over 200 km in total

Proposed Next Steps

- Create an enabling environment and meet preconditions
- Design a PBC in line with national conditions (technical studies, tender documents, data to be supplied to bidders, supervision arrangements)
- Procure and implement PBC, for example:
 - Option 1: Routine maintenance, 3-4 yrs, 100-150 km
 - Option 2: Routine and periodic maintenance, 5-6 yrs, 150-200 km
 - Option 3: Routine and periodic maintenance, 5-6 yrs, 700-1000 km