

CAREC Learning Opportunity:

Modernization of SPS Measures, enhancing trade and ensuring food security

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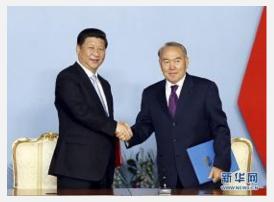
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China-Central Asia Agricultural Trade Logistics

- In 2013, agricultural exports from Xinjiang to Kazakhstan was \$211 million, an increase by 23.4%.
- From January to July 2014, agricultural exports via Xinjiang ports amounted to 234,000 tons, which is an increase by 17.1% over the same period; and the exports worth \$290 million, with a growth of 34.3% over the same period last year.

Country	Kazakhstan	Kyrgyzstan	Russia
Export amount (100 million RMB)	7.3	5.7	3.6
Increase (%)	3.3	59.7	92.3
Port	Horgos	Turugart	Alashankou
Export amount (100 million RMB)	5	5.3	5
Increase (%)	20	78.5	22
Category	Fresh fruit	Frozen meat	Ketchup
Export amount (100 million RMB)	6.3	3.9	3.7





- In 2013, leaders of China and Kazakhstan held a meeting and reached a consensus on opening a fast customs clearance Green Corridor in Baketu-Bakete Port for agricultural products.
- On December 23, 2013, under the joint efforts of China and Kazakhstan Customs, the countries achieved the pilot opening of ports and Baketu Port became China's first fast customs clearance Green Corridor port for import and export of agricultural products.
- During the CICA summit held in Shanghai in May 2014, President Nursultan Nazarbayev signed a joint declaration with President Xi Jinping, which declared that "both sides will ensure the operation of fast customs clearance Green Corridor in Baketu-Bakete Port for China-Kazakhstan agricultural products.





For convenient and efficient customs clearance, at the end of last year, China and Kazakhstan opened the fast customs clearance Green Corridor for agricultural products, which is: a unified Green Corridor logo is posted on the vehicles carrying agricultural products, specialized entry and exit channels and windows for customs clearance and inspection are established in the ports on both sides, both countries impose a low inspection rate on the import and export of agricultural products and achieve the "one-stop" service of fast customs clearance for agricultural products on both sides.



- Set up a Dedicated Declaration Window for Agricultural Products in the customs hall
- Fast track is established covering the storage, handling, transportation and exiting for eligible export products.
- For export enterprises filing an application, customs and the inspection and quarantine authorities shall jointly send people to implement inspection on the shipment site.
- Enterprises can implement the customs clearance of "loading first and declaration later" or "inspection and declaration at the same time".
- Customs extend working hours according to enterprises' application so that cargo clearance procedures can take the shortest possible time.
- Agricultural products such as fruits and vegetable can enjoy the prioritized handling procedures and the sequence of field operation can be adjusted to shorten the customs clearance procedures as much as possible.

- Exported agricultural products in Baketu Port adopts the "low-risk rapid release" mode
- Based on risk classification, customs clearance management system (H2000) classifies declarations in three categories: high-risk with examination, low-risk with review of documentation and low-risk quick release, depending on whether it's tax-related and documentation-related. Declarations of the law-abiding companies and other low-risk declarations (of goods) determined by risk analysis can enjoy rapid clearance from the computer to improve customs clearance efficiency.
- Tacheng Inspection and Quarantine Bureau of Baketu Port launched the "Seven measures for convenient customs clearance of export of fruits and vegetables," including appointment service in non-statutory working hours; inspection and issuance of certificate takes no more than one hour; export products of time-critical shipment can be inspected immediately upon the declaration, and replacement of the certificates can be conducted as soon as they arrive at the port. Implement the "one-stop" service of "one-time application, one-time sampling, one-time inspection and quarantine, one-time disinfestation, one-time charging and one-time certificate issuance and release."

- Customs clearance efficiency has been significantly improved. According to statistics of Tacheng customs, the average customs clearance time for agricultural product exports in the customs is 0.22 hours, and that of the agricultural product import is 3.7 hours. Both are lower than the average clearance time of the Urumqi District Customs.
- More than 50% of fruit and vegetable exports in Xinjiang is exported from Baketu Port to Kazakhstan. Imported agricultural products through the China-Kazakhstan Baketu-Bakete Port Fast Clearance Green Corridor fot Agricultural Products include: jam, beverages and sunflower seeds; while the exported include apples, grapes, citrus, oranges, tomatoes, cucumbers (including West Indian cucumber) and sweet peppers, etc.

■ In January-July 2014, Baketu Port has 140 million yuan of agricultural exports, which has increased by 9.2%.







Modernization of SPS Measures

- Implementation of the SPS Agreement
- Infrastructure and equipment
- Inspection and Quarantine Technology Center of Xinjiang Inspection and Quarantine Bureau has five national key testing labs.
- Currently, there are 75 staff members, 1 researcher, 14 people with senior professioal titles, 4 people with doctoral degrees and 25 people with master's degree.
- The Technology Center has a laboratory area of 6000 square meters, and 629 sets of all kinds of large-scale equipment and auxiliary equipment, worth over 90 million yuan.
- 14 first-class ports in Xinjiang have all passed the core quarantine competency inspection by the AQSIQ.



Modernization of SPS Measures

Plans

- Construction plan for Inspection and Quarantine facilities in Kashi and Horgos Economic Development Zones
- Construction of inspection and quarantine facilities in ports and special areas such as Horgos railway port, Alashankou Comprehensive Bonded Zone, Laoyemiao port, southern joint inspection hall in Horgos, and Irkeshtam office.
- Subsequent construction of infrastructure for the comprehensive laboratory building of Xinjiang Animal and Plant Inspection and Quarantine Bureau and the Shihezi Bureau.
- Design and construction of the comprehensive laboratory building of Ili Animal and Plant Inspection and Quarantine Bureau, Horgos new laboratory building and the comprehensive laboratory building of Dulata Inspection and Quarantine Bureau.





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