ADB's Assistance to Mongolia-PRC Cooperation

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Regional Cooperation for MON

- Regional cooperation is of special significance for Mongolia as a landlocked country.
- Regional cooperation is a cross-cutting theme in the new CPS 2012-2016.
- Regional cooperation is an area where ADB has values to add.
- Mongolia is an active participant in various RCI programs (CAREC, MON-PRC cooperation, UNDP-led GTI, etc).



Regional Cooperation for MON

ADB's RCI-related assistance to Mongolian

- ADB's RCI lending to MON by Dec 2014 8 projects for \$256 million (roads, customs modernization, regional logistics, and border town development)
- RCI pipeline 2015-2017 for MON 5 projects for \$240 million
- Various TA projects



MON-PRC Cooperation

- Integral part of CAREC, but focusing more on MON and PRC priorities
- Help further strengthen the close relationship between the two countries
- ADB supporting MON-PRC cooperation since 2001
- Priority areas
 - > Customs
 - > Transport
 - Energy
 - Border area development
 - Transboundary animal disease control
 - Capacity development



Customs Cooperation

- Joint customs control (JCC) since 2009
 Harmonizing road cargo manifests
 Electronic exchange of manifests
 From pilot to replication
- Moving toward coordinated border management
- Training programs on customs modernization
 Demand driven
 - Partnership with WCO and Shanghai Customs College



Transport Cooperation

- Focusing on improving CAREC corridors in MON (esp. 4b)
- Harmonize transport planning (road and rail)
- Supporting implementation of PRC-MON road transport agreement
- Key investment proposals recommended for MON and financed by ADB
- Knowledge and information sharing



Energy

- Focusing on improving the regulatory and policy environment for power trade
- In-depth analysis of equitable sharing of benefits from power trading
- Following up on power projects for exporting MON power to PRC, with potential for ADB financing



Border Area Development

- Aiming to harmonize trade logistics and infrastructure development across border
- Focusing on Zamyn-Uud and Erlian
- Key investment projects identified and financed for MON (Southeast Gobi, Zamyn-Uud)
- Improving dialogue mechanism for border area development



Joint Control of TADs

- A part of CAREC SPS initiative
- Pilot by PRC and MON
- Experience to be shared with and replicated to other CAREC countries
- Key outputs
 - Mechanism for PRC-MON cooperation
 - Operational Manual
 - Enhanced capacity



Capacity Building

- To enhance country ownership and capacity for regional cooperation
- MON national strategy and East Asia RCS
- RCI consultation workshops (in-country and joint) to improve internal and cross-border communication and coordination
- Training conducted for MON and PRC officials with responsibilities for regional cooperation, including for local governments



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Thank you!

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