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# Joint efforts on Transport Infrastructure in the CAREC region

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# A Strategic Framework for CAREC 2011-2020

- CI play a key role in addressing the specific needs of the priority sectors through trainings, conducting foundation studies and issue-orientated research, and the development of knowledge products;
- CI is mandated to address capacity building and research initiatives that are more directly relevant to priority sector requirements under the CAP.

# CI Operational Program for 2016

- Infrastructure development (\$500 bln investment for 2010-2020, improving connectivity, increasing productive capacities);
- Transport and trade facilitation (multimodal transport regime, cost and time, crossing borders, transit, trade cost);
- Economic diversification and specialization (comparative advantage, food security, energy security, SME development).

# Objectives

- What is the impact of transport infrastructure investment on regional development?
- What are the needs for transport infrastructure investment in 2016-2030?
- Transport infrastructure as a basis for economic activities across regional borders.

# Criteria

- The most important studies;
- High economic effects;
- Regional-based studies;
- The most laggard areas.

# Some relevant studies

- Identifying the main impediments to regional economic cooperation;
- Studies on implementing best practices in transport infrastructure;
- Road traffic safety;
- RAMS.

# Joint efforts needed

- Initiating sector-specific issues that require more studies and additional investigations;
- Mobilizing and enhancing research potential in CAREC countries;
- Wider dissemination of research outcomes to communities in CAREC countries;
- A better understanding of policies on implementing the objectives CAREC Program.

# Expected outcomes

- Complementary to ADB operations on transport and trade facilitation;
- Improving the efficiency of ADB operations;
- A better achievements of the goals of CAREC Program;
- Conducive to attracting investments from other international institutions.