# Joint Dissemination Workshop on the Study of Zamyn-Uud and Erlian Border Development Program 14 April 2009 • Hohhot, Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region (IMAR), PRC

#### **PROGRAM**

(The joint dissemination workshop between Mongolia and the PRC will seek views of both countries on the findings and recommendations of the study, and agree upon a set of priority actions needed to develop border towns of Mongolia's Zamyn-Uud and the PRC's Erlian, particularly the trade logistics infrastructure. The study is supported by ADB RETA 6370 and conducted by a team led by Mr. Robert Wallack, the International Trade Logistics Development Expert.)

## Co-Chaired by:

- Mr. Jinkang Wu, Deputy Director General, International Department, Ministry of Finance, PRC
- Mr. Dorjkhand, Deputy Director General, Department of Policy and Coordination for Loans and Aid, Ministry of Finance, Mongolia

## 09:00-09:15 Registration

# 09:15–09:30 **Opening and Welcome Remarks**

Chaired by Mr. Dongxiang Li, Director, International Department, MOF, PRC

- Mr. Jinkang Wu, MOF, PRC
- Mr. Dorjkhand Togmid, MOF, Mongolia
- Mr. Yun Zongyuan, Deputy Director General, Finance Dept, IMAR
- Mr. Yuebin Zhang, Regional Cooperation Specialist, East Asia Regional Department, ADB

## **Session 1:** Overview of Mongolian–PRC Cooperation

Chaired by Mr. Jinkang Wu

09:30–10:15 Presentation by PRC Ministry of Commerce

Presentation by Mongolia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade ФХ (Notes Монгол)

Discussions

10:15–10:45 Group Photo and Tea/Coffee Break

## Session 2: Main Issues and Findings of the Study

Chaired by Mr. Jinkang Wu

10:45-12:00 Opening Presentation 中文 Монгол by Mr. Robert Wallack and

**Discussions by Sub-Topics** 

- 1. Border trade demand and forecasts and the need to cooperate to balance the current uneven development of the two border towns
  - Representative of Mongolian Exporters' Association
  - Bureau of Commerce of IMAR
- 2. How to harmonize Mongolia's <u>Transit Mongolia resolution</u> 中文 and its <u>Action Plan</u> 中文 Mohron with PRC Erlian's urban development program (Sub-topics: truck border road, rail and road processing areas, airport, FEZ, cold chain, etc.)
  - Mongolian Ministry of Road, Transport, Construction and Urban Development 中文
  - Erlian Border Economic Cooperation Management (Mr. Liu Shisheng, Director)

12:00-14:00 Lunch Break

## 14:00–16:30 Presentation and Discussions (continued)

Chaired by Mr. Dorjkhand Togmid

- 3. Need to formalize Joint Border Development Commission—establish a formal structure and entity with distinct identity and purpose with Steering Committee, Core Group, General Assembly and working groups for problem solving and projects development
  - Robert Wallack
- 4. Working Groups in Joint Border Development Commission
  - a) Joint Website 中文: China International Electronic Commerce Center proposal
    - China International Electronic Commerce Center
  - b) Operational, Infrastructure, Institutional/Policy Project Improvements 中文 Монгол
    - Mongolian Railway Authority
  - c) Public Private Partnership-Logistics Center, Free Economic Zone, Single Electronic Window 中文
    - Mongolian National Chamber of Commerce
  - d) Customs issues, and Certification and Accreditation
    - Mongolian Customs discussing what needs to be done for data exchange across borders
    - PRC Certification and Accreditation Administration introducing electronic document system as a model for Mongolia
    - Mongolian Agency for Standardization and Metrology Certification exploring solutions to problems with Erlian international accredited laboratory
    - PRC Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection and Quarantine and <u>Mongolian Specialized Inspection Agency</u> 中文

Монгол (Notes) introducing steps that need to be taken for exporting Mongolian meat products

- e) Urban infrastructure development: water, power
  - Erlian Development and Reform Commission introducing issues of cooperation in water and power 中文
  - Governor of Zamyn-Uud Free Economic Zone 中文 introducing constraints in Zamyn-Uud to be overcome by Mongolia
- f) Capacity Building: joint training and study tours
  - Robert Wallack presenting on the concept of a joint study tour regarding joint border development commission

#### 16:30–17:00 Tea/Coffee Break

# 17:00-17:30 **Wrap-up Session**

Chaired by Mr. Dongxiang Li

# **Summary of Discussions**

by Mr. Yuebin Zhang, EARD, ADB

- Key actions identified
- Changes needed to the final report
- Target date for submitting the final report
- Arrangements for printing/publishing the final report

# **Closing Remarks**

by Heads of Country Delegations and ADB

### 18:00-19:30 **Dinner**

Hosted by PRC Ministry of Finance and ADB