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Regional Cooperation and the GMS

**The Benefits of Regional Cooperation:
An Exchange Learning Program
between CAREC and the GMS**



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Part 1

- What is subregional cooperation?
- How GMS subregional cooperation started?—Background
- How the group was formulated?
- What was the key element which led the group working together?
- Decision-making mechanisms within the participating countries regarding GMS activities
- First GMS Meeting in Manila and key points discussed
- Why GMS doesn't have framework agreement establishing the group?
- Major philosophy and working guidelines governing GMS activities
- Role of Participating Countries
- Importance of Master Plan Study and its Implications

Part 2

- Why subregional cooperation is necessary for individual countries and for the region?
- Globalization vis-à-vis subregional activities
- What contribution can each country make to the subregion.....importance of strategy?
- What is the role of Mekong subregion in the Asian community?
- What is the role of Asia in the international community?
- What is the role of individual Central Asian countries to CAREC?
- What can CAREC contribute to Asian community?
- Need for linking subregions for the wider role for Asia