Secure Cross Border Transport Model – Technological Solution for Transit Transport Facilitation

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Secure Cross Border Transport Model – Option 1
Secure Cross Border Transport Model – Option 2
Possible benefits

For control authorities

- Enhanced security
- Real time enforcement possible
- Reduced violations during the trips
- Increased capacity to handle more traffic
- Reduction in the need for Customs escort
- Less congestion at origin, border crossing and destination;

For transport operators

- Reduction in transport time
- Less transaction cost
- Increase predictability of consignment and therefore supply chain
- Optimal fleet management and asset utilization
- Paperless transactions possible
Benefits identified at National Workshop in Bhutan

- Improve *predictability* of cargo and vehicle movement
- *Facilitate* cross-border/transit transport, including *inland transit* to industrial estate at Pasakha
- *Simplify border formalities and procedures*, including *removing congestion* at the border checkpoints
- *Rationalize* international transit of goods by road
- Ensure *efficient* transport operation
Potential route

- Identify a corridor for pilot application
- Pilot application of vehicle tracking system between Bhutan and India
- Route for pilot application: Kolkata- Jaigoan- Phuentsholing- Thimpu?
Proposed contents of the feasibility study

- Review of existing situation of cross-border/transit trade and transport
- Technical design
- Institutional arrangements between countries and between authority and operators, taking into account related bilateral arrangements and review of respective countries’ customs rules and regulations
- Suitability of vehicles for use of the system
- Cost estimate
- Potential benefits
- Financial and economic analysis
- Views of major stakeholders
- Recommendations on application
Key Issues for discussion

a) Tracking entire trip or country by country

b) Use of common tracking software between India and Bhutan

c) Sharing of information

d) Interface with EDI of Indian Customs

e) Lead agency in the use of vehicle tracking system

f) Scope of application: goods, types of vehicles

g) Access to the system by other stakeholders
Thank you for your Attention
Comments/Questions??