


South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation Program

SASEC Trade Facilitation

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SASEC Fast Facts


SASEC Loan/Grant Investments 2001-2015

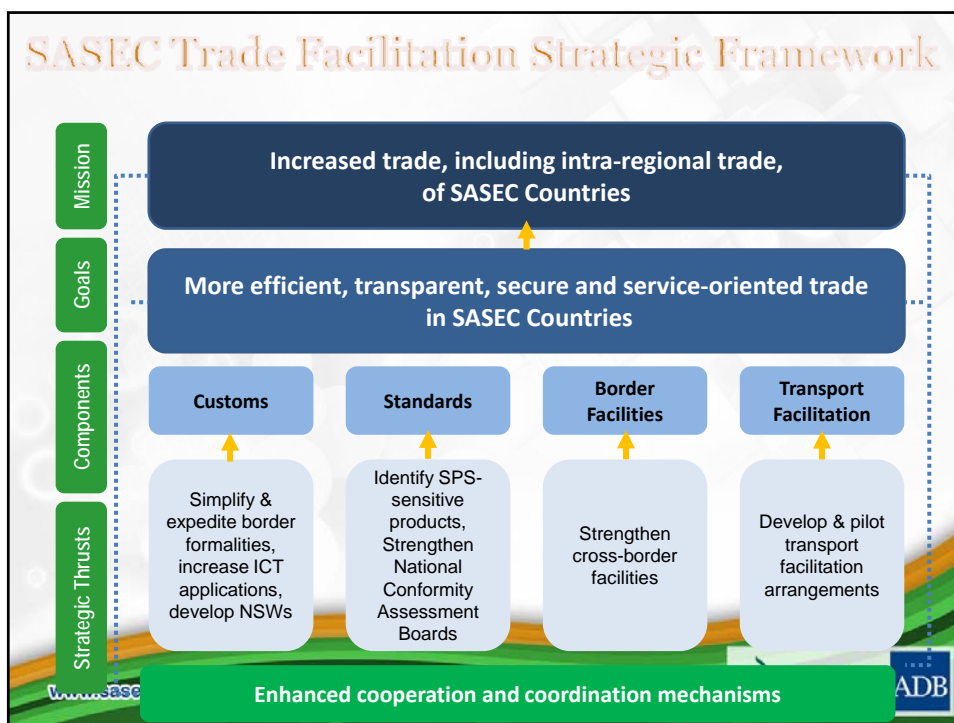
Sector	# Projects	Total Cost (US\$ mill)	ADB (US\$ mill)	Gov/Other (US\$ mill)	ADB OCR	ADB ADF
All Sectors	34	6,514	4,109	2,404	2,702	1,407
- Transport	23	5,351	3,320	2,031	2,630	690
- Trade Facilitation	1	48	48	-	-	48
- Energy	9	1,097	729	368	70	659
- ICT	1	18	13	5	3	10

SASEC / RCI Pipeline 2016-2018

- 26 loan/grant projects (firm) for \$3.9 billion (RCOBP, under finalization).
- 18 TA projects with indicative cumulative value of \$11.4 million.

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Action Plan Framework (2014-2016)

Priority Area 1: Customs Modernization and Harmonization

Strategic Thrust 1: Simplify and expedite border formalities	Strategic Thrust 2: Increase the application of ICT processing	Strategic Thrust 3: Develop the National Single Window
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accede to the RKC Implement the SAFE FOS and AEO schemes Reengineer Business Process and Trade Documentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Upgrade to automated customs management systems 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Technical and institutional planning for NSWs

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Customs in SASEC

**SASEC Customs Subgroup
Action Plan (2014-2016)**

<div style="background-color: #8B4513; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;"> Subregional Projects </div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exchange of documents at major BCPs Assessment of regulatory framework and infrastructure for containerized movement of cargo through land borders Institutionalize border meetings among customs authorities at major BCPs Automation of transit processes Electronic Exchange of Trade Data 	<div style="background-color: #8B4513; color: white; padding: 5px; border-radius: 10px; display: inline-block; margin-bottom: 5px;"> National Projects </div> <div style="background-color: #8B4513; color: white; padding: 10px; border-radius: 10px; margin-top: 5px;"> Subregional Capacity Building Priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Customs valuation Risk assessment Trusted trader program National single window International standards and conventions Post clearance audit </div>
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Sub-regional Project Status (SP1)

SP 1 – Exchange of Documents

- To commence in September 2015
- Participating countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal
- The BCPs and the commodities have been submitted by three of the participating countries

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Sub-regional Project Status (SP2)

SP 2 – Containerized Movement of Cargo through Land Borders

- ongoing; consultant on board, survey questionnaire fielded
- Participating countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal

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Sub-regional Project Status (SP3)

SP 3 – Regular Border Meetings Between/Among the Customs Authorities

- to start September
- Participating countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal

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Sub-regional Project Status (SP4)

SP 4 – Automation of Transit process: Use of ICT in processing the Transit Cargo

- software testing in India; software development in Nepal
- Participating countries: Bhutan, India and Nepal

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Sub-regional Project Status (SP5)

SP 5 – Electronic Exchange of Data Among SASEC countries

- ongoing; survey questionnaire fielded
- Participating countries: Bangladesh, Bhutan, India and Nepal

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