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*Achieving Smart and Resilient Cities Through Low-Carbon and
Intelligent Transport System*

Country Report

(Draft)

< Mongolia >

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Country EST Report (covering from Mongolia EST Forum 2018 to Viet Nam EST Forum 2019)

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With the objective of demonstrating the renewed interest and commitment of Asian countries towards realizing a promising decade (2010-2020) of sustainable actions and measures for achieving safe, secure, affordable, efficient, and people and environment-friendly transport in rapidly urbanizing Asia, the participating countries of the Fifth Regional EST Forum in Asia discussed and agreed on a goodwill and voluntary declaration - “**Bangkok Declaration for 2020 – Sustainable Transport Goals for 2010-2020.**” At the Seventh Regional EST Forum held in Bali in 2013, the participating countries adopted the “**Bali Declaration on Vision Three Zeros- Zero Congestion, Zero Pollution and Zero Accidents towards Next Generation Transport Systems in Asia**” reinforcing the implementation of Bangkok 2020 Declaration (2010-2020) with emphasis to zero tolerance towards congestion, pollution and road accidents in the transport policy, planning and development. Bali Vision Three Zeros calls for a paradigm shift in thinking on the role of motorization and mobility in realizing sustainable development in Asia. In the Eight Regional EST Forum in Colombo, member countries adopted the “**Colombo Declaration**” for the promotion of next generation low-carbon transport solutions in Asia. Subsequently, EST Forum held in Vientiane, Lao PDR in 2017, the member countries adopted the “**Vientiane Declaration on Sustainable Rural Transport towards Achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.**”

*Each member country of the Forum is kindly requested to prepare a consolidated country report (by **15 August 2018**) reflecting how EST trends and developments have taken place in the country from the Mongolia EST Forum 2018 to the Viet Nam EST Forum 2019 around the Goals of the Bangkok 2020 Declaration as an interim assessment following the below format. You are most welcome to add extra pages or sections to share any major on-going initiatives or future plans, including mega transport projects, transport master plans, special transport corridor development, expansion of railways and rail route developments, etc.*

The objective of the country reporting is to share among international community the voluntary progress/achievements/initiatives include various challenges faced by countries in implementing each of the underlined goals of the Bangkok 2020 Declaration to realize the Bali Vision Three Zeros, the Colombo Declaration and the Vientiane Declaration. This would help development agencies, donors, development banks in assessing the sustainable transport needs and challenges to better devise their existing as well as future capacity building programs and operations in sustainable transport areas.

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Timeline for submission by **15 August 2018.**

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I. Strategies to <u>Avoid</u> unnecessary travel and reduce trip distances				
“Avoid” Strategy	1	Formally integrate land-use and transport planning processes and related institutional arrangements at the local, regional, and national levels	<p>Any action had been taken so far?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	<p>Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequent changes of National Policy on Land- use and Transport planning due to Government structure change and political ambition. - Lack of efficient Legal Environment is most challenging issues which are faced in implementation.
	<p>Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions. Please attach reports or include websites where relevant. The Government of Mongolia (GOM) with support from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) is implementing “Regional road development and maintenance project” (RRDM Project). The project Executing Agency (EA) is the Ministry of Road and Transport Development (MRTD).</p>			
	<p>Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year</p> <p>We plan to carry out in next year (2017-2018) Transport network planning in selected 3 Provinces of Mongolia (regional level).</p>			

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“Avoid” Strategy	2	Achieve mixed-use development and medium-to-high densities along key corridors within cities through appropriate land - use policies and provide people - oriented local access, and actively promote transit-oriented development (TOD) when introducing new public transport infrastructure	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Avoid” Strategy	3 Institute policies, programmes, and projects supporting Information and Communications Technologies (ICT), such as internet access, teleconferencing, and telecommuting, as a means to reduce unneeded travel	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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II. Strategies to <u>Shift</u> towards more sustainable modes				
“Shift” Strategy	4	Require Non-Motorized Transport (NMT) components in transport master plans in all major cities and prioritize transport infrastructure investments to NMT, including wide-scale improvements to pedestrian and bicycle facilities, development of facilities for intermodal connectivity, and adoption of complete street design standards, wherever feasible	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Shift” Strategy	5 Improve public transport services including high quality and affordable services on dedicated infrastructure along major arterial corridors in the city and connect with feeder services into residential communities	Any action had been taken so far?	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Shift” Strategy	6	Reduce the urban transport mode share of private motorized vehicles through Transportation Demand Management (TDM) measures, including pricing measures that integrate congestion, safety, and pollution costs, aimed at gradually reducing price distortions that directly or indirectly encourage driving, motorization, and sprawl	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Shift” Strategy	7	Achieve significant shifts to more sustainable modes of inter-city passenger and goods transport , including priority for high-quality long distance bus, inland water transport, high-speed rail over car and air passenger travel, and priority for train and barge freight over truck and air freight by building supporting infrastructure such as dry inland ports	Any action had been taken so far?	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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III. Strategies to <u>Improve</u> transport practices and technologies				
“Improve” Strategy	8	Diversify towards more sustainable transport fuels and technologies , including greater market penetration of options such as vehicles operating on electricity generated from renewable sources, hybrid technology, and natural gas	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Improve” Strategy	9	Set progressive, appropriate, and affordable standards for fuel quality, fuel efficiency, and tailpipe emissions for all vehicle types, including new and in-use vehicles	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:	
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“Improve” Strategy	10 Establish effective vehicle testing and compliance regimes, including formal vehicle registration systems and appropriate periodic vehicle inspection and maintenance (I/M) requirements, with particular emphasis on commercial vehicles, to enforce progressive emission and safety standards, resulting in older polluting commercial vehicles being gradually phased-out from the vehicle fleet, as well as testing and compliance regimes for vessels	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Improve” Strategy	11 Adopt Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS), such as electronic fare and road user charging systems, transport control centres, and real-time user information, when applicable	Any action had been taken so far?	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Improve” Strategy	12	Achieve improved freight transport efficiency, including road, rail, air, and water, through policies, programmes, and projects that modernize the freight vehicle technology, implement fleet control and management systems, and support better logistics and supply chain management	Any action had been taken so far?	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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IV. <u>Cross-cutting</u> strategies			
“Cross-Cutting” Strategy	13 Adopt a zero-fatality policy with respect to road, rail, and waterway safety and implement appropriate speed control, traffic calming strategies, strict driver licensing, motor vehicle registration, insurance requirements, and better post-accident care oriented to significant reductions in accidents and injuries	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The speeding and alcohol measurement instruments for traffic police administration were provided adequately. However, the data base has not been yet established so the further actions to be taken can be accurately planned for speed control. • Lack of government inter agency linkage and cooperation for expansion of road safety campaigns and behavior change communication. • In rural areas, internet transmission is not evenly distributed. • Heavily broken roads (with pitholes) are the main case for the accidents. • Lack of adequate number of human resources for reach out and awareness raising campaigns as well as better post accidents care oriented actions • Street camera resolutions do not meet the requirement for speed control and traffic calming strategies and identify the motor vehicle registration

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		<p>Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions. Please attach reports or include websites where relevant.</p> <p>The Action plan of National Road Safety Strategy includes 48 targets By the end of 2018, 60.4% of the targeted activities has been completed.</p> <p>NATIONAL ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY 2012-2020 It identifies 20 indicators for its implementation. It includes the improvement of actions and usage for road engineering, vehicle monitoring, wheel location, seat belt, helmet, alcohol and speeding. By the end of 2018, 7 indicators: 100% 2 indicators: 70% 8 indicators: 30% 3 indicators: 0% The implementation percentage of the total indicators: 54%. The compliance of the improvement of legal environment for road safety: 64%.</p> <p>National Council for Road Safety, 2019 and led by the Prime Minister National Road Safety Program 2019-2023 was adapted. Under the National Road Safety Program 2019-2023, main measures to be taken are prevention of drink driving, safer speed, helmet usage, justice responsibility, training, preventing actions.</p> <p>In 2018, crash call records and patterns records have decreased by approximately 30% comparing to the data in 2016. In 2018, 564.2 crashes/100,000 population, 16.9 deaths/100,000 population.</p> <p>Main initiatives taken are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little passenger” campaign to raise awareness of traffic accidents among school children • Campaigns to improve the road signage to prevent possible road accidents • “Days without cars” campaigns • “One sec” awareness raising campaigns.

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"Cross-Cutting" Strategy	14 Promote monitoring of the health impacts from transport emissions and noise, especially with regard to incidences of asthma, other pulmonary diseases, and heart disease in major cities, assess the economic impacts of air pollution and noise, and devise mitigation strategies, especially aiding sensitive populations near high traffic concentrations	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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"Cross-Cutting"	15 Establish country-specific, progressive, health-based, cost-effective, and enforceable air quality and noise standards, also taking into account the WHO guidelines, and mandate monitoring	Any action had been taken so far? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:

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	and reporting in order to reduce the occurrence of days in which pollutant levels of particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, sulphur oxides, carbon monoxide, and ground-level ozone exceed the national standards or zones where noise levels exceed the national standards, especially with regard to environments near high traffic concentrations	<p>Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions. Please attach reports or include websites where relevant.</p> <p>Air quality standards: 1. In 2008, the Air Quality Standard was revised and approved by the National Standard Organization based on the WHO Air Quality Guideline, 2005. Since then, this new standard for air quality MNS 4585:2007 has been used; 2. MNS 5885:2008 Amount of air pollution elements; 3. MNS 5013:2009 Permitted limit and methodology of measurement of petrol engine automobile in emission; 4. MNS 5014:2009 Permitted limit and methodology of measurement of diesel engine automobile in emission; 5. MNS 0216:2006-Diesel fuel. Technical requirements; MNS 6342:2012 Air quality. Hazardous waste incineration emission, its permitted limit; 6. MNS 5457:2005 Pellet fuel. Technical requirement; 7. MNS 5919:2008 Permitted limit and methodology of measurement from thermal electro station's emission. 8. MNS 6298:2011 Permitted limit and methodology from new thermal elector station's emission etc. There are total 47 standards related air pollution in Mongolia.</p> <p>Noise standard: MNS 17.5.1.21:1992 Transport noise standard and its methodology of measurement.</p> <p>Major actions taken:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. National Committee on Air Pollution Reduction was established in 2012 under the Presidential Office. 2. The Clean Air Fund was established in frame of Law on Air 3. City's Air Quality Office was established for air quality monitoring

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“Cross-Cutting”	16 Implement sustainable low-carbon transport initiatives to mitigate the causes of global climate change and to fortify national energy security , and to report the inventory of all greenhouse gases emitted from the transport sector in the	<p>Any action had been taken so far?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not yet</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed</p> <p>(Please Check the box)</p>	<p>Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:</p> <p>Small market to implement Clean development mechanism or the Joint crediting mechanism project on transport sector.</p> <p>-Lack of international and regional cooperation in low carbon transport initiatives</p> <p>-Lack of financing mechanism on low carbon transport initiative.</p>

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	National Communication to the UNFCCC	<p>Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions. Please attach reports or include websites where relevant.</p> <p>GHG inventory was conducted in 2006. According to this research, Mongolian third national communication under the UNFCCC was developed in 2018.</p> <p>-“The National Renewable Energy Program”- from 2005 to 2020 was developed. Main goal of this program is to increase share of renewable energy in total energy generation to 20-25% by 2020.</p> <p>-The parliament of Mongolia approved the National Action Program on Climate Change in 2011. Period of the program is 2011-2021. Second phase implementation plan of the program was approved by the Government of Mongolia in July 2018.</p> <p>- Pilot research project ‘‘Strategies for Green Public Transport in Mongolia’’ is being implemented at the Ministry of Road and Transport with support of GGGI of Korea. Main objective is to study of opportunity to promote clean energy technologies for the public transport and enhanced inspection rules and regulation for vehicle emission control.</p> <p>- Cooperation agreement on Low carbon partnership between Mongolian and Japanese Governments was signed in January 2013. The Government of Japan launched the Joint Crediting Mechanism (JCM) under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. It is regarded as one of the cooperative approaches stipulated in Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. It describes the framework and key features of the JCM to assist stakeholders in developing a deeper understanding of this new and, in fact, first ever bilateral carbon market mechanism.</p>

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		<p>Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to implement GHG inventory since 2007 - to introduce "Eco" label in transport sector. <p>What importance does this particular EST Goal attach in your country's on-going efforts in achieving (a) the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), (b) New Urban Agenda, and (c) Paris Climate Agreement?</p> <p>The EST Goal is important in Mongolia as guidance in EST planning to achieve SDG up to 2030.</p>		
"Cross-Cutting" Strategy	17	<p>Adopt social equity as a planning and design criteria in the development and implementation of transport initiatives, leading to improved quality, safety and security for all and especially for women, universal accessibility of streets and public transport systems for persons with disabilities and elderly, affordability of transport systems for low-income groups, and up-gradation, modernization and</p>	<p>Any action had been taken so far?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not yet</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed</p> <p>(Please Check the box)</p>	<p>Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:</p>
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"Cross-Cutting" Strategy	18 Encourage innovative financing mechanisms for sustainable transport infrastructure and operations through measures, such as parking levies, fuel pricing, time-of-day automated road user charging, and public-private partnerships such as land value capture, including consideration of carbon markets, wherever feasible	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
		Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions. Please attach reports or include websites where relevant. The Ministry is formulating the Draft Law of Mongolia on Automobile Parking within framework of establishing the sustainable road and transport infrastructure in city through mitigation of road congestion in major cities.	

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		What importance does this particular EST Goal attach in your country's on-going efforts in achieving (a) the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), (b) New Urban Agenda, and (c) Paris Climate Agreement?	
"Cross-Cutting" Strategy	19 Encourage widespread distribution of information and awareness on sustainable transport to all levels of government and to the public through outreach, promotional campaigns, timely reporting of monitored indicators, and participatory processes	Any action had been taken so far? <input type="checkbox"/> Not yet <input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting) <input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place <input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed (Please Check the box)	Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:
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“Cross-Cutting” Strategy	20	<p>Develop dedicated and funded institutions that address sustainable transport-land use policies and implementation, including research and development on environmentally-sustainable transport, and promote good governance through implementation of environmental impact assessments for major transport projects</p>	<p>Any action had been taken so far?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Not yet</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Some progress (design – piloting)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Largely in Place</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Fully Completed</p> <p>(Please Check the box)</p> <p>Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:</p>
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Major policy initiatives/projects/action plan to improve rural access:

"Cross-Cutting" Strategy	Take policy initiatives to improve rural access leading to improved quality, safety and security for all and especially for women, disadvantaged groups persons with disabilities and elderly, low-income groups, access to farms, agriculture centers, education and health	List some of actions taken to improve rural access in your country so far?	Barriers/Challenges faced in improving rural connectivity:
		Please add few specific examples of initiatives, pilot projects, major policies or programmes developed or under development (or) any major investment decisions to improve rural access . Please attach reports or include websites where relevant.	

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			Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year
			Importance of improving rural access in your country's on-going efforts in achieving (a) the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), (b) New Urban Agenda, and (c) Paris Climate Agreement?