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

Country Report

(Draft)

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

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 2019) 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
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sustainable transport needs and challenges to better devise their existing as well as future capacity building programs and operations in sustainable transport areas.

Timeline for submission by **15 August 2019**, by email to: **est@uncred.or.jp**

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| I. Strategies to **Avoid** unnecessary travel and reduce trip distances | Any action had been taken so far? ☐ Not yet ☒ Some progress (design – piloting) ☐ Largely in Place ☐ Fully Completed (Please Check the box) | Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:  
- Difficulty on urban-replanning;  
- Low capacity to integrate land-use and transport planning process |
| “Avoid” Strategy | 1 | Formally integrate **land-use and transport planning** processes and related institutional arrangements at the local, regional, and national levels | 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.  
- Ensuring 16% - 26% land reserved for urban transport (Law on Road transport) |  
|  | | | Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
- Continue to develop urban transport infrastructure. |
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| 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 | 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?  
- Reduce congestion therefore reduce fuel consumption and pollution in the cities.  

#### “Avoid” Strategy

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| ☐ Not yet | 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.  
- Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh urban Railway Projects. |
| ☒ Some progress (design – piloting) | Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
- To operate 01 urban railway in Ha Noi (Cat Linh - Ha Dong) |
| ☐ Largely in Place | 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?  
- Modal shift from private transport to public transport.  
- Reduce fuel consumption and GHG emission in transport.  

<p>| ☐ Fully Completed |  |</p>
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| 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?  
☐ Not yet  
☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
☐ Largely in Place  
☐ Fully Completed  
(Please Check the box) | 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.  
- **Information of the congestion spots on VOV broadcasting.**  
Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year |
|         | **“Avoid” Strategy**                                                            |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                             |

II. Strategies to **Shift** towards more sustainable modes

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?  
- Reduce unneeded travel.
### Goal No. 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

| Voluntary Progress/Achievements/Major Initiatives, including any transport master plans, development of special transport corridors, in Implementing the Bangkok 2020 Declaration from the Mongolia EST Forum 2018 to the Viet Nam EST Forum 2019. |
| Any action had been taken so far? |
| ☐ Not yet | ☒ Some progress (design – piloting) |
| ☐ Largely in Place | ☐ Fully Completed (Please Check the box) |

**Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:**

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- Release sidewalk for pedestrian.
- New walking area/street in cities.

**Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year**

- Continue to develop new walking street.

**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?**

- Reduce fuel consumption and GHG emission.
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<td>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</td>
<td>Any action had been taken so far? □ Not yet ☒ Some progress (design – piloting) □ Largely in Place □ Fully Completed (Please Check the box)</td>
<td>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. - MRT, BRT in Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh city</td>
<td>- Limited finance source.</td>
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<td>Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year - Continue to develop bus system and urban railway projects in Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh city</td>
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<td>Reduce the urban transport mode share of private motorized vehicles through <strong>Transportation Demand Management</strong> (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</td>
<td>Any action had been taken so far?  □ Not yet  ☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  □ Largely in Place  □ Fully Completed (Please Check the box)  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.  - Real-time Parking fee</td>
<td>Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  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?  - Reduce unneeded travel; reduce congestion and pollution in the city center.</td>
<td>- Need to revise Law on Fees and Charges</td>
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| 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?  
☐ Not yet  
☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
☐ Largely in Place  
☐ Fully Completed  
(Please Check the box) | - Low awareness of transport enterprises  
- Lack of skilled human resource |

#### “Shift” Strategy

- 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.
  - Strengthen the control of loading capacity of truck
  - Ministry of Transport has approved the transport restructuring scheme to raise the capacity and efficiency of different transport modes

#### Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year

- Implement the above Scheme.

#### 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?

- Reduce fuel consumption by modal-shift to more fuel efficiency.

### III. Strategies to Improve transport practices and technologies
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<td>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</td>
<td>Any action had been taken so far?  ☐ Not yet  ☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  ☐ Largely in Place  ☐ Fully Completed (Please Check the box)</td>
<td>- Lack of policies to encourage the new type of fuel</td>
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<td>“Improve” Strategy</td>
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<td>- Apply fuel economy labelling on new assembled, manufactured and imported cars from 09 seats and below.</td>
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<td>- Apply new 50 CNG buses in Ha Noi; continue to develop CNG bus in Ho Chi Minh city.</td>
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<td>Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year</td>
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<td>- Continue to develop CNG bus in Ha Noi and Ho Chi Minh city.</td>
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<td>- Apply fuel economy labelling on new assembled, manufactured and imported motorcycle and moped.</td>
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<td>- Reduce the using of fossil fuel.</td>
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## Goal No. 9

**Goal Description**
Set progressive, appropriate, and affordable standards for fuel quality, fuel efficiency, and tailpipe emissions for all vehicle types, including new and in-use vehicles.

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**Any action had been taken so far?**
- ☐ Not yet
- ☐ Some progress (design – piloting)
- ☐ Largely in Place
- ☒ 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.

- Apply Euro 3 for new assembled, manufactured and imported two-wheeled motorcycles.
- Apply Euro 4 for new assembled, manufactured and imported two-wheeled automobiles.
- Apply new emission standard for in-used automobiles.

**Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year**

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?

- Reduce the pollution in city centers.
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| 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?  
☐ Not yet  
☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
☐ Largely in Place  
☐ Fully Completed  
(Please Check the box) | Need to revise Law on Road transport  
- Viet Nam has a very big number of motorbike so it requires big investment to control emission.  
- Apply emission standard for in-used motorbike in big cities  
- Propose to revise the Law on Road transport  
- Reduce fuel consumption and pollution from in-used motorbikes |
| 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?  
☐ Not yet  
☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
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(Please Check the box) | Traditional drivers behavior |
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| 12 | "Improve" Strategy | 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.  
- Apply ITS in some new highways of Viet Nam  
Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
- Continue to implement the route map to apply ITS in Viet Nam  
- Expand automatic tollgate in the whole country  
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?  
- Reduce fuel consumption  
- Transparency  
Any action had been taken so far?  
☐ Not yet  
☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
☐ Largely in Place  
☐ Fully Completed  
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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.  
- Issue Green freight company standard |
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|          |                  | Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
|          |                  | - Apply Green freight company standard.  
|          |                  | - Minister of MOT approves Scheme on restructure goods transport.  
|          |                  | What importance does this particular EST Goal attach in your country’s on-going efforts in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development?  
|          |                  | - Reduce fuel consumption.  

**IV. Cross-cutting strategies**

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| 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 | ☒ Fully Completed | - Lack of knowledge of the drivers.  
|          |                  | [ ] Not yet  
|          |                  | [ ] Some progress (design – piloting)  
|          |                  | [ ] Largely in Place  
|          |                  | [ ] Fully Completed  

*Please Check the box*

|                  | 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.  
|                  | - Limited speed in the cities.  
|                  | - Apply cruise control devices on buses and trucks.  
|                  | Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
|                  | - Enhance control limited speed especially for buses and trucks  

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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?  
- Reduce road accidents.  

|        |                  | Any action had been taken so far?  
|        |                  | ☐ Not yet  
|        |                  | ☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
|        |                  | ☐ Largely in Place  
|        |                  | ☐ Fully Completed  
|        |                  | (Please Check the box)  

|        |                  | Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:  
|        |                  | - Limited finance resource.  
|        |                  | - Low capacity of human resource.  

| 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.  
|        |      | 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.  
|        |      | - Building noise map for some International Airport and noise map for some main route of roads in Ha Noi city  
|        |      | Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
|        |      | - Continued.  

|        |      | 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?
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<td>Establish country-specific, progressive, health-based, cost-effective, and enforceable <strong>air quality and noise</strong> standards, also taking into account the WHO guidelines, and mandate monitoring 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</td>
<td>Any action had been taken so far?  ☐ Not yet  ☐ Some progress (design – piloting)  ☐ Largely in Place  ☐ Fully Completed (Please Check the box)</td>
<td>Low capacity of human resource to establish standard</td>
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<td>“Cross-Cutting.”</td>
<td>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.  - National Technical Regulation on Ambient Air Quality  - National Technical Regulation on Environment in Ha Noi city  - Report on national air quality</td>
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## Goal No. 16

**Goal Description:** 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 National Communication to the UNFCCC.

**Voluntary Progress/Achievements/Major Initiatives:**

- Any action had been taken so far?
  - ☐ Not yet
  - ☐ Some progress (design – piloting)
  - ☒ Largely in Place
  - ☐ Fully Completed

(Please Check the box)

**Barriers/Challenges faced in implementation:**

- Lack of some activity data on motorcycles and small boats. Need to survey.

**Any action had been taken so far?**

- ☐ Not yet
- ☐ Some progress (design – piloting)
- ☒ Largely in Place
- ☐ Fully Completed

(Please Check the box)

**Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year**

- Complete system for GHG inventory in transport sector; BAU; mitigation scenarios.
- Develop of MRV system.

**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?**

- Identify optimal mitigation actions and implement
- Report
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| 17       | 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 integration of intermediate public transport. | Any action had been taken so far?  
☐ Not yet  
☐ Some progress (design – piloting)  
☒ Largely in Place  
☐ Fully Completed  
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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.  
  - Policies for the disabilities to use different transport modes; priority for elderly people.  
Examples of important actions that you plan to carry out in next year  
- Continue to implement the above policies.  
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? |
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☒ Some progress (design – piloting)  
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- BOT (Built-Operation-Transfer) projects in developing transport infrastructure. |
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- Develop transport infrastructure |
|         | 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?  
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