SIX MONTH PROGRESS REPORT OF THE JOINT TECHNICAL WORKING GROUPS
For the Period: December 2005 - May 2006

*This questionnaire on progress made by each Joint Technical Working Group is requested by the Secretariat of the Government-Donor Coordination Committee (GDCC). It should be completed and submitted to the Secretariat of the GDCC before **29 May 2006**. It will be used to prepare a summary progress report for the seventh GDCC Meeting scheduled to be held on 14 June 2006. Please return the completed questionnaire to H.E. Mr. Chhieng Yanara at CDC/CRDB in both soft and hard copies.*

INFRASTRUCTURE REGIONAL INTEGRATION TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

A. PROGRESS IN IMPLEMENTING TWG'S ACTION PLANS

1. Please list below activities in the Action Plans that were scheduled to be implemented during the last six months (December 2005 to May 2006) and provide an update on implementation status of these activities.

Scheduled Activities	Implementation Status			
	On Schedule	Behind Schedule	If behind schedule, reasons for delay	TWG Recommendations for GDCC Consideration, if any
MPWT				
i. Transport Sector Strategy (TSS)		✓	Update of Draft Transport Sector Strategy is being circulated within members of the Inter-ministerial Re-organization Committee (IRC). The IRC Meeting on the revised TSS will be convened early June 2006; and the revised schedule of TSS submission to CoM will be on the agenda.	
ii. Reach agreement on a clear transparent mechanism for budget allocation and disbursement and monitoring for repair and maintenance of roads	✓		MEF has proposed its new disbursement procedures and counter-proposed a joint MPWT-MEF maintenance mechanism which is being studied by MPWT and JICA Study Team.	
iii. Submit Road Law to CoM for approval	✓		Draft Road Law completed. Pending comments by Ministry of Justice before sending to CoM	
iv. Road Safety Action Plans		✓	MEF approved an amount of US$ 170,000.00 for the establishment of Secretariat Office of the National Road Safety Committee (NRSC) and operation costs. Handicap International Belgium has allocated fund of US$ 171,616.00 to assist NRSC in partially implementing the action plan in 2006. An ADB individual Consultant is currently assisting NRSC to draft 5 year detailed rolling Road Safety Action Plan.	Due to the current stage of increasingly road traffic accidents, it is strongly urged that the effective implementation of Road Safety Action Plan is urgent. Hence, Financial Assistance is very essentially required. GDCC is, therefore, requested to assist in appealing for financial assistance from interested Donor(s)
MRD				
v. Strategic Plan for Rural Roads in Cambodia	✓		First draft of Strategic Plan for Rural Roads was completed; and	

			will be reviewed by experts shortly	
MPTC				
vi. Submit Telecom law to CoM for approval	✓		The Draft Telecom Law has been submitted to the NA in April 2006	
vii. Telecom Sector Policy Statement	✓		The Draft Telecom Policy Statement has been submitted to CoM in January 2006	
MOWRAM				
viii. Sub-decree of River Basin Management	✓		First draft of the River Basin Management sub-decree has been prepared by MOWRAM with assistance of consultants from the ADB/AFD North West Irrigation Sector Project. The Sub-decree is being internally reviewed by MOWRAM. The sub-decree is part of the draft Law of Water Resources Management which is currently pending promulgation at the NA.	GDCC is to assist in acceleration of the promulgation of Draft Law of Water Resources Management by the NA
MIME				
ix. Submit Water Supply and Sanitation Law (WSSL) to CoM for approval	✓		Submission of Draft WSSL to CoM in March 2005. OBSESS reviewed the draft in November 2005; and In early May 2006CoM has requested MIME to revise 17 points. The draft is being revised.	
x. Prepare draft of Cambodia National Wood Energy Statistic & Wood Energy Policy	✓		Inter-ministerial Technical Working Group has been established; the first meeting of the Inter-ministerial Technical Working Group was convened on 29 March 2006 to commence the draft action plan.	
SSCA				
xi. Formulation of Civil Aviation Institutional Development Framework		✓	Request for Aeronautical Technical Assistance has been identified by JICA for JICA Grant Project	

2. Are there any other issues affecting the implementation of TWG Action Plan that it would like to submit for GDCC's consideration.

a. The IRITWG requests GDCC to seek financial assistances to the implementation of the Road Safety Action Plans of the year 2006-2007 and to the Civil Aviation Institutional Development Framework
b. GDCC to coordinate with the NA for the acceleration of the promulgations of draft Laws of the infrastructures

B. PROGRESS ON JOINT MONITORING INDICATORS

3. If there are any Joint Monitoring Indicator(s) agreed at the 8th CG Meeting held in March 2006 that fall within the mandate of *this* TWG, please list the JMIs below and indicate progress that has been made toward achieving the JMI targets.

Joint Monitoring Indicator	What is the current implementation status? What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any? What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?
i. Reach agreement on a clear transparent mechanism for budget allocation and disbursement and monitoring for repair and	MEF has introduced its new disbursement procedures and proposed a joint MPWT-MEF maintenance mechanism which is being studied by MPWT and JICA Study Team.

maintenance of roads	
ii. Submit Draft Road Law to CoM for approval	Draft Road Law completed. Pending comments by Ministry of Justice before sending to CoM in June 2006
iii. Submit Telecom law to CoM for approval	• CoM approved the final draft of Telecom Law on 31 March 2006 • Telecom Law has been submitted to NA on 20 April 2006
iv. Submit Water Supply and Sanitation Law (WSSL) to CoM for approval	Submission of Draft WSSL to CoM in March 2005. OBSESS reviewed the draft in November 2005; and In early May 2006CoM has requested MIME to revise 17 points.
v. Prepare draft of Cambodia National Wood Energy Statistic & Wood Energy Policy	Inter-ministerial Technical Working Group has been established; the first meeting of the Inter-ministerial Technical Working Group was convinced on 29 March 2006 to commence the draft action plan.

C. Implementation Status of the Action Plan on Harmonization, Alignment and Results

4. What actions have you taken to implement the updated Harmonization, Alignment, and Results Action Plan?
   What are the constraints that you are experiencing, if any?
   What recommendations do you have, for GDCC consideration to resolve the identified constraints?

Action Taken	Update

D. Resource Mobilization

5. Has the TWG been able to mobilize the resources to implement its Action Plan for 2006?

☐ yes ☐ no

If no, please answer the following questions:

- What is the total amount of resources the TWG had estimated to implement its Action Plan for 2006? (in USD)
- What is the minimum additional amount that the TWG needs to implement its Action Plan? (in USD)
- Which development partners do you think would be able to provide the required resources?

Report endorsed by:

TWG Chair(s): TRAM Iv Tek, Secretary of State – Vice IRITWG Chairman, Ministry of Public Works & Transport — Date: 29 May 06

Co -Lead Donor Coordinator(s): Juro CHIKARAISHI, JICA Resident Representative — Date: 29th May, 2006

Co -Lead Donor Coordinator(s): Alain GOFFEAU, Asian Development Bank — Date: 29 MAY 2006