

ICA Transport Sector Platform

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Progress on Promoting the OSBPs (1)

(From May to October 2011)

■ The 1st Joint OSBP Sensitization Workshop: Lessons Learned from Africa, May 23rd-25th, Arusha, Tanzania

➤ More than 90 participants representing the OSBP stakeholders

➤ Agenda for the Workshop:

■ How to Implement OSBPs-Lessons Learned from Africa

■ Case Studies of OSBP Implementation-Chirundu (Zambia/Zimbabwe), Cinkansé (Togo/Burkina Faso)

■ Progress toward Regional Strategic Plan for OSBP Implementation

■ Contributions from Development Partners

■ Breakout sessions to discuss specific issues such as Legal framework, Procedure, ICT Application, Physical facilities and Traffic flow, and Management and Maintenance of Common Control Zones etc.

➤ Achievements:

❑ The workshop demonstrated the number of OSBP that are in process of implementation and planned, and shared the various lessons learned.

➤ Recommendations for Future Actions

■ SADC recommended that further effort be made to gain feedback from the different RECs.

■ Delegation from West Africa requested that the finalized OSBP Source Book is translated into French for dissemination in West Africa Region.

■ SADC requested that it also be translated into Portuguese.

Progress on Promoting the OSBPs (2)

- **Tripartite (COMESA, EAC, and SADC) OSBP Project Workshop, October 26th-27th, Johannesburg, South Africa**
- More than 70 participants representing the OSBP stakeholders mainly from Tripartite Region
- Agenda for the Workshop:
 - Reasons for delay in signing OSBP MoUs and enacting OSBP legislation
 - Expected coverage of an SADC regional OSBP strategy
 - Recommended Regional Legal Framework
 - Strategic Steps to Implement the Strategy
 - Stakeholders to be involved in implementing Strategy and Program
 - Concessioning of Border Infrastructure
- Achievements:
 - JICA and TMSA supported workshop provided a platform to disseminated the OSBP Sourcebook and, dialogue between SADC policy makers, corridor users and RECs Experts on the need to develop a SADC OSBP Strategy was initiated.
- Recommendations for Future Actions
 - Participants were of the view that border posts are regional rather than national facilities and that RECs should develop and adapt policy measures and guidelines to avoid and mitigate any negative effects of concessioning of border infrastructure and facilities.

Way forward on Promoting the OSBPs

(From November)

- OSBP Source Book into the West Africa Region
 - Translation of OSBP Source Book into French
 - The OSBP Sensitization Workshop in the Western Part of Africa:

Timeline: Expected in the Second Quarter of 2012

- The SADC Regional OSBP Strategy
 - SADC Secretariat is now taking the workshop further by drafting the OSBP strategy which will be developed in consultation with member states and the corridor users.

[Related Study]

Harmonization of Vehicle Overload Control Regulations in EAC (1)

■ Background:

- The EAC has strived to enhance trade among Partner States and with the rest of the world, to improve the region's economy and competitiveness. However, inefficient transport mainly caused by overloading and pavement failure of the regional highways results in high transport costs and frequent maintenance requirements.
- EAC Secretariat requested JICA to fund specific studies on the technical and legal aspects of harmonizing axle load regulations.

■ Objective of the Study:

- Harmonization of axle load and vehicle overload control
- Preparation of legal framework on axle loads and vehicle overload control in the EAC region

■ Completion of the Study:

- September 2011: Submission of Final Report to JICA and the EAC Secretariat - Final Report to be opened publicly on EAC Website

■ Way forward;

- JICA to further support on the preparation of EAC Vehicle Overload Control Bill

[Related Study]

Harmonization of Vehicle Overload Control Regulations in EAC (2)

■ Structure and Contents of the Report

- Chapter 1: Presents an introduction to the Study
- Chapter 2: Review existing laws and regulations concerning vehicle and axle weight limits in the EAC.
- Chapter 3: Reviews of the existing situation of the road sector in the EAC, particularly the Regional Trunk Road Network (RTN) and its design and operation, which provides the background of vehicle and axle weight limits and control
- Chapter 4: Examines the issue of overloading charges/fees/fines.
- Chapter 5: Attempts to verify the recommended harmonized vehicle weight and axle load limits in the EAC by means of the HDM-4 model and bridge stress calculations
- Chapter 6: Examines the issue of accommodating new vehicle technology in the control of vehicle and axle weight control
- Chapter 7: Deals with the issue of weighbridges and their operation
- Chapter 8: Discusses the formulation of an EAC regional legal instrument for vehicle and axle weight control and presents a draft text for the legal instrument

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Harmonization of Vehicle Overload Control Regulations in EAC (3)

- **Output of the Study:** Base on input from this study, the five EAC Partner States reached a consensus on 23 issues :

(1) Overload Fines/Fees/Charges	(7) Mass limits for super single tyres	(13) Type of weighing devices (1)	(19) Weighbridge verification
(2) Axle Load Limits	(8) Super Single Tyres (way forward)	(14) Type of weighing devices (2)	(20) Weighbridge auditing at least every X months
(3) Gross Combination Mass (GCM)/Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) Limit	(9) Lifiable Axles	(15) Location of weighbridges	(21) Implementation of data management system
(4) Use of Bridge Formula	(10) Vehicle with tandem steering axle on drawbar trailer (Dolly)	(16) Management of weighbridges	(22) Standardized training of personnel
(5) Vehicle Dimensions	(11) Interlinks (B-double)	(17) Weighbridge operations and procedures	(23) Modality of Legal Instrument
(6) Use of drawing as guidelines in the adopted regulations	(12) Self Regulation	(18) Mass tolerance on axles and GVM	

Acceptance of 56 tonnes/7axles

Thank you for your attention

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