

Japan Mekong Connectivity Initiative Project Review

● Quantitative evaluation on major projects of the Japan Mekong Connectivity Initiative which contribute to enhancing connectivity in the Mekong region. Through this evaluation, cooperation projects to further strengthen connectivity under a new strategy will be explored.

E-W Econ. Corridor [99.9% Paved. Actual Run N.A. hours (2008) ⇒ 36 hours (2017)]

- **E-W Econ. Corridor Improvement Project (Myanmar: Loan) [Phase 1: Bidding Process. Phase 2: F/S] ①**
⇒ PCU(*): 2,410 (2014) → 14,500 (2024) [Jain-Kokare Bridge]
⇒ Driving time: Mawlamyaing - Kokare: approx. 4.5 hours (2014) → approx. 2 hours (2024)

- **The Project for Improvement of the National Road Route 9 (Laos: Grant) [Under Construction]**
⇒ PCU(*): Xe Kum Kam Bridge ② 1,840, Xe Tha Mouak Bridge ③ 4,861 (2015)
→ Xe Kum Kam Bridge 2,966 Xe Tha Mouak Bridge 8,358 (2022)

South. Econ. Corridor [95% Paved. Actual Run 40 hours (2008) ⇒ 35 hours (2017)]

- **National Road No.5 Improvement Project (Cambodia: Loan) [N & S: Under Construction. Central: Bid Process]**
⇒ PCU(*): [North] 8,491 (2011) → 22,500 (2022) (Battambang ④ - Sri Sophorn ⑤)
[South] 7,306 (2012) → 13,817 (2021) (Prek Kdam ⑥ - Thlea Ma'am ⑦)
[Central] 6,174 (2012) → 14,229 (2022) (Thlea Ma'am - Battambang)
7,454 (2012) → 15,566 (2022) (Sri Sophorn - Poipet ⑧)
⇒ Driving time: [North] 103 min. (2011) → 86 min. (2022) (Battambang - Sri Sophorn)
[South] 135 min. (2012) → 126 min. (2021) (Prek Kdam - Thlea Ma'am)
[Central] 116 min. (2012) → 107 min. (2022) (Thlea Ma'am - Battambang)
44 min. (2012) → 36 min. (2022) (Sri Sophorn - Poipet)

- **The project for Capacity Development on Container Terminal Management and Operation in Sihanoukville Port (Cambodia: Loan) [D/D] ⑨** ⇒ TEU(*): 392,000 (2015) → 870,000 (2025)

- **North-South Expressway Construction Project (Ben Luc- Long Thanh) (Vietnam: Loan) [Under Construction] ⑩**
⇒ PCU: N.A. (2011) → 41,136 (2018)
⇒ Driving Time: 132 min. (2011) → 58 min. (2018)

Soft Connectivity

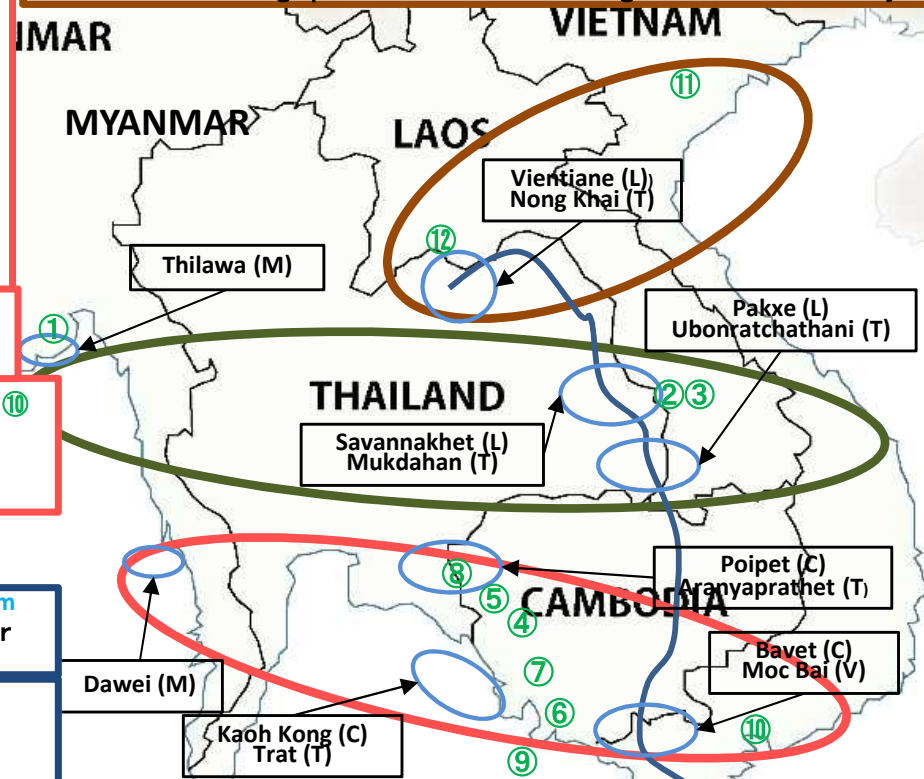
- **[Institution] Technical Cooperation for strengthening the effectiveness of Automated Cargo Clearance System (Vietnam, Myanmar) ⇒ Time of Custom Processing by Simple Inspection: 15 min. ⇒ 1~3 sec. (After installation of NACCS)**
- **[Regional Dev't] The Project for Promoting Sustainability in Future Cities of Thailand (Thailand)**
⇒ Planning the Sustainable Future City Initiative in 6 model local cities
⇒ Training 39 Thai officers from central gov't and local cities
- **[HRD] Project of Japan Center for Human Resource Development (Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar, Viet Nam) ⇒ Training 17,150 people in management section of private sector in Mekong Countries since 2015.**

Japan-Mekong Connectivity Forum

- In Sept. 2017 and March 2018. Participants from Gov./Priv: 130.
- Discussed prospects and challenges as well as Mekong countries efforts to develop E-W and S. Econ. Corridors.

Hanoi-Vientiane

- **Data collection survey for enhancing connectivity between Hanoi ⑪ and Vientiane ⑫ (Laos-Vietnam: Study)**
⇒ Considering several route options and development time frame, taking account of benefit and life-cycle cost analysis
⇒ Also considering specific measures to strengthen soft connectivity



※ Red is on-going. Blue is completed or nearly completed.
 ※ PCU: Numbers of Passenger Cars in terms of the unit on the road per Day
 ※ TEU: Twenty-Foot Equivalent Unit: cargo handling volume at Terminal