



Joint Sector Review

12th November, 2015

MININFRA Ground Floor Boardroom

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24) Mr. Innocent (Walter) KABAGAMBE - MININFRA
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Agenda:

1. Introduction
2. Communication from Chair and Co-chair
3. Presentation of JSR Draft report
4. Discussions and Recommendations
5. Presentation by National Capacity Building (NCBS)

Introduction

The Joint Sector Review meeting for Transport Sector was chaired by MININFRA, and Co-chaired by AfDB. The meeting started with the introduction by all participants. In his opening remarks, the Permanent Secretary of MININFRA welcomed all SWG members to the backward looking transport Joint Sector meeting and appreciated t-SWAp Secretariat for organizing the meeting that brings together all Stakeholders from Public and Private Sectors as well as Development Partners (DPs).

He stressed that the main objective of transport sector is to gain modern infrastructure with cost effective and quality services, while ensuring sustainable economic growth and developing, eco-friendly, safe and seamless integrated multimodal transport system for passengers and goods both at national and regional level; and that in order to achieve that, the Government has to ensure all the Sector Working Group (SWG) Stakeholders are fully engaged in policy dialogues, ownership, accountability and transparency of the EDPRS-2 implementation and monitoring process.

The Permanent Secretary further observed that although the sector has registered a tremendous success in achieving the EDPRS 2 targets as we approach the EDPRS-2 Mid Term, challenges still remain such as; Delays related to procurement, late disbursements which did not materialize on time, and thus affecting the general performance of the sector. He, therefore, urged the SWG to address these challenges.

The Co-chair (AfDB) also welcomed participants and highlighted the good partnership between the DPs and the GoR. She appreciated the Secretariat for coordinating the Joint Sector and urged members to come up with solutions to the mentioned challenges.

The Co-chair also thanked the Secretariat for implementing the recommendation of the previous JSR Forward looking meeting held on 5th June, 2015, on information sharing by preparing quarterly bulletin. The AfDB has worked closely with the secretariat to improve the quality of the bulletin. She urged participants to avail sector information and highlights to the secretariat in order to improve on information sharing among stakeholders.

She commended the good progress made in the sector with impressive results; however, she stressed that priority areas for 2016/17 should be updated and that the Government should come up with a clear and realistic disbursement strategy to cater for unnecessary delays in project implementation and low disbursement of funds. She said that AfDB revised its procurement policy to align it with the Government's in order to fast track implementation of projects especially in approval of No-Objection.

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Presentation and issues discussed

No	Item	Issues raised	Comments/Actions
1	Presentation of JSR Draft Report by t-SWAp	Priority areas for the sector should include timelines and projections	The Secretariat will update the projects to include timelines and projections
		RwandAir failed to achieve the target of passengers to be transported in 2014/15 by 11.6%; how will 2015/16 be achieved.	The under-achievement was because of Ebola outbreak in the West African countries and insecurity in the neighbouring Burundi that affected transit travels. Also the delay Kamembe airport rehabilitation affected passenger travels along DR Cong and Burundi. However, RwandAir has an ambition to acquire four more aircrafts (2 Wide bodies: A330-200 in September 2016, A330-300 in November 2016 and 2 narrow bodies: B737-800 one in October 2016 and the second one in May 2017). This will boost the passenger targets and open up the market to Asia and Europe.
		Low cost estimates for Feeder roads in the Western region	The on-going Feeder Road Policy once completed will address most of these challenges.
		The Secretariat concentrated the report on road transport at the expense of other agencies like water transport, air transport and public transport	The report was prepared basing on the ToRs issued by MINECOFIN; however, the SWG recommended that the report be balanced to include other sub sectors.
		What are some of the measures being proposed by the Government to reduce the road accident rate from 32.1 at present to 16 per 100,000 people in 10 years.	RTDA is identifying all black spots on all roads in the country and the exercise will be completed by June next year. Similarly, new roads to be constructed will have a climbing lane and this will reduce head-on crashes while overtaking along high risk sections. A 4-lane section on all city roads will be constructed to reduce on the accidents in CoK. (Nyabugogo-Nyacyonga, Nyabugogo-Gitikinyoni, Sonetubes-Prince House, Cyamitzing-Kabuga).
		RTDA should improve on procurement related challenges/delays	RTDA has utilised the technical assistance provided by AfDB to build the capacity of its staff in procurement and contract management this will go a long way to reduce delays due to procurement. AfDB revised its procurement policy to align it with the Government's to fast track implementation of projects especially in approval of No-Objection.
		Government should address the issue of expropriation related delays since this has been realised to be one of the main causes that affect project performance in the sector.	Government should come up with a clear and realistic disbursement strategy/plan to cater for unnecessary delays on project implementation and low disbursement of funds
		Sub sector priority areas for 2016/17 should be	The Secretariat will update the priority areas in the main report.

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No	Item	Issues raised included in the report.	Comments/Actions
2	A.O.B Presentation by National Capacity Building (NCBS)		The National Capacity Building Secretariat (NCBS) requested the SWG that all Government Institutions should include in their planning and budgeting the capacity needs during budget preparation and consultation. Details are found in Annex7 of Planning and Budget Calls Circular (PBCC)

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