



Project Progress Report

1 January 2015 – 31 December 2015

- Project ID: SAU10/79238
- Project Title: **Sustainable Road and Transport Management**
- Implementing Partner: **Ministry of Transport**
- Project Start Date: **1 January 2012**
- Project End Date: **31 December 2016**
- Total Project Amount:

Section1: Project Risk & Issue:

Updated Project Risks

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date Identified</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Comment or Mgt Response</u>
Operational	N/A	NTS progress reporting preparation	Questionnaire-based updates on activities from concerned government agencies and MOT departments with follow-up meetings Government pursues the NTS reporting as per legislative schedule
Political	N/A	Legislative process of NTS Reporting and review	

Updated Project Issues

<u>Type</u>	<u>Date Identified</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Solution Date</u>	<u>Comment or Mgt Response</u>
CHANGE	N/A	Delays of recruitment and non-extension of contracts (Economist, Safety, Passenger Transport, Planner) prevents full coverage of NTS actions		
OTHER	N/A			
PROBLEM	N/A			



Section2: Output Progress:

Project Period: 1 January 2015 - 31 December 2015

OUTPUT 1: Strengthening Governance and Public Administration through NTS Reporting and Review	
<u>Baseline:</u>	Reporting mechanism for NTS follow and implementation not established
<u>Indicators:</u>	Quality report prepared and submitted to the legislative bodies
<u>Target:</u>	NTS reporting and review mechanism established within the legislative process
<u>Achievement:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The bi-annual NTS Status Report has been finalized and published • Review of implementation actions at MOT for the NTS actions program ongoing. Stakeholder Meetings have been organized for actions for which MOT is the leader and follow-up with stakeholders is ongoing for other actions. • The Statistics expert and Freight Transport expert have commenced work in the project on 1st January and 15th February respectively • The TOR and tender processes for the development of the Transport Statistics System and the Multimodal Logistics Development Plan for Saudi Arabia have been organized. Reports have been provided to MOT for the evaluation and selection of consultants • TOR have been formulated for developing the National Transport Infrastructure Plan • The contract of the Passenger Transport Expert has not been extended

OUTPUT 2 : Capacity Building for Road and Transport Safety	
<u>Baseline:</u>	ITS technology to improve road safety on expressways not available
<u>Indicators:</u>	ITS projects included in the MOT budget, projects completed
<u>Target:</u>	ITS technology being physically implemented on expressways
<u>Achievement:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4th training session / workshop on ITS operations and maintenance held on 19 March 2015 at MOT. • The final report on ITS design for Dammam Highway Traffic Management System has been submitted after comments by MOT. • The Hydrology Expert has commenced work in the project in January • The contract of the Transport Safety Expert has not been extended • A training session for MOT on road hydrology and analysis for road design has been organized in September 2015. • A report on gap analysis and need assessment for safe road design has been delivered to MOT.



Section 3: Activity Performance

Activity ID: ACTIVITY1.1 Description: **NTS Reporting / Review Mechanism**

Start Date: Jan 2012

End Date : Dec 2015

Purpose: NTS sets out a periodical status reporting and review of the strategy for which the Ministry of Transport needs to establish regular mechanism. In this regard the Ministry has to evaluate the level of required capacities for undertaking this reporting and review tasks and develop reporting and review procedures that ensure a thorough dialogue and participation of all involved agencies and stakeholders.

Description: Outputs include a NTS reporting respectively review programme and terms of references and work schedules for experts facilitating the reporting and review process.

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Reporting / review procedures adopted by MOT	Review / reporting process achieved desired results	2016	NTS Follow-up department established at MOT, Reporting mechanism agreed for preparing 1433 / 1434 NTS Progress Report.	As per schedule



Activity ID: ACTIVITY1.2 Description: NTS Status Report preparation

Start Date: Jan 2013

End Date : Dec 2015

Purpose: With the adoption of NTS the Ministry of Transport is directed to prepare a bi-annual NTS Status Report. The leading role of MOT for the preparation of the status report requires continuous overall monitoring and recording of developments related to NTS and concerned agencies and stakeholders. In addition all participating agencies need to contribute NTS status evaluation regarding their activities set out in the NTS Action Programme. In the light of overall developments and the agencies progress report the NTS Status Reports is being drafted. The report preparation process is being facilitated by MOT and supported by experts.

Description: Outputs include report preparation with participation of all concerned transport sector agencies, submission of the report to respective legislative bodies

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Report submitted and considered by respective legislative government bodies	Documentation of the due legislative process	2014 2016	na	Second Report for 2015 completed



Activity ID: ACTIVITY1.3 Description: NTS five year Review

Start Date: Jan 2016

End Date : Dec 2016

Purpose: A five year review cycle has been set out for NTS in order to keep the action programme up to date and in line with the national development plan. While having prepared the bi-annual status reports the NTS review requires the review of the policies and the action programme with regard to the effectiveness and focus on overall and current developments. Therefore the review process includes a policy dialogue to refine the NTS policies and action programme and may include changes as a result of lessons learnt, and additions as those would be appropriate to better achieve the NTS mission and strategic goals

Description: The NTS review exercise includes the preparation of action programme update reports of all participating agencies. On the basis of the proposed revisions MOT will revise NTS policies and action programme and draft related documents that are jointly review in a national workshop.

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Updated NTS documents adopted	Review/reporting process achieved desired results	2016	na	Activity scheduled for 2016



Activity ID: ACTIVITY 1.4.1 Description: NTS Task Force Support: Developing an activity plan for reducing carbon emissions of the transport sector

Start Date: Jan 2012

End Date : Dec 2015

Purpose: The transport sector accounts for a significant percentage of Green House Gas emissions world wide, road transport is contributing to these emissions significantly. Transforming present transportation systems towards a low-carbon, energy efficient, more environmentally sustainable sector will require long term vision and a multi faceted strategic approach within NTS. Such a transformation would offer opportunities for green economic growth.

Description: Outputs include an issue paper on opportunities and possible activities for reducing carbon emissions for all transport modes, transportation systems, and infrastructure development. The issue paper shall contribute to the planned review of NTS

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Issue paper included in the NTS review process	Review/reporting process achieved desired results	2016	na	Activity delayed due to delayed recruitment and non-extension of experts contract



Activity ID: ACTIVITY 1.4.3 Description: **NTS Task Force Support: Transport Data and Statistics Program**

Start Date: Jan 2013

End Date : Dec 2016

Purpose: NTS includes a mandate to define and set up a comprehensive transport data and statistics system, which will be essential to track the progress and performance of the six program areas of the NTS. The system will support decision makers at various levels of the Ministry of Transport to make informed decisions, track progress and performance of various elements of the transport sector through relevant and easily understandable performance indicators of the main program areas, carry out analytical work for those who are interested (such as policy makers, academicians, researchers, businesses) and for use by interested national and international institutions involved in the transport sector.

Description: Outputs include terms of references and work schedules for consultants to develop the Statistics System and the Statistics Unit at MOT as well as an evaluation report to support MOT for the project monitoring and review process.

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Terms of Reference/ Reporting / review procedures adopted by MOT	Review / reporting process achieved desired results	2016	na	Activity started in 2015 due to delayed recruitment of expert.



Activity ID: ACTIVITY2.1 Description: **Development of Intelligent Transport System applications**

Start Date: Jan 2012

End Date : Dec 2013

Purpose : Following the ITS design study for the Riyadh Highway Traffic Management System and ITS Deployment and Integration Plan for Saudi Arabia MOT will be implementing a number of ITS projects for highways across the Kingdom. This process requires document preparation, technical review of proposals, and technical expertise during project implementation.

Description: Outputs include (i) ITS Design Study Highway 15/40 in Makkah / Madinah Region, and (ii) ITS Design Study for HTMS Dammam/Dhahran/AI Khobar.

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Studies completed satisfactorily according to ToR.	Approval by MOT departments	2013 2014 2015	na	Study start was delayed. Report has been submitted. Approval by MOT pending.



Activity ID: ACTIVITY2.2 Description: **Capacity support for road safety management**

Start Date: Jan 2012

End Date : Dec 2016

Purpose: Road safety has become a prominent issue and MOT is undertaking efforts to enhance the road traffic safety management for highways. This includes training measures for ITS systems planning and administration, and improving the road and traffic database, introducing proactive monitoring and surveying of safety related road installations, and further developing road safety management tools.

Description: Outputs include capacity support to the traffic and safety department and training provide to MOT staff regarding ITS systems planning and administration.

Quality Criteria	Quality Method	Quality Assessment Due Date	User Perspective	Timeliness
Support and training delivered as per the needs of MOT	Approval by MOT departments	2016	na	Training activity started in 2013. Activity delayed due to non-extension of expert contract.