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**Greater Mekong Subregion Economic Cooperation Program**

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**SENIOR OFFICIALS' MEETING**  
**Via Web-based Conferencing**

**11 September 2020**

1000H Manila/Beijing time, 0900H Bangkok/Ha Noi/Phnom Penh/Vientiane time, 0830H Nay Pyi Taw time

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAM-AGENDA**  
*(Annotated)*

<b>1000 - 1010</b> (MLA time) <b>(10 min)</b>	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Opening Remarks by Chair and Co-Chair</li><li>• Brief Opening Statements from Heads of SOM Delegations</li></ul>
<b>1010 - 1020</b> <b>(10 min)</b>	<b>Session 1. Review of the Latest Draft of GMS-2030</b> <p>The SOM will review Version 4 of, GMS-2030, focusing on the responses to the latest comments from the countries.</p> <p>Presentation by the GMS Secretariat</p>
<b>1020 - 1030</b> <b>(10 min)</b>	<b>Session 2. Updates on the GMS Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic</b> <p>As a follow up on the COVID-19 related discussions in the 2 June 2020 SOM, the Secretariat/ADB will update the SOM on developments and next steps in the GMS COVID-19 response initiatives.</p>
<b>1030 - 1055</b> <b>(25 min)</b>	<b>Open Discussion on Sessions 1 &amp; 2</b>
<b>1055 - 1135</b> <b>(40 min)</b>	<b>Session 3. Presentation on the Pilot Study on the Development of the PRC-Myanmar Sections of the North-South Economic Corridor (NSEC-5)</b> <p>Presentation of the final report of the study on the development of the Kunming-Muse-Mandalay-Yangon-Thilawa Subcorridor of the North-South Economic Corridor (NSEC-5).</p> <p>Presentation by the Study Team</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>

<b>1135 - 1205</b> <b>(30 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 4. Report and Recommendations on Labor Mobility and Safe Migration</b></p> <p>The SOM will be apprised of the issues discussed, results, and recommendations of discussions held on Labor Mobility and Safe Migration, which were attended by representatives from IOM, GMS Ministries of Labor GMS National Secretariats, and ADB Representatives.</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<b>1205 - 1235</b> <b>(30 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 5. Preparation of the Regional Investment Framework (RIF) 2022 Third Progress Report and Update (2020)</b></p> <p>Presentation by the Secretariat on the Preparation of the RIF 2022 Third Progress Report and Update.</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<b>1235 - 1350</b> <b>(75 min)</b>	<p><b>BREAK FOR LUNCH</b></p>
<b>1350 - 1355</b> <b>(5 min)</b>	<p><b>Introduction of Afternoon Sessions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair and Co-Chair</li> </ul>
<b>1355 - 1425</b> <b>(30 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 6. Review of the Status of Preparations for the 11<sup>th</sup> Economic Corridors Forum (ECF-11)</b></p> <p>The SOM will be briefed by the ECF-11 Chair, Thailand, (and the Secretariat) on the progress of preparations for the Forum, including the status of the proposed topics for discussion.</p> <p>Presentation by Thailand (and GMS Secretariat)</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<b>1425 - 1455</b> <b>(30 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 7. Review of the Status of Preparations for the 24<sup>th</sup> GMS Ministerial Conference (MC-24)</b></p> <p>The SOM will be briefed by the MC-24 Chair, PRC (and the Secretariat), on the progress of preparations for the Conference, including finalization of its, theme, component events, the status of deliverables (other than the final draft of GMS-2030 and the research program), the detailed agendas for the Ministerial Plenary Meeting/Retreat and potential topics for discussion for the Retreat.</p> <p>Presentation by the PRC (and GMS Secretariat)</p>

	Open Discussion
<b>1455 - 1515</b> <b>(20 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 8. Review of the Initial Draft of the Proposed MC-24 Joint Ministerial Statement (JMS)</b></p> <p>The SOM will review and discuss the initial draft of the proposed Joint Ministerial Statement prepared by the Secretariat. The SOM's comments will be taken into account in preparing the revised draft JMS for circulation for further review by the SOM.</p>
<b>1515 - 1545</b> <b>(30 min)</b>	<p><b>Session 9. Review of the Status of Preparations for the 7<sup>th</sup> GMS Summit</b></p> <p>The SOM will be updated by the Summit-7 Host, Cambodia, (and the Secretariat) on the status of preparations for the Summit, including the finalization of its date, theme, component events, possible deliverables (apart from GMS-2030), and potential topics for discussion for the Leaders' Retreat.</p> <p>Presentation by Cambodia (and the GMS Secretariat)</p> <p>Open Discussion</p>
<b>1545 - 1600</b> <b>(15 min)</b>	<p><b>Closing Session</b></p> <p>The Chair and Co-Chair to wrap up/summarize key meeting results and give their respective closing remarks.</p>