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Asia Focus - New Horizons

High Speed Rail
Freight Rail
Regional Corridors
Rapid Transit Systems
High Speed Rail - exponential growth

- Exponential growth. 30,000 km in Asia today (China 27,000 km)
- HSR projects in developing countries
- High passenger density corridors, affordable fare, financial and economic viability

Rail freight - relatively high share

- 364,000 km of heavy rail infrastructure exists in Asia
- Rail share land freight transport went from 63% in the 1990’s to about 42% currently (2018)
- Still well above the global average (27% in 2018)
Regional action and Collaboration

- Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Program
- South Asia Subregional Economic Cooperation (SASEC) Program

Urban Mobility

- 10,000 km of rapid transit systems since 1990
- 470 million without access to rapid public transit (SDG11.2)
- Integrated solutions, latest technologies and inclusive design
ADB Strategy 2030

• Transport will continue to **enable development** by lifting people out of poverty, and providing access to education, health and economic opportunities

• Transport must strive for a **more sustainable future**, one that is aligned with international agreements and commitments

• **Regional action and collaboration** is required to allow the sector to move meaningfully in this direction.

**Operational Priorities**

- **Addressing remaining poverty and reducing inequalities**
  - human development and social inclusion, quality jobs, education and training, better health, social protection

- **Tackling climate change, building climate and disaster resilience, and enhancing environmental sustainability**
  - low greenhouse gas emissions, development approach to building climate and disaster resilience, environmental sustainability, water-food-energy security nexus

- **Promoting rural development and food security**
  - market connectivity and agricultural value chain linkages, agricultural productivity and food security, food safety

- **Fostering regional cooperation and integration**
  - connectivity and competitiveness, regional public goods, cooperation in finance sector, subregional initiatives

- **Accelerating progress in gender equality**
  - scaled-up support for gender equality, women's economic empowerment, gender equality in human development, decision-making, and leadership; reducing time poverty for women; strengthening women's resilience to shocks

- **Making cities more livable**
  - integrated solutions, funding for cities, inclusive and participatory urban planning, climate resilience and disaster management

- **Strengthening governance and institutional capacity**
  - public management reforms and financial sustainability, service delivery, capacity and standards
Thank You!

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