Kyrgyz Republic: The Development Program of Sectors of the Ministry of Transport and Communications 2009–2011

ABSTRACT

The 3-year Program cover period from 2009 till 2011.

Current status and development background. Total length of roads in the Kyrgyz Republic is about 34,000 kilometers (km). The length of common use roads is about 18,810.0 km; the remaining 15,190 km are the responsibility of cities, villages, agricultural, industrial and other enterprises. The length of roads of international importance is 4,163.0 km, of state importance 5,678 km, and of local importance – 8,969.0 km. The length of paved common use roads is 7,228 km, including 11 km with cement concrete pavement, 4,969 km with asphalt concrete pavement, and 2,248 km with black gravel pavement. There are 9,961 km of gravel roads and 1,621 km of earth roads.

Problems. According to surveys, out of 4,300 km the two thirds are in poor condition. The current Program proposes comprehensive approach to resolve the problems that are accumulated in the transport sector.

The Program covers following issues:

- 1.1 Analyses of current situation in road transport;
- 1.2 Program objectives;
- 1.3 Reservation of the roads with hard surface;
- 1.4 Ensuring the transport independency of the country;
- 1.5 Transfer of ministry's management functions to the private sector
- 1.6 Institutional changes:
- 1.7 Changing ownership of transport companies to joint stock companies:
- 1.8 Improvement in financing the transport management

The rehabilitation of following six automobile roads and construction of railway are outlined in the Program for transport infrastructure: Osh- Sary Tash – Irkeshtam, Suusamyr-Talas- Taraz, Bishkek-Naryn-Torugart, Sarytash –Karamyk, Osh-Batken Isfana. Karakol- Tup-Kegen.