

**THE SIXTEENTH ASEAN AND JAPAN TRANSPORT MINISTERS MEETING
(16th ATM+Japan)
9 November 2018, Bangkok, Thailand**

JOINT MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

1. The 16th ASEAN and Japan Transport Ministers Meeting (16th ATM+Japan) was held on 9 November 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand. The Meeting was co-chaired by H.E. Mr. Arkhom Termpittayapaisith, Minister of Transport of Thailand and H.E. Mr. Kozo Fujita, Vice-Minister for Transport and Tourism, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism of Japan. The Meeting was preceded by the 17th ASEAN and Japan Senior Transport Officials Meeting (17th STOM+Japan) held on 7 November 2018.
2. The ASEAN Ministers welcomed the announcement of Japan to support the various activities based on the Kuala Lumpur Transport Strategic Plan 2016-2025 in the areas of air transport, land transport, maritime transport, sustainable transport and transport facilitation through projects and activities under the ASEAN-Japan Transport Partnership (AJTP) in a comprehensive and sustained manner.
3. The Ministers noted with satisfaction the steady progress of 26 projects implemented based on the AJTP Work Plan for 2017-2018, under the Pakse Action Plan adopted at the 11th ATM+Japan in December 2013. The Ministers adopted the “ASEAN-Japan Best Practices on Green Logistics”, “ASEAN-Japan Guidelines on Cold Chain Logistics”, “Technical Reference for Road Pavement Technologies in ASEAN International Corridors”, and “ASEAN-Japan Regional Road Map for Aviation Security (RRMAS)” as key deliverables under the AJTP Work Plan for 2017-2018.
4. The Ministers endorsed the AJTP Work Plan for 2018-2019 which would further enhance regional connectivity. The Ministers noted that the AJTP Work Plan for 2018-2019 included the two new initiatives: the “Road Traffic Safety” and “Applying Mobile Data for Transport Planning”. The list of projects/activities contained in the AJTP Work Plan for 2018-2019 appears as **ANNEX 1**.
5. The Ministers noted the progress in the 3rd ASEAN-Japan Consultation on Regional Air Services Agreement (AJC-RASA) in January 2018 in Sapporo, Japan.

The Ministers agreed to task the AJC-RASA to work towards the successful conclusion of a more liberal and mutually beneficial ASEAN-Japan Air Services Agreement with a view to enhancing the air transport relationship between Japan and each ASEAN Member State.

6. The Ministers endorsed the result of the Mid-Term Review of the Pakse Action Plan. The Ministers noted that based on the re-examination, the four pillars of the Pakse Action Plan (Transport Facilitation, Transport Infrastructure, Quality & Sustainable Transport and Human Resource Development) remain as they are, with “ASEAN-Japan Port Development Research Project” and “ASEAN ‘Mega-Float’ Promotion Projects” deemed to have concluded with their initial purpose achieved.

7. The 17th ATM+Japan Meeting will be convened in Viet Nam in 2019.

LIST OF MINISTERS

- (a) H.E. Dato Abdul Mutalib Yusof, Minister of Communications of Brunei Darussalam;
- (b) H.E. Mr. Sun Chanthol, Senior Minister and Minister of Public Works and Transport of Cambodia;
- (c) H.E. Mr. Budi Karya Sumadi, Minister for Transportation of Indonesia;
- (d) H.E. Mr. Kozo Fujita, Vice-Minister for Transport and Tourism, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism of Japan;
- (e) H.E. Dr. Bounchanh Sinthavong, Minister of Public Works and Transport of Lao PDR;
- (f) H.E. Mr. Loke Siew Fook, Minister of Transport of Malaysia;
- (g) H.E. Mr. Thant Sin Maung, Union Minister of Transport and Communications of Myanmar;
- (h) H.E. Mr. Arthur P. Tugade, Secretary of Transportation of the Philippines;
- (i) H.E. Mr. Khaw Boon Wan, Coordinating Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Transport of Singapore;
- (j) H.E. Mr. Arkhom Termpittayapaisith, Minister of Transport of Thailand;
- (k) H.E. Mr. Nguyen Van The, Minister of Transport of Viet Nam; and
- (l) H.E. Dato Lim Jock Hoi, Secretary General of ASEAN.

ANNEX 1

List of ASEAN and Japan Transport Partnership Projects/Activities

(Transport Facilitation)

1. Capacity Building on Logistics
2. Green Logistics Vision and Action Plans
3. ASEAN-Japan Cold Chain Logistics Project
4. ASEAN-Japan New Air Navigation System
5. ASEAN-Japan New Cooperative Program on Comprehensive Vehicle Safety and Environment Measures including Development of Technical Regulations, Improvement of inspection and Establishment of a Type Approval System for Vehicles
6. Urban Public Transport Policy Framework

(Transport Infrastructure)

7. ASEAN-Japan Cruise Promotion Program
8. Cooperation for Promotion of Public-Private Partnership (PPP)

(Quality and Sustainable Transport)

9. Project for Safe and Efficient Transport
10. ASEAN-Japan Port Technology Joint Research Project
11. ASEAN-Japan Seafarers Policy Cooperation
12. Regional Action Plan on Port Security (RAPPS)
13. ASEAN-Japan Aviation Security Project
14. ASEAN Railways Revival Plan
15. ASEAN-Japan Airport Study Project (Eco-Airport)
16. New ASEAN-Japan Action Plan on Environment Improvement in the Transport Sector (New AJ-APEIT)
17. ASEAN-Japan Intelligent Transport System Development
18. Joint Hydrographic Survey of the Straits of Malacca and Singapore
19. Development of VTS Operator's Capacity
20. Development of Guidelines for Safety Measures with Ships' Routeing
21. Project for Encouraging the Use of Environmentally Friendly Ships in ASEAN
22. Road Traffic Safety

(Human Resource Development)

23. Transport Policy Officials Training Program in Japan
24. ASEAN-Japan Transport Information Platform Project