



TRIPARTITE TRANSPORT AND TRANSIT FACILITATION PROGRAMME (TTTFP)
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TTTFP RESPONSES TO COVID19 PANDEMIC IMPACTS ON TRADE AND TRANSPORT FACILITATION IN EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA REGION.

| CHALLENGES BEFORE COVID19 | COVID19 INDUCED CHALLENGES | TTTFP RESPONSES |
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| Lack of harmonised policies, laws and standards for cross border road transport. Lack of harmonized vehicle load management strategy, policies, laws and standards. | COVID19 national measures imposing additional, new and different public health COVID19 screening, testing, quarantine requirements. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Multilateral Cross Border Road Transport Agreement (MCBRTA). ii) Vehicle Load Management Strategy, Regional Weighbridge Location Plan and Vehicle Load Management Agreement (VLMA). iii) Harmonized Tripartite guidelines on cross-border movement of passenger, goods and services. iv) Tripartite standard operating procedures (SOPs). v) Technical assistance to implement MCBRTA and VLMA. |
| Ineffective recording and sharing of information for regulation and law enforcement | Requirements to share driver COVID19 test results on a daily basis and to monitor the wellness status of drivers and track driver and vehicle movements. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Harmonized specification for National Transport Information System (NTIS) validated in August 2019 and available for implementation. ii) Corridor Trip Monitoring System (CTMS) under development and will be piloted by end of June 2020 to facilitate mutual recognition and sharing of test results and information on drivers Covid-19 status. iii) Technical assistance to implement NTIS, CTMS and TRIPS |
| No platform to share driver, vehicle and loads information. | Sharing of driver, vehicle and trip information not harmonized or coordinated across most corridors with exception of Northern Corridor. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Specifications for Driver, Operator and Vehicle Registration approved and available for implementation. ii) TA to implement modules available. iii) Transport Registers & Information Platform System (TRIPS) under development and scheduled for commissioning in February 2021. iv) CTMS allows online verification of operator, driver (crew) and vehicle details to confirm COVID19 compliance ahead of TRIPS commissioning. |





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| Lack of standardized traffic law enforcement. | Multiple regulatory and law enforcements agents enforcing COVID19 compliance at border posts and new additional checkpoints established since COVID19. | CTMS facilitates registration, sharing, surveillance, monitoring and authentication of information upon commissioning, which will be enhanced by commissioning of TRIPS. |
| Long travel times for cross border trips. High transport costs. | Extended travel times due to increased delays at border posts and checkpoints whilst drivers undergo COVID19 screening, testing and mandatory quarantine; and delayed deliveries of essential goods and services and other goods and services. | Harmonized Tripartite guidelines on cross-border movement of passenger, goods and services and recorded compliance by operators prior to commencement of trip on CTMS allows confirmation of compliance at seaports, land border posts and checkpoints without delays. |
| | Reduced crew and vehicle utilization as a result of extended and new inspection and checking requirements and quarantine requirements. | CTMS facilitates “preclearance” of drivers and vehicles to reduce delays and human interaction as it can be interfaced with immigration, public health, customs and other regulatory systems. |
| | Driver fatigue due to longer working hours and restrictions on the number of crew members in a truck cabin leading to road safety risks. | CTMS will lead to faster clearance of vehicles and goods at seaports, land border posts and checkpoints. |

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#stayhome

#safehand

PERSONAL HYGIENE

SOCIAL DISTANCING

#flattenthecurve

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

NO CONTACT SCREENING

PCR TESTING

Keep up to date on the latest information from trusted sources, such as WHO or your local and national health authorities.