National Consultation Workshop on the SASEC Vision Document
Taj Tashi, Thimphu, Bhutan
26 October 2016

AGENDA

Objectives:	1. Discuss the key elements of a draft SASEC Vision document. The vision will be the overarching framework of SASEC's long-term strategy. 2. Exchange views and obtain inputs from Government and private sector stakeholders on the draft SASEC Vision document, as well as the process of further consultations. 3. Exchange views on the comments and inputs from stakeholders and plan future course of action, including the time and modalities of release of SASEC Vision document.
Participants:	1. Senior officials from Ministries responsible for customs, finance, planning, commerce/trade, transport, rail, shipping, industry, urban development, IT and communication, tourism, labor, employment/skills development. 2. Representatives from the private sector and think tanks.
0900 – 0915	Registration
0915 – 0930	**Opening Session** Opening Remarks: Mr. Tshewang Norbu, Resident Representative, ADB Resident Mission in Bhutan Mr. Nim Dorji, Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Royal Government of Bhutan *Group Photo*
0930 – 0945	**Session 1:** Overview of SASEC *ADB representative will present an overview of the SASEC program to provide the background and context of the formulation of the Vision Document.*
0945 – 1000	Coffee/Tea break
1000 – 1230	**Session 2:** Consultation on the SASEC Vision Document *ADB representatives will present the background, rationale, context, and key elements of the draft SASEC Vision. The presentation will cover the framework for defining the long term Vision for SASEC region, which will serve as a basis for initial discussions among, and obtaining inputs from, the SASEC delegations.* *Open discussion will follow.*
1230 – 1330	Lunch
1330 – 1400	**Session 3:** Discussion on SASEC Vision Document - Future Roadmap (only for Government Officials) *Open discussion on the next steps in the SASEC Vision Document formulation, including process of seeking endorsement by higher authorities.*
1400 – 1415	**Closing Session** *Wrap up by the Chair*