



gTKP Initiatives – Practical Benchmarks for Road Stakeholders

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gTKP GOVERNANCE THEME Roundtable Discussions - 2007



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Africa in Tanzania



Examples of poor governance

(from roundtable discussions)

- Political influence of operational decisions
- Widespread corruption
- Staff lacking appropriate skills
- Lack of accountability
- Poor representation of civil society
- Lack of support for “whistleblowers”

See Governance “knowledge gaps” report on gTKP website



Governance Theme Activities

(resulting from roundtable discussions)

Capturing case studies

Booklet about road infrastructure

- practical briefing for stakeholders, media & politicians
- consult stakeholders – what do they want to know?

Benchmark data

- enable stakeholders to compare with other countries
- straightforward - bus fare/km & freight rate/km etc

Regional workshops

www.gtkp.com

Core Theme: Governance



The role of civil society in governance

- The important role of civil society was highlighted in the gTKP roundtable discussions.
- Civil society needs both data about roads and the skills to analyse this data.
- Must be realistic about what can be achieved through voluntary assistance!



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- Focus on outputs & services provided
- Minimum data collection requirements
- Allow comparisons between countries
- For road users, politicians & the media
- Designed to encourage discussion

→ Assessment for road stakeholders



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Benchmark	Measurement	Method
1 Fuel prices	Cost per litre	Use samples of readily available data (eg bus fares) to propose values. Refine values using more data when time & resources permit
2 Bus fares	Cost per km	
3 Freight rates	Cost per km	
4 Travel speeds	Average km/hour	



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Benchmark	Measurement	Method
5 Rural access	<p>% of rural population with adequate time/cost access to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Healthcare(ii) Education(iii) Markets	<p>Facilitated discussion by a group of people who have relevant knowledge.</p> <p>(Country specific definitions of “rural population” and “adequate access”)</p>



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Benchmark	Measurement	Method
6 Construction costs	Average construction cost/km (for different types of road)	Based on sample data from a few recent projects
7 Maintenance costs	Average annual maintenance cost/km	



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Benchmark	Measurement	Method
8 Quality of decisions	% ideal decisions (subjective assessment)	Facilitated discussion by a group of people who have relevant knowledge.
9 Wastage	% of funding wasted (subjective assessment)	
10 Public satisfaction	Rating on a scale of 1 = high level of satisfaction 5 = serious dissatisfaction	



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**Straightforward to
collect/estimate/update**

Initial estimates refined later

**Assist in identifying where
governance needs to be improved**

Fuel prices
Bus fares
Freight rates
Travel speeds
Rural access
Construction costs
Maintenance costs
Quality of decisions
Wastage
Public satisfaction

Preliminary details: www.roadbenchmarks.com



Summary

- gTKP road benchmarks trials in progress
- Focus on the outputs and services provided
- Minimum collection of data
- Encourage discussions and comparison
- Assist in identifying priorities for improvement
- Assessment from road stakeholder perspective





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