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Introduction



- UN ESCAP Asia and the Pacific Regional Branch of the United Nations Secretariat
- 53 member countries covering Central, South, Southeast, East and South Pacific countries
- Mandate: Promote sustainable and inclusive socio-economic development in Asia and the Pacific
 - through regional cooperation
- Areas covered: <u>Trade, Investment and Innovation</u>, Transport, Macroeconomic Policy, Environment, Emerging Social issues, Information and Communication Technologies...
 - Trade and Investment: (1) Trade
 Facilitation; (2) Trade Policy; (3)
 Investment and Enterprise Development;
 (4) Science, Technology and Innovation



ESCAP Trade Facilitation Programme

Legislative

- •Enabling paperless trade (Res. 68/3)
- •Regional Arrangement on cross-border paperless trade facilitation (Res. 70/6)
- •Framework Agreement of Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific

ISG-CBPT*

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Capacity Building

- Business Process Analysis
- Single Window & Paperless Trade Implementation
- Trade & Transport Facilitation Monitoring Mechanism
- Agricultural & SME trade facilitation
- (WTO TFA support)

APTFF

ROC-TF*

Knowledge

- ESCAP-WB Trade Cost Database
- Paperless Trade Guides & Impact analyses
- Global Trade Facilitation & Paperless Trade Implementation Survey
- Trade Process Analysis Database

*Regional Cooperation platforms and mechanisms: ISG-CBPT: Intergovernmental Steering Group on Cross-Border Paperless Trade; UNNEXT: United Nations Network of Experts for Paperless Trade and Transport in Asia and the Pacific; ARTNeT: Asia-Pacific Research and Training Network on Trade; APTFF: Asia-Pacific Trade Facilitation Forum; ROC-TF: Regional Organizations Cooperation Mechanism for Trade Facilitation



- "community of knowledge and practice to facilitate the implementation of single window and paperless trade in the region"
 - Tools and guides development activities
 - Advocacy and Technical Training Workshops
 - Knowledge sharing and peer-to-peer support
- Secretariat provided by ESCAP, in collaboration with UNECE
- Link: unnext.unescap.org



What is Trade Facilitation?

- There is no universal definition of trade facilitation.
- Any measure that reduce barriers to the movement of goods between buyers and sellers throughout the international supply chains (ESCAP 2010)
- Simply any measure that facilitate and simplify movement of goods and information along the supply chains
- Objective of trade facilitation reduce time, cost and complexity of trade transactions

Agriculture Trade Facilitation can be defined as:

the simplification and harmonization of procedures (activities, practices and formalities) involved in the import and export of agricultural and food products, including but not limited to collecting and processing data and documents required for the cross-border movement of these products

Objectives of Agricultural Trade Facilitation

- Reducing time and costs associated with trading of agricultural and food products.
- Ensuring compliance with relevant laws and regulations.
- Meeting the growing information needs of buyers.
- Gaining and maintaining access to markets
- All procedures involved in agricultural trade may be considered, including:
 - Commercial procedures:
 - signing contract between buyer and seller;
 - complying with private standards;
 - Transport and logistics procedures
 - ahinning and staring goods:

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