



Trade Facilitation in SASEC: Experiences with BPA I

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South Asia yet to witness regional trade facilitation

Period	Regional trade* (US\$ billion, %)	Trade liberalization	Trade facilitation
1980-89	0.98; 3.11 (2.00)	Nil	Nil
1990-99	1.73; 4.15 (4.00)	SAPTA	Nil
2000-09	8.04; 5.96 (8.00)	SAFTA	Nil
2010 - 12	19.05; 5.80 (20.00)	SAFTA + SATIS	Nil

*In terms of exports

#Data in parentheses are approximate informal trade volume

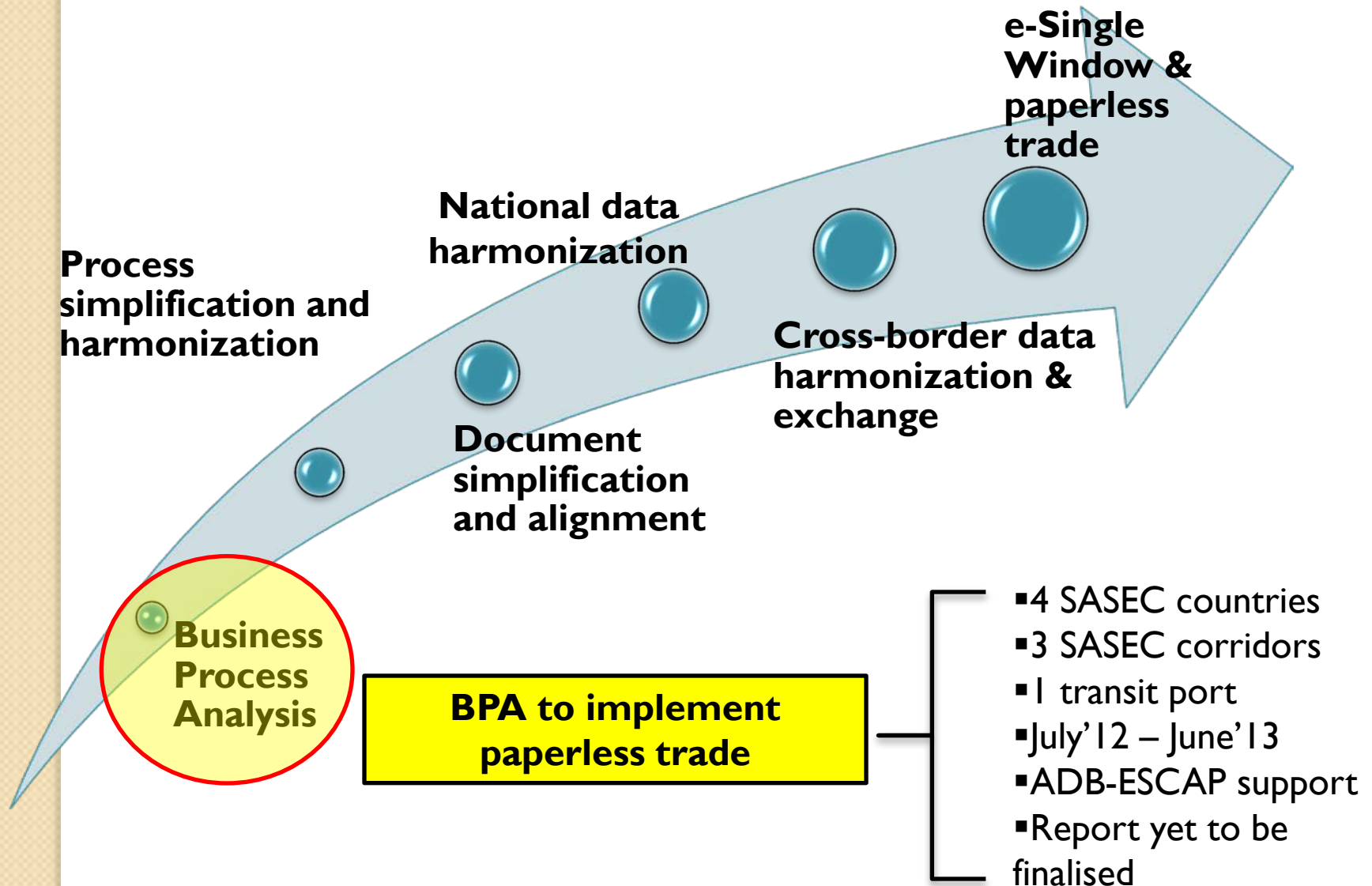
However, an attempt was made in 1997 when SAARC Customs Action Plan was introduced

- I. Uniform Application, Harmonisation and Simplification of Customs Procedures and Practices
- II. Effective Implementation of the WTO Agreement on Valuation
- III. Uniform Application, Updating and Promotion of the Harmonised System
- IV. Enhancement of the Effectiveness of the Customs Administrations in their Compliance Responsibilities
- V. Human Resource Development

At present, trade facilitation measures are narrow, but showing huge scope of improvement

1. Modern and effective customs administration and management
→ *Accession to and alignment with RKC; SAFE Framework implementation*
2. Streamlined and transparent trade processes and procedures
→ *ASYCUDA World; National Single Windows*
3. Improved services and information for traders
→ *Trade portals; Trade facilitation committees*

Trade facilitation agenda - moving from *paperbased* to *paperless* trade





**Some findings of ADB/ESCAP
(2013), *SASEC BPA Report 2013:
Towards Simplifying Trade Processes
and Procedures in SASEC, Manila
and Bangkok***

Products analyzed

Import Processes	Export Processes				
		Bhutan	Bangladesh	Nepal	Third Country
	Bhutan		Fruit juice (0.0, 1.83)		
	Bangladesh	Orange (1.54, 6.57)		Lentil (1.03, 42.56)	
	Nepal		LAA (0.06, 1.56)		CSO** (8.72,82.01)
	Third country			Carpet* (146.36, 60.61)	

*Import processes excluded from analysis. ** Export processes excluded from analysis.

LAA and CSO mean lead acid accumulator and crude soya bean oil, respectively.

Data in parentheses are trade volumes in US\$ million for the years 2000 and 2010), sourced from COMTRADE

Study corridors

Corridor	Countries Linked	Distance, Total	Distance, Transit	Products Traded
Corridor 1 (Nepal corridor) Kakarvitta-Panitanki-Fulbari-Banglabandha	Nepal – India - Bangladesh	1152 km [#]	54 km	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lentil • LAA*
Corridor 2 (Bhutan corridor) Phuentsholing-Jaigaon-Hasimara-Changrabandha-Burimari	Bhutan – India - Bangladesh	630 km [^]	115 km	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orange • Fruit juice
Corridor 3 (Nepal corridor) Kathmandu-Birgunj-Raxaul -	Nepal - India	1287 km ^{\$}	1047 km	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carpet • CSO**

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