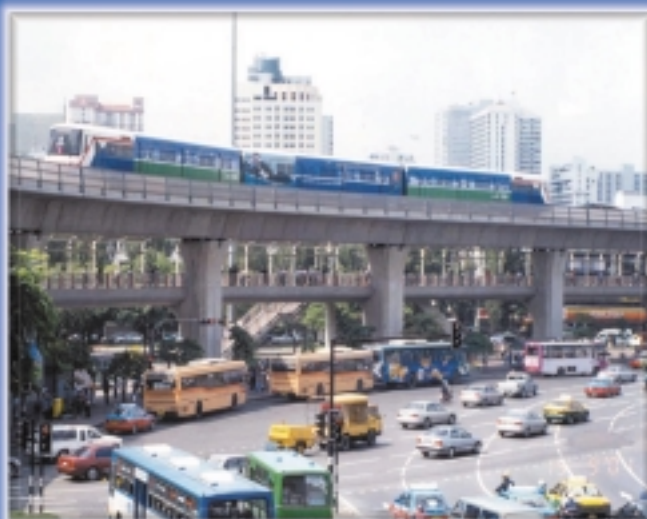


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List of Abbreviations

APEC	Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
ASYCUDA	Automated system for customs data (developed by UNCTAD)
BMTA	Bangkok Mass Transit Authority
BOT	build-operate-transfer (scheme)
BOOT	build-own-operate-transfer (scheme)
c.i.f.	cost, insurance, freight
CNS/ATM	communications, navigation and surveillance and air traffic management
dwt	deadweight tonnage
EDI	electronic data interchange
EIA	environmental impact assessment
f.o.b.	free on board
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GDP	gross domestic product
GPS	Global Positioning System
IEE	initial environmental examination
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
ICC	International Chamber of Commerce
ICD	inland container depot
IT	information technology
ITS	intelligent transportation systems
IWT	inland waterway transport
km	kilometre
LPG	liquefied petroleum gas
m	metre
NGV	natural gas vehicle
NMT	non-motorized transport
pax-km	passenger-kilometre
ROW	rest of the world (not part of any other country groupings)
SITC	Standard International Trade Classification
SPM	suspended particulate matter

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