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ABBREVIATIONS

Rwanda Long Distance Truck Drivers Association	ACPLRWA
Automated System for Customs Data	ASYCUDA
Burundi	BI
Direction Générale Des Douanes Et Accises	DGDA
Democratic Republic of Congo	DRC
Dead Weight Tonne	DWT
Electronic Cargo Tracking System	ECTS
Fédération des Entreprises du Congo	FEC
Global Positioning System	GPS
International Association of Burundi Transporters	IABT
Inland Container Deport	ICD
Information Communication Technology	ICT
International Roughness Index	IRI
Kenya	KE
Kenya National Highway Authority	KeNHA
Kenya Ports Authority	KPA
Kenya Pipeline Authority	КРС
Kenya Revenue Authority	KRA
Kenya Transporters Association	KTA
Logistics Performance Index	LPI
Kilindini Waterfront Automated Terminal Operations System	KWATOS
Magasins Généraux du Rwanda	MAGERWA
Northern Corridor	NC
Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Agreement	NCTTA
Northern Corridor Transit and Transport Coordination Authority	NCTTCA
Office Burundais des Recettes	OBR
Office Congolais de Contrôle	OCC
Office Des Routes	ODR
Office de Gestion Du Fret Multimodal	OGEFREM
One Stop Border Post	OSBP
Rwanda Revenue Authority	RRA
Rwanda Transport Development Agency	RTDA
Rift Valley Railways	RVR
Rwanda	RW
Statistical Package for Social Science	SPSS
South Sudan Federation of Employers and Business Association	SSFEBA
TradeMark East Africa	TMEA
Transport Observatory	ТО
Transport Observatory Portal	TOP
Uganda Freight Forwarders Association	UFFA
Uganda	UG
Uganda National Roads Authority	I INR A
Uganda Revenue Authority	IIRA
Uganda Railways Corporation	LIRC
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FOREWORD

The Northern Corridor Transport Observatory Report is a bi-annual publication that provides useful information on trade and transport indicators to both the public and policy makers. The indicators in the observatory report relate to: (i) transit time and delays; (ii) volume and capacity; (iii) transport rates and costs; (iv) productivity and efficiency; and (v) intra-regional trade.

The analysis presented in this publication complements what is provided in the online portal of the Northern Corridor Transport Observatory. The online portal features more than thirty indicators that measure Corridor performance with a view to provide reliable information that guide in policy formulation, decisions making and streamline business processes. The report is also available online at **http: top.ttcanc.org** where disaggregated data on indicators for the period between 2012 to date can be found.

Through the Northern Corridor Transport observatory monitoring framework, targets for various indicators have been set.

Following a regular monitoring, advocacy and stakeholder engagements, a lot of improvements and initiatives have taken place in the Northern Corridor logistics chain in regard to trade and transport facilitation. To highlight some;

- With the implementation of the fixed berthing window, the ship waiting time before berth was 6.45 hours in September 2016 compared to the target of 24 hours and the ship turnaround time was 56.2 hours compared to 72 hours target.
- Port dwell time has shown improvement in performance compared to the same period in 2015 with the cargo dwell time of 3.6 days having been recorded in July 2016 against the 3 days' target. A lot of improvements can still be attained.
- Transit time to various destinations along the Corridor improved during the period under review with Mombasa-Malaba taking an average of 2.3 days in July 2016 compared to the average target of 3 days.
- Average time taken from Mombasa to Kampala during April to September 2016 period was 4.8 days which is an improvement from the 5.9 days that was recorded during the April to September 2015 period.
- Transit time to Kigali also improved significantly up to a period average of 6.3 days compared to the 10.3 days that was averaged from April to September 2015. On the other hand, the transit time from Mombasa to Juba deteriorated to an average of 10.1 days from an average of 6.9 days from April to September 2015.

Generally, there has been an erratic variation in trucking costs on most routes with charges ranging from \$ 0.9/Km to \$ 6.55/Km to key destinations. A rate variations/fluctuations analysis is required to ascertain inherent causes of the variations.

There are indeed still some challenges identified and recommendations have been proposed to ensure that the Corridor performance improves.

Going forward, the NCTTCA Secretariat will broaden the scope of indicators and gather data on all areas affecting trade and transport. This will include improved data collection mechanism and ensuring all the indicators are populated with subsequent information.

The NCTTCA is also finalizing the Geographic Information System (GIS) component of the transport Observatory. This will help to map all the indicators and provide a visual lay out of the corridor performance at various transit nodes and sections.

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PART I: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

The Northern Corridor is a multi-modal transport network connecting landlocked countries of Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo (DR Congo), Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda to the port of Mombasa on the Kenyan Coast. The transport modes include road, rail, inland waterways and oil pipeline network. The Corridor transports largest share of goods to the East African region. In order to improve the logistics chain's reliability and competitiveness of their economies, the reduction in the cost of doing business and transportation; elimination of non-tariff barriers, reduction of delays and associated administrative costs on the transit logistics chain are the major focus areas by the Northern Corridor Member States. Therefore, it is important to diagnose and identify bottlenecks to the flow of traffic and recommend appropriate policy responses to resolve any weakness identified.

Public and private stakeholders are responsible for developing and improving all the transport modes by making infrastructural improvements and collaborating with other parties that play a role in the freight flows to the hinterland. Lower trade costs, improved infrastructure and communication technology will go a long way in fostering economic development.

The Northern Corridor Transport Observatory report is a bi-annual publication that aims to deepen understanding about trends in trade and transport facilitation along the Northern Corridor by measuring and tracking changes in key performance indicators ranging from the time vessels arrives at Mombasa Port up the time goods reach their final destinations. Information is provided by stakeholders from the Member States of Burundi, DR Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda. Other sources include; Road transport surveys and GPS surveys and interviews with road Transport users and Operators.

The statistical data reported in this report relate to the period April to September 2016 with both quantitative and qualitative analysis. However, prior information for previous periods has also been included for comparison. The Performance indicators discussed in this report relates to the volume of cargo, transit time, efficiency and productivity, intraregional trade and transport cost and rates.

Indicators under these categories are tracked on regular basis through the transport Observatory which is a Corridor monitoring tool with an online platform for tracking performance. The NCTTCA also runs the Northern Corridor Performance Dashboard which features 10 indicators that can be tracked on weekly basis at a glance. See **http://top.ttcanc.org** and **www.kandalakaskazini.or.ke** for more details. The indicators tracked provide a set of tools for the diagnosis of problems affecting the Northern Corridor; thus, contributing to the identification of areas requiring improvement with regard to the reduction of transport costs and to the evaluation of the effectiveness of programs/ projects designed to improve the competitiveness of the Corridor. See annex1 for indicators categories and definitions.

1.2 Key Economic Indicators and projections for Northern Corridor Member States

Trade is a key means to fight poverty and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals, specifically by improving access .to markets, and providing efficient and affordable transport system and predictable trading system

Some key economic and demographic indicators include; Gross Domestic Product (GDP), Population, Logistics performance index (LPI) trade among others. Interrogating the demographic changes as well as the challenges and opportunities that they present is important to the design and implementation of policies that will facilitate smooth trade and transport. Table 1 below gives a picture of population growth and Real GDP growth among Member States

	Projected Pop	ulation (000)	WB LPI	R	b)	
	2016	2030	2016	2014	2015	2016
Burundi	9.65	17.36	2.51	4.66	-4.11	3.45
DRC	84.13	120.30	2.38	9.17	7.75	4.93
Kenya	45.48	65.41	3.33	5.33	5.59	5.98
Rwanda	11.59	15.79	2.99	6.96	6.94	6.30
South Sudan	12.50	17.81	-	2.92	-0.17	-7.83
Uganda	41.09	61.93	3.04	4.93	5.04	5.29

Table 1: Statistics on Some Economic Indicators

Source: World Economic Outlook Database, 2016 and World Bank Logistics Performance Index (WB-LPI) 2016

The current population size of Northern Corridor Member states of about 204 Million people projected to reach around 323 Million in 2030 according to the 2015 UN "World Population Prospects. This growth in population predicts a huge market that will drive trade in the region in the next decade. Fast and efficient movement of people goods will therefore be a key pillar for growth in the region. In 2016, Uganda, Kenya and Rwanda are projected to have positive annual economic growth of between 5 to 7% suggesting a fast expanding economic region that is buoyed by a growing population.

The LPI is an interactive benchmarking tool that allows for comparisons across 160 countries on challenges and opportunities countries face in their performance on trade logistics and what they can do to improve their performance with regard to ease and efficiency of moving good within countries. The LPI is based on a worldwide survey of operators on the ground (global freight forwarders and express carriers), providing feedback on the logistics "friendliness" of the countries in which they operate and those with which they trade. The parameters that measure LPI are customs, infrastructure, international shipments, logistics quality and competence, tracking and tracing and timeliness.

Table 2: LPI for NC Member States

Country	overall LPI score	overall LPI Global rank	Customs	Infrastructure	International shipments	Logistics quality & competence	Tracking & tracing	Timeliness
Kenya	3.33	42	3.17	3.21	3.24	3.24	3.42	3.70
Uganda	3.04	58	2.97	2.74	2.88	2.93	3.01	3.70
Rwanda	2.99	62	2.93	2.62	3.05	2.87	3.04	3.35
Burundi	2.51	107	2.02	1.98	2.42	2.46	2.68	3.45
DRC	2.38	127	2.22	2.01	2.33	2.33	2.37	2.94
Average	2.85		2.66	2.51	2.78	2.77	2.90	3.43

Source: World Bank Logistics Performance Index (WB-LPI) 2016 Note: South Sudan was not included in the 2016 international global survey on LPI by World Bank.

Logistics performance index: Overall (1=low to 5=high)......

Data shows that except for Burundi which recorded a decline in the LPI, all the other Member States registered improvement in the LPI score suggesting that effeciency had improved notably due to improved infrastructure, predictability of the logistics chain and elimination of barriers along the transport modes in the respective countries. From table two, it is clear that for all the average performance in infrastructure greatly affected the LPI score followed by customs and logistics quality and competence. This analysis indicates that greater efforts need to be directed to these areas so as to improve performance.

1.3 Northern Corridor Performance Monitoring

The NCTTCA mandate is to facilitate trade and transport and monitor performance along the Northern Corridor. Through the Transport Observatory, The Northern Corridor Secretariat tracks the performance of the Corridor and disseminates evidence based information for decision making and business processes improvement. Performance is also monitored through the Northern Corridor Dashboard which features key selected indicators that are tracked on a weekly basis. Through feedback, regular engagement with stakeholders and tracking of the online portals usage, the Norhern Corridor Secretariat is able to understand stakeholders needs and reasons for visiting the portal.

Having all stakeholders on the same page is essential to a highly efficient policy formulation and systematic response to the implementation of initiatives aimed at enhancing efficiency of the Corridor. Figure 1 gives trends in the number of traffic to the observatory from April 2016 to September 2016.



Figure 1: Number of visitors to the Transport Observatory

	Direct Traffic		New U	New Users		Returning Users		All Users	
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
Apr	336	358	1,139	1,235	502	521	1,641	1,756	
Мау	649	487	1,125	1,359	767	535	1,892	1,894	
Jun	478	411	1,100	1,336	691	516	1,791	1,852	
Jul	359	455	962	1,015	570	515	1,532	1,530	
Aug	364	361	954	1,090	448	469	1,402	1,559	
Sep	405	340	875	899	471	440	1,346	1,339	
Total	4,606	4,428	8,170	8,950	5,464	5,012	11,619	11,946	

Source: Northern- Corridor Transport Observatory September, 2016

The total number of users of the online transport observatory portal has increased slightly from 11,619 in 2015 to 11,946 in 2016 during the same period. The observatory has now been enhanced with the GIS component to graphically map the indicators to the map thereby improving user experience and access to information and data.

The NC Secretariat is also spearheading data collection on the green freight program that will see the indicators expand from the current 31 indicators.



1.4 Methodology

Data for the Northern Corridor Transport Observatory is collected from stakeholders using various methods including surveys along the Corridor and electronic data from computerized stakeholder's business systems. The data is then processed, analyzed and reports generated. Validated information is uploaded to the Northern Corridor online transport portal and reports disseminated.



Data for the 9th transport Observatory report was gathered for the period April to September, 2016. Through the Road transport survey qualitative data from transporters and drivers on challenges and delays along the Corridor was captured. The questions range from making observations on physical transport infrastructure and facilities in place, and procedures for handling and clearance of goods along the Corridor, cargo origin and destination, type of vehicle, type of cargo and duration and reasons for stoppages. GPS kits were also issued to track the stop locations and duration during the survey period.

Analysis of trends is based on indicators where sufficient data is available to describe changes over the period specified. Information is triangulated and presented in graphs and tables to come up with the final report.

GPS Kits normally are provided to truck drivers when they are about to start their journey from Mombasa to different destinations. The analysis involves both qualitative and quantitative using various statistical tools to generate indicators for the Corridor.



CHAPTER 1: VOLUME & CAPACITY INDICATORS

PART II: RESULTS, FINDINGS & DISCUSSION

This section provides discussion on performance of various indicators from April to September 2016 and where possible, a comparison is made with previous months/years.

2.1.1 Cargo throughput at the port of Mombasa

Cargo throughput is defined as the average quantity of cargo that passes through the port. Figure 2, shows the imports, exports and transshipment cargo handled at the port of Mombasa during the period January to September 2016.

Figure 2: Cargo Throughput ('000' DWT)



Source: KPA, September, 2016

Total volume of cargo handled during January to September 2016 for imports, exports and transshipment reached 20,562,000 DWT, with an average of 2,284,667 DWT per month. It is evident that the region continues to import substantially more goods at 85 percent than it exports at 13 percent.



Figure 3: Cargo profile Throughput ('000'DWT)



Month	Dry Bulk	Liquid Bulk	Conventional	Containerized	Total	Rate of Containerization
Jan	448	704	189	857	2,198	38.99%
Feb	554	445	103	871	1,973	44.15%
Mar	553	808	157	760	2,278	33.36%
Apr	576	807	111	823	2,317	35.52%
Мау	817	628	199	927	2,571	36.06%
Jun	475	525	153	917	2,070	44.30%
Jul	485	621	215	928	2,249	41.26%
Aug	736	704	174	884	2,498	35.39%
Sep	764	622	161	863	2,410	35.81%
Total	5,408	5,864	1,462	7,830	20,564	

Source: KPA, January to September, 2016

The month of May recorded the highest volume of 2,571,000 DWT while February registered the lowest handled volume of 1,973,000 DWT. Total volume of containerized import cargo was 7.830 million tons with an approximately percentage of 38% of the total cargo throughput of 20.564 for the 9 months' period. The port of Mombasa handled roughly the same volume of cargo in the same period in the year 2015. The rate of containerization ranged between 35% and 45% on a monthly basis.



This indicator is obtained by summation of all cargo's weight handled within the Port per Country of destination. From the data, total weight for transit imports amounted to 5,563,819 DWT with 97% for Northern Corridor Member States, 2 percent for Tanzania and 1 percent to other destinations.

Country	Cargo Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
	Imports	2,984	12,737	983	847	16,052	585	528	448	61
BURUNDI	Exports	-	39	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	2,984	12,776	983	847	16,052	585	528	448	61
	Imports	33,740	23,253	31,849	34,274	26,623	31,047	26,361	28,541	29,787
D.R.C.	Exports	2,771	4,617	3,010	2,889	4,570	2,970	2,492	3,150	2,285
	TOTAL	36,510	27,870	34,860	37,162	31,193	34,017	28,853	31,691	32,072
	Imports	25,474	14,736	26,504	12,756	11,933	10,268	15,195	17,963	9,881
RWANDA	Exports	1,331	875	1,101	726	1,032	671	853	1,242	1,332
	TOTAL	26,805	15,611	27,605	13,482	12,966	10,938	16,048	19,20 4	11,213
	Imports	48,152	87,621	63,955	48,623	44,446	51,882	34,986	33,948	29,420
SOUTH SUDAN	Exports	3,995	2,374	3,983	3,941	3,912	3,940	6,436	3,648	3,537
	TOTAL	52,148	89,995	67,938	52,564	48,358	55,822	41,421	37,596	32,957
UGANDA	Imports	486,105	460,282		439,111	621,254	441,388	445,753	583,504	
	Exports	37,865	34,859	35,694	35,909	35,565	28,212	34,585	36,152	29,667
	TOTAL	523,970	495,141	507,742	475,020	656,818	469,599	480,337	619,656	614,861

Table 3: Transit Traffic: January to September 2016 (DWT)

Source: KPA, January to September, 2016

From the analysis, total volume of imported transit cargo was 5,423,080 DWT, representing 93% of total traffic, compared to the volume of exported cargo from the five Northern Corridor transit countries of Burundi, DRC, Rwanda, South Sudan and Uganda which amounted to 382,230 DWT with a percentage of 7%. During the reporting period, there were no exports from Burundi except in February 2016.

There is need for sensitization on the use of the alternative route through Tanzania to Taita Taveta-Voi and Mombasa which reduces the distance travelled by about 400 KM and will boost the use of the Port of Mombasa for goods to and from Burundi.

In order to increase exports in the region, there is need to boost investments in local manufacturing and value addition for exports through provision of cheaper energy and supportive regulatory environment to spur production of competitive good for exports.

Capacity building especially in the emerging oil and gas industry which is posed to boost exports from the region will also enhance the regions exports competitiveness



Figure 4: Total Transit Traffic from January to September 2016 (DWT)

Source: KPA, January to September, 2016

Results show that Uganda has the highest import transit traffic of about 83 percent for imports and 81 percent for exports whereas Burundi has the least transit traffic with one percent when compared with other Member States.

It is important that all goods destined to transit countries are cleared at the source to reduce delays and avoid multiple documentation along the way.

2.1.3 Transport Capacity by Rail

This indicator analyses the modal split by covering the total number of locomotives and wagons against the proportion of total cargo carried by rail.

Rail transport can have an advantage over road transport as it offers potential benefits in form of lower transport costs, shorter transit times and greener mode of transport. Therefore, investing in rail transportation is an effective and sustainable way to meet future transportation challenges while at the same time providing significant public benefits such as reductions in road congestion, fuel consumption, logistics costs, highway fatalities and public infrastructure maintenance costs among others.

Rail transport is in principle ideal for countries which are long distances from the sea and in fostering intra-regional trade. Along the northern Corridor, shipment by rail is not as flexible as by highway since rail network essentially comprises a single line, overland rail track from Mombasa through Nairobi, Nakuru, Kisumu/ Eldoret, Jinja, and Kampala to Kasese in western Uganda (1650 km).

This has resulted in much freight being hauled by truck, even over long distance. Nevertheless, construction of standard gauge rail is ongoing and it is expected to be operational by 2017 for the section between Mombasa and Nairobi. This will shift movement of cargo to rail which will become more competitive and absorb the projected increases in freight movement caused by population growth and the growth of the intermodal movement of goods into the future.



Traffic volume of cargo moved by rail for the period of January 2016 to September 2016 was 1,425,787 tons with a monthly average of 158,421 tons. The rail cargo for Kenya was 1,048,949 tons which is 74 percent of the total rail cargo. Transit cargo destined to Uganda was 376,838 representing 26 percent of the total cargo as indicated in the figure below.

Figure 5: Proportion of Cargo Volume transported by rail in tons (Jan 2015 to Sept 2016)

Transit 376,838 26%

Kenya 1,048,949 74%

Source: RVR, January to September 2016

Figure 6: Total Net tons in '000' carried by rail



Kenya 2015

Transit 2015

Kenya 2016

Transit 2016

Month	Kenya 2015	Transit 2015	Kenya 2016	Transit 2016
Jan	148.25	35.80	106.87	32.14
Feb	121.04	67.59	99.83	35.45
Mar	135.26	68.81	125.39	47.64
Apr	129.67	56.00	112.32	35.41
Мау	134.15	59.24	107.33	42.56
Jun	122.00	56.04	126.14	43.52
Jul	138.30	60.63	113.12	30.14
Aug	134.13	51.46	132.00	66.24
Sep	109.11	64.73	125.97	43.74

Source: KRC, April to September 2016

From the figure, above, the volume carried by rail has decreased from the total registered in 2015 for the same reporting period for both local and transit cargo. While the container traffic in Mombasa has been increasing in the previous years, the number of containers transported by rail for local and transit has dropped.



The Design Capacity at average commercial speed of 55 kph is 6 million tons per locomotive which cannot be achieved due to poor infrastructure conditions resulting to Temporary Speed Restrictions (TSRs)

Table 4: Average Locos Operating

Average Locos Operating	Conceded	Operational/Sept 2016
96 (2600hp)	-	17
94 (2910hp)	10	7.6
93 (2610hp)	25	19.5
92 (2550hp)	12	1.6
87 (1840hp)	11	0.3
72 (1240hp)	3	1
71 (1240hp)	4	4
62 (740hp)	31	3.9
47 (345hp)	27	10

Source: RVR April to September 2016

The average locomotives operating have drastically reduced hence hampering efforts to increase the rail share in freight transport. The table below gives number of wagons available for service as at September, 2016.

Table 5: Number of wagons available for service

Type of Wagon	Number of Wagons				
	Sep-2015	Sep-2016			
Container Flat	718	878			
Tanks Oil, Fuel, Gas	111	112			
Tanks Other	13	10			
Covered	617	562			
High Sided	28	20			
Drop Sided	27	25			
Other	3	3			
Total RVR Kenya Revenue Wagons	1,517	1,610			
Ballast	12	12			

Source: RVR April to September 2016

The container flat Wagons with Carrying Capacity of 42 tons increased to 878 in September, 2016 from 718 the same month in 2015. The average net tons per load for containerized wagons ranged between 22.12 to and 28.4 tons while containerized wagon turnaround time was between 0.5 days to 13.2 days between January and September, 2016.

However, an in-depth analysis is needed to determine the reasons for erratic turnaround time and address them with appropriate policy recommendations. A detailed planning is needed in every yard to ensure that all activities in the run up to train departure are executed on time. Locomotive/Wagon reliability is also low and is coupled with a high rate of locomotive failure and low availability of wagons due to long turnaround times. Wagon availability ranged between 75% and 83% as shown in the figure below.

Figure 7 : Container Wagon Availability





2.1.4 Transit Time by rail

The figure below gives transit time by rail from Mombasa for imports and exports.



Figure 8: Transit time by rail

Source: RVR April to September 2016

From the graph in figure 8, rail transit time from Mombasa to Kampala increased significantly to 21 days in July compared to 12 days in June 2016. The quality of railway services for both Uganda and Kenya, have been plummeting in the recent past. Currently, the transit times are excessive and unpredictable as shown by figure above. Other factors attributed to long transit time by rail include; availability of cargo, availability of locomotive rolling stock, infrastructure and railway yard operating hours.



The table below provides the ton-kilometers for both exports and imports showing that the railway is mostly used for imports.

	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
Mombasa to Nairobi	25.36	20.61	22.17	27.27	21.95	24.10
Mombasa to Uganda	44.62	55.32	62.68	39.10	67.90	56.40
Nairobi to Mombasa	7.30	3.78	4.31	4.58	4.24	10.93
Uganda to Mombasa	15.13	9.89	10.44	11.94	12.54	12.22

Table 6: Gross Ton- Km (1,000,000) by Month

Source: RVR, April to September 2016

The meter gauge rail is mostly used for imports to Uganda and Kenya from the port of Mombasa with Ton -km ranging from 39 Million ton-km -68 Million ton-kms

Among the challenges experienced by railways are aging tracks and rolling stock, insufficient resources for maintenance and poor tracking of the wagons and cargo. Inadequate number of locomotives and wagons, poor rail infrastructure for the meter gauge has slowed down development within the Northern Corridor rail freight transport sector.

Increasing rail competitiveness will evidently benefit transport users primarily through; reducing transit times, improving connections, and improving quality of services and infrastructure and affordability.

2.1.5 Volume of Containerized Cargo handled per month at the Port of Mombasa

Container transportation allows considerable improvement in the efficiency of transportation through reduction of handling time, labor costs, and packaging costs.

ТҮРЕ		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	TOTAL
IMPORTS	Full	41,417	41,761	37,153	40,660	46,005	45,737	45,968	44,420	44,488	387,609
	Empty	201	576	267	1,053	2,042	2,075	1,218	56	198	7,686
EVDODTC	Full	9,743	12,547	10,677	11,065	11,715	12,489	12,028	10,776	8,690	99,730
EXPORTS	Empty	32,427	27,427	25,997	28,547	31,849	31,606	32,840	33,690	32,135	276,518
	Full	5,074	3,415	2,324	2,443	3,295	2,015	3,098	2,839	3,759	28,262
	Empty	578	1,195	667	482	530	469	112	88	110	4,231
	Full	56,234	57,723	50,154	54,168	61,015	60,241	61,094	58,035	56,937	515,601
TOTAL	Empty	33,206	29,198	26,931	30,082	34,421	34,150	34,170	33,834	32,443	288,435
	Total	89,440	86.921	77.085	84.250	95.436	94.391	95.264	91.869	89.380	804.036

Table 7: Container Traffic (TEU's) Handled

Source: KPA, January to September, 2016

From January to September 2016, a total of 804,036 TEUs of both containerized cargo and empty containers were handled. Out of this, there were 387,609 TEUs of containerized cargo and 7686 empties for import. On the other hand, Exports accounted for 99,703 TEUs of containerized cargo and 276,519 empty containers. The highest movement was recorded in the month of May at 95,264 containers. This substantial increase could imply that use of the container as a support for freight transportation is being adopted positively. Most of the exports are empty containers

2.1.6 Pipeline Transport Capacity

The main objective of the Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC) is to provide efficient, reliable, safe and cost effective means of transporting petroleum products from Mombasa to the hinterland.

In pursuit of this objective, KPC constructed pipeline network, storage and loading facilities for transportation, storage and distribution of petroleum products. The pipeline is about 1,221 km of and goes from the Port, Kipevu oil storage facility and refinery in Mombasa to Nairobi, Eldoret and Kisumu.

The refined products are trucked from depots in Mombasa, Nairobi, Nakuru, Eldoret and Kisumu. KPC has enhanced infrastructure which has led to improved petroleum product and availability in Western Kenya with the second pipeline to Kisumu. This has made access to the northern corridor Member States and Tanzania market easier. The laying of a second line from Mombasa to Nairobi which is almost complete will boost the performance of this mode of transport.

2016	Kenya	Uganda	Dem. Rep. Congo	Burundi	Rwanda	South Sudan	Tanzania
April	76,978	45,171	16,714	478	197	25,475	1,387
Мау	95,256	71,407	17,506	274	1,636	35,272	2,790
June	102,868	93,703	16,272	163	900	25,689	2,306
July	99,544	89,674	17,782	262	1,092	17,195	2,787
Aug	73,610	50,561	19,288	257	2,960	21,236	1,981
Sept	97,012	92,339	20,159	318	3,009	28,800	93

Table 8: Monthly fuel dispatch to various destinations (M3)

Source: KPC, April to September, 2016

Table 8 provides a summary of monthly average volume of fuel dispatched to various Northern Corridor Member States and Tanzania. The products include; Motor Spirit Premium (MSP), Motor Spirit Regular (MSR), Automotive Gas Oil (AGO), Jet A-1 and Illuminating Kerosene (IK).

Apart from the domestic market, the pipeline system serves the neighboring countries of Uganda, Rwanda, Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo, Northern Tanzania, Burundi and South Sudan. Kenya received the highest amount of fuel dispatched at 43 percent, followed by Uganda at 35 percent while South Sudan and Rwanda received the least net volume of fuel dispatched at one percent. In the reporting period, the month of September 2016 witnessed the highest volume of fuel dispatched compared to the rest.

KPC has the following depots; Embakasi Aviation, Nairobi Terminal, Moi Airport, Kipevu Oil Storage Facility, Nakuru, Eldoret, Kisumu and Konza. The Nairobi terminal has the second largest storage of 100,528 cubic meters, Kenya Petroleum Refineries Limited's white fuel storage has a capacity of 140 million litres, Konza Petrocity depot has a 38.5 million litre capacity and Kipevu oil storage facility that holds 326,333 cubic meters. Construction of additional storage capacity tanks in Nairobi is planned.



The volume of particular fuel product transported through the pipeline system between April and September 2016 was recorded as 1,282,395.73 cubic meters for Motor Spirit Premium, Automotive Gas Oil, Illuminating Kerosene and Jet A-1 as shown below for three out of 8 depots.

Table 9: Total volume per type of fuel dispatched by terminal station (M3)

DEPOT	AUTOMOTIVE GASOIL	ILLUMINATING KEROSENE	JET A-1	MOTOR SPIRIT PREMIUM	TOTAL VOLUME
Nakuru	203,130	39,116	0	155,253	397,499
Eldoret	257,033	39,406	61,254	220,827	578,520
Kisumu	127,086	26,201	37,548	115,540	306,376
Total	587,250	104,723	98,802	491,621	1,282,396

Source: KPC April to September, 2016



Figure 9: Transit volume dispatched per terminal station (m3), April to September 2016

Source: KPC April to September, 2016

Figure 9 gives a comparison of fuel dispatch from Eldoret, Kisumu and Nakuru depots from April to September 2016. It is evident that Eldoret depot delivered the highest volume of fuel products compared to Kisumu. KPC plays a critical role in fostering development and growth in the region by ensuring sufficient and reliable supply of petroleum products. However, there are various challenges encountered by KPC in delivery this mandate, among them; infrastructure, power outages which cause delays and unpredictability of the market.

KPC to Fast Track improvement of loading facilities to improve truck turnaround and efficiency

In order to support the self-regulatory axle load Charter on vehicle load control objectives, KPC should ensure correct calibrations and loadings of tanker trucks at its loading points.



CHAPTER II: TRANSPORT RATES & COSTS

While this report estimates the potential, isolated effects of changes in transport costs and rates, it is worth noting that other factors also affect trade flows and the estimated effects here may be amplified or offset by these other factors.

An increasingly important source of costs, rates and delays faced in trade facilitation are Non-tariff barriers (NTBs). Adequate cost recovery based as far as possible on market- determined economic costs should ensure a fair price of transport services and avoid misallocation of resources and structural distortions in national economies.

In the road and rail sub-sectors which are the main transport modes along the Corridor, trade facilitation is critical to reducing trade costs, which remain high despite the steep decline in the cost of transportation, improvements in information and communication technology, and the reduction of trade barriers in many countries.

2.2.1 Road Freight Charges along the Northern Corridor

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FROM	Mombasa	Nairobi	Kampala	Kigali	Bujumbura	Goma	Juba
Mombasa		856	2,170	3,625	5,000	6,133	4,750
Nairobi	408		1,650	2,900	4,000	5,000	4,000
Kampala	800	700		1,600	3,500	3,000	2,200
Kigali	3,000	2,000	1,600		50*	1,000	7,000
Bujumbura	160*	130*	60*	275*		80*	-
Goma	3,640	3,360	2,240	2,000**	2,240**		-
Juba	3,000**	3,000**	1,500**		-		

Table 10: Transport tariff in USD to various destinations

Source: Northern Corridor Transport Observatory Analysis from transporters, September, 2016 *Rates per ton, ** Rates for April, 2016

Table 10 summarizes transport charges per for 20/40 foot containers to and from various locations in September, 2016. Subsequent section will provide the changes from April, 2016



2.2.2 Road Freight Charges in Burundi

Table 11 summarizes transport charges per container to and from Bujumbura in USD per ton per kilometer for 20 foot containers for exports. It also shows the number of Round-Trips achieved for the different destinations.

The reported data shows that freight charges to Kampala reduced from \$0.10 to \$0.08 per ton per Kilometer. Other destinations showed slight increase in freight charges between September, 2015 and 2016.

Table 11: Tariff and of Round-Trips in Burundi

			September, 2015		September,	2016
From	То	Distance	Tariff Per Ton/Km	Round-Trips	Tariff Per Ton/Km	Round-Trips
Bujumbura	Goma	431	0.12	2	0.19	2
Bujumbura	Kampala	788	0.10	2	0.08	2
Bujumbura	Kigali	275	0.15	3	0.15	3
Bujumbura	Juba	1,441		-	-	0
Bujumbura	Nairobi	1,476	0.07	2	0.09	1
Bujumbura	Mombasa	1,957	0.09	1	0.08	1

Source : « Association des Transporteurs Internationaux du Burundi », September 2016

The number of round-trips have remained fairly constant except to Nairobi which is now at one trip per month.

Rate could be much lower to Mombasa and Nairobi, given the reduction in distance through Tanzania and the roads being in fair condition. Use of the Taita-Taveta road and Namanga road through Tanzania could be a cheaper and faster route to access Mombasa and Nairobi respectively.

2.2.3 Road Freight Charges in DR Congo

Table 12 summarizes transport charges per 40' container from Goma to various destinations along the Northern Corridor.

The reported data shows transport rates to Kampala, Nairobi and Mombasa.

Table 12: Tariff and Round-Trips in DRC

			Septemb	er, 2015	Septemb	er, 2016
From	То	Distance	Tariff Per Ton/ Km	Round-Trips	Tariff Per Ton/ Km	Round-Trips
Goma	Bujumbura	431	-	7	-	-
Goma	Kampala	669	2.99	6	3.35	2
Goma	Kigali	156	-	5	-	-
Goma	Juba	1,322	-	1	-	-
Goma	Nairobi	1,360	2.21	3	2.47	1
Goma	Mombasa	1,840	1.77	2	1.98	1

Source: FEC, September 2016

The number of round-trips have reduced significantly and the rates per kilometer increased. Goma Kampala has seen the Round-trips reduce from 6 to 2 per month between September 2015 and 2016.

2.2.4 Road Freight Charges in Kenya

Table 13 shows the transport tariffs from the Kenyan cities of Nairobi and Mombasa to other towns in the Northern Corridor Member States in US dollars. It gives the average transport tariff per container per km for moving a container from Mombasa to main destinations along the northern Corridor.

The transport tariff from Mombasa to Goma and Juba increased from \$1.98 and \$2.45 to \$3.33 and \$2.86 per container per kilometer respectively. Number of Round-Trips to juba halved to 2 trips per month.

It is critical to note that the cost for long distances remains high. This indicates that cross border logistics and other concerns including security have an impact on the cost of cargo transportation to different destination. It is also clear that the differences on the average cost are influenced by factors that vary depending on the destination route.

Table 13: Tariff and Number of Round-Trips in Kenya

			Septemb	er, 2015	September, 2016		
From	То	Distance (KM)	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round-Trips	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round-Trips	
Mombasa	Nairobi	481	2.24	10	1.78	10	
Mombasa	Kampala	1,169	2.61	4	1.86	4	
Mombasa	Kigali	1,682	2.11	2	2.16	3	
Mombasa	Bujumbura	1,957	1.74	3	2.55	2	
Mombasa	Goma	1,840	1.98	2	3.33	2	
Mombasa	Juba	1,662	2.45	4	2.86	2	

Source: Road Transport Survey April to September 2016

The average number of Round-Trips made by trucks is largely determined by the distance to destination towns along the Corridor. The Mombasa – Nairobi trip recorded the highest number of road trips due to the short distance covered. Bujumbura, Goma and Juba recorded the lowest number of 2 monthly trips. Increased efficiency and elimination of bottlenecks along the Corridor could lead to increased roundtrips, truck turnaround and hence operational efficiency for transporters.

2.2.5 Road Freight Charges in Rwanda

The table 14 presents the tariffs for transporting a 20-foot container either from Kigali. Transport rates are higher except to Mombasa and Nairobi which lies between \$1.67 and \$1.78 per container per km. Transport rates to Goma drastically dropped from a high of \$20.51 to \$6.41 per container per kilometer.

Table 14: Tariff and Number of Round-Trips in Rwanda

			Sep, 2	2015	Septembe	er, 2016
From	То	Distance(KM)	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round-Trips	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round-Trips
Kigali	Goma	156	20.51*	7	6.41	10
Kigali	Kampala	513	3.12	6	3.12	7
Kigali	Bujumbura	275	8.00*	5	6.55	-
Kigali	Juba	1,166	6.00	1	6	1 to 1.5
Kigali	Nairobi	1,201	1.67	3	1.67	4
Kigali	Mombasa	1,682	1.78	2	1.78	2 to 2.5

*March, 2015 Source: ACPLRWA September 2016



The Kigali – Goma registered the highest number of roundtrips with an average of 10 Round-Trips albeit the high cost of transport compared to 7 for Kigali- Kampala, 4 for Nairobi and an upper limit of 2.5 for Mombasa. It is evident that in spite of the higher freight costs alluded to earlier, Goma remains a key cargo destination for Kigali. The average distance (km) covered per truck per year for truck plying Kigali - Goma is 37,440km while Kigali- Mombasa is 72,060 km per year.

High transports are an impediment to trade, it incumbent upon policy makers on routes that return high costs to work on eliminating the logistical and infrastructural bottlenecks that may exist.

2.2.6 Road Freight Charges in Uganda

Table 15 shows the road freight charges for 20 or 40 foot containers for destinations along the Corridor from Kampala. It shows that freight charges for exports to Nairobi and Mombasa were the cheapest while Exports from Kampala to Goma and Bujumbura attract higher freight charges. Goma and Bujumbura has the highest freight charges of up to \$4.48 and \$4.4 per kilometer respectively.

Data for the month of September for 2015 and 2016 shows that the Kampala- Nairobi showed both an increase in round-trips from 4 to 5 and a reduction in freight charges

			April,	2016	September, 2016		
From	То	Distance(KM)	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round- Trips	Tariff Per Container/Km	Round-Trips	
Kampala	Kigali	513	3.22	7	3.12	5	
Kampala	Bujumbura	788	4.82	5	4.44	4	
Kampala	Juba	653	2.76	5	3.37	5	
Kampala	Nairobi	688	1.16	4	1.02	5	
Kampala	Mombasa	1,169	0.68	5	0.68	4	
Kampala	Goma	669	3.59	4	4.48	4	

Table 15: Tariff and Number of Round-Trips in Uganda

Source: UNTA, September 2016

Table 16 below summarises Freight charges per destination per km,

Table 16: Road Freight Charges per destination per Kilometer

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FROM	Mombasa	Nairobi	Kampala	Kigali	Bujumbura	Goma	Juba					
Mombasa		1.78	1.86	2.16	2.55	3.33	2.86					
Nairobi	0.93		2.40	2.40	2.71	3.68	3.49					
Kampala	0.68	1.02		3.12	4.44	4.48	3.37					
Kigali	1.78	1.67	3.12		6.55	6.41	6					
Bujumbura	2.24*	2.52*	2.24*	4.2*		5.32*	-					
Goma	1.98	2.47	3.35									

*28-ton Container

Source: Transport Observatory Analysis/NCTTCA

Generally, data shows variations in freight charges on the different sections of the Corridors with variation being significant for cross border destinations. This suggests that there exist factors in the different countries that drive freight charges. This calls for further studies to pinpoint factors that escalate freight charges on certain routes and propose mitigation measures.

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CHAPTER III: PRODUCTIVITY & EFFICIENCY

Easy accessibility to the port of Mombasa is vital for integrating economies into an increasingly globalized production system, rather than being left on the margins of world trade.

Together with its partners, the Port of Mombasa is steadily committed to ensuring that the port remains accessible and sustainable by all transport modes to customers and other users.

The following indicators give the snapshot of the efficiency at the Port of Mombasa and along the Corridor.

2.3.1 Ship Turnaround Time

This indicator is measured from the time the vessel arrives at the Port area to the time it leaves the Port.

Figure 10 shows comparison in performance in ship turnaround time for the 2015 and 2016.



Figure 10: Containerized Ship turnaround time

Source: KPA, January to September 2016

The Performance in ship turnaround time has been improving with target of 3 days (72 hours) being realized from July 2016. The performance continued to improve to stand at 56.2 hours in September 2016.

This sustained positive performance is partly attributed to availability of equipment, improved productivity of the gangs and the implementation of Fixed Berthing Window by KPA from August 2015 to date. The table below shows trend in specific ship turnaround time from January to September 2016.



Table 17: Ship Turnaround Time (Days) for Jan - Sep 2016

TVDE	LAN	EFR	MAD		ΜΑΥ	IIIN		ALIG	SED
1175	JAN	FED	MAK	APK	MIAT	JON	JUL	AUG	JEP
Barge	5.0	3.5	5.0	1.7	2.8	3.6	0.5	-	10.2
Bulk	3.8	4.4	4.6	4.9	4.7	4.8	3.5	5.6	4.8
Car Carrier	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.7	1.0	1.0	0.9
Container	2.4	2.5	2.7	2.5	2.9	2.5	2.5	2.3	2.4
Fishing	-	-	1.9	-	2.7	2.2	2.8	2.2	3.3
Gen Cargo	3.7	4.1	3.1	3.3	2.8	2.3	2.2	2.1	2.9
Roro	1.1	1.9	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.0	1.5	1.8	1.5
Tanker	3.4	4.8	4.2	4.0	3.6	3.6	2.6	4.5	4.5
Tug	1.5	2.1	2.8	1.8	1.6	2.1	1.5	2.6	2.1
Others	1.5	2.8	1.5	4.3	2.3	1.9	2.2	2.6	3.0
AVG. Turnaround time	2.7	3.1	2.8	3.2	3.1	2.8	2.4	3.0	3.2

Source: KPA, Jan to Sept 2016

2.3.2 Vessels Waiting Time before Berth

This indicator is measured from the time the vessel arrives at the Port area (Fairway Buoy) to the time of its first berth.

Figure 11 shows the trend performance for the vessel waiting time for 2016 and 2015. The target is 24 hours.



Figure 11: Vessel waiting before berth

Source: KPA, Jan to Sept 2016

Vessel waiting time improved from 13.5 hours in August 2015 to stand at 6.45 hours in September 2016 far surpassing the 24-hour target.

In general, there is consistently positive trend on most indicators with maritime indicators performing particularly well. Physical infrastructure of the port is one of the most important requirements in creating and supporting a business environment that facilitates trade, economic growth and job creation.

The ongoing roads infrastructure upgrading around the Port are expected to bring more improvements. These initiatives in place should be sustained for continuous improvement in efficiency. Engagement is underway with KPA for downward revision of the target for the vessel waiting time to ensure that this momentum is uninterrupted and to contribute further to its productivity.

2.3.3 Quality of transport infrastructure within the Northern Corridor Road Network

The entire Northern Corridor road network covers approximately 14,108 km across Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, South Sudan and the DR Congo. Road transport is fully liberalised and accounts for more than 96% per cent of the total transit traffic flow within the Northern Corridor. It is critical to estimate the efficiency and capacity of transport modes since they have direct impact on transport costs. Poor infrastructure translates to higher transport costs, delays and negative economic consequences.

In April 2016, through the northern corridor transport observatory, it was determined that only 28% of the total corridor road length was in bad shape, requiring urgent rehabilitation/reconstruction works. Furthermore, majority of the road sections were established to be in good or fair condition (64 % or 9 %). Major sections were reported to be under construction or rehabilitation.

This report focuses on September 2016 data which gives the overall picture of the status of the roads in the Northern Corridor Member States. Where data exists, IRI is provided. IRI not only helps in terms of determining road user costs but also provides road pavement performance. Roads are designed to cater for both structural and functional requirements of traffic and the entire travelling public. Essentially the quality of service determines the level of condition to which a road is allowed to fall before a certain treatment is triggered.

a) Road conditions in Burundi

The majority of the Northern Corridor road network in Burundi is paved. Therefore this condition status relates to paved roads particularly the National highways are in fair to good condition with a few exceptions.

Road Section	Length (km)	AADT	Roughness Index IRI	Planned / Current Project on this link	Current Status of project	Cost of project (Mill US\$)	General Comments
Gasenyi - Gashoho	68.379	Bitumen concrete	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Gashoho - Ngozi	40.357	Double surface course	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ngozi - Kayanza	32	Double surface course	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kanyaru Haut -Kayanza	22.105	Bitumen concrete	7	Additional 1 m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Kayanza- Bugarama	59.169	Bitumen concrete	3	additional 1 m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Bugarama- Bujumbura	35.005	Bitumen concrete	3	Additional 1 m	N/A	N/A	N/A
Bujumbura- Gatumba	23	Bitumen concrete	2	In progress	100% Complete	600000 euro	
Ruhwa- Nyamitanga	50.712	Bitumen concrete	2	N/A	N/A	72 million UC	51Km Phase 1 finished
Nyamitaanga- Gihanga	10.1	laterite	8	N/A	N/A	40Mill USD	phase 2
Gihanga- Bujumbura20	20	Double surface course	4	N/A	N/A	40Mill USD	N/A
Kanyaru Bas -							
Ngozi	24.7	laterite	8	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ngozi-							
Gitega	80	Bitumen concrete	2	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Gitega-							
Bujumbura	102	Bitumen concrete	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Table 18: Road conditions in Burundi

Source : Office des Routes, September 2016



b) Road conditions DRC

Road Section	Route Classification	Type of the road	Length (km)	Work done or in Progress	Work planned	Current S	tatus (Km)			
						Good	Fair	Bad			
		1. ROAD B	UKAVU-KIN	NDU-KISANGANI							
BUKAVU -BURHALE	RN2	RT	55	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	55	0	0			
BURHALE - SHABUNDA - LUBILE	RP503	RT	363	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	38	188	137			
LUBILE - KALIMA - MALI	RN32	RR	117	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	28	89	0			
MALI - KINDU	RN31	RR	36	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	36					
MALI - LUBUTU	RN31	RT	318	Rehabilitation and MaintenaAnce	Rehabilitation	176	93	49			
LUBUTU - KISANGANI	RN3	RR	297	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	93	103	101			
LUBUTU - OSOKARI - WALIKALE	RN3	RR	221	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	189	32				
WALIKALE - HOMBO	RN3	RT	107	Maintenance	Modernization	0	107	0			
НОМВО - МІТІ	RN3	RR	93	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	0	40	53			
MITI - BUKAVU (included in Kavumu - Bukavu)	RN2	RR	PM								
		2. R	OAD BUKA	VU-UVIRA							
BUKAVU - KAMANYOLA	RN5	RT	55	Tarmaking/ Maintenance	Modernization	53	2	0			
KAMANYOLA - UVIRA	RN5	RR	86	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	66	15	5			
UVIRA - KAMVIVIRA - FRONT BURUNDI	RN30	RR	10	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	0	10	0			
3.ROAD KISANGANI - BENI -KASINDI											
KISANGANI - NIANIA - KOMANDA	RN4	RT	650	Maintenance GENIS	Modernization	650	0	0			
KOMANDA - LUNA	RN4	RT	65	Maintenance	Modernization	65	0	0			
LUNA - BENI	RN4	RR	60	Maintenance		60					
BENI - KASINDI	RN4	RT	80	Maintenance	Modernization	38	18	24			
		4.ROAD K	OMANDA - I	BUNIA - MAHAGI							
KOMANDA - BUNIA	RN27	RT	71		Rehabilitation	0	69	2			
BUNIA - MAHAGI - GOLI - FR OUGANDA	RN27	RT	190		Rehabilitation	0	62	128			
		5.ROAD	KISANGAN	I - ISIRO - ARU							
KISANGANI - NIANIA	RN4	RT	PM								
NIANIA - ISIRO	RN25	RT	232	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	38	108	86			
ISIRO - WATSA - ARU	RN26	RI	511		Rehabilitation	20	40	451			
	6.	ROAD BENI	- BOLEWR	0 - GOMA - BUKAVU	Madaraizatian	40	4.4	40			
	RIN2	KI	132	Maintenance	Modernization	48	44	40			
GOMA	RN2	RR	199	Maintenance	Rehabilitation		194	5			
GOMA -SAKE- MINOVA	RN2	RR/RT	58	Rehabilitation/ Maintenance	Rehabilitation	22	26	10			
MINOVA - KAVUMU - BUKAVU	RN2	RR/RT	152	Strengthening RR and Maintenance	Rehabilitation	49	32	71			
RUTSHURU - BUNAGANA	RN28	RT	27	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	0	27	0			
RUTSHURU - ISHASHA	RP1035	RT	63	Maintenance	Rehabilitation	42	21	0			

Source: Office De Routes, DR Congo, September, 2016

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The majority of the Northern Corridor road network in DR Congo is in fair condition.

c) Road condition in Kenya

Table below provides status on road conditions in Kenya measured by international roughness index. Kenya roads are crucial because they which form a link to other member states.

Table 20: Road condition in Kenya

Section From	Section To	Distance (km)	Average IRI	Remarks
Nairobi	Mombasa	481.35	2.26	Good
Mombasa	Nairobi	370.48	3.16	Good
Nairobi	Eldoret	312.17	3.2	Good
Eldoret	Malaba	125.68	3.73	Good
Busia	Kisumu	116.16	3.67	Good
Kisumu	Nakuru	186.29	3.84	Good
Nakuru	Nairobi	157.67	2.96	Good

Source: KeNHA September, 2016

Generally, most of the roads in Kenya are in good condition and some sections which are considered bad are under rehabilitation and maintenance and the road condition will be better when the upgrade is completed. For example, some sections between Voi – Mombasa which had deteriorated are under rehabilitation.



d) Roads condition in Rwanda

Most of the Northern Corridor road network in Rwanda is paved and in good condition.

Table 21: Road conditions in Rwanda

Sections as per NCTTCA	Route segment	Route Classification	Length (km)	Surface Type	IRI1 (m/Km)	Current status	Projection / Upgrade plan
		K	agitumba-Akan	yaru Haut			
	Kagitumba- Kayonza	NR24	116.00	Double surface dressing	4.2	Procurement for rehabilitation and widening is ongoing	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
Kagitumba- Kigali	Kayonza- Kigali	NR4	77.00	Asphalt concrete	1.7	The EAC has commissioned feasibility study and detailed engineering design. This study is ongoing	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
Kigali Huwa	Kigali- Muhanga	NR1	47.50	Asphalt concrete	2.3	The study for rehabilitation and widening is available	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
Kigali-Huye	Muhanga- Huye	NR1	75.70	Asphalt concrete	1.6	The study for rehabilitation and widening is available	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
Huye- Akanyaru Haut	Huye- Akanyaru Haut	NR1	34.60	Double surface dressing	2.6	The study for rehabilitation and widening is available	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
			Kagitumba- Cy	angugu			
	Huye-Kitabi	NR10	53.00	Double surface dressing	3.5	Procurement for rehabilitation and widening is ongoing	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m is expected to start by Mid 2017
Huye-Rusizi	Kitabi- Buhinga	NR10	62.60	Asphalt concrete	2.1	Project is under liability period	Recently rehabilitated
	Buhinga- Rusizi	NR11	30.60	Asphalt concrete	2.2	The project is under liability period	Recently rehabilitated
			Gatuna - Cya	ngugu			
	Gatuna- Rukomo	NR3	29.00	Asphalt concrete	1.3	The road was rehabilitated and is in good condition and is under liability period	Recently rehabilitated
Gatuna-Kigali	Rukomo- Kigali	NR3	49.00	Asphalt concrete	1.4	The road was rehabilitated and is in good condition and is under liability period	Recently rehabilitated

			Kigali - Musa	anze			
	Kigali-Base	NR2	44.00	Asphalt concrete	1.8	Rehabilitation works completed. The defects are being repaired	Recently rehabilitated
	Base- Musanze		44.00	Asphalt concrete	1.7	Rehabilitation works completed. The defects are being repaired	Recently rehabilitated
			Rusizi- Ruh	iwa			
Rusizi- Bugarama	Rusizi- Bugarama	NR11	38.70	Asphalt concrete	2.4	Recurrent Maintenance works ongoing Study for rehabilitation is expected to be available by the end 2016	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
	Bugarama- Ruhwa	NR11	7.50	Asphalt concrete	1.7	Period maintenance is ongoing	Recently rehabilitated
			Cyanika-Rul	pavu			
Cyanika - Musanze	Cyanika- Musanze	NR17	25.00	Double surface dressing	4.1	1.Emergency works to repair defects are ongoing 2.Study for rehabilitation and widening will be available by end 2016	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m
Musanze- Rubavu	Musanze- Rubavu	NR2	62.00	Asphalt concrete	1.7	Period maintenance ongoing	Rehabilitation and widening to 7m

Source: Rwanda Transport Development Agency, September 2016

e) Road Conditions in South Sudan

Table 22: Road conditions South Sudan

Route / Road	Pavement type	Configuration	Length (Km)	Works Status	Planned	Road (Road condition (Km)/IRI	
						Good	Fair	Bad
Nimule - Nesitu - Juba	Paved	Two lane	192	Constructed	Maintenance		Fair	
Nadapal - Kapoeta - Torit - Nesitu	Gravel	Two lane	335	Designed	Awaiting construction	-	-	Bad
Juba - Lainya - Yei - Kaya	Gravel	Two lane	225	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Yei - Maridi	Gravel	Two lane	180	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Juba - Mundri - Maridi - Yambio - Nabiapai	Gravel	Two lane	427	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Yambio - Tambura - Wau - Aweil	Gravel	Two lane	591	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Wau - Kwacjok - Agok - Mayom - Bentiu	Gravel	Two lane	520	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Juba - Bor - Ayod - Malakal	Gravel	Two lane	614	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad
Mundri - Rumbek - Wau	Gravel	Two Lane	459	N/A	N/A	-	-	Bad

Source: South Sudan Roads Condition September 2016

South Sudan has designated a number of routes and their associated borders as part of the Northern Corridor Route as shown in table above. These are Nimule – Nesitu – Juba (192km) which is in fair condition; Nadapal - Kapoeta - Torit - Nesitu (335km) design works have been completed and the road is awaiting construction; Juba – Lainya – Yei - Kaya (225km); Yei – Maridi (180km). Most of the road is gravel and not in good condition.

The quality of the infrastructure is a key consideration in the achievement of the regional integration and development goals. Regular monitoring of the conditions at a regional level is required to provide information on the sections for prioritization in improvement. Widening of the Corridor to 7m carriageways & 2m shoulders standards and development of climbing lanes as a result of increased traffic will help improvement the transit time hence accelerating trade. Most of Northern Corridor is two-lane road, and speed reduction and necessity of overtaking at uphill paths since large vehicle's speed reduces at uphill paths. In addition, patching potholes, upgrading roads and road improvement. It is commendable to notice the dual carriageways is underway development in several transit sections, were necessary, including Mombasa-Mariakani and Machakos Turn Off.



2.3.4 Weighbridge Traffic

This Indicator measures the average number of trucks weighed per day at a particular weighbridge in Kenya.

The Northern Corridor Authority monitors the efficient performance of the weighbridges and the level of implementation of the vehicle load control charter that commits users of the Corridor to comply with vehicle load control limits in order to protect the roads from pre-mature damage as a result of overloading. Weighbridges are mainly installed along the Corridor to help in protecting roads from these damages but also serve to measure traffic counts that inform road expansion, planning and decisions making.

Figure 12: Average daily weighed traffic for Kenya Weighbridges



Mariakani	2636	2507	4423	2739	2620
Athi River	3433	5421	9179	5855	5400
Busia	501	420	420	454	436
Gilgil	1576	2650	4195	2625	2769
Webuye	980	958	1308	958	977

KeNHA, Kenya September 2015 to September 2016

Athi River weighbridge recorded high average daily traffic of (5,400), followed by Gilgil (2,769) and Mariakani weighbridges (2,620) in September 2016 respectively. However, it is important to note that traffic at weighbridges has been fluctuating when compared to the previous year. Since full implementation of High Speed Weigh-in Motion, trucks that are weighed on the fixed scale are those that fail the weigh in motion scale. Athi River has one of the highest average daily traffic flow as trucks and other traffic from Mombasa, Namanga route and Nairobi converge.

On the other hand, Busia Weighbridge registered the least traffic compared to the rest. This could be due to the fact that sections of the route are under construction posing delay to cargo transport. In addition Busia weighbridge is not implementing the high speed weigh-in motion.

Modernization of axle limit control for these weighbridges has resulted in reduced weighing times and reduced delays.

2.3.5 Weighbridges Compliance

The indicator measures the percentage of trucks that comply with the gross vehicle weight and the vehicle axle load limits before and after re-distribution of cargo as stipulated in the EAC Vehicle Load Control Act.

The regulation gives the maximum allowable single axle load limit of 10 tons and a maximum gross vehicle mass of 56 tons. Conformity involves compliance to both Axle Load and Gross Vehicle Weight (Traffic Act Cap 403). All EAC Governments have undertaken to promote convergence and compatibility with regional trends by adopting a unified approach to issues of common interest in the transport sector, of which overload control is critical. Rwanda, Burundi, DRC and South Sudan do not enforce axle load limits. South Sudan has no weighbridges at the moment. Uganda has its GVW limit at 56 tons. Enforcement is based on both Gross and Axle load limit.

Figure 13: Weight Compliance Level at weighbridges in Kenya



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KeNHA, September 2015 to September 2016

Webuye Target 91

Compliance with vehicle load limits is above 90% from December 2015 except at Busia weighbridge where compliance has been on the decline and is now at 76% in September 2016. Primarily all trucks weighed at the weighbridges should be 100 percent compliant except for a few cases.

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The target of 100% compliance has not yet been attained yet rationale of axle load control is to control the negative effects caused by heavy vehicle overloading, which may lead to accelerated deterioration, increased maintenance costs, and the need for early rehabilitation of such roads. As heavy vehicles pass over a road, they cause deflection, stress and strain to the road pavement.

CHAPTER IV: TRANSIT TIME AND DELAYS

The time it takes to clear goods through borders is one of the major sources of delays to the movement of trade and trade and transport along the Corridor. The delays derive from the need to comply with the formalities associated with the movement of trade, logistics and transport traffic. They include; examination, inspection, approval of documents, customs shipment process as well as handling cargo at the terminals.

Identification of the main issues that cause delays affecting the movement of goods and proposed measures that can be taken to expedite clearance procedures to reduce costs and time. Success in customs modernization is tied well guidelines that are implemented to the latter.

2.4.1 Dwell time at Mombasa port

Dwell Time is the measure of time that elapses from the time cargo arrives at the Port to the time it leaves the Port premises.

Figure 14 shows a comparative analysis the cargo dwell time at the port of Mombasa for 2015 and 2016.



Figure 14: Containerized cargo dwell time at the Port (Hours)

Source: KPA data January 2015- September 2016

The best cargo dwell time for 2016 was recorded in July with a time of 86.6 hours which was still short of the target of 72 hours (3 days). Comparatively the performance for 2016 shows improvements when gauged against 2015 except for the month of August where a time of 112.8 hours was recorded in 2016 against 101.6 hours recorded in August 2015. Streamlining container nomination and evacuation to various Container Freight Stations are some of the measures being undertaken to reduce the dwell time.

Dwell time is affected by many players within the port ranging from the Revenue Authority since goods cannot leave without their clearance and other cargo interveners. The free period which is 9 days, has also an impact on timely evacuation of cargo from the Port, an approach informed by analytics on how to balance between free period and the dwell time target is necessary. The target should be reviewed based on in depth analysis and engagement with stakeholders.

2.4.2 Time for customs clearance at the DPC

Time taken by Customs to pass an entry lodged by a Clearing Agent. This time contributes to the total Port Dwell Time.

Figure 16 shows the Time taken by Customs to pass an entry lodged by a Clearing Agent for the period January to September for the years 2015 and 2016. This time contributes to the total Port Dwell Time and has a target time of 2 hours.



Figure 15: Time Taken at the Document Processing Centre (DPC)

Document processing time has oscillated over the time from a high of 3.2 hours in January 2016 to a low of 2.2 in July and settling at 2.5 hours in September 2016. Document processing time involves approval of the Customs Value, Classification of goods and taxes paid/bond security by the Customs office. Timely processing would largely be influenced by prompt submission of the proper documents by the clearing agents.

Sensitization of clearing agents on proper and timely submission as well as full automation of procedures would be instrumental in lowering time taken to process the documents.



Source: KPA data January 2015- September 2016

2.4.3 Time taken at Mombasa one stop center

One Stop Centre Clearance Time measures the average time between passing of customs entry registration and issuance of release order.

This time is tied to a multi- agency processing process and has a target of 24 hours.

Figure 16: Time taken at one stop center, Transit (Hours)



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep
One Stop Time 2015	52.66	51.12	50.82	53.21	54.86	59.54	51.92	56.58	48.37
One Stop Time 2016	53.1	48.5	46.28	51.30	53.71	46.93	42.93	54.47	44.62
Target	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24

Source: KPA, January 2015- September 2016

Reported data for the period January – September 2016 shows that time taken at the one stop center improved when compared to the same period in 2015. However, the time recorded significantly exceeded the 24-hour target with a best time of 42.93 recorded in July 2016. To improve this time, conducting joint verification and verification of transit cargo to be made at the countries of destination are some of the strategies that are proposed in the port charter and need to be firmed up. The Regional Electronic Cargo Tracking (R-ECTS) under deployment will be an enabler to strengthen these strategies if encompassing the entire northern corridor cargo.



2.4.4 Delay after customs release

The indicator refers to the time lapse between release and evacuation of cargo from the port.

Delay after Customs Release refers to the period it takes to evacuate the cargo from the port after it is officially released by Customs. It involves the following processes: The clearing agent creates pick up order in the KWATOS system, payment of port charges, release note issued on KWATOS, endorsement of pick up order by KPA and issuance of port gate pass, truck loading, gate checks and issuance of exit note. The target time is 36 hours. Figure 15 below shows the time taken to evacuate cargo from the port after customs release for the period April, 2016 September, 2016.



Figure 17: Delay after Customs Release

Source: KPA data January 2015- September 2016

Delay after customs release time slightly increased from 41.7 hours in April 2016 to 44.8 hours in September 2016. The performance has worsened in September and showed decline when compared to the 36.8 hours recorded in September 2015.

Delays after customs release is a significant predictor of port dwell time and therefore contributes to port inefficiency. Unfortunately, this particular indicator has been erratic during the period. Some of the intervening measures include, automated gate clearance, dedicated special gates to CFSs and ensuring 24hr operations.

2.4.5 Transit time from Mombasa to various destinations

The transit time is measured from the time the cargo is released by Customs in Mombasa to the time it arrives to the various destinations along the Corridor. This transit time includes delays after customs release and stoppages along the Corridor. The data used in analysis of this indicator is from the GPS survey that was carried out from April to September 2016.

Table 23: Average Transit Time from Mombasa to various destinations, Apr-Sept 2016

Destination	Average Transit Time (Days)							
Destination	April	Мау	June	July	Aug	Sept		
Mombasa to Kampala (1,169 Km)	5.1	5.3	5.1	3.4	4.6	5.5		
Mombasa to Malaba (933 km)	3.2	2.6	2.7	2.3	2.6	3.5		
Mombasa to Juba (1,662 km)	12.3	8.9	11.4	13.5	13.7	16.1		
Mombasa to Kigali (1,682 km)	4.4	9.7	4.7	4.7	7.0	7.6		
Mombasa to Goma (1,838 km)	5.8	7.6	4.6	4.5	5.4	7.6		

Source: GPS survey data Source: April- September 2016



Figure 18: Transit time From Mombasa to Kigali, Juba and Kampala

The average time taken from Mombasa to Kampala during the April – September 2016 period was recorded at 4.8 days which is an improvement from the 5.7 days that was recorded during the October 2015- March 2016 period.

The transit time to Kigali also improved significantly from a period average of 6.34 days compared to the 11.4 days that was averaged from October 2015 to March 2016. On the other hand, the transit time from Mombasa to Juba deteriorated form an average of 10.1 days from 8.4 days over the same period. The transit time to Juba has further worsened in the month of July settling at 11.9 days in September.

There is need to improve security along Nimule-Juba highway to guarantee safety for goods and truck drivers.



2.4.6 Transit time in Burundi

Transit time in Burundi was measured from Kanyaru Haut and Gasenyi to the major nodes and customs border points of Bujumbura Port, Kayanza and Gatumba. Figure 20 presents the transit time from Kanyaru Haut for the period April-September 2016.

Source: OBR, April to September, 2016

The data shows that transit time from Kanyaru Haut to Bujumbura was highest at 38 hours in September 2016 for a distance of 118 KMs compared to 28 hours to Kayanza (138 kms) in the same month. It is evident that there are transit delays on the Kanyaru Haut to Bujumbura route. Figure 21 shows the transit time from Gasenyi to Bujumbura and Kayanza during the period April to September, 2016. The time taken from Gasenyi decreased from 46 hours in April 2016 to 38 hours in September 2016. Over the same period the time taken from Gasenyi to Kayanza increased from 10 to 15 hours.

Source: OBR, April to September, 2016

2.4.7 Transit time in Kenya

Transit time in Kenya is determined by estimating the difference between the time when the truck leaves Mombasa to the time it reaches the boarder at Malaba or Busia. It can also be estimated from the time release order is issued at the port of Mombasa to the time the export certificate is issued after crossing the border at Malaba or Busia using the Customs data for transit goods.

Source: GPS, April 2015 to September 2016

From the analysis, average transit time from Mombasa to Malaba, which is 933 km ranged between 55.5 hours and 84.1 hours or between 2.3 days to 3.5 days from April 2015 to September 2016. There has been a significant decrease from 99 hours in April 2015 to 84 hours in September 2016.

It is worth noting that there are no regulations binding transporters to exit within the target of 3 days however, transports who choose to transit faster are making it within the specified period.

2.4.8 Transit time in Rwanda

Transit time is measured by the difference between the time when cargo enters Rwanda to the time when it reaches final destination (ICD for local cargo) or exits the Country.

The Northern Corridor major transit sections in Rwanda include: Gatuna to Akanyaru Haut, Gatuna to MAGERWA, Gatuna to Nemba, and Gatuna to Bugarama. 98% of transit traffic originates from Gatuna Border.

Figure 22: Transit Time in Rwanda

Source: (RRA, April - September 2016)

Figure 22 indicates that average time taken from Gatuna to Nemba was fairly constant (about 14 hours). Time to Bugarama has been increasing slightly from July to September 2016.

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2.4.9 Truck Dwell Time within MAGERWA in Rwanda

Truck Dwell Time within MAGERWA is measured from the time the driver of the vehicle receives authorization to enter the MAGERWA gate to departure of the truck from the terminal exit gate.

Figure 23: Dwell time within Magerwa in minutes from NC - Gatuna

The figure 23 above shows that the trend for truck dwell time within MAGERWA is positive during the reporting period. The dwell time has been decreasing from around 2 hours in April to 8 minutes in September 2016. The proportion of origin of goods cleared at Magerwa are as shown below.

Figure 24: Distribution of Cargo from Rwanda

Source: RRA, September 2016

Figure 24 shows that 80 percent of cargo to MAGERWA originates from Tanzania (Central Corridor) followed by 17% from DRC and 3 percent from Uganda. Since most good to Rwanda are cleared at the Port under the SCT, MAGERWA is mostly used for cargo consolidation.

Source: (RRA, April - September 2016)

2.4.10 Transit time in Uganda

Transit Time in UGANDA - From ECTS DATA

The full implementation of the common ECTS platform in the region will also enable us collecting better and accurate data in tracking transit time and identifying sections which contributes the biggest share of transit time for appropriate action. Figure 25 and 26 provide transit times from Malaba and Busia in Uganda.

Figure 25 Transit time from Malaba in Uganda

	April - 16	May - 16	June - 16	July - 16	Aug - 16	Sept - 16
Malaba - Goli (543 km)	117.80	132.27	135.56	143.23	136.28	127.68
Malaba - Elegu (497 km)	101.47	99.80	106.94	118.46	105.66	113.16
Malaba - Mpondwe (678 km)	85.64	72.28	80.39	74.23	87.22	104.91
Malaba - Kampala (236 km)	58.65	49.89	48.32	51.02	48.33	52.76

Source: URA ECTS, April to October 2016

From the data analysis, Malaba- Goli shows higher transit time despite the shorter distance compared to Malaba -Mpondwe. Malaba-Mpondwe has the shortest transit time per kilometer ranging between 6 to 10 minutes per kilometer.

Figure 26: Transit time from Busia in Uganda

Source: URA ECTS, April to October 2016

Busia-Goli has higher transit time registering up to 5.7 days in September, 2016. Busia -Mpondwe and Busia -Katuna which have comparable distances, have their transit time range between 3 and 4.6 days.

2.4.11 Clearance time at the border in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC)

The indicator is measured by taking the difference between the time of arrival and the time of departure of truck at a particular clearance border station. Customs data for DRC is not adequate for us to make objective analysis due to very small and varying sample.

Average Delay at the Border **PROCESSING OFFICE** Month **Number of Records** (Hours) MAHAGI June 4 **KAROMBO** BUNAGANA 167.83 April **BUNAGANA** 30.41 Mav **BUNAGANA** 19.21 June **BUNAGANA** 17.90 **BUNAGANA** 2.69 August KASINDI 18.34

Table 24: Number of Records registered between April and September 2016

Source: DGDA data 2016, DRC

From table 24 Karombo border registered the least only one record from April to September 2016 while Kasindi registered the highest records of 19. In the month of July 2016 the custom delay at Kasindi was 18.34 hours. During the period April – September 2016, Mahagi border registered only 4 records followed by Bunagana with 13 records. There is need to enhance the number of records reported to have maximum entries for further analysis.

During the validation workshop, it was reported that most of the cargo destined to DRC terminates in the last Country of transit (Uganda or Rwanda) and their after transshipped to DRC. This calls for a survey to be done so as to establish clearance times at those border posts and reasons explaining the trends.

CHAPTER V: INTRA-REGIONAL TRADE

The objective of this section is both to showcase the level of trade between Northern Corridor Member States and provide policy recommendations to realize more gains and maximize the full potential of northern trade route in the area of boosting the intraregional trade, fostering the business opportunities in the region and strengthening the integration cooperation.

2.5.1 Trade between Burundi and Other NC Member States

Table 25 shows a summary of the imports and exports between Burundi and other Members States of the Northern Corridor. The total value of imports for the review period was \$65 Million while exports were valued at \$25.8 Million with the main exports being coffee, Gold, tea, soap, plastic lids, sugar, cotton and hides. The major imports were refined petroleum construction materials and food. It is also evident that trade volumes for both exports and imports dipped to all-time lows, in the month of June 2016 and decreased further by September 2016. Data for the months of July to September 2016 was obtained from intra-regional trade data with other Member states.

Table 25: Summary of formal imports and exports

Burundi Imports from (USD)											
Month	DRC	Kenya	Rwanda	Uganda	Monthly Total						
Jan	163,631	3,066,362	380,774	1,721,161	5,331,928						
Feb	170,498	3,416,226	448,638	2,955,720	6,991,082						
Mar	242,590	2,844,153	1,518,347	1,487,966	6,093,056						
Apr	192,830	2,517,931	731,397	1,791,081	5,233,239						
Мау	336,514	3,045,918	1,048,505	2,708,076	7,139,013						
June	155,453	1,452,316	1,520,225	1,116,875	4,244,869						
July	0	8,645,719	2,196,150	4,517,339	15,359,208						
Aug	0	5,368,798	1,990,951	5,558,621	12,918,370						
Sept	0	0	1,720,015	0	1,720,015						
Total Imports	1,261,516	30,357,423	11,555,002	21,856,839	65,030,780						
		Burundi Expo	orts to (USD)								
Month	DRC	Kenya	Rwanda	Uganda	Monthly Total						
Jan	2,488,678	1,484,404	344,207	77,365	4,394,654						
Feb	2,572,659	1,372,167	429,667	124,993	4,499,486						
Mar	2,350,933	1,239,930	296,267	182,320	4,069,450						
Apr	2,746,845	1,880,723	290,134	210,352	5,128,054						
Мау	1,987,644	1,369,530	271,657	479,320	4,108,151						
June	1,375,473	606,890	147,388	0	2,129,751						
July	0	71,658	761,074	59,060	891,792						
Aug	0	81,412	230,650	115,936	427,998						
Sept	0	0	174,706	0	174,706						
Total Exports	13,522,232	8,106,714	2,945,750	1,249,346	25,824,042						

Source: Burundi Bureau of Statistics. Jan-June 2016: Transport Observatory Analysis/NCTTCA

Figure 27 shows that Kenya and Uganda are the largest source of the intra-regional imports by Burundi accounting for 47 % and 34% respectively. On the other hand, DRC was the largest export destination for Burundi taking up 56% of all exports followed by Kenya with 34%.

2.5.2 Trade between DRC and Other NC Member States

Table below provides trade statistics between DRC and other Northern Corridor Member States for the period January to September 2016. Between January and September 2016, DRC formal exports to the region was valued at approximately 344 Million USD whereas formal imports were valued at slightly above 8 Million USD during the same period.

Table 26: Summary of formal imports and exports

		DRC Impo	orts (USD)		
Country	BURUNDI	KENYA	RWANDA	UGANDA	TOTAL
January	2,488,678	15,384,261	12,663,153	15,349,666	33,222,605
February	2,572,659	15,339,939	14,071,379	14,583,405	32,496,003
March	2,350,933	15,848,636	16,808,002	15,266,626	33,466,195
April	2,746,845	16,969,665	14,660,099	10,497,390	44,873,999
Мау	1,987,644	14,986,754	15,792,464	13,232,885	45,999,747
June	1,375,473	17,161,016	1,028,974	13,146,409	32,711,872
July	0	14,790,359	18,223,926	15,109,777	48,124,062
August	0	20,050,826	18,231,084	17,701,027	55,982,937
Sept	0	0	17,197,102	0	17,197,102
Total Imports	13,522,232	130,531,456	85,133,649	114,887,185	344,074,522
		DRC Expo	rts (USD)		
January	163,631	154,962	449,376	318,538	637,131
February	170,498	122,905	457,465	220,537	513,940
March	242,590	44,319	507,971	182,195	469,104
April	192,830	60,122	751,510	95,693	1,100,155
Мау	336,514	119,137	818,897	142,128	1,416,676
June	155,453	101,674	868,244	183,952	1,309,323
July	0	180,743	551,107	254,313	986,163
August	0	254,521	676,212	144,356	1,075,089
Sept	0	0	737,118	0	737,118
Total Exports	1,261,516	1,038,384	4,403,088	1,541,712	8,244,700

Source: Transport Observatory Analysis/NCTTCA

Kenya and Uganda are the largest source of the regions imports to DRC accounting for 38 % and 33% respectively. On the other hand, Rwanda was the largest export destination for DRC taking up over half of all the exports at 53% as shown in figure 28 above.

2.5.3 Trade between Kenya and Other NC Member States

Table 27 provides trade statistics between Kenya and other Northern Corridor Member States for the period January to August 2016. Between January a nd August 2016, Kenya formal exports to the region was value at USD 830 Million (Ksh 83 billion) making it the single largest exporter in the region. The table also shows that the total value for imports to Member States amounted to USD 108 Million (Ksh 10.84 billion). Kenya was a net exporter during the period under review.

Table 27 : Summary of formal imports and Exports(USD), Jan-Aug 2016

	Formal Exports to (USD)***					
Month	BURUNDI	DRC	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	UGANDA	MONTHLY TOTAL
Jan	6,804,623	15,384,261	13,532,109	12,151,999	46,435,583	94,308,575
Feb	7,412,488	15,339,939	12,894,234	11,969,930	47,069,478	94,686,069
Mar	6,218,746	15,848,636	15,105,507	31,726,665	62,682,603	131,582,157
Apr	5,166,762	16,969,665	15,927,912	11,358,110	63,429,749	112,852,198
Мау	5,093,835	14,986,754	12,213,938	16,882,164	42,205,833	91,382,524
June	5,495,387	17,161,016	15,993,842	13,662,979	46,635,001	98,948,225
July	8,645,719	14,790,359	14,219,372	6,529,852	61,751,756	105,937,059
Aug	5,368,798	20,050,826	17,050,929	8,658,087	49,725,532	100,854,171
Total Exports	50,206,358	130,531,456	116,937,843	112,939,786	419,935,535	830,550,978

	BURUNDI	DRC	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	UGANDA	MONTHLY TOTAL	
Jan	163,488	154,962	529,358	7,619	17,693,393	18,548,820	
Feb	230,253	122,905	273,863	0	11,786,934	12,413,955	
Mar	200	44,319	1,027,084	20,680	10,333,651	11,425,934	
Apr	19,747	60,122	914,448	0	8,140,224	9,134,542	
Мау	1,323	119,137	513,239	1,762	12,689,191	13,324,651	
June	6,906	101,674	524,970	4,501	16,967,492	17,605,544	
July	71,658	180,743	561,354	2,293	9,537,468	10,353,515	
Aug	81,412	254,521	872,718	3,105	14,389,895	15,601,650	
Total imports	574,986	1,038,384	5,217,034	39,959	101,538,247	108,408,611	

Source: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, September 2016

***Note: The currency has been converted from Kenya shilling to USD using 100 as the exchange rate.

Figure 29: Share of Kenyan exports

Kenya top exports include Tea, Coffee, Sisal and sisal products, fish and fish products, fresh fruits and vegetables. The largest destination for Kenya's exports is Uganda accounting for 50% of all Kenyan imports to the northern corridor region at a value of Kshs 42 billion (\$420 Million). Kenya exported goods worth Kshs 13 billion to the DRC amounting to 16% of exports to the region. In addition, Uganda is also Kenya's largest importer accounting for 94% of all imports to the region.

2.5.4 Trade between Rwanda and Other NC Member States

1. Rwanda Formal Intra-regional trade

Formal intra- regional; trade comprises of imports and exports between Member States, Table 28 shows imports and exports between Rwanda and other Northern Corridor Members States in USD. The total export volume for the period January to September was valued at approximately \$236 Million while imports stood at \$237 Million. This implies that there was a small margin between net imports and exports for Rwanda during the period under review. It is also notable that while trade between member states has been stable there was remarkable decline in trade between Burundi and South Sudan over the period under review. Rwanda main exports include petroleum oil, tea, rice, coffee, and minerals like tin and "coltan". Food products, machinery and equipment, construction materials, petroleum products and fertilizers constituted the main imports for the country.

		Form	nal Exports to (US	iD)		
Month	BURUNDI	DRC	KENYA	SOUTH SUDAN	UGANDA	TOTAL EXPORTS
Jan	1,116,882	12,663,153	9,603,399	23,469	3,048,552	26,455,455
Feb	2,820,750	14,071,379	9,278,766	110,377	738,279	27,019,551
Mar	4,379,658	16,808,002	10,854,424	0	851,915	32,893,999
Apr	2,439,555	14,660,099	9,993,354	1,015,457	1,065,310	29,173,775
Мау	5,658,736	15,792,464	9,212,458	996,971	792,011	32,452,638
June	513,394	1,028,974	2,743,374	10,056	2,484,690	6,780,487
July	2,196,150	18,223,926	6,956,058	77,268	1,186,860	28,640,262
Aug	1,990,951	18,231,084	5,593,952	40,548	2,262,826	28,119,362
Sept	1,720,015	17,197,102	4,167,816	42,884	1,756,752	24,884,569
Total	22,836,091	128,676,183	68,403,601	2,317,030	14,187,195	236,420,098
		Forma	l Imports from (L	JSD)		
Month	BURUNDI	DRC	KENYA	SOUTH SUDAN	UGANDA	TOTAL IMPORTS
Jan	623,374	449,376	9,828,094	0	11,995,835	22,896,679
Feb	445,282	457,465	10,805,431	0	12,077,591	23,785,769
Mar	487,072	507,971	12,647,254	0	16,335,968	29,978,265
Apr	561,563	751,510	10,779,526	0	13,029,240	25,121,839
Мау	468,782	818,897	10,481,931	0	15,125,012	26,894,622
June	624,847	868,244	11,049,827	0	14,300,618	26,845,126
July	761,074	551,107	11,269,859	1,590	14,201,343	26,783,383
Aug	230,650	676,212	11,737,069	0	16,147,017	28,790,948
Sept	174,706	737,118	9,385,914	0	15,333,384	25,631,122
Total	445,282	457,465	10,805,431	0	128,546,008	236,727,753

Table 28: Summary of formal imports and exports, January to September 2016

Source: National Bank of Rwanda, January to September, 2016

Figure 30 shows share of trade between Rwanda and the Member States in USD. Uganda (55%) took largest share of imports followed by Kenya (40%) at the rest of the Member States sharing the remaining 5%. On the other hand, DRC is the largest export partner taking up 57% of Rwandan exports followed by Kenya at 26%. Burundi and Uganda respectively account for 10% and 6% of Rwanda's exports.

Table 29: Informal trade in Rwanda

			Import	s From			
COUNTRY	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul
BURUNDI	1,198,008	1,100,863	1,487,156	1,950,028	2,129,673	1,135,812	1,198,008
DRC	314,737	335,327	361,771	329,108	624,849	317,878	314,737
UGANDA	5,564,014	3,206,882	2,648,234	3,032,921	4,239,499	2,341,403	5,564,014
	Exports to						
BURUNDI	366,034	447,397	609,366	940,994	1,121,798	683,397	366,034
DRC	7,886,688	9,167,791	7,792,621	8,090,940	8,519,737	6,003,531	7,886,688
UGANDA	1,465,349	1,570,583	1,435,195	4,211,717	3,670,318	2,151,196	1,465,349

Source: National Bank of Rwanda, September, 2016

Most imports are from Uganda while exports are mostly to DRC followed by Uganda. Informal crossborder trade in Rwanda involves food stuff and animal products.

2.5.5 Trade between South Sudan and Other NC Member States

Table 30 below shows imports and exports in USD between South Sudan and other Northern Corridor Member States. The total export volume for the period January to September was valued at \$1.7 Million while imports stood at \$265 Million. This implies that South Sudan was a net importer during this period. It is also notable that while trade with Uganda has been stable, there was remarkable decline in trade with Rwanda over the period under review.

Table 30: Formal Imports and Exports

South Sudan Formal Exports to (USD)						
Month	RWANDA	KENYA	UGANDA	Monthly Total		
Jan	0	7,619	92,801	100,420		
Feb	0	0	82,836	82,836		
Mar	0	20,680	213,296	233,976		
Apr	0	0	282,038	282,038		
Мау	0	1,762	318,496	320,258		
June	1,590	4,501	264,662	270,753		
July	0	2,293	101,779	104,072		
Aug	0	3,105	301,074	304,179		
Sep	0	0	0	0		
Total Exports	1,590	39,959	1,656,982	1,698,531		
	F	ormal Imports from (USD)				
Jan	23,469	12,151,999	18,445,140	30,597,139		
Feb	110,377	11,969,930	24,409,557	36,379,487		
Mar	0	31,726,665	7,020,929	38,747,594		
Apr	1,015,457	11,358,110	19,428,576	31,802,143		
Мау	996,971	16,882,164	17,889,159	35,768,294		
June	10,056	13,662,979	25,614,845	39,287,880		
July	77,268	6,529,852	26,360,889	32,968,009		
Aug	40,548	8,658,087	10,723,196	19,421,831		
Sep	42,884	0	0	42,884		
Total imports	2,183,184	112,939,786	149,892,291	265,015,261		

Source: Transport Observatory Analysis/NCTTCA

The figure above shows the share of trade between South Sudan and the rest of NC Member States. Uganda took largest share of both exports and imports at 98% and 56% respectively followed by Kenya (2%) exports and (43%) imports.

2.5.6 Trade between Uganda and Other NC Member States

Table 31 below shows imports and exports in USD between Uganda and other Northern Corridor Member States

		Forma	al Imports from (U	SD)		
Month/ 2016	BURUNDI	D.R. CONGO	KENYA	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	Total
Jan	141,341	318,538	37,220,069	839,025	92,801	38,611,774
Feb	91,288	220,537	35,343,613	889,673	82,836	36,627,947
Mar	79,027	182,195	49,360,583	897,354	213,296	50,732,455
Apr	106,243	95,693	43,086,322	834,210	282,038	44,404,506
Мау	164,192	142,128	34,503,266	1,223,679	318,496	36,351,761
Jun	86,131	183,952	37,575,969	963,962	264,662	39,074,676
July	59,060	254,313	31,825,827	899,328	101,779	33,140,307
Aug	115,936	144,356	38,527,928	714,253	301,074	39,803,547
Total Import	843,218	1,541,712	307,443,577	7,261,484	1,656,982	318,746,973
		Forn	nal Exports to (USI	0)		
Month/ 2016	BURUNDI	D.R. CONGO	KENYA	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	Total
Jan	3,221,539	15,349,666	40,713,168	13,355,911	18,445,140	91,085,424
Feb	3,310,449	14,583,405	38,186,917	13,940,226	24,409,557	94,430,554
Mar	3,841,841	15,266,626	31,025,284	15,006,270	7,020,929	72,160,950
Apr	2,687,826	10,497,390	30,728,190	13,754,089	19,428,576	77,096,071
Мау	4,462,034	13,232,885	25,541,226	18,197,446	17,889,159	79,322,750
Jun	3,091,205	13,146,409	22,642,946	13,507,618	25,614,845	78,003,023
July	4,517,339	15,109,777	33,657,526	15,565,355	26,360,889	95,210,886
Aug	5,558,621	17,701,027	29,789,820	15,582,823	10,723,196	79,355,487
Total Export	30,690,854	114,887,185	252,285,077	118,909,738	149,892,291	666,665,145

Table 31:Trade between Uganda and Other NC Member States

Source: Uganda Bureau of Statistics, September 2016.

The total formal export volume for the period January to August was valued at approximately \$667 Million while imports stood at \$319 Million. This implies that Uganda is a net exporter. Data shows that Kenya took largest share of both formal imports and exports at 96 percent and 38 percent respectively followed by South Sudan (22%) exports and Rwanda (18%) exports. Uganda mainly exported coffee, tea, cotton, copper, oil and fish during the period under review.

Uganda exports more to the region with a sizable amount being attributed to informal trade. Total informal trade in Uganda summed to around \$305 million excluding Burundi from January to September 2016 from which 86 percent represents exports and 14 percent represents imports. For the informal trade, Kenya and DRC were the leading net importer whereas DRC, Kenya and South Sudan were the leading exporter as shown in table 32.

Table 32: Informal trade in Uganda

	Exports to (USD)					
Month	DR CONGO	KENYA	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	TANZANIA	
Jan	16,363,962	7,302,032	2,329,742	4,664,859	4,828,758	
Feb	16,236,648	6,857,402	2,094,943	4,770,157	5,194,550	
Mar	15,310,054	6,587,696	1,916,014	4,389,654	4,663,357	
Apr	16,261,448	5,939,335	1,844,706	4,583,574	2,891,481	
Мау	17,034,597	5,290,974	1,951,642	4,777,495	1,119,604	
Jun	21,519,890	4,822,107	2,508,758	5,047,677	1,583,667	
July	18,644,936	5,597,384	4,027,476	829,851	2,548,858	
Aug	18,582,194	5,808,520	3,120,122	1,194,020	2,344,734	
Sep	18,027,741	6,019,657	2,704,480	1,558,190	2,140,610	
Total Exports	157,981,469	54,225,107	22,497,882	31,815,476	27,315,620	
		Imports fr	om (USD)			
COUNTRIES	DR CONGO	KENYA	RWANDA	SOUTH SUDAN	TANZANIA	
Jan	1,844,810	2,120,636	218,735	182,747	1,031,711	
Feb	1,683,831	2,248,656	291,585	279,671	413,177	
Mar	1,611,482	1,995,396	233,056	211,180	659,861	
Apr	1,524,349	2,519,913	347,124	166,816	992,279	
Мау	1,437,217	3,044,431	461,192	122,453	1,324,698	
Jun	1,320,024	1,977,566	167,652	141,785	1,073,061	
July	1,147,098	2,392,330	264,012	307,411	637,678	
Aug	1,245,856	2,454,154	212,720	233,776	839,171	
Sep	1,345,480	2,517,078	161,428	160,577	1,038,261	
Total Imports	13,160,148	21,270,159	2,357,504	1,806,418	8,009,898	

Source: Uganda Bureau of Statistics, September 2016.

Figure 32: Proportion of Imports and Exports among Northern Corridor Members (USD)

Source: Transport Observatory Analysis/NCTTCA

Figure 32 gives the summary of the proportions of import and exports in the region for the formal trade. From the figure, total trade along the corridor summed to around \$ 3 trillion from January to August 2016 from which 57 percent represents exports and 43 percent represents imports. DRC and Uganda were the leading net importers whereas Kenya was the leading exporter followed by Uganda for the formal trade.

CHAPTER VI: GPS AND ROAD SURVEY FINDINGS

The Northern Corridor Secretariat uses the Road transport survey to gather information relating the operations and efficiency of the transit route from transporters and truck drivers. Data is collected using questionnaires which are administered by the Northern Corridor field supervisor. The questions range from cargo origin and destination, vehicle registration and type, type of cargo and duration and reasons for stoppages. Different indicators including weighbridges crossing time, border posts crossing time, delays and transit time were monitored as explained below.

GPS Kits normally are provided to truck drivers when they are about to start their journey from Mombasa to different destinations and are collected on return. Where a GPs kit has not been issued, data is also obtained from transporters fleet management system. Different indicators including weighbridges crossing time, border posts crossing time, delays and transit time are generated as show in the section below.

2.6.1 Sampling

A total of 673 questionnaires were filled out of the 693 issued to truck drivers on transit as shown in table 33 below from April to September 2016.

Destination	Frequency	Percent
DRC	39	5.8
Kenya	13	1.9
Rwanda	29	4.3
South Sudan	22	3.3
Uganda	570	84.5
Total	673	99.8

Table 33: Achieved Sample per destination

Table 34: Distribution of the sampled cargo type per destination

Type of Cargo	Kenya	Uganda	Rwanda	DRC	South Sudan
Container	13	366	23	36	22
Loose cargo	0	155	3	0	0
Tanker	0	11	0	0	0
Total	13	532	26	36	22

Source: Road survey data April to September 2016

Table 34 above gives distribution of the type of cargo carrying trucks sampled. Approximately around 64 percent of cargo was containerized, 30 percent is loose cargo and 6 percent in Tanker form.

During the survey exercise, the response rate was recorded to be significantly high in some destination compared to others as a result of multiple reasons. Some of the notable reasons for this include the limited volume of cargo, security concerns, language barrier among some respondents and battery life for the GPS kits used. Various measures are being implemented to improve on the sample size and response rate.

2.6.2 Weighbridge and Border crossing time

The indicator is measured by taking departure time from the weighbridge minus arrival time at the weighbridge based on Road/GPS Surveys data.

Figure 33: Average crossing time Mariakani weighbridge in minutes

Mariakani is the first weighbridge along the northern corridor for all trucks carrying goods imported through the Port of Mombasa. The weighbridge is fully automated and installed with HSWM. Once a truck is weighed in motion it is then given a green light signal indicating compliance to the allowed weight. The truck proceeds with the journey without being stopped. On the other hand, if the truck is found to be non-compliant, it is instantly shown a red light then diverted to the static weighbridge for further re-weighing. The static weighbridge measures axle load of every axle on the truck to see if it complies with the allowed axle load.

From the figure, above, the weighbridge crossing time for trucks that have been flagged to the static scale stood at 11 minutes in September 2016. This time will be further reduced if the ongoing development of weighing scale on either side of the road is completed.

Figure 34: Average crossing time at Webuye weighbridge in minutes

Source: GPS, April to September 2016

There have been very high variations for the crossing time at Webuye weighbridge. The best recorded average crossing time was of 2 minutes in August 2016 as shown in the figure above. However, this time increased significantly to 19 minutes in the month of September 2016 showing poor performance. This period is for the trucks diverted to the static scale.

The Northern Corridor member states should strive to ensure, as per NCIP Summit directive, that all weighbridges are HSWIM and install the static scales on either side of the road at busy weighbridge stations.

Source: GPS, April to September 2016

Figure 35: Average crossing time at Malaba Border in hours

Source: GPS, April to September 2016

Border crossing time at Malaba border has increased from 5.48 hours to an average of 9.74 hours during the period from April to September, 2016.

This is higher than the average crossing time between October and March, 2016 which was at 5.58 hours.

All efforts should be geared towards full implementation of the SCT to ensure minimal delays at the border.

2.6.3 Number of Stops and Reasons

The figure below shows the reasons for trucks stoppages for the period under review.

Figure 36: Reasons for Stops

Total Police/other security checks 4% Total Others 5% Total Inland Terminal Precedures 5% Total Vehicles Breakdown 5% Total Road Condition 9% Total Company points 10% Total Rest/Meals 15% Total Weighbridges 21% Total Personal Reasons 26%

Source: Road survey data April to September 2016

Most of the stops occur due to personal reasons at 26 percent followed by stops at weighbridges approximately 21 percent then rest/ meals and company check points at around 15% and 10% respectively. In the previous survey, most of the stops were due to personal reasons (23%) followed by weighbridges (16%) for both inbound and outbound. Police and other security check point's stops recorded the least at 4 percent.

Speeding up the implementation of RSS initiatives will assist in improving the monitoring and control of stoppages along the corridor.

CHAPTER VII: ROAD SAFETY

2.7.1 Road Safety in Kenya

Kenya road transport accounts for about 95% of the cargo and passenger transport services. This may be seen to as a result of the convenience of transport mode of service renders to its users. However, this service has its adverse share to the economy of the country, as a result of the high costs of road traffic accidents. For instance, it places a heavy burden, not only on national economies but also household finances. Many families are driven deeply into poverty by the loss of breadwinners and the added burden of caring for members disabled by road traffic injuries.

Against this background the government has invested by implementing traffic laws that will see reduced road accidents. Though, there are still cases of road accidents. Figure below gives a breakdown for the categories of victims involved in road accidents using data from NTSA. The data applies to the whole country; systems are being put in place to disaggregate and obtain data specifically along the corridor.

Figure 37: Categories of Victims 2014-2016 from April to September

Source: NTSA, September, 2016

From the analysis, the number of road accidents reported between April-September 2014 to 2016 was 18,686 of which 40 percent comprised of those who were seriously injured, 37 percent for slightly injured and 23 percent for fatalities. While the number of reported accidents has been consistently high, the year 2016 reported significantly lower number of fatalities but higher number of slightly injured.

Figure 38: Categories of victims: April to September 2016

Pedal Cyclist 33 Pillion Passengers 86 Drivers 166 Motor Cyclist 244 Passengers 385 Pedestrians 511

The main resulting causes of accidents in particular fatalities were highly attributable to losing control, hit and run cases, overtaking improperly and misjudging clearance. While pedestrians and passengers did not significantly cause accidents, they were however, amongst the major victims of road accidents as shown in figure above. Pedestrians were the leading victims (511), followed by passengers (385) and motorcyclists (244). This, therefore, implies that remedial measures must focus on the main causes of accidents as this will have a high impact in accident reduction.

Among the remedies to be implemented include; education programmes to increase an individual's ability to cope with traffic environments and so reduce pedestrian injuries; Driver education programmes aiming to increase the safety behaviors of drivers and reduce driver errors among others.

PART III: RECOMMENDATIONS

The performance of the Northern Corridor has improved in many areas except for some challenges which can be solved following some policy recommendations and actions from stakeholders. Through the Transport Observatory monitoring framework, the he Northern Corridor Secretariat will broaden the scope of indicators and gather data on all areas affecting trade and transport. This will include collection of data on the green freight program. From the report, it has been observed that:

- Border crossing time at Malaba has significantly increased during the last six month even with the implementation of the single customs territory. It is important that all goods destined to transit countries are cleared under SCT to reduce delays and avoid multiple documentation along the way. Focus should also be put to minimize system outages at the border and ensure proper mechanism for exchange of information across customs in the Member states for faster clearance.
- 2. The regional countries are facing trade deficit whilst imports are increasing with minimal exports. The member states are to prioritize boosting investments and value addition for exports and capacity building especially in agro processing, mining, oil and gas industry which is posed to boost exports from the region.
- 3. Among the challenges experienced by railways are aging tracks and rolling stock, insufficient resources for maintenance and poor tracking of the wagons and cargo. Inadequate number of locomotives and wagons, poor rail infrastructure for the meter gauge has slowed down development within the northern corridor rail freight transport sector. With the advent of the SGR, incentives policies on pricing, regulations and standards should be developed to attract modal shift. Increasing rail competitiveness will evidently benefit transport users primarily through; reducing transit times, improving connections, and improving quality and affordability, and therefore contributing to greening the Corridor.
- 4. Though the northern corridor pipeline is only up to Eldoret and Kisumu. It is evident that this reduces the trucking distance for transit countries if they pick the products from the nearest depots. There is need to fast track improvement of loading facilities to improve track turnaround and efficiency and sensitization on the cost savings as a result of the expanded capacity of the pipeline to cushion on the unpredictability of the market.
- 5. High transports are an impediment to trade, it incumbent upon policy makers on routes that return high costs to work on eliminating the logistical and infrastructural bottlenecks that may exist. Transport rates have increased to some destinations including Bujumbura. This could be attributed to various factors among them the longer route that has been in use in comparison to another shorter route through the central corridor. Sensitization on the use of the alternative route through Tanzania via Voi-Taita Taveta which reduces the distance travelled from Mombasa is underway. This will boost the use of the Port of Mombasa for goods to and from Burundi.
- 6. Maritime indicators have shown exemplary results. Physical infrastructure of the port is one of the most important requirements in creating and supporting a business environment that facilitates trade, economic growth and job creation. The ongoing access roads and infrastructure upgrading around the Port are expected to bring more improvements. Revision of the targets based on the international standard is therefore necessary by all stakeholders
- 7. The quality of the infrastructure is a key consideration in the achievement of the regions development goals. Regular monitoring of the conditions at a regional level to provide information on the sections for prioritization in improvement. Widening of the Corridor and development of climbing lanes, were necessary, as a result of increased traffic will help improvement in the transit times hence accelerating trade. Most of Northern Corridor is two-lane road, and speed reduction and necessity of overtaking at uphill paths since large vehicle's

speed reduces at uphill paths. All the Member states should work towards improving the Northern Corridor and should also focus on the development of the road side stations with all the amenities. These will also be important in improving road safety, reducing driver fatigue thereby reducing accidents.

- 8. In as much as improvement has been registered, the target for the dwell time has not been achieved. Dwell time is affected by many players within the port ranging from the Revenue authority since goods cannot leave without their clearance and other cargo interveners. The free period which is 9 days, has also an impact on faster cargo is evacuated from the Port. An approach informed by analytics, should show how to balance between free period and the dwell time target to inform the review process.
- 9. Delay at document process center calls for sensitization of clearing agents on proper and timely submission and automated documents processing would be instrument in lowering time taken to process the documents.
- 10. The Northern Corridor member states should strive to ensure that all weighbridges are HSWIM and install the static scales on either side of the road at busy weighbridge stations.
- 11. High transports rates and hidden cost: involvement of other stakeholders like police and County Governments to address issues of the hidden costs. It is incumbent upon policy makers on routes that return high costs to work on eliminating the logistical and infrastructural bottlenecks that may exist. Members States should address the issues that lead to higher transport costs for journeys which are shorter than the others.
- 12. Stoppage Reasons: In depth analysis for the personal reasons stoppage by truckers is needed. This includes knowing exact personal reasons as well as specific points where stoppages do occur along the Corridor. Therefore the report recommends a survey to be conducted to inform policy on addressing these delays.

ANNEXES

Annex I Classification of indicators

CATEGORIES	INDICATORS
	Mombasa Port Cargo Throughput
	Volume Per Country of Destination
Volume and Capacity	Rate of Containerization of Transit Traffic in Percentage
	Transport Capacity by Rail
	Licensed Fleet of Transit Trucks Per Country
	Volume of Containerized and Non-Containerized Handled Per Year at The Port of Mombasa
	Road Freight Charges in Kenya
	Road Freight Charges in Uganda
Rate and Cost	Road Freight Charges in Burundi
	Road Freight Charges in Rwanda
	Road Freight Charges in DR Congo
	Number of Check Points Per Country Per Route
	Rate of Fraud or Declared Damage for Goods in Transit (Percentage of Total Transit)
Efficiency and productivity	Quality of the Transport Infrastructure
	Ship Turnaround Time
	Vessels Waiting Time Before Berth
	Weighbridge Traffic
	Weighbridges Compliance
	Cargo Dwell Time
	Customs Clearance at The Document Processing Center (DPC)
	One Stop Center before Customs Release
	Transit Time within the Port after Customs Release
	Transit Time in Kenya (Road - Mombasa Through Malaba)
	Transit Time in Kenya (Mombasa through Busia)
	Transit Time in Rwanda (Road - Gatuna through Akanyaru Haut
	Transit Time in Burundi TT
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	Transit Time in Uganda (MALABA to KATUNA)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Malaba To Elegu)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Malaba To Mpondwe)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Busia to Kampala)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Busia To Katuna)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Busia To Elegu)
	Transit Time in Uganda (Busia To Mpondwe)
	Transit Time in Uganda - From ECTS Data

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Corridor Perfomance Indicators

TIME FOR CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AT THE DOCUMENT PROCESSING CENTER(DPC)

Description:

This is the time it takes to have an entry lodged by a clearing agent passed by customs. Formula:

Time of Passing of Entry Minus Time of Registration of Entry.

-----TIME TAKEN AT MOMBASA ONE STOP CENTER

Description:

Average time of document processing at One Stop Center. Formula:

Time at Entry Release Order generation minus Time at Passing Entry.

AVERAGE CARGO DWELL TIME AT THE PORT

Description:

It is the measure of time that elapse from the time cargo is offloaded from the vessel at the port to the time it leaves the port premises after all permits and clearances have been obtained. Formula:

Exit Date Time from the port Minus Arrival Date Time from the port.

TRANSIT TIME WITHIN THE INLAND CONTAINER DEPOT(ICD)/ INLAND PORT

Formula:

Departure Date Time from the ICD minus Arrival Date Time at the ICD

TRANSIT TIME PER ROUTE PER MODE OF TRANSPORT

Description:

Time taken by transit cargo to move from one node to another e.g. from Mombasa to Malaba Nodes are points along the corridors like

weighbridges, border-posts, ports. Formula:

Time of arrival (Destination Node) minus time

of departure (Node of Origin).

VESSEL WAITING TIME BEFORE BERTH

Description:

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The average time taken by the ship before Berthing. It is measured from the time the vessel arrives at the fairway buoy to the time at its first berth.

Formula:

Time at Berthing minus Time of Arrival at Port Area.

SHIP TURNAROUND TIME Description:

The average time spent by the ship in the port area. It is measured from the time the vessel arrives at the fairway buoy to the time it is piloted off when departing the port. Formula:

Time at Exit minus Time at Entry in the Port Area.

DELAY AFTER CUSTOMS RELEASE AT THE PORT OF MOMBASA

Description:

Refers to the period it takes to evacuate cargo from the port after it is officially released

Formula:

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Time at exit of cargo at the Port gate minus Time of Entry Release Order generation

WEIGHBRIDGE CROSSING TIME Formula:

Departure Date Time from the weighbridge minus Arrival Date Time at the weighbridge.

BORDER POST CROSSING TIME

Description:

Time taken by transit cargo to cross the Border Formula:

Departure Date Time from the border minus

Arrival Date Time at the border.

TIME FOR CUSTOM PROCEDURE AT DESTINATION Description:

It's the average time taken to complete custom process at the destination after cargo arrival. Formula:

End Date Time of the last process minus start Date Time of the first process. - - - - - - -

TRANSIT TIME Description:

Time taken by transit cargo to move from origin (Port) to destination country e.g Uganda, Rwanda etc.

Formula:

Time of arrival minus time of departure (Based on Road/GPS based Surveys data)

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