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Road, Road Asset Management, and Road Safety: Updates and Planned Activities

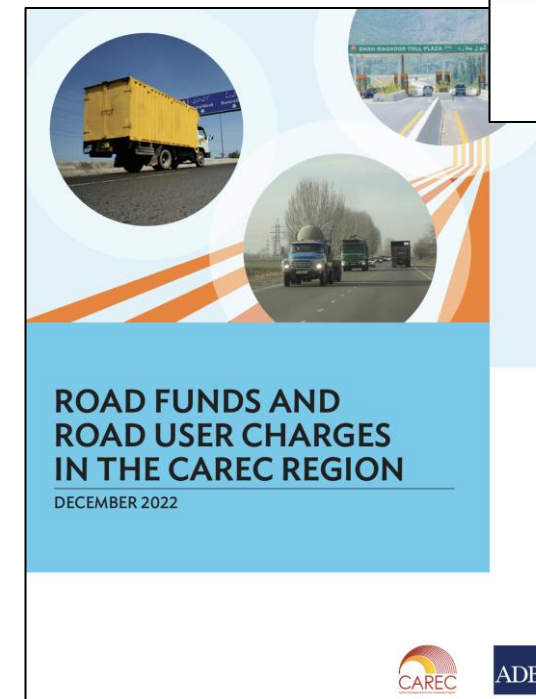
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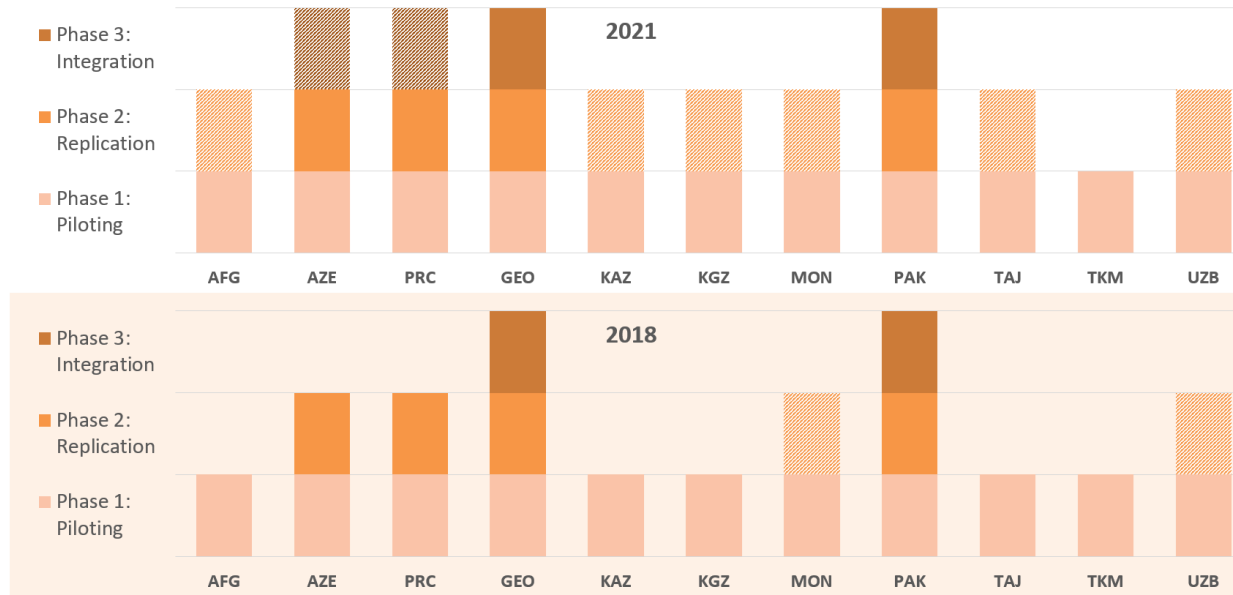
- The strategic framework prioritizes roads and road asset management as a core pillar to enhance regional connectivity and ensure sustainable transport infrastructure across CAREC countries.
- Road sector received the highest investment priority under CAREC due to strong economic development impact.
- Connectivity improvements aligned with national transport plans across CAREC countries.
- Priority placed on strengthening Road Asset Management (RAM) and sustainable maintenance financing.



Progress

- Shift to modern, preventive RAM systems in several CAREC countries.
- Use of predictive deterioration models and condition-based maintenance is expanding.
- RAMS maturity assessments show progress, but full integration takes time.

Outcome KPI-1: Maturity of Road Asset Management Systems (RAMS)



Upcoming plans

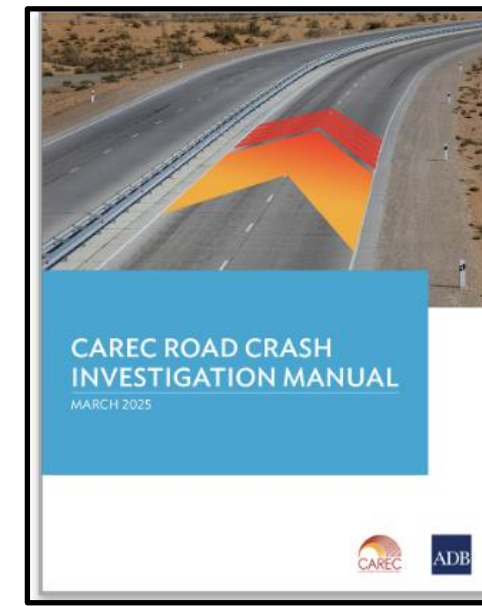
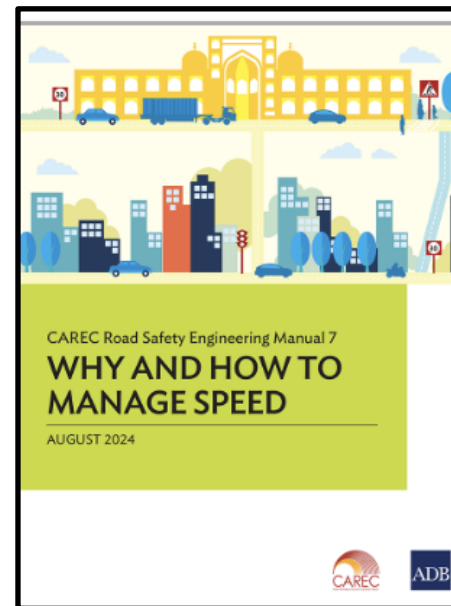
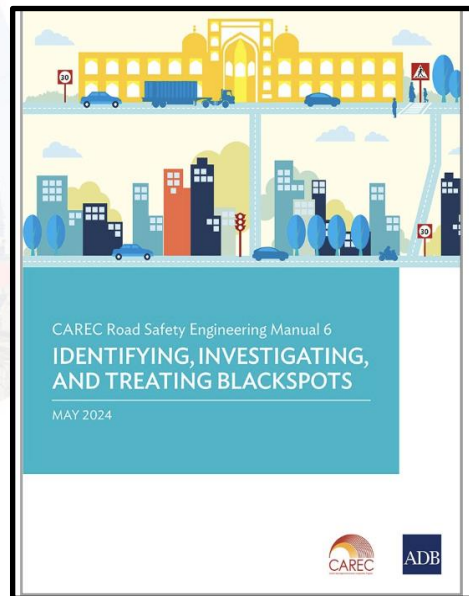
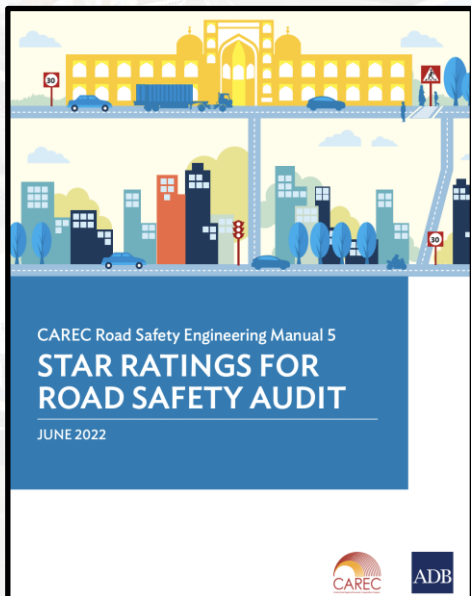
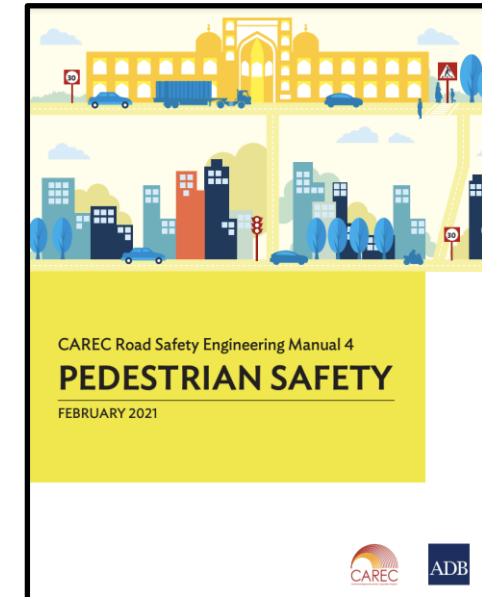
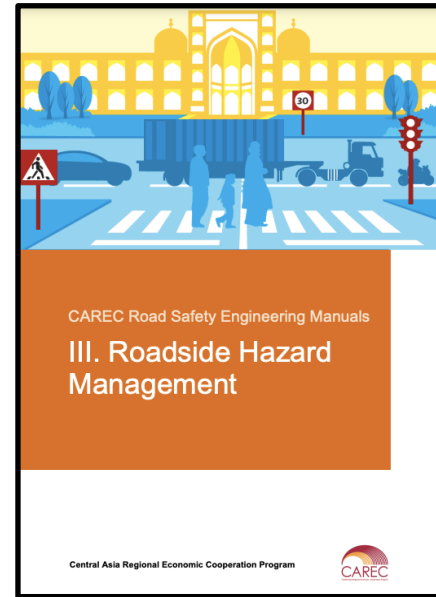
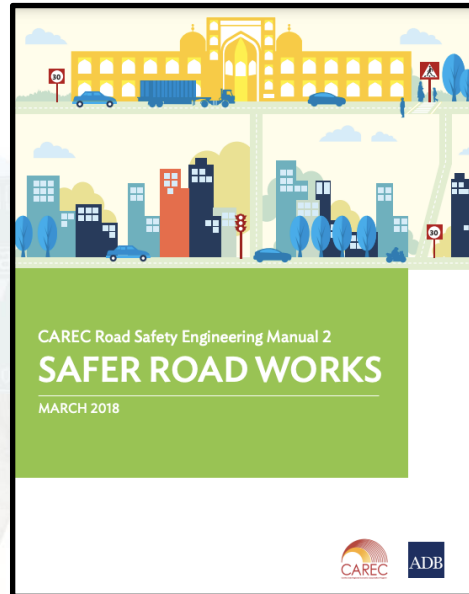
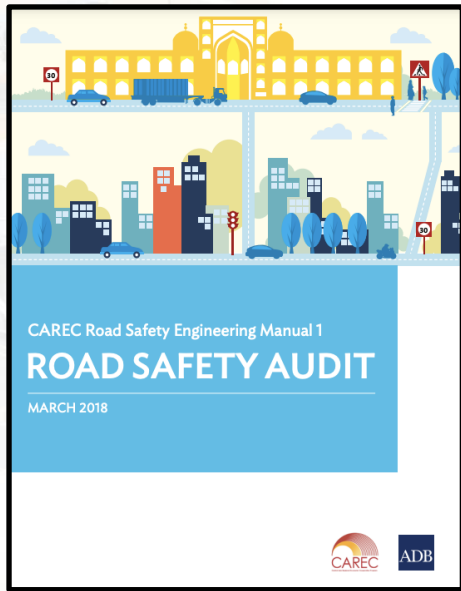
- Introduce and integrate the **Green Roads Toolkit** across the CAREC region—to promote climate-resilient, low-carbon, and sustainable road infrastructure.
- Sustain focus on RAM and **increase funding** for maintenance.
- Institutionalize RAMS within road agencies for **long-term sustainability**.
- Continue **capacity building** and policy support for better road management.

Road Safety

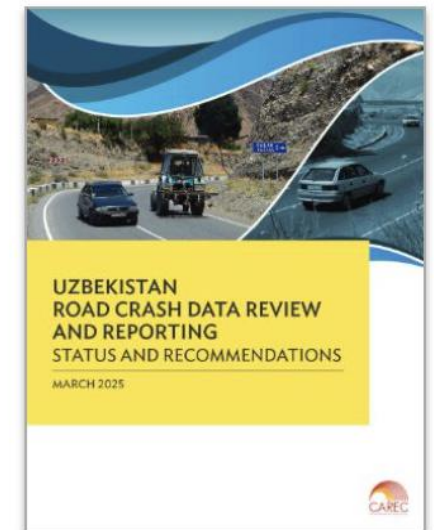
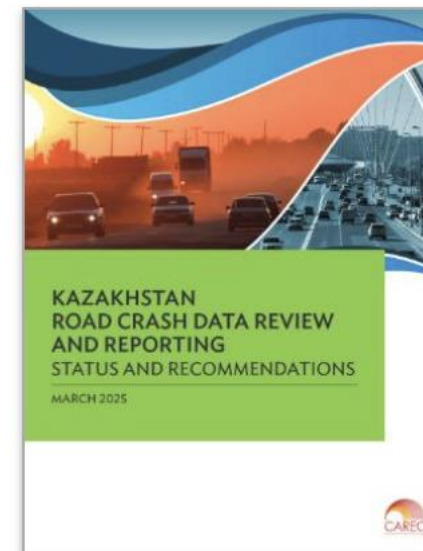
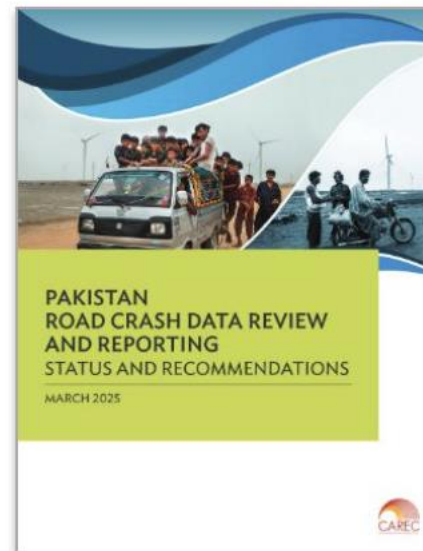
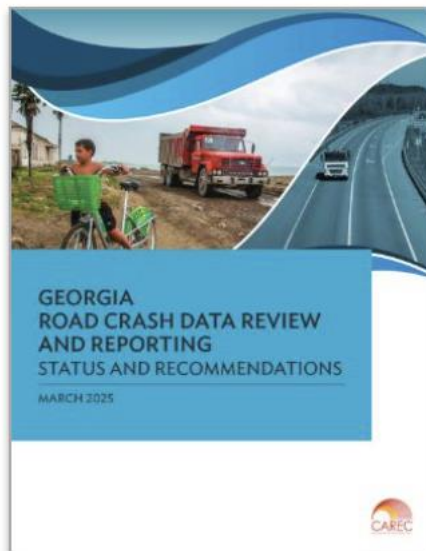
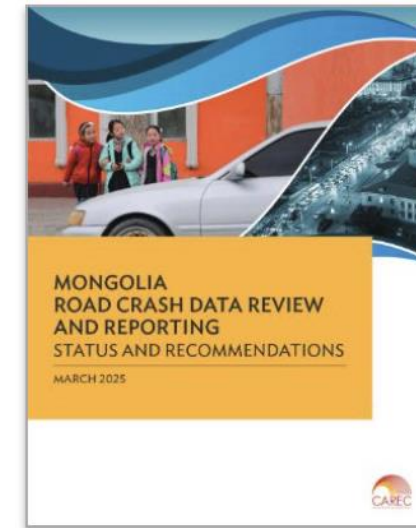
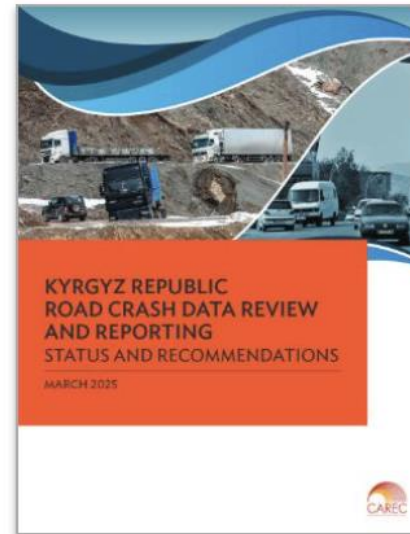
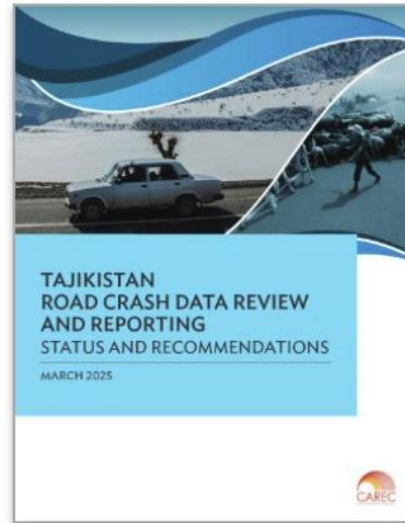
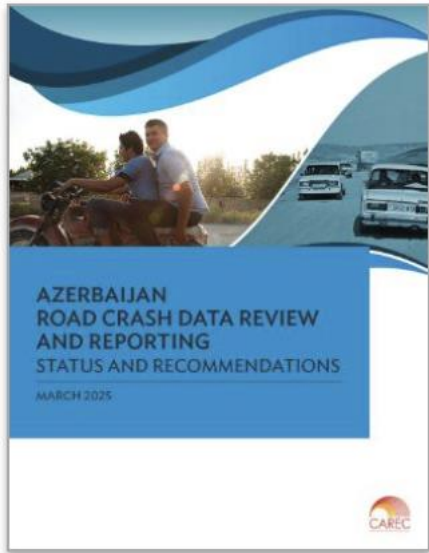
- Road safety was prioritized early in the CAREC Transport Strategy, with a dedicated regional strategy adopted in 2016.
- Vision: road crash deaths by **50% by 2030**
- Challenges:
 - inadequate funding.
 - Lack of multi-agency coordination (police, transport, health, education, transport).
 - Need for programmatic road safety improvements.



KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTS



Country Specific Crash Data Review and Recommendations



Activities conducted June 2024-May 2025

Road Safety	Date
CAREC Road Safety Manual 6: Identifying, Investigating, and Treating Blackspots	June 2024
CAREC Road Safety Manual 7: Why and How to Manage Speed	August 2024
CAREC Road Crash Investigation Manual	March 2025
CAREC Road Crash Country Reports (Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan)	March 2025
Two sets of trainings on Essential Knowledge on Road Safety for Mongolia	10 – 13 and 14 – 17 March 2025
Road Crash Data Review and Reporting – Training on Improvement to Crash Data Management	25-27 June 2024
APRSO Annual Meeting and Study Tour (Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Uzbekistan)	7-11 October 2024
APRSO & CAREC Road Safety Capacity Building Program – Webinar Series	March-May 2025 and ongoing

Upcoming Priorities:

- Greater emphasis on **not only continuing knowledge sharing but to implementation of road safety programs.**
- Develop and fund **multi-sectoral national road safety plans.**
- **Standardize and digitalize crash data systems,** leveraging AI for analysis and decision-making.
- Strengthen **digital enforcement mechanisms** to improve compliance and safety outcomes.
- Promote **inter-agency coordination** to address institutional gaps and ensure cohesive action.

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CAREC Road Working Group

Mid Term Review of CAREC Transport Strategy

- The MTR recommends forming a **dedicated Road Working Group (RWG)** under the CAREC Transport Sector Coordinating Committee (TSCC), together with Smart mobility working group and ongoing Railway Working Group.
- This is part of a broader proposal to **strengthen the TSCC structure** and introduce specialized working groups aligned with evolving transport priorities.

Why Road Working Group is needed?

- CAREC roads = **largest investment share (68%)**
- Persistent issues in:
 - Road maintenance and sustainability
 - Road asset management systems (RAMS)
 - Road safety outcomes
- Need for a coordinated platform to address emerging challenges

Purpose of Road Working Group

- Deepening institutional collaboration and future planning.
- Enhancing regional coordination and implementation of road-related priorities.
- Promote green, resilient, and digital road infrastructure.
- Monitor country progress and standardize best practices.
- Monitoring progress on road asset management, maintenance financing, and safety.
- Facilitate exchange on road funds, green roads, PBC, etc.

Proposed Structure of RWG

- **Chair/Co-Chairs:** Rotating among CAREC countries; ADB supports as secretariat
- **Focal Points:** 2-3 from each CAREC country (Transport, Public Works ministry, etc)
- Thematic focus (e.g., asset management, safety, climate, digital)
- **Secretariat (ADB):** Coordinates, organizes, monitors
- **Partners:** CAREC Institute, ITF, MDBs, private sector etc

Road Working Group

Country	CAREC transport focal (1 nominee as relevant, DG level and above)	Other national agencies responsible for roads, RAM, Road safety (1 nominee as relevant, DG level and above)
Azerbaijan	Ministry of Transport, Communications and High technologies	
People's Republic of China	Ministry of Transport	Global Sustainable Transport Innovation and Knowledge Center
Georgia	Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development, Department of Transport and Logistics Policy Development	Ministry of Infrastructure
Kazakhstan	Ministry of Transport	Ministry of Industry and Construction of the Republic of Kazakhstan; Kazavtazhol
Kyrgyz Republic	Ministry of Transport and Communications	State Agency for Architecture, Construction, Housing and Communal Services
Mongolia	Ministry of Road and Transportation	Ministry of Construction and Urban Development
Pakistan	Ministry of Communications	National Highway Authority, Provincial government
Tajikistan	Ministry of Transport	
Turkmenistan	Agency for Transport and Communications	Ministry of Construction and Architecture
Uzbekistan	Ministry of Transport	Ministry of Construction and Housing and Communal Services of Uzbekistan

Next Steps

- Formalize the Road Working Group structure in TSCC.
- Nominate focal points for RWG by September 2025.
- Begin annual reporting and thematic working sessions.
- Hold First Working group meeting in Q4 2025.



Looking forward to your suggestions!

Thank you!