AFGHANISTAN ROST-ACCESSION

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Needs Assessment

Participate Actively in the Work of the WTO

Attract Investment

Trade Facilitation

Customs Reform

Exports Promotion

Build Human Capacity

Institutional Assistance

Needs Assessment

Objective: To fulfill all our WTO commitments in a timely fashion.

Prepare action plan includes:

- 1. Notifications and Transparency obligations
- 2. Revision of laws and regulations
- 3. Ratify and implement the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement

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- 4. Subject wise capacity building of Afghan officials for better understanding of WTO Agreements and successful implementation.
- 5. Set up enquiry points
- 6. Set up WTO Reference Centre in Afghanistan.
- 7. Setting up infrastructure and institutions (MAIL, ANSA, MoCl, MoPH etc)

Future:

Assist Afghanistan in evaluating benefits for accession to Government Procurement Agreement.



Attract Investment



Customs reform

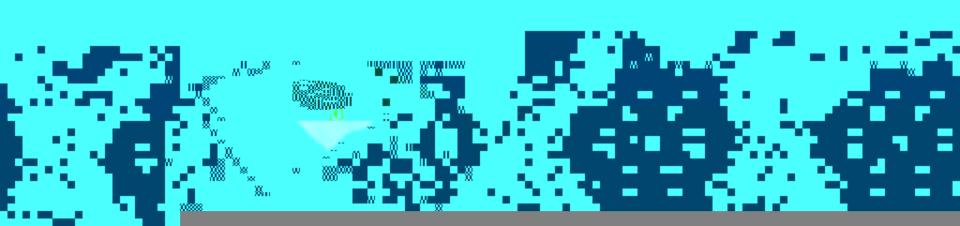
Implementation of single window

Harmonize custom procedures

Pre and Post arrival clearance

An independent appeal mechanism

E-customs and Automation



Exports Promotion



Capacity Building for Exports Promotion activities

To prepare National Export strategy

Establishment of standards and complying



Build Human Capacity

Build capacity of public sector officials on administering, enforcing, and adhering to WTO commitments (short & long term)

Build private sector understanding of WTO related laws

Build capacity of judicial system and private lawyers (particularly in dispute settlement)

Introduce at universities courses and programs related to WTO areas

Promote development of associations (e.g. intellectual property rightTm 0 Tc()]TJETBT14C /P ...

Institutional Assistance

Establishment of:

SPS and **TBT** enquiry points

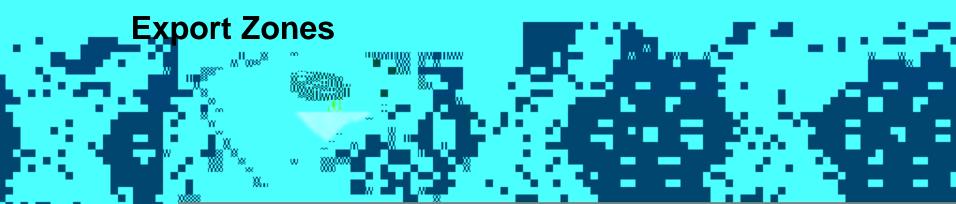
Trade Remedies Directorate

WTO Reference Center in Kabul.

Think tank institute

Fruits and vegetables storage facilities.

Laboratories: To monitor food control standards and streamline food safety management, inspection and certification.



Secure Technical Support

World Trade Organization and International Trade Centre (WTO/ITC/UNCTAD/ESCAP)

Enhanced Integrated Framework and Aid-for-Trade

Multilateral donors: World Bank, Asian Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank

Bilateral Donors: USAID, European Union, DFID, GIZ, India, China, Japan, etc.

Advisory Centre on WTO Law

