Environmentally Sustainable Transport – Singapore's Experience

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### Outline

### Background

### Environmentally Sustainable Strategies

- Integrated Planning
- Making public transport a choice mode
- Managing road usage
- Green Transport

Summary



# Background on Land Transport

## **Public Transport**



Taxis : 24,000

Buses: 325 routes: 37/00 buses





LRT: 29 km, 43 stations

Figs as of end 2007

## **Road Transport**

Road Network - 3,300 km Expressway Network - 162 km Vehicle Population - 851,000 Car Population - 517,000 (60% of veh pop)



## **Travel Statistics**

Daily MRT/LRT trips : 1.6 million



### Daily Bus trips : 2.9 million







### Daily Taxi trips : 0.94 million



Total Daily Trips: 8.9 mil (about 60% by public transport) Figs as of end 2007





## (1) Integrated Planning

#### Integrate land use

- Reduce demand for road space
  - 'access': the ability to reach goods service, activities & destination
  - => Reduce distance travelled



- Integrate inter-modal transport facilities with building developments for seamless connectivity
- Coordinated between government agencies to integrate transport with land use planning

### Integrate Planning of Road & Rail Network

**Bis** 

**Regional Centres** 

Sub-regional Centres

WOODLAND

**Central Area** 

JURO

Expressway Network
 Radial Rail Network
 Orbital Rail Network

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### (2) Make Public Transport a Choice Mode

- Expand rail network
- Extend bus priority
- Provide travel information
- Enhance Physical Accessibility



## **Expand Rail Network**



# Doubling of Rail Network by 2020

### By 2020

- RTS network will double from 138 km today to 278 km
- RTS density will increase from 31 km per million persons today to 51 km per million persons
  - Short 5-minute walk (400 m) to an MRT station in the city
  - Comparable to cities like New York, London



**RTS Density (km/million persons)** 

## **Extend bus priority**

#### **Full Day Bus lanes**

Mandatory Give-Way at Bus Bays

EXITING

RUSES





BUS

## **Provide Travel Information**

- Bus service information
   posters
- Key Bus Services Map
- Real-time bus arrival information panels
- SMS for bus arrival info





### **Enhancing Physical Accessibility**

- Barrier-free access routes at MRT stations
- Wheelchair accessible buses
- Barrier-free road and related facilities









### Managing Road Usage

- Manage demand for road use
- Leverage on technology
- Develop road network

## **Manage Demand for Road Use**

### Ownership Control

Vehicle Quota System (i.e. COE)

Other Ownership Costs •Additional Registration Fee •Excise Duty •Road Tax

### Usage Restraint

**Petrol Duty** 

Electronic Road Pricing (ERP)

## **Electronic Road Pricing (ERP)**

# • ERP is a congestion management tool

- Pay-as-you-use principle
- Review speed range at 3-month interval, adjust ERP rates



#### **Arterial Roads**



#### Expressways



# Green Transport

Euro IV emission standard
Green Vehicles Rebate Scheme
Fuel Economy Labeling Scheme
Non-motorised Transport

## State of the Environment

#### Ambient Air Quality

Pollutant Standards Index (PSI), based on 5 key pollutants (SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CO, Ozone, PM10) measured in accordance with USEPA guidelines.

Air quality was affected by transboundary smoke haze in 1997 and 2006

AIR QUALITY IN TERMS OF PSI (1993 TO 2008)



Many developed cities, including Singapore, have yet to meet the recommended standard for PM2.5



The USEPA set the standard for PM2.5 after studies showed that particulate matter air pollution is linked to 95,000 cases of chronic and acute bronchitis, 10,000 hospital admissions for respiratory and cardiovascular diseases, and hundreds of thousands of aggravated asthma cases in the US each year.



# **Vehicular Emission Control**

- Set stringent emission standards for registration of vehicles e.g. diesel vehicles must comply with Euro IV emission standards
- Cleaner fuel quality: Unleaded petrol,ULSD
- Mandatory periodic inspection of in-use vehicles : chassis dynamometer smoke test
- Enforcement against smoky vehicles



## **Green Vehicles Rebate**

Hybrid, Electric cars & Natural Gas powered vehicles

• Rebate of 40% of upfront tax on cars







A hybrid vehicle

### **Fuel Economy Labelling Scheme**

 Launched as a voluntary programme in 2003, aim is to provide buyers of passenger cars with fuel economy information at the point of sale.

 From Apr 2009, it will be mandatory for car retailers to display fuel economy labels on cars in their showrooms.

### **Fuel Economy Labeling Scheme**

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### **Non-Motorised Transport**

#### **Walking - Pedestrian and Commuter Facilities**

Pedestrian overhead Bridge, pedestrian crossings, covered linkways, Pedestrianisation of streets

#### Cycling

Parking facilities at MRT stations / bus interchanges Cycling via park connectors and access public transport Foldable bicycles on board trains and buses





### **Summary**

Improvement in energy consumption per capita

Integrated Planning
Make Public Transport a Choice Mode
Manage Road Usage

Green Transport





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