

## ACTIVITIES

- Joint study and survey of SEZs within Lancang-Mekong region to match complementary SEZs and identify prioritized areas
- Capacity building through modular trainings on SEZ management practices and structured learning visits to introduce successful SEZ models
- Setting up of an online system of SEZ to provide information to foreign investors
- Enhancement of business connections and information sharing through one-stop service centers and business centers between SEZs in Lancang-Mekong region
- Establishment of a joint working group and joint strategic plan of action for improved management and promotion of SEZs
- Organization of joint investment promotion activities including briefings and seminars on investment opportunities and joint business matching events

## TARGET SECTORS

- National Ministry of Industry/Commerce
- National Business Chambers
- SME associations

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PROJECT SNAPSHOT

# JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF CROSS-BORDER SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES

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## DURATION

3 Years (2018-2021)

## TYPE



TECHNICAL EXCHANGES



PERSONAL TRAINING



PLATFORM BUILDING



JOINT RESEARCH

## DESCRIPTION

The development of special economic zones (SEZs) offers immense potentials in the Lancang-Mekong countries of Cambodia, P.R. China, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. By allowing the free flow of raw materials, goods, services and investment, SEZs can unleash the potential of ASEAN's single market and production base, boosting the supply and value chain of the Mekong sub-region and making it more competitive and attractive to foreign investors.

## OBJECTIVES

- Promote SEZs in the Lancang-Mekong countries and foster increased coordination among them
- Boost trade and investment both from within and outside the sub-region, thereby improving supply chain, upgrading production base, enhancing trade and providing better livelihood to the people

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES



Source: National Administration of Surveying, Mapping and Geoinformation of China



SEZ DEVELOPMENT



STRONG COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES



INCLUSIVE GROWTH

- Clear and coherent vision and strategy of SEZ development in the Lancang-Mekong region
- Collaborative development of SEZs leading to equal distribution of strong comparative advantages
- Potential spillovers to the domestic economy and progress of inclusive growth