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Benin/Togo : Lomé-Cotonou road rehabilitation and coastal protection Phase II

Building resilient infrastructures to face climate change

On December 16th 2016, the African Development Bank (AfDB) approved a total of USD 40.8M of loans and grants to the Republics of Togo and Benin to finance the upgrading into a four-lane 30-kilometre road section linking the capitals of both countries, as well as an important coastal protection project. Located on the major axis linking Togo and Benin, the Avépozo–Aného road not only carries high traffic volume but is also particularly vulnerable to coastal erosion. Through this project, the Bank aims to improve the road level of service and the logistical chain, and strengthen the climate resilience of infrastructure in coastal areas in Togo and Benin. The project will consolidate regional integration and improve living condition of 1.7 million people living in the project area.

Transport and coastal protection what changes

2016

2020



11h
the travel time between Lomé and Cotonou, for a truck (including 7h to cross the border)



5h
the travel time between Lomé and Cotonou, for a truck (including 3h to cross the border)



Volume of trade recorded at the border between Togo and Benin /other countries of the sub-region



will be up by **15%** weight of imports and exports



15/20m per year, the erosion rate of the coastline



1m per year, after protection works

The Bank finances also:



Transport facilitation

- procurement of equipment for the One stop border post (OSBP) of the Hillacondji/Sanvee-Condji
- study for the OSBP operations management/financing and interconnection of customs system



Activities in support of women and youth

- income generating activities for vulnerable people on the coast
- construction/rehabilitation of markets stalls/stores, a multifunctional center, high schools and health centers...



Coastal protection works

- establishment of a coastal protection management structure
- setting up of early warning system in case of risk of flood
- coastal protection studies
- maintenance of existing coastal infrastructure

GHANA

TOGO

BENIN

Aplahoué

Lokossa

Allada

Porto-Novo

To Lagos

Cotonou

Pahou-Hillacondji (78 km), Road section previously upgraded (AfDB loan 2011)

One-stop border post built (AfDB financing 2011) and equipped (AfDB financing 2016)

Construction of 28 barriers, or groynes, and reinforcement of sand on 13km of exposed beaches

Avépozo-Aného (30 km), the missing link on the Togolese portion of the Abidjan-Lagos corridor

The project is jointly financed by the African Development Fund (ADF), the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), the European Union (EU), the West African Development Bank (BOAD), the Global Environment Facility (GEF), West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), and the Government of Togo for an estimated cost of USD 187.1M.