

CHAPTER 10

LOGISTICS CHALLENGES IN CAMBODIA, LAO PDR, MYANMAR, AND VIETNAM

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Abstract

An efficient logistics system can increase a nation's or region's competitiveness and ability to attract foreign direct investment. If a nation or region lacks the reliable network of dependable transportation, telecommunications, warehousing and other related infrastructure, firms will be restricted from designing an efficient logistics strategy for the movement and storage of its traded goods. This limitation currently exists in Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, and Vietnam (CLMV). The purpose of this chapter is to describe and highlight key issues that are affecting the integration of the CLMV countries from a logistical perspective and to use Lao PDR as an illustrative case study. Limited connectivity is not only confined within CLMV but also exists in these four nations' logistics situation with the advanced economies in Southeast Asia.

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