Inclusive Transport
Women’s Personal Safety, Participation and Employment Linkage in Urban Public Transport

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Presentation Outline

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**Name of research project:**
Inclusive Transport: *Women’s Personal Safety, Participation and Employment Linkage in Urban Public Transport*

**Organisation:**
ALERT Engineering Plc

**Duration:**
14 Months (Aug 2020 – Sep 2021)

**Countries:**
Ethiopia (Mekelle, Tigray)
Introduction

Background

Literature indicates that transport is not gender neutral. Women’s travel patterns are mainly influenced by their traditional roles. In many LICs, urban transport may prove to be unsafe for some disadvantaged groups such as women. Women may be adversely affected by public transport.
Aim

To examine gender inclusiveness in the urban public transport of Mekelle City, Ethiopia

Key research objective

Assess women’s safety & security in urban PT
Investigate women’s voice
Examine links Urban PT & Job creation for women
Examine the policy framework
1. How does the urban public transport affect women’s personal safety and security?

2. How can the voice of women be incorporated within transport planning and decision-making?

3. What are the links existing between urban transport and jobs creation for women?

4. What policies, strategies, and tools are needed to enhance women’s inclusiveness in the urban public transport?
Patterns of access and use of transport are deeply gendered

Women’s travel pattern is different from men (mostly: short, more frequent and involve care labour);

No gender parity in decision making in the transport sector (few women in mgt.)

Women are not homogenous group (age, status, transgender, etc.)

Urban public transport is pretty unsafe
Major research outcomes

- **Identify major gaps** - related to women’s safety and security in urban public transport

- **Generate information** - on inclusive approach

- **Outline the way forward** - where women would have equitable access to jobs in the transport sector

- **Provide inputs** - towards an adoption, amendment or design of an inclusive policy of transport
## Beneficiaries and Recipients

### Beneficiaries

- **Women using the transport service in Mekelle** (female students, working women, housekeepers, elder women ...)

- **Women working in transport project & bureaus** (female engineers, supervisors, contractors, admin staff etc.)

- **Service provider women** (women taxi drivers, Bajaj drivers, operators)

### Recipients

- **Gov’t organizations**
  - Mekelle City Administration,
  - Transport Office, Women’s affair office
  - Tigray Women’s affairs bureau, Police commission, Bureau of labor and social affairs, bureau of justice and local court
  - MoT, TBCRT

- **Private Org.** – Mekelle city Taxi association, Bajaj association etc.

- **Educational & research institutes** – Mekelle & other Universities
Impact and use

Who is the audience for this information?

Women’s in different age and status (civil servants, business women, house wives, students etc.), transport planners, policy makers

What changes is expected to see?

to see the urban public transport sector of the city gender sensitive and inclusive enough so that women’s special interests and needs are adequately taken into consideration during services, planning, decision making and employment

What is the ideal use for this research?

Awareness/dissemination and change on policy frame work towards inclusive transport services and infrastructures.
Methodology

How will this research be conducted?

Through assessment of women’s safety and security, participation in planning and decision making, employment opportunity and the policy framework in public transport of the city of Mekelle.

Methodology?

Literature survey, data collection through direct engagement (questionnaire, FGD, KII, IDI etc.) and analysis.

Type of evidence generated?

Technical reports, paper publication or journal article, policy brief or concept notes and leaflets, brochures and media outlet.
Methodology

Data Collection Methods & Engagement

Survey Questionnaire
Desk Review
FGD
IDI
Participant Observation
KII
Methodology

Stakeholders

- Mekelle City Administration
- Mekelle Construction, Road and Transport office
- Tigray region council women’s standing committee
- Women’s League
- Mekelle Traffic office
- Tigray Association of Veterans
- Representative of persons with visual disability
- Association for women with disability

- Police commission, community police
- Mekelle University
- Mekelle Taxi Associations
- Bajaj Association
- Tigray Institute of Policy Studies
Methodology

Engagement

✓ Engage them from planning
✓ Develop a sense of ownership
✓ Contribute not only as information providers but also as partners
✓ Actively participate in identifying solutions
✓ Actively participate in consultative workshops and provide advisory services to meet project objectives
Activities to date

Activity 1
Scoping
Method revision
Literature review
Prep. of Inception Rep.

Activity 2
Consultation WS
Field survey
Interview & FGD
Ethnography Obs.

Activity 3&4
Data manag’t
Data analysis
Validation WS

Activity 5
Policy brief, guide &
recommendations
Prep. reports &
publications

Activity 6
Finalization
of reports
Project completion

MS 1
Inception Rep.
Project setup,
revised plan and method

MS 2
Quarter Rep.
Data collection &
compilation

MS 3
Interim Rep.
Data analysis result
and interpretation

MS 4
Draft Final Rep.
Project outcome results,
lessons learnt and
recommendation

MS 5
Final Rep.
Completion of project
RU and Dissemination

✓ Conferences and workshops
✓ Publications (banners; posters; journals etc.)
✓ Mass media (Radio and TV)
✓ Social media
✓ Policy briefs
Thank You

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