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Rural Transport Research in Support of SDGs

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Key Message

Rural transport plays an indispensable role in achieving more than half of the Sustainable **Development Goals** (SDGs) and research into rural transport has a vital input to that role









Role of Research



- Evidence
- Innovation
- Guidance



Rural Access



Key SDG Targets





Evidence

Research evidence informs the key decisions on strengthening cost effective rural access and transport service processes to be promoted and embedded in practice in Africa and Asia





Innovation

New approaches:

- Cost effective designs
- Climate resilience
- Low cost remote sensing
- Agricultural access





Guidance

National policy
Provincial planning
Local application





Typical ReCAP Access Research

- Optimised use of local material resources
- Effective whole life rural road asset management
- Transport services operation and regulation
- Rural mobility and rural access
- Climate threats, impacts, and increasing resilience
- Gender equality, equity and social inclusion
- Rural access safety



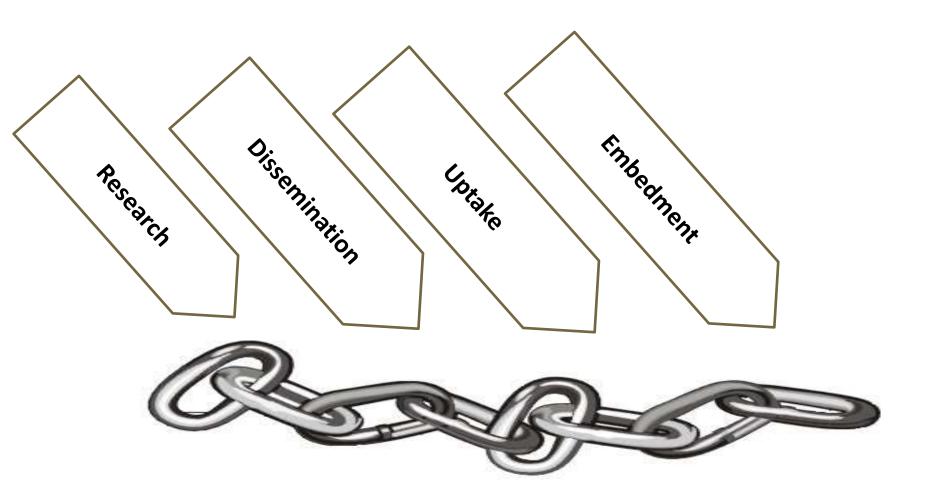








Research – a Logical Chain



Research Uptake

Vietnam Rural Transport Programme 2 2001

Mainly gravel roads

Vietnam Rural Transport Programme 3 2008

Sealed roads. Improved all-season access

Research into costs and performance of gravel and sealed roads in Vietnam

Informed decisions as to rural road designs based on research





Research: A Driver of the Move to Affordable and Sustainable All-Season Access





