BHUTAN
Moving up the trade facilitation ladder
towards seamless international supply chains

[Cumulative implementation scores of core groups of measures; full implementation =100]

The level of implementation of trade facilitation measures in Bhutan (27%) is below the level in Asia-Pacific (46.5%). It is also lower than the level of implementation in South and South-West (42%). Among the five core groups of trade facilitation measures, the most implemented in Bhutan are “Institutional arrangement and cooperation” measures (55.6%). The least implemented are “Formalities” measures (0%).

Implementation of “Transparency” measures is below both the regional and sub-regional averages. The least implemented measure in this area is Advance ruling. Bhutan has not implemented any “Formalities” measures.

In “Paperless trade”, Bhutan’s implementation is below both the regional and sub-regional averages. E-Single window, E-submission of Customs declarations, E-Trade licenses, E-Air Cargo Manifests, E- Preferential Certificate of Origin, E-Payment of duties and E-Application for Customs refunds are least implemented.

Bhutan may focus its trade facilitation efforts in particular on implementation of “Formalities” measures, as well as on moving towards “Cross-border paperless trade”.

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