

# **OVERVIEW OF THE ACCESSION PACKAGE AND POST ACCESSION ROADMAP/STRATEGY**

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# Outline

- Snapshot of Afghanistan's Accession Path
- Afghanistan WTO Accession process and progress
- Post-Accession Strategy



# **Snapshot of Afghanistan's Accession Path**

- 1. Request for Accession in 2004; negotiations effectively started in 2010**
- 2. Five Working Party meetings: first in January 2011 and last in November 2015**
- 3. Goods and services market access negotiations completed in less than 18 months and concluded in February 2014**
- 4. Plurilateral Agricultural negotiations completed in one round**
- 5. Around 30 pieces of legislation adopted**
- 6. Accession Protocol adopted during Nairobi Ministerial Conference**
- 7. Accession Protocol Accepted by Afghanistan in June 2016**





# Afghanistan's Accession Process

- Application → 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2004
- Observer → 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2004
- WP → 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2004
- Chair → The Netherland



# What have been achieved so far...?

- MFTR → April, 2009.
- 168 questions (US, Canada, EU, Australia and Chinese Taipei) → 26 July, 2010.
- “Memorandum of Foreign Trade Regime, is a document which includes and describes all aspects of Afghanistan’s trade and economic policies and legal regime including tax policy, tariff policy, export-import policies/strategies “





# What have been achieved so far...II?



**1<sup>st</sup> WP, 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2011**



**2<sup>nd</sup> WP, June, 2012**



**3<sup>rd</sup> WP, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2012**



**4<sup>th</sup> WP, 25 July, 2013**

# What have been achieved so far...III?

- 1st WP → 153 questions (US, Canada, Australia, EU and Chinese Taipei) and replies circulated in WTO on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2011
- 2<sup>nd</sup> WP → 139 questions and replied in 2012.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> WP → 34 Questions replied on 10 April, 2013, 97 questions replied on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 and 24 US questions replied on 2<sup>nd</sup> July, 2013
- 4<sup>th</sup> WP → 10 US questions replied.



## What have been achieved so far...III?

- Services offer was submitted in June 2012.
- Goods offer was submitted in November 2012.
- 30 laws and regulations drafted and amended.
- 13 newly drafted

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