

## **Political Economy**

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## Border Trade Routes: Old, New, and Potentials

After substantial delays and disruptions across traditional land border routes, maritime pathways are increasingly becoming a viable alternative for trade with Bangladesh and Thailand. Additionally, the eastern Shan, a trade route under consideration since 2019, is emerging as a potential new route for trade with China. Furthermore, a new trade route through the Tanintharyi Region, the southern part of Myanmar, connecting Thailand, Laos, and China could be developed as well. This route is strategically linked with the Greater Mekong Subregion Economic Corridors.

