

# China

## HaJia Railway

### Description

**Purpose:** To provide additional railway capacity and reduce transport time for passengers and freight along the Harbin-Jiamusi Corridor.

**Expected Results (include):**

- Increase passengers riding by 3 million per year.
- Reduce passenger travel time from over 6 to 2 hours.
- Benefit 15 million people including rural poor.
- Reduce pollution as a result of shifting from road to electric railways.

**IBRD Financing:** US\$300 million



### Country Challenge

Remote areas of China's Northeast, like Jiamusi and the capital city of Harbin in Heilongjiang Province have lagged behind the remarkable economic and social development of coastal regions. The existing Harbin to Jaimusi line dates to 1940 and is very slow. China is promoting railways as a cleaner and safer transport option.

### Project Goals

The project includes construction of a 343 km-long, electrified, mixed-use (passengers and freight) railway line between Harbin and Jaimusi. It includes 12 new stations, rehabilitation of the Jiamusi station, rolling stock and other services.

For more information: <http://www.worldbank.org/projects/P117341/hajia-railway?lang=en>