

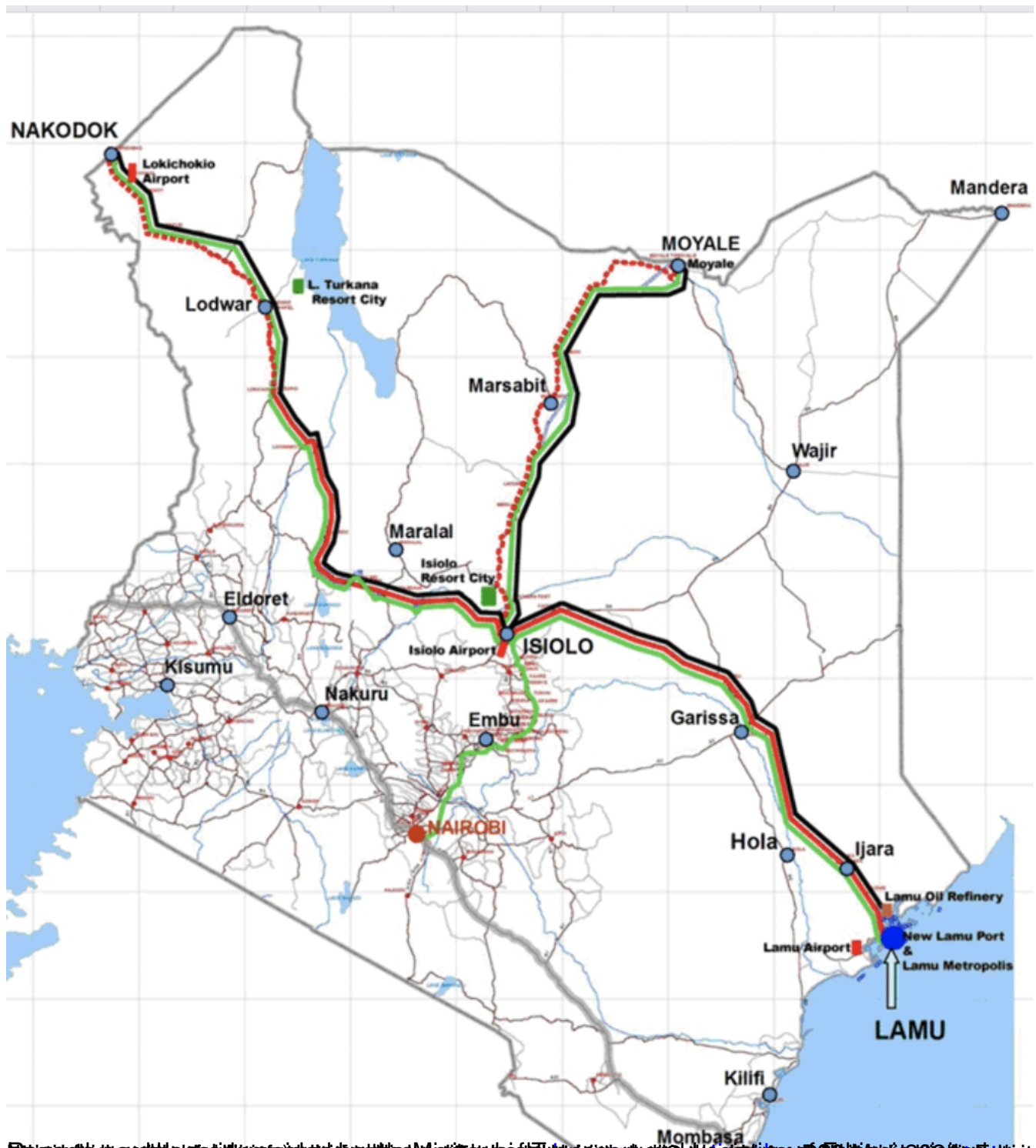
In 2012, Kenya and Ethiopia signed a bilateral agreement for the Development, Operation and Management of a Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) linking the port of Lamu in Kenya with Addis Ababa, passing through the city of Isiolo and the border town of Moyale, where a One Stop Border Post (OSBP) commenced operation in [June 2021](#) . The railway, whose construction works are set to begin in 2025, will also include a link from Isiolo to Nairobi that will intersect the Mombasa-Nairobi-Malaba SGR, and one to South Sudan via the border town of Nakodok, for a total length of about 3,000 Km. Recently, the two countries also agreed to establish a Bilateral Steering Committee to fast-track the development of the LAPSSET Corridor and its supporting infrastructure.

During an [interview for Capital FM News](#) , the Cabinet Secretary for Roads, Transport, and Public works of Kenya announced that the road connecting Lamu to Garissa and Isiolo, about 538 Km. long, is currently in the process of being tarmacked, with works that are ongoing, even if slowly. By the end of January, only [43 percent](#) of the road was completed, with the contractor that has [delayed](#) on several occasions the construction works due to increased attacks on workers by Al-Shabaab.

The Lamu-Isiolo road will intersect other two sections of the LAPSSET corridor (the corridor project that is supposed to grow integration in East Africa), branching out from there to South Sudan and Ethiopia, as shown in the picture below.

Kenya and Ethiopia sign pact for railway development between Lamu Port and Addis Ababa

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