

Project Summary Information

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Project Name	Assam Electricity Distribution System Enhancement and Loss Reduction Project				
Document Code	PD000315-PSI-IND				
Country	Republic of India				
Sector/Subsector	Energy / Electricity Transmission and Distribution				
Status of Financing	Approved				
Project Description	The project aims to augment Assam's electricity distribution system, comprising networks at 33Kilo-Volts (KV) level and below, by a) constructing new 33/11KV substations at important load centers, b) laying of new 33KV and 11KV overhead distribution lines, c) installation of new High Voltage Distribution System (HVDS) at select locations to improve reliability and to reduce the distribution losses, and d) introducing smart meters. The project will consist of the following components:				
	- Component 1: Construction of approximately 196 nos. of 33/11KV substations with the associated 33KV and 11KV distribution lines;				
	- Component 2: Construction of HVDS at around 2,000 locations to replace the existing low voltage network;				
	- Component 3: Installation of approximately 185,000 smart meters for domestic consumers; and				
	- Component 4: Technical assistance including a) engaging Project Management Consultants to support project implementation, and b) implementing measures such as trainings, workshops and procurement of new testing tools to improve the capacity of the implementing entity (Assam Power Distribution Company Limited or APDCL).				
Objective	The objective of the Project is to improve the reliability, capacity and security of the power distribution system in Assam.				

Expected Results	The project is expected to result in improvement of the electricity distribution network by reducing distribution losses, voltage fluctuations and distribution transformers' failure rates. The key results indicators are:
	(i) Primary energy consumption saved (measured in Giga Watt hours or GWh);
	(ii) Greenhouse gas emissions reduction (tons of CO ₂ equivalent per year);
	(iii) Reduction in distribution losses (%); and
	(iv) Additional capacity added to the distribution system (measured in Mega Volt-Ampere or MVA).
Environmental and Social Category	Category B
Environmental and Social Information	The Bank's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP), including the Environment and Social Standards (ESSs) and the Environmental and Social Exclusion List (ESEL) will apply to this project. ESS 1 (Environmental and Social Assessment and Management) will apply to assessment and mitigation of environmental and social (ES) risks and impacts. Applicability of ESS 2 (Involuntary Resettlement) and ESS 3 (Indigenous Peoples) will be assessed during implementation. The project has been categorized as Category B with a "Medium" ES risk rating.
	As the project consists of sub-projects whose details are not yet identified and require a phased approach, the client has prepared and AIIB has reviewed an Environmental and Social Management Planning Framework (ESMPF) accompanied with model Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIAs) for selected sub-projects, a generic Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), and precautionary Resettlement Planning Framework (RPF) and Tribal People Development Framework (TPDF) in case ESS2 and ESS3 are triggered.
	Based on the preliminary ES impact assessment under the ESMPF, the environmental, social, health and safety risks and impacts are localized, expected to be temporary, reversible in nature and can be managed and mitigated through implementation of ESMPF and the ESMP as well as ESIAs prepared for each one of subprojects which will be prepared based on good practices.
	Consultations concerning the model ESIA and ESMPF have been conducted. This process of consultation will continue during project implementation, in accordance with national guidelines on restrictions imposed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The English version of the ESMPF, and Assamese executive summary of the ESMPF have been posted on the

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Cost and Financing Plan	Indicative Cost and Financing Plan (USD millions)							
		Item	Cost	Financing				
				AIIB		Govt. of Assam		
				Amount	Share	Amount	Share	
		Component 1	329	263	80%	66	20%	
		Component 2	105	84	80%	21	20%	
		Component 3	44	35	80%	9	20%	
		Component 4	4	4	100%	-	-	
		Total	482	386	80%	96	20%	
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https://www.aiib.org/en/projects/details/2022/approved/India-Assam-Distribution-System-Enhancement.html

Implementing	Assam Power Distribution Company Limited				
Entity					
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loan closing					
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Decision					
Date of Appraisal	Nov 2021				
Decision					
Date of Financing	Feb 2022				
Approval					

	AIIB's Policy on the Project-affected Peoples Mechanism (PPM) applies to this Project. The PPM has been established by
Independent	the Bank to provide an opportunity for the independent and impartial review of submissions from Project-affected people
Accountability	who believe they have been or are likely to be adversely affected by the Bank's failure to implement its ESP in situations
Mechanism	when their concerns cannot be addressed satisfactorily through the project-level GRM or the processes of the Bank's
	Management. For information on the PPM, please visit: https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/operational-
	policies/policy-on-the-project-affected-mechanism.html