

## **Project Summary Information**

	Date of Document Preparation: May 1, 2023		
Project Name	Monsoon 600 MW Cross-border Wind Power Project		
Project Number	P000515		
AllB member	Lao People's Democratic Republic (Lao PDR)		
Sector/Subsector	Energy / Renewable Energy Generation (Wind)		
Status of	Approved		
Financing			
<b>Project Description</b>	The Project involves the development, construction, and operation of an approximately 600-megawatt wind generation		
	facility, an associated 500-kilovolt substation, and a 500-kilovolt transmission line in Sekong Province and Attapeu Province		
	in Lao PDR. The generated electricity is expected to be sold to Vietnam Electricity (EVN).		
Objective	The objective of the Project is to (i) increase the electricity supply from renewables in the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam		
	(Viet Nam) by supporting a cross-border electricity trade between Lao PDR and Viet Nam, and (ii) diversify Lao PDR's		
	source of electricity exports.		
Expected Results	The Project indicators include (i) cross-border transmission of electricity (MW), (ii) greenhouse gas emission reduction (tons		
	of CO2 equivalent per year), and (iii) renewable generation capacity installed (MW).		
Environmental and	The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has categorized the Project under its Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS), June 2009		
Social Category	as Category A for environment, involuntary resettlement and Indigenous Peoples. (equivalent to Category A if AIIB's		
	Environmental and Social Policy (ESP) were applicable).		
Environmental and	The Project is co-financed with ADB as a lead co-financier, and its environmental and social (ES) risks and impacts have		
Social Information	been assessed in accordance with ADB's SPS. To ensure a harmonized approach to addressing ES risks and impacts of		
	the Project, and as permitted under AIIB's ESP, AIIB agrees that the ADB's SPS will apply to the Project in lieu of AIIB's		
	ESP. AIIB has reviewed ADB's SPS and is satisfied that: (i) it is consistent with AIIB's Articles of Agreement and materially		
	consistent with the provisions of AIIB's ESP and the relevant ES Standards; and (ii) the monitoring procedures that are in		
	place are appropriate for the Project.		
	ES Due Diligence assessment has been carried out including a site visit by the lender group including AIIB. Screening of		
	the site conditions and proposed Project investments point to potential impacts on biodiversity including amphibians,		

birds/bats, cultural heritage (spiritual forest areas and cemeteries), and possible occupational health and safety risks including those related to the potential disturbance of soils and sediment contaminated by defoliating chemicals and unexploded ordnance. An Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) was prepared in 2020 in accordance with Lao PDR's requirements. This ESIA has been updated to meet ADB's SPS and lenders' requirements. No physical displacement is currently anticipated. The permeant and temporary social impacts identified includes loss of agricultural land and non-timber forest product collections. Moreover, structures in the form of farm hut, barbed wire fence, fence post, toilet and kitchen are likely to be affected. The Project is likely to generate disproportionate effects on vulnerable groups, including women and ethnic minorities. The Borrower will establish and operate a project-level grievance redress mechanism (GRM) for local communities and the contracted workers respectively. The public consultation and disclosure process will be used to disseminate ES information in a timely manner. This includes information on the project-level GRM and the Project-affected Peoples Mechanism (PPM) of AIIB.

The ESIA including an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) have been completed. The ESIA and ESMP were disclosed on ADB's website in April 2022 and updated in October 2022. ADB also disclosed Indigenous Peoples Plan/Community & Ethnic Group Development Plan and Resettlement Plan in September 2022 on its website. AllB's website includes links to the documentation on ADB's website<sup>1</sup>. A Biodiversity Action Plan, Community & Ethnic Group Development Plan, Resettlement Plan and Stakeholder Engagement Plan were disclosed in draft version on August 19, 2022 and in final version on May 1, 2023, on AllB's website. The ES documentation was disclosed in English (via ADB and AllB website). Summaries incorporating elements of this documentation were disclosed in the AllB website and made available to the relevant stakeholders, including the Project-affected people, in language(s) understandable to them. This was done during the local consultations.

Monitoring and supervision missions will be carried out every six months during construction and annually thereafter. Site visits to verify implementation of ES plans will be carried out jointly by the lender group once conditions allowed. ES monitoring reports will be prepared by the Project Company every quarter during construction work, and every six months thereafter.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ADB's website for disclosure: https://www.adb.org/projects/documents/lao-55205-001-esia-0

Cost and	The estimated cost of the Project is USD946 million. AIIB's loan is USD72.55 million and the rest is to be funded by the				
Financing Plan	Sponsor and other financial institutions including ADB and Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).				
Borrower	Monsoon Wind Power Company Limited.				
Sponsor	ACEN Renewables International Pte Ltd; BCPG Public Company Limited; Impact Electrons Siam Company Limited;				
	Mitsubishi Corporation; SMP Consultation Sole Company Limited; and STP&I Public Company Limited				
Estimated date of	Q4 2025				
last disbursement					
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Decision					
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Decision					
Date of Financing	November 9, 2022				
Approval					

Independent	AIIB's Policy on the PPM applies to the Project. The PPM has been established by the AIIB to provide an opportunity		
Accountability	for an independent and impartial review of submissions from Project-affected people who believe they have been or		
Mechanism	are likely to be adversely affected by AIIB's failure to implement the ES policies applicable to the Project in situations when their concerns cannot be addressed satisfactorily through the Project-level GRM or the AIIB Management's processes. Information on the PPM is available at: https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/operational-		
	policies/policy-on-the-project-affected-mechanism.html		