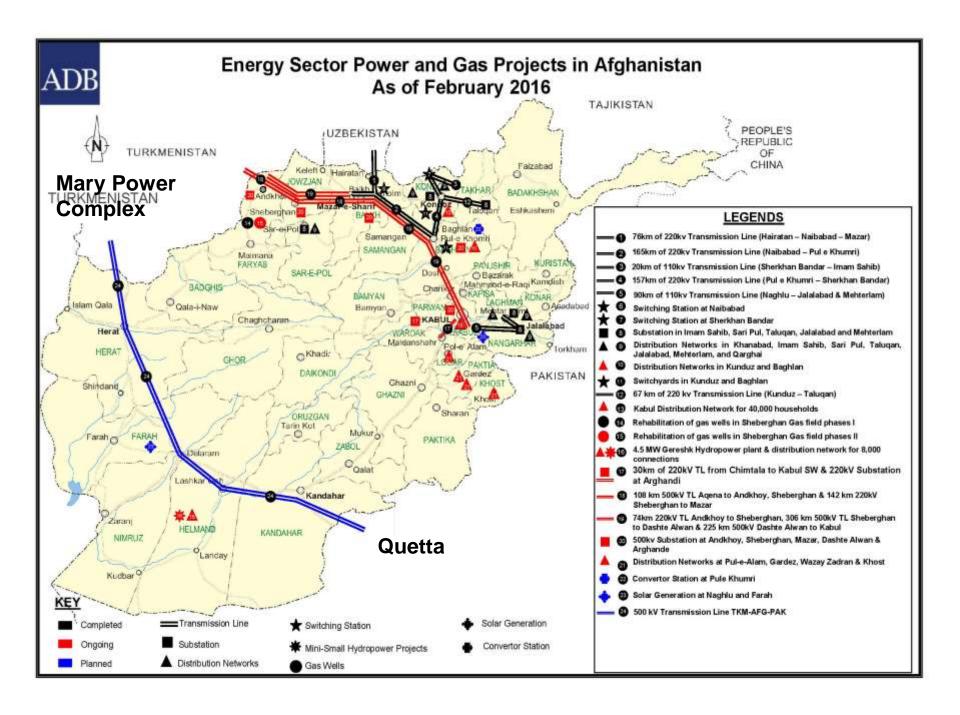


# Proposed Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan (TAP)

**Power Interconnection Project** 

Consultation Meeting with the CAREC National Focal Points 20 Sep 2016

# **Background**



# Signed MOU by Heads of 3 Governments

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING between the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, Turkmenistan and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan

The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, Turkmenistan and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (hereafter referred as Parties) agree to facilitate the export, transit and import of power produced in Turkmenistan through Afghanistan into Pakistan.

The Parties agree to constitute and task their technical negotiating teams to start the trilateral negotiations as soon as possible.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signatures and shall remain valid until the successful conclusion of trilateral negotiations.

Done at Mary on 13 December 2015 in three originals in the Dari, Turkmen and English languages, all texts being equal authentic.

President of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Movemmati ASHRAF GHANI Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan

> Nawaz SHARIF

President of Turkmenistan

Gurbanguly BERDIMUHAMEDOV

## **Energy Situation in 3 Countries**

#### **Turkmenistan (TKM):**

- TKM wishes to export year round power to AFG and PAK. Already exporting power to AFG through 2 interconnections since 2002.
- About 3,500 MW excess power available for exports by 2020
- HVAC Transmission line under construction towards Herat

#### Afghanistan (AFG):

- 30% electrification rate. 850 MW current peak demand to increase to 3500 MW by 2032
- Transmission ring under construction to connect major load centers
- Indigenous generation & imported power projects under implementation
- Longer term plans to synchronize power grid with TKM

#### Pakistan (PAK):

- Energy crisis & deficit with significant load shedding (6 hours urban; 8 hours in rural)
- ~ 70% electrification rate

## **ADB Largest Development Partner**

#### **Turkmenistan:**

- Presence through TAPI Project, TUTAP Project under construction
- ADB in discussion with government to finance transmission lines in 2016 and rehabilitate gas fired plants thereafter
- Facilitated TKM-AFG power purchase and sales agreement in Nov 2015

#### **Afghanistan:**

- Anchor development partner. \$1.2 billion in energy portfolio
- New financing facility \$1.2 bn approved in Dec 2015
- Facilitated PPSAs with TKM and TAJ

#### Pakistan:

- Largest development partner New Transmission MFF for 2016 approval
- Assistance in generation, transmission, distribution, energy efficiency, and policy support.

# **Summary Progress** of TAP Meetings

#### **Decisions Taken - I**

- Two Meetings held on 11 April 2016 and 18 July 2016 in Islamabad; facilitated by ADB; attended by officials from 3 countries
- 2. As Project Secretariat, ADB leading and facilitating project concept to project commissioning including project preparation, project financing in respective countries through country program and allocation, and finalization of power purchase and sales agreements (PPSA)
- 3. TAP Country Focal Points nominated

#### **Decisions Taken - II**

- 4. Consultant undertaking due diligence of various routing options and analyze the phased approach for cost effective and technically proficient bulk power transfer. Findings of the options analysis study will be presented early October 2016.
- 5. Project roadmap to be formally agreed by 3 countries at the side lines of the October 2016 CAREC Ministerial Meeting in Oct in Islamabad.
- 6. The Project related documentation and protocol will be signed by the 3 governments during the CAREC Ministerial Meeting scheduled in October 2016 in Islamabad.

# Progress Todate & Next Steps

### **TAP Interconnector Options Analyzed**

- Turkmenistan-Uzbekistan-Tajikistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan (TUTAP)
- 2. 220-kV Interconnect [Khost (AFG) Bannu (PAK)]
- 220-kV Interconnect [Kandahar (AFG) Chaman (PAK)]
- 4. 220-kV Interconnect [Jalalabad (AFG) Peshawar PAK)]
- 5. 500-kV Interconnect (Kabul Peshawar)
- 6. Central Asia South Asia (CASA-1000)

# **Trilateral Meetings**

- Energy Ministers / Officials from 3 countries meeting in September 2016 to agree on power trade framework and priorities
- 2. AFG and PAK agreed to sequence the TAP Project into 2 phases
  - 1<sup>st</sup> phase to consider using idle CASA infrastructure (October to April) by complementing TUTAP-CASA infrastructure to wheel power from TKM to PAK.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> phase to consider construction of power line from Mary in TKM to Quetta in PAK through TAPI corridor in AFG. Funds will be programmed through ADB's country allocations and program for each country.

# **Initial Assessment of Routing Options**

No	Routing	Remarks
1	TUTAP	Primarily to meet demand for northern, eastern and southern AFG. Limited volume for exports. CASA TUTAP complement under study. Findings will be available by end Sep
2	220-kV Interconnect [Khost (AFG) – Bannu (PAK)] & [Kandahar – Chaman] [Jalalabad – Peshawar]	No possibility for bulk transfer. No room for exports. Weak grid on both sides. Synchronization Issues
3	500-kV (Kabul – Peshawar)	Limited power availability in Kabul for exports
4	CASA-1000	AFG now not part of CASA DC Line. CASA TUTAP complement under study. Findings will be available by end Sep
5	TAP-500	Bulk transfer; Power availability; Strengthens grid of each country; Asynchronous Interconnection

# **TAP-500 kV (Using Southern AFG Corridor)**

#### **Turkmenistan:**

- Generation expansion at Mary power complex
- 220-kV (500-kV) transmission line Yolotan-Tahatbazar-Serhetabat (Afghan border) to be commissioned 2018
- ADB preparing project for Board consideration in 2016 / 2017

#### **Afghanistan:**

- Plans to build 500-kV from Torghundi (TKM border with Serhetabad) to Spin Boldak (PAK border with Chaman).
- 500/220-kV Substation at Herat and Kandahar
- To be financed through \$1.2 billion Energy MFF approved in Dec 2015
- Complete transmission ring in AFG

#### **Pakistan:**

- Interconnection with national grid
- Voltage level at Chaman substation and transmission lines

### ADB's as Facilitator & Anchor Development Partner

- ADB will provide technical assistance to establish project secretariat and facilitate
  - analytical studies for systems stability, reliability, and grid interconnection
  - studies for regulatory and legal, technical, commercial, and systems despatch
  - project assessment, including project feasibility, technical design, and preparation,
  - coordinate project planning and provision of financing
  - facilitate energy trade negotiations among the 3 countries,
  - finalize an implementation roadmap

# **Preliminary Timeline & Way Forward**

Action	Timeframe
Ranking of Interconnection Options	October 2016
Signing of MOU among 3 countries	October 2016
Preparation of Feasibility Studies	2017
Approval of Financing	2016 - 2017
Project Execution	2018 - 2022