INITIAL POVERTY AND SOCIAL ANALYSIS

A. Linkages	to the Country Pov	erty Analysis			
	ntified as a national ry poverty analysis?	⊠ Yes □ No	Is the sector identified as a nation priority in country poverty partners agreement?		
Contribution of t	he sector or subsecto	or to reduce poverty	y in Tajikistan:		
Increased amounts and availability of electrical power for homes, schools, and hospitals during evening hours in the winter will contribute to the diversification of evening activities in households and communities. Moreover, improved access to reliable electricity will improve productivity of small home-based industries and facilitate conversion from burning fuelwood to using electricity for cooking and heating. This will improve indoor air quality and health-related issues. The power project will also create job opportunities during the construction period for local workers.					
B. Poverty Analysis Targeting Classification: General Intervention					
What type of pov	verty analysis is need	ed?			
A standard poverty and social analysis will be conducted during the project preparatory technical assistance to (i) identify potential project impacts on vulnerable groups, taking into account gender aspects, and (ii) consider measures to enhance poverty impacts, when necessary. Also, the commitment to supply energy to local communities during evening hours in the winter must be secured by the energy supply company.					
C. Participation Process					
Is there a stakeh	older analysis?	Yes	⊠ No		
Identification of the beneficiaries due to the increase of energy generation capacity is required during the project preparatory technical assistance. Consultations focused on demand-side management options will be conducted during the project preparatory technical assistance.					
Is there a participation strategy? ☐ Yes ☒ No					
Public consultation	n will not be needed for	a resettlement plan	, as minimal land acquisition is foreseen		
D. Gender Dev	velopment				
Strategy to maxi	mize impacts on wom	en:			
No gender component is required in the project design, due to the Project's nature. However, gender equality must be secured during project implementation, when hiring construction laborers.					
Has an output be	een prepared?	☐ Yes	⊠ No		
E. Social Safeguards and Other Social Risks					
Item	Significant/ Not Significant/ None	Stra	itegy to Address Issues	Plan Required	
Resettlement	Significant			☐ Full	
	Not significant ■			Short Short	
	- None				

Affordability	☐ Significant ☑ Not significant ☐ None	Based on the analysis of the current energy tariff and affordability of poor households, some measures have to be suggested to extend the project-induced benefits to the poor.	☐ Yes ☑ No
Labor	☐ Significant ☐ Not significant ☑ None		☐ Yes ☑ No
Indigenous Peoples	☐ Significant ☐ Not significant ☑ None		☐ Yes
Other Risks and/or Vulnerabilities	☐ Significant ☐ Not significant ☑ None		☐ Yes