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Quick Facts

Countries	India
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2020-12-04
Borrower	Government of India
Sectors	Energy
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 300.50 million
Loan Amount (USD)	$ 300.00 million

Project Description

The project will improve the quality and reliability of the electricity supply, reduce the aggregate technical and commercial (ATC) losses in electricity distribution, and restore the financial sustainability of the rural electricity supply. The Project will convert the low voltage distribution lines to aerial bundled conductors (ABC), separate the 11 kilovolts (kV) feeders supplying the agriculture and rural households to facilitate the rationing of electricity supply to agriculture consumers, increase the supply duration to rural households and enhance the community engagement for improving electricity supply cost recovery and gender inclusivity in electricity distribution-related activities in rural areas.

The electricity supply to rural areas in Uttar Pradesh and in most parts of rural India is characterized by (i) frequent power failures resulting in an average supply duration of 16-18 hours per day (ii) inadequate cost recovery and poor bill collection efficiency from rural residential and agriculture consumers (iii) overloaded and dilapidated electricity distribution network. The rural electricity supply is saddled with the following problems; (i) unauthorized connections of agricultural pumps and households/commercial connections, (ii) over-use of subsidized electricity for agricultural water pumping causing financial losses, (iii) aged and poorly maintained distribution lines and transformers, which are frequently operated above rated capacity, causing excessive technical losses to the DISCOMs and a poor quality of service to the customers and (iv) presence of a large number of unmetered residential and agriculture connections, irregular meter reading and infrequent bill collections from rural consumers.

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