Early Warning System

NDB-NESCOPOWERDISTRO

NESCO Power Distribution System Strengthening Project

Quick Facts

Countries	Bangladesh
Specific Location	Rajshahi and Rangpur Divisions
Financial Institutions	New Development Bank (NDB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	Government of Bangladesh
Sectors	Energy, Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 125.50 million
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Project Cost (USD)	$ 151.63 million

Project Description

As stated by the NDB, the power distribution infrastructure operated by Northern Electricity Supply Company PLC (NESCO) in Rajshahi and Rangpur Divisions faces critical technical and operational challenges, including insufficient capacity to address growing demand, and aging assets resulting in high system losses and low power quality.

The proposed NESCO Power Distribution System Strengthening Project is a critical response to address these challenges. Through installation and upgradation of key components, such as substations, transformers, distribution lines etc., the Project will augment the capacity of power distribution system, enhance network efficiency by reducing losses.

The Project comprises the following key components:

- Installation, renovation and upgrade of 14 substations of 33kV
- Installation and upgrade of power distribution lines with a total length of 3,837km
- Installation of three 33kV bays and breakers
- Installation of 3,974 distribution transformers

Investment Description

- New Development Bank (NDB)

Private Actors Description

As stated on the company's LinkedIn account, Northern Electrical Supply PLC is an enterprise of the Bangladesh power Development Board. NESCO started its commercial operation from 01 January, 2018 to provide electricity of 2 Million people at 16 districts of Rajshahi & Rangpur Division.

Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Northern Electricity Supply Company Ltd.	Contractor	Energy

Contact Information

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information through a form at the bottom of the following webpage https://www.ndb.int/about-us/contact-us Alternatively, you can send an e-mail to info@ndb.int

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