Stakeholder Engagement Plan

Royal Government of Bhutan Sustainable Hydropower Development Project (P174327)

Project Implementing Entity: Druk Green Power Corporation Limited

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Background and Context

The Sustainable Hydropower Development Project (SHDP) is a technical assistance project (TA Project) that will support the Royal Government of Bhutan (RGoB) to strengthen the capacity of the power sector agencies to plan and prepare regional hydropower and transmission line projects following international good practices.

The TA Project aims to: (i) support the update of the Detailed Project Report for Dorjilung Hydropower Project (Dorjilung HPP), a greenfield hydropower project in the pipeline, to be consistent with the Bhutan Hydropower Guidelines and the World Bank Environmental and Social Framework, and (ii) support capacity building in the power sector in Bhutan. The proposed implementing entity of the TA Project is Druk Green Power Corporation (DGPC) Limited, a state-owned holding company which manages and operates Bhutan's hydropower assets and participates in new hydropower development. Further information regarding the project description, components and activities can be found in the Project Paper on the World Bank website.

As part of the TA Project, draft terms of reference (TOR) for updating and completing the environmental and social (E&S) assessment and planning have been developed and will be disclosed on DGPC's and the Work Bank's websites.

Stakeholder Engagement Plan

The scope of stakeholder engagement for the TA Project is limited and has therefore been integrated into the project's Environment and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP).

A Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) will be developed for Dorjilung HPP as part of the deliverables under the TA Project. The SEP will guide meaningful stakeholder consultations on the project, including all E&S documents that will be developed/updated such as Environmental and Social Impact Assessment and Environmental and Social Management Plan, Labor Management Procedure, Resettlement Action Plan and SEP. The finalized documents will describe how the feedback of the stakeholders will be taken into account.

The specific stakeholder engagement requirements for the TA project are captured below. For further details on the SEP requirements, please consult the project ESCP document on the World Bank website.

MATE	ERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS	TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY	
ESS 1: ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL RISKS AND IMPACTS				
1.3	MANAGEMENT TOOLS AND INSTRUMENTS Develop TORs for the updating of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP), including Cumulative Impact Assessment (CIA) and submit them to the World Bank for review and clearance. The ToRs will subsequently be disclosed for stakeholder consultations further outlined in section 10.3 of ESS10. The ToRs will be disclosed prior to issuing the bidding documents for conduct of the assessments and preparation of plans.	Within 2 months from TA Project effectiveness but before issuing bidding documents for the conduct of the assessments and planning	Druk Green Power Corporation Limited	

MATERIAL MEASURES AND ACTIONS		TIMEFRAME	RESPONSIBILE ENTITY/AUTHORITY		
1.4	ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENT Update the ESIA and ESMP, including integrating pertinent parts of the CIA into the ESIA, according to the TOR agreed in 1.3 above. Disclose acceptable draft E&S documents (ESIA, ESMP, Resettlement Action Plan (RAP), SEP) for stakeholder consultations further outlined in section 10.3 of ESS10.	Updated ESIA/ESMP to be finalized, approved and disclosed prior to the end of the TA Project	Druk Green Power Corporation Limited		
ESS 10	ESS 10: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE				
10.1	STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN PREPARATION For the TA project, ensure that technical assistance provided incorporates stakeholder engagement and information disclosure in a manner consistent with ESS10, including the preparation of a Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Dorjilung HPP. Prepare and disclose an SEP for the proposed Dorjilung HPP.	Maintained throughout the implementation of the TA To be completed and delivered by the end of the TA.	Druk Green Power Corporation Limited		
10.2	PROJECT GRIEVANCE MECHANISM Design a grievance mechanism for the Dorjilung HPP and describe it in the SEP.	To be developed and delivered by the end of the TA.	Druk Green Power Corporation Limited		
10.3	CONSULTATION ON E&S DOCUMENTS Conduct stakeholder consultations on all E&S documents (ESIA, ESMP, RAP, SEP) that will be prepared under the TA project in line with the requirements of ESS10. Describe how the feedback of the stakeholders will be taken into account in the finalized version of the E&S documents.	When draft documents are available and prior to finalizing the E&S documents	Druk Green Power Corporation Limited		