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Decarbonizing Power Generation: ADB's Energy Transition Mechanism

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A Coal-Powered Asia...

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Electricity Production per source, 2000-2022 (in TWh)



PRC



Source: Ember's Yearly Electricity Data; Ember's European Electricity Review; Energy Institute Statistical Review of World Energy



ASEAN



Note: 'Other renewables' includes waste, geothermal, wave and tidal. OurWorldInData.org/energy • CC BY

OECD



India



 $\label{eq:ASEAN} \mbox{=} \mbox{Association of South-East Asian Nations, OECD = Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development, PRC = People's Republic of China, TWh = terawatt hour$

... is contributing to Climate Change



Carbon Intensity of Energy Production, 2000-2021 $(kgCO_2 / kWh)$



Annual CO₂ Emissions by World Region (tCO₂ billion)



Source: Global Carbon Project (2022); Energy Institute - Statistical Review of World Energy (2023); U.S. Energy Information Administration (2023) OurWorldInData.org/emissions-drivers • CC BY

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Energy Transition Mechanism Overview





Details are publicly available at: <u>https://www.adb.org/what-we-do/energy-transition-mechanism-etm</u>

ETM Feasibility Study Process







Project Selection

- Critical factors to focus on when selecting power plants:
 - o Grid stability
 - \circ Utilization
 - $\circ \quad \text{Plant age} \quad$
 - Renewable replacement potential
 - Transactional appetite



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Financial Analysis

- Commercial and legal structure to efficiently retire the assets
- Valuation approach
- Role of existing stakeholders
- Cost of capital needed to achieve a significant lifetime reduction
 - Potential additional revenue sources or costs (e.g., carbon and decommissioning)



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- Legal structure of ETM entity
- Capital structure and sources of funding
- Management structure
- Incentive structure
- Return expectations
- Major risks
- Safeguard policy
- Governance requirements





- Replacement plan for retired capacity to ensure ETM has positive climate impacts
- Socioeconomic impact assessment of direct, indirect, and induced impacts in the coal value chain due to CFPP early retirement
- Planning of Just Transition activities and funding needs over short- and long-term
- Strategic environmental and social assessment of ETM options
- Asset-level audits

Transaction Structuring Models



While multiple transaction options exist, ETM will seek commitments from

- (i) current project owners to not develop any new coal, and
- (ii) host country commitment to energy transition as a pre-condition for any deal

¹ The Acquisition Model will be utilized only in exception scenarios.

Synthetic Model



ETM will re-leverage coal-fired power plants with low-cost capital while **existing owners** remain as equity owners and operators



ETM invests in debt-like instrument into the project company and receives repayment based on sculpted cash flow (% of CFADS) over the investment horizon

- Proceeds from ETM investment are paid to existing shareholders as a special dividend as a form of equity return. Existing shareholders continue to receive equity dividends (but at a lower level than without CRF)
- 3 Existing shareholders remain as 100% common shareholders until the end of the shortened PPA tenure
- Transaction to be structured for existing financing arrangement to remain (e.g., pari-pasu with CRF) or fully exit

 Shortening of PPA tenure to be contractually agreed with the Utility; major project agreements (O&M, Fuel) to remain as is but with shorter tenor

Synthetic Model: Illustrative Cash Flows





ETM's market-based approach will significantly reduce coal plant life by re-leveraging with lower-cost capital from governments, multilateral banks, philanthropies, and private sector investors

Portfolio Model



ETM will establish a performance-linked transition facility with financing provided at corporate level.



ETM to provide a corporate loan facility to Utility. KPIs could include items such as:

- Individual coal plant shutdown (identified CFPP(s) to close)
- Overall GW of coal plants closure by a certain date (Utility choose CFPP(s) to close)
- CO2 reduction achievement Utility and ADB/Financiers to agree a mechanism for calculating current emissions baseline and achieved CO2 reductions vis-à-vis this baseline

Utility uses cash receipt to shut CFPPs over time and use funding for renewable energy and grid upgrade projects

Utility to pay penalty for not meeting KPIs which may include

- Penalty interest level of concessionality of the loan would be reduced if KPIs are not met by applying a penalty interest (potentially cumulative since the inception of the loan)
- Default inappropriate use of funds or failure to meet KPIs could provide financiers the right to withhold future drawdowns and/or immediate repayment
- Additional concessional capital/TA could be provided to help fund Just Transition (JT) activities

Progress of ETM & Partnerships in ADB DMCs



Indonesia	 Ongoing country SESA, JT framework development, and stakeholder engagement Support for the Indonesia ETM Country Platform Ongoing studies (captive power analysis, grid impact analysis, generation planning) MOU for precedent transaction (Cirebon-1) signed in November 2022; Ongoing due diligence CIF ACT IP approved in June 2023 (\$500M concessional funding to leverage \$4.5B+ of MDB and other cofinancing and government investment) Institutional support for JETP Secretariat (TA approved) 	Viet Nam Phase 1 FULL FEASIBILITY STUDY Kazakhstan Phase 0 PRE- FEASIBILITY STUDY	 Ongoing discussions with government (Commission for Management of State Capital at Enterprises) for MOU and launching a feasibility study JETP announced in December 2022; Donor engagement Ongoing preparation for pre- feasibility study Stakeholder consultation conducted in August 2023
Philippines Phase 1 FULL FEASIBILITY STUDY	 Feasibility study ongoing Pipeline development for private sector transaction opportunities CIF ACT IP being drafted; for submission October 2023 	Pakistan Phase 0 PRE- FEASIBILITY STUDY	 Pre-feasibility study being finalized Comments received from the government are being

\$ = United States dollar, ADB = Asian Development Bank, CIF ACT = Climate Investment Funds Accelerating Coal Transition, DMC = developing member country, ETM = Energy Transition Mechanism, IP = investment plan, JT = Just Transition, JETP = Just Energy Transition Partnership, MDB = multilateral development bank, MOU = memorandum of understanding, SESA = strategic environmental and social assessment, TA = technical assistance.

Comprehensive Approach to Just Transition

Just Transition (JT) activities extend beyond the scope and implementation timeframe of ETM.

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Together with ADB's social and environmental safeguards, Just Transition provides support for workers, communities, and regions impacted by the intervention of the ETM and associated projects, while preserving the environment.



Thank you all for your attention

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