

Inter-governmental Meeting
To discuss the Progress of the South Asia Electricity Transmission Master Plan for
Cross-Border Trade
And
SASEC Regional Workshop on Technical and Regulatory Challenges in Cross-Border
Electricity Transmission Interconnections
8-9 April 2016
New Delhi, India

Agenda

Chair: Shri Ghanshyam Prasad, Director, (Transmission), Ministry of Power

Co-Chair: Anthony Jude, Director, Energy Division South Asia Department (SARD), Asian Development Bank

Day 1	
08:45 – 09:00	Registration - The Royal Ballroom
09:00– 09:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome remarks by Teresa Kho, Country Director, INRM • Opening and Introductory remarks, JS IND (Chair)
09:20 – 09:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the Meeting’s Agenda Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Priyantha Wijayatunga, Principal Energy Specialist, ADB
09:45– 10:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bangladesh - Bhutan - India
10:15-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee break
10:30 -11:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maldives - Nepal - Sri Lanka
11:15-11:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefing on regional cooperation by SAARC Secretariat and SAARC Energy Center
11:45-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion
12:30-14:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch Break – Pre Function Area
Technical Session 1: Technical and Regulatory Challenges in Cross-Border Interconnection	
14:00 – 15:15	Moderators: Len George/Kaoru Ogino, ADB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India perspective of Technical and Regulatory Challenges in Cross-Border

	<p>Interconnection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Bangladesh – India Cross-Border Interconnection (ii) Bhutan-India Cross-Border Interconnection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangladesh perspective of technical and regulatory challenges of Bangladesh-India Cross-Border Interconnection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhutan perspective of technical and regulatory challenges of Bhutan-India Cross-Border Interconnection • Discussion
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee Break and Photo Session
15:45 – 17:00	<p>Moderators: Andrew Jeffries/Priyantha Wijayatunga, ADB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • India Perspective of Technical and Regulatory Challenges in Cross Border Interconnection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) India-Nepal Cross-Border Interconnection (ii) India-Sri Lanka Cross-Border Interconnection • Nepal perspective of technical and regulatory challenges of Nepal-India Cross-Border Interconnection • Sri Lanka perspective of technical and regulatory challenges of Sri Lanka-India Cross-Border Interconnection • Discussion
17:00 – 17:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GMS Regional Power Trade – Duy-Thanh Bui, Sr. Energy Economist, ADB
17:45 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SASEC 2025
19:00 – 22:30	Cocktail and Dinner hosted by ADB – Jamavar Restaurant
Day 2	
0845 – 0900	Registration
09:00 – 09:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Remarks, Anthony Jude, Director, Energy Division, ADB - Chair
Technical Session 2: South Asia Electricity Transmission Master Plan for Cross-Border Trade	
09:15 – 10:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of TA Progress – Priyantha. Wijayatunga • Introduction to Cross-Border Transmission Master Plan Study - P N Fernando, Senior Advisor, RETA on SASEC Cross Border Power Trade Development • Presentation on Cross-Border Transmission Master Plan

	- Bathiya Jayasekara, Manitoba Hydro, HVDC Research Centre
10:15 – 10:45	Coffee/Tea Break
10:45 – 12:30	Discussion
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 - 14:30	Closing