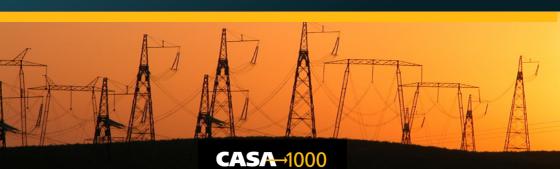


TAJIKISTAN

CENTRAL ASIA SOUTH ASIA ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION AND TRADE PROJECT (CASA-1000)

CASA-1000 COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROJECT (CSP)



WHAT IS THE CASA-1000 ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION AND TRADE PROJECT?

The CASA-1000 project is Central Asia and South Asia's largest energy project. It involves the construction of a crossborder high-voltage transmission line, which will connect the energy systems of Kyrgyz Republic and Tajikistan with Afghanistan and Pakistan. The CASA-1000 Project will export electricity from Central Asia (Kyrgyz Republic and Tajikistan) to South Asia (Afghanistan and Pakistan). The export of this electricity is possible because, in Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic, significant amount of hydropower potential is available in the summer months. The surplus electricity will be exported to generate revenues for the benefit of the population in Tajikistan. The project will provide a long-term source of income to Tajikistan, which will be used to help improve electricity supply reliability and services for people.

WHAT IS THE CASA-1000 COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROJECT?

The CASA-1000 Community Support Project will provide small grants for village electricity and other small infrastructure investments in 65 villages and 22 Jamoats along the CASA-1000 transmission line in Tajikistan. This includes 1 district in Sughd region, 4 districts in the Districts of republican subordination and 7 districts in Khatlon region. In addition, the project will support construction of a modern 110/10 kV Isfara-1 electricity substation and provide village electricity and other small infrastructure investments for 50 mahallas in 11 village groups in Isfara District of Sughd region near the transmission line in the Kyrgyz Republic.

This state investment project will help communities to improve electricity supply, other basic services and create opportunities to improve community well-being. Communities will join together to decide how their grants will be used. Communities will prioritize their needs, make decisions on the grants, help to implement the village projects, and monitor their construction. Also there will be special activities to support young women and men under the age of 30 years old.

Village improvements will

start in 2021.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE CSP?

- Communities will prioritize their needs and select their village projects
- The community projects will be organized by local village committees, with equal numbers of women and men making decisions

The project will support village electricity improvements, including:

- Replacing transformers, poles, and power lines
- Connecting electricity to new settlements
- Construction of new Isfara-1 Substation in Isfara district to provide electricity to surrounding communities



... and small grants for social and economic infrastructure, including:

- Rehabilitation of roads, bridges, on-farm irrigation systems
- Health facilities, kindergartens and schools Water supply and sanitation facilities Youth and community training centers
- Rural livelihoods facilities
- Street lighting and energy efficiency investments

... and a Community Development Fund

Will also share the long-term benefits of CASA-1000 income with local communities in Tajikistan. The CASA-1000 Community Development Fund is expected to contribute with its investments to community development in the future, over a 15-year period. As a result of these investments, more people will get access to improved electricity supply and socio-economic infrastructure.





Will CASA-1000 affect community livelihoods?

- The impact will be minimal and no large resettlements are planned.
- In extreme cases if any households need to be resettled or their livelihoods are affected, relocation assistance and adequate compensation will be provided to ensure they are offered alternate places to live and do not lose their livelihoods.
- If communities are affected, they will be able to inform authorities through a closely monitored complaints system.





Will CASA-1000 affect the health of residents in communities?

- The CASA-1000 line will meet all international standards for safety, noise and security.
- The transmission line will be located away from residences no one should live within 30 meters of the line, and the route is being carefully planned to avoid residential areas.
- Noise will be minimal beyond the 30-meter zone. With some transmission lines, communities sometimes hear a buzz in rainy weather.

Will there be any impact on television and mobile phones?

• It is not expected that TV and mobile phones will be affected but any impacts will be discussed and resolved with affected communities.



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