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Stakeholder Engagement Plan
# SAMAWA COMBINED CYCLE GAS TURBINE POWER PLANT PROJECT

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<td>2U1K</td>
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<td>Area of Influence</td>
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<td>Air Cooled Condensers</td>
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<td>Combined Cycle Gas Turbine</td>
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1 INTRODUCTION

This Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) has been prepared on behalf of ENKA UK CONSTRUCTION LTD (ENKA) (the Nominated Subcontractor) as part of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) process for the ‘Samawa Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Power Plant Project’ (hereinafter ‘the Project’).

ENKA UK Construction Ltd. (ENKA) and General Electric Switzerland GmbH and Alstom Middle East Iraq (collectively referred to as “GE”) plan to develop and construct the Project which will have a gross capacity of 750 MW. The Plant will be the first combined cycle project of that will be owned and operated by Ministry of Electricity (MoE) of Iraq, also known as the Project Employer.

The SEP has been prepared in accordance with the Performance Standards (PS) of the International Finance Corporation (IFC) (i.e., PS1 Assessment and Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Impacts) and the common social policy and corporate principles of the sponsors of the Project.

In accordance with international good practice, the purpose of the SEP is to:

- ensure a technically and culturally appropriate approach to engagement with all key stakeholders;
- ensure the adequate and timely sharing of information with affected stakeholders and other interested parties;
- provide sufficient opportunity for stakeholders to express their opinions and concerns; and
- ensure that these concerns are incorporated into project decision-making processes during all stages of the project lifecycle.

This SEP includes; (i) the identification of stakeholders for the Project, (ii) analysis of relationships of the stakeholders with the Project, (iii) details of consultation methodologies, (iv) activities carried out to-date and those planned for the future stages of the Project, (v) details of the process for managing stakeholders’ concerns and grievances, and explains how the stakeholder engagement process will be recorded, monitored, evaluated and reported.

The Project Subcontractor owns this SEP, which is committed to and accountable for its implementation.
2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1 Project Overview

The Project will be located near Samawa City in Al-Muthanna Governorate, 293 km northwest of Basra, in Southern Iraq. An area of approximately 50 ha has been allocated for the Project by the MoE. The Project is planned as a two-phase development.

In Phase 1, the Power Plant will first be constructed as a simple cycle power plant to include four gas turbines, which shall produce a total of 500 MW. The construction of Phase 1 will last 16 months, including the last 4 months of this phase as commissioning for Phase 1.

During the operation of Phase 1, construction of the Phase 2 will start which will last 18 months including the last 4 months of this phase as commissioning for Phase 2. Overall, construction phase of the Project will be 34 months. In the second phase, a steam turbine and four Heat Recovery Steam Generators (HRSG) with a capacity of 250 MW are planned to be added in order to recover waste heat, resulting in a more efficient Project with a total gross capacity of 750 MW Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Power Plant (CCGT) at the end of 34 months construction phase.

The Gas Turbines have been purchased by Ministry of Electricity (“MoE” hereinafter referred to as the “Employer”) as part of a Mega-Deal between the Government of Iraq and GE. GE will serve as Engineering, Procurement, and Construction (EPC) Contractor and ENKA, GE’s Nominated Subcontractor, will be responsible for installing and commissioning the Project. After commissioning MoE will own and operate the Project.

The power generated by the Power Plant is planned to be connected to the national grid initially through two existing 132 kV energy transmission lines (Old Samawa and North Samawa) with a length of 17 km and 18 km respectively. 400/132/11 kV substation will be established for the Project afterwards. There are also four other options for future purposes of the Project for the connection to the national grid which are 400 kV Haydaria OHTL, 400 kV NSRG OHTL, 400 kV NSRP OHTL and 400 kV Muthanna OHTL with lengths of about 170 km, 100 km, 85 km and 17 km, respectively.

The aim of the Project is to generate electricity from natural gas and liquid fuel resources of the state in order to provide energy for the growing demand of Iraq.

Site mobilization for the Project was started in August 2017. Phase 1 of the Project is planned to be completed in 20 months. Phase 2 will start during the last 4 months of Phase 1 and is expected to be completed in 34 months.

The Project will be located on a 49.4 ha site, which is owned by the Government of Iraq and has been allocated to the MoE. The Project will employ a dual fuel system, which will consist of natural gas and liquid fuel (Heavy Fuel Oil and Light Distillate Oil). Natural gas is planned to be supplied from an existing pipeline and back up fuel will be transported to the Project by tankers.
As of now, the design life of the Power Plant is expected to be 25 years. The financing of the Project shall be arranged by Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) and Export Credits Guarantee Department of UK Government\(^1\) (UKEF) which require ESIA to be prepared in accordance with the “IFC Performance Standards and Guidelines of the World Bank Group” and in accordance with the Iraqi Environmental Legislation.

### 2.2 Project Rationale

The U.S. Energy Information Administration’s Country Analysis Brief for Iraq, which was last updated on April 28, 2016, indicates that Iraq is the second-largest crude oil producer in the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) after Saudi Arabia, and it holds the world’s fifth-largest proved crude oil reserves after Venezuela, Saudi Arabia, Canada, and Iran. Most of Iraq’s major known fields are producing or in development, although much of its known hydrocarbon resources have not been fully exploited. Iraq was the world’s fourth-largest natural gas-flaring country in 2014, as more than half of its gross natural gas production was flared. Natural gas is flared because of insufficient pipelines and other infrastructure to transport and store it for consumption and/or export. Iraq’s oil and natural gas infrastructure is presented below in Figure 2-1.

\(^1\) UK Export Finance (UKEF) determines whether applications for support fall within the scope of the OECD Common Approaches and Equator Principles for funding. If so, UKEF then categorizes projects and benchmarks Environmental, Social, Human Rights (ESH)
Iraq’s economy heavily depends on oil revenues, such that crude oil export revenues accounted for 93% of Iraq’s total government revenues in 2014, according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF). In 2015, Iraq (excluding the Kurdistan Regional Government) earned less in crude oil export revenues, compared to the earnings in 2014, despite a substantial increase in export volumes. The expansion of onshore pumping and storage infrastructure in the south, improvements in crude oil quality as Basra Light and Basra Heavy were marketed separately starting in mid-2015, and an increase to the Kurdistan Regional Government’s (KRG) pipeline capacity in the north all contributed to the production growth in Iraq (U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), 2016).

Large-scale increases in oil production would also require large increases in electric power generation. Like many developing countries in the Middle East and North Africa, Iraq faces a sharply rising demand for power. Iraq has struggled to meet its power needs during the Iraq war and for the postwar period, with shortages common across the country. Although Iraq’s electricity generation capacity has increased, electricity generation expansion has slowed because of the economic crisis in the wake of the war against the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) in northern Iraq that began in mid-2014 and low oil prices (U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), 2016).

Iraq’s electricity supply totaled almost 79 billion kWh in 2013, of which more than 69 billion kWh was generated through the domestic power plants and more than 9 billion kWh was imported from Iran and Turkey. Electricity net generation in Iraq grew by an annual average of 15% from 2009 to 2013, recovering from the 2003 dip in electricity generation associated with the start of the Iraq war. Although electricity net generation in Iraq has increased from 2009 to 2013, distribution losses have also increased. From 2005 to 2013, distribution losses averaged 38% of the total electricity supply. Iraq’s distribution system, outside the Iraqi Kurdistan Region, has deteriorated because of poor design, lack of maintenance, and electricity theft, resulting in large distribution losses, low voltage levels, and frequent disconnections. The electricity net generation, imports and distribution losses in Iraq are demonstrated in Figure 2-2 below (U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), 2016).

![Figure 2-2 Electricity Net Generation, Imports and Distribution Losses in Iraq](source: Country Analysis Brief for Iraq, U.S. Energy Information Administration, April 2016)

The U.S. Energy Information Administration’s Country Analysis Brief for Iraq states that peak summer demand has typically exceeded actual generation by almost 50%, causing power shortages, particularly in southern Iraq, referring to a website article published in 2011. It further indicates that Iraqi households and businesses must rely on expensive off-grid, private diesel-fuelled generators to address the shortfall, with those in Baghdad alone providing an additional 1 GW of capacity, referring to a website article published in 2012. A study of Iraq’s electricity sector shows that about $40 billion in revenue is lost each year because the country lacks the electricity supply needed to stimulate more business activity from various economic sectors, including agriculture, commerce, and tourism.

Iraq set aggressive targets in the past to increase electricity generation, but actual outcomes have fallen short. Iraq’s Ministry of Electricity’s master plan set a target to install 24.4 GW of new generating capacity between 2012 and 2017. The plan is similar to Iraq’s Integrated National Energy Strategy (INES), released in 2013. INES proposed to increase generation capacity in Iraq (outside of the Iraqi Kurdistan Region) by 22 GW in 2016 from 7 GW in 2012 by adding steam and natural gas turbines that can run on fuel oil in case of natural gas shortages. The additional 22 GW in 2016 was the estimated amount needed to meet summer peak demand, which includes a 15% reserve margin. Iraq planned to spend at least $27 billion by 2017 on developing its electricity sector, with about half of the funding earmarked to upgrade the transmission and distribution systems. Iraq also anticipated to stop importing electricity by the end of 2016 if these expansions are made. However, Iraq is behind schedule on the electricity plan. The ISIL offensive that started in mid-2014, along with the sustained low oil prices, has squeezed Iraq financially, slowing down the plans to reduce power shortages and decrease electricity imports (U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), 2016).

Several different approaches have been used in order to achieve a rapid buildup of Iraq’s power generation capacity. In 2008, the Ministry of Electricity procured a large number of gas turbines under so-called “Mega Deals” from GE and Siemens.

Samawa CCGT Power Plant is one of the new power plants that will be established under the contract between GE and the Ministry of Electricity, where GE will supply turbines and other equipment as well as provide aid with engineering, procurement and construction (Egan, 2017).
2.3 Project Location

The Project Site is located in Al-Muthanna Governorate. The governorate of Al-Muthanna is located in southwestern Iraq. Al-Muthanna borders Saudi-Arabia and shares internal boundaries with the governorates of Najaf, Qadissya, Dhi-Qar and Basra (NGO Coordination Committee for Iraq, 2015).

Table 2-1 shows the coordinates of the Site.

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*Source: Project Owner.*

The settlements that are close to the Project Site are Albulha (1.6 km) and Sharaqi Algari (5.4 km).

It is important to note that the lands to be taken in the context of the Project for the construction of the Power Plant are property of Government. There are no settlements or any other land use within the Project Site. Therefore, there will be no need to take mitigation measures for economic or physical displacement.
Figure 2-3 Location of the Project Site
2.3.1 Area of Influence

The Area of Influence (AoI) is determined by considering the impacts related to transportation activities, the hiring and use of laborers during construction and operation of the Project, noise generated during construction and operation of the Project, land use, dust generation and air quality impacts related to construction and operation activities.

The nearest settlements to the Project Site will be considered as the first impact zone. In other words, locals in the first impact zone may experience direct impacts from the Project. Excavation and construction works will cause dust and noise emission, in which Albulha village (distanced 1.6 km to the Project Site) may experience dust and noise impacts during the construction phase of the Project. Therefore, first impact zone includes the village which are within a 2 km radius around the Project Site.

The second impact zone includes the Sharaqi Algari village. Inhabitants' within the second impact zone may experience indirect Project impacts such as direct and indirect job opportunities, providing goods and services to the Project and Project employees. Inhabitants in the first impact zone are more likely to experience impacts related to community health and safety than inhabitants located in the second impact zone. Further information on these impacts can be found in Section 6.5 (Impacts on Social Environment) of the ESIA Report.

Also, the Project Site is located in a rural area with Samawa Oil Refinery being approximately 2.5 km of distance.

The allocation of the Project Site causes no land acquisition. Therefore there will be no need to take mitigation measures for economic or physical displacement for the allocated Site.

As for the associated facilities, no private land allocation is expected. According to the information obtained from the Employer, landownership of the areas of interconnection to the OHTL and the NG supply pipeline and the access road belong to the Government of Iraq.
3 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

This section outlines the regulatory framework for the Project’s stakeholder engagement activities, namely:

- legislative requirements of Government of Iraq,
- IFC Performance Standards;
- Equator Principles;
- Overseas Private Investment Corporation Environmental and Social Policy Statement;
- gaps between Iraqi legislation and international standards.

3.1 National Legislation

The Law on Environmental Protection and Improvement (No. 27 of 2009) is the primary environmental legislation in Iraq. Chapter 4 of the Law specifies a number of detailed provisions that investment projects are subjected to comply.

Article 10 of Chapter 4 of the Iraqi Law on Environmental Protection describes the need for an EIA prior to the commencement of a Project.

According to Article 10, an EIA must include the following:

- Determine the positive and negative impacts of the project on the environment and the impact on the surrounding environment;
- Detail the proposed methods to avoid and treat the causes of pollution in order to achieve compliance with environmental regulations and instructions;
- Propose contingencies for pollution emergencies and potential precautions;
- Detail possible alternative technology that is less harmful to the environment and the rational use of resources;
- Detail provisions to reduce and recycle waste, where possible; and
- Provide an assessment of the environmental feasibility of the project and an estimate of the cost of pollution relative to production.

The EIA must assess the environmental feasibility of the project and estimate the cost of pollution relative to production.

National EIA process does not require Project to conduct public participation meeting nor requires any footsteps to engage with possible stakeholders of the AoI.
3.2 Lender Guidelines

3.2.1 IFC Performance Standards

Since the IFC is a potential lender for the Project, the Project must align with good international practice, including the IFC Performance Standards (PS) and Guidance Notes of 2013. IFC as the potential major lender categorized this large-scale energy Project as a Category “A” project under Guidance Notes. Key principles, requirements, methodological and procedural aspects of the stakeholder engagement process for IFC Category A projects financed by IFC are described in detail in the IFC 2007 “A Good Practice Handbook for Companies Doing Business in Emerging Markets”. Specific objectives of Stakeholder engagement are outlined in Box 3-1. The project could result in potentially significant and diverse adverse future environmental and social impacts and issues which cannot readily be identified or assessed and which require a formalized and participatory assessment process carried out by independent consultants in accordance with the PSs. The approach to the ESIA and stakeholder engagement for the Project is therefore, designed accordingly.

Box 3-1 Specific Objectives of the IFC Standards Regarding Stakeholder Engagement

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<th>Stakeholder Engagement: According to IFC PS-1 Stakeholder engagement is an ongoing process that may involve, in varying degrees, the following elements: stakeholder analysis and planning, disclosure and dissemination of information, consultation and participation, grievance mechanism, and ongoing reporting to Affected Communities. The nature, frequency, and level of effort of stakeholder engagement may vary considerably and will be commensurate with the project’s risks and adverse impacts, and the project’s phase of development.</th>
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<td>Stakeholder Analysis and Engagement Planning: Clients should identify the range of stakeholders that may be interested in their actions and consider how external communications might facilitate a dialog with all stakeholders. The client will develop and implement a Stakeholder Engagement Plan that is scaled to the project risks and impacts and development stage, and be tailored to the characteristics and interests of the Affected Communities.</td>
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<td>Disclosure of Information: Disclosure of relevant project information helps Affected Communities and other stakeholders understand the risks, impacts and opportunities of the project. The client will provide Affected Communities with access to relevant information.</td>
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<td>Consultation: When Affected Communities are subject to identified risks and adverse impacts from a project, the client will undertake a process of consultation in a manner that provides the Affected Communities with opportunities to express their views on project risks, impacts and mitigation measures, and allows the client to consider and respond to them. The extent and degree of engagement required by the consultation process should be commensurate with the project’s risks and adverse impacts and with the concerns raised by the Affected Communities.</td>
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<td>Informed Consultation and Participation: For projects with potentially significant adverse impacts on Affected Communities, the client will conduct an Informed Consultation and Participation (ICP) process that will build upon the steps outlined above in Consultation and will result in the Affected Communities’ informed participation.</td>
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<td>External Communications and Grievance Mechanisms: Clients will implement and maintain a procedure for external communications that includes methods to (i) receive and register external communications from the public; (ii) screen and assess the issues raised and determine how to address them; (iii) provide, track, and document responses, if any; and (iv) adjust the management program, as appropriate. In addition, clients are encouraged to make publicly available periodic reports on their environmental and social sustainability. Where there are Affected Communities, the client will establish a grievance mechanism to receive and facilitate resolution of Affected Communities’ concerns and grievances about the client’s environmental and social performance.</td>
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3.2.2 Equator Principles

The Equator Principles are a risk management framework, adopted by financial institutions, for determining, assessing and managing environmental and social risk in projects. They can be used as a benchmark of international good practice. The Equator Principle 5 has an engagement specific requirement of relevance to the SEP as “projects with potentially significant adverse impacts on Affected Communities will conduct an Informed Consultation and Participation process. The borrower will tailor its consultation process to the language preferences of the Affected Community, their decision-making processes, and the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. This process should be free from external manipulation, interference, coercion and intimidation.” (Equator Principles, 2012). Specific objectives of Stakeholder engagement are outlined in Box 3 – 2.

Box 3-2 Specific Objectives of the Equator Principles Regarding Stakeholder Engagement

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<td>For all Category A and Category B Projects, the EPFI will require the client to demonstrate effective Stakeholder Engagement as an on-going process in a structured and culturally appropriate manner with Affected Communities and, where relevant, Other Stakeholders. For Projects with potentially significant adverse impacts on Affected Communities, the client will conduct an Informed Consultation and Participation process. The client will tailor its consultation process to: the risks and impacts of the Project, the Project’s phase of development, the language preferences of the Affected Communities, their decision-making processes and the needs of disadvantaged and vulnerable groups. This process should be free from external manipulation, interference, coercion and intimidation.</td>
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<td>To facilitate Stakeholder Engagement, the client will, commensurate to the Project’s risks and impacts, make the appropriate Assessment Documentation readily available to the Affected Communities, and where relevant Other Stakeholders, in the local language and in a culturally appropriate manner.</td>
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<td>The client will take account of, and document, the results of the Stakeholder Engagement process, including any actions agreed resulting from such process. For Projects with environmental or social risks and adverse impacts, disclosure should occur early in the Assessment process, in any event before the Project construction commences and on an on-going basis.</td>
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<td>EPFIs recognise that indigenous peoples may represent vulnerable segments of project-affected communities. Projects affecting indigenous peoples will be subject to a process of Informed Consultation and Participation, and will need to comply with the rights and protections for indigenous peoples contained in relevant national law, including those laws implementing host country obligations under international law. Consistent with the special circumstances described in IFC Performance Standard 7 (when relevant as defined in Principle 3), Projects with adverse impacts on indigenous people will require their Free, Prior and Informed Consent.</td>
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3.2.3 Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC)

The OPIC’s Environmental and Social Policy Statement was first published in 2010 to provide the applicants with the general environmental and social requirements that OPIC applies in evaluating prospective projects seeking OPIC support. On January 13, 2017 OPIC updated the Environmental and Social Policy Statement.

This Policy Statement adopts, as a standard for the environmental and social review process, the IFC’s Performance Standards (PSs) on Social and Environmental Sustainability.
As stated in the Environmental and Social Policy Statement;

“Projects are required to develop and implement a Stakeholder engagement plan tailored to project risks and impacts in accordance with the requirements of Performance Standard 1. Applicants must meet the requirements of the Performance Standards, and host country laws, regulations and standards related to public consultation and disclosure of information. In order to more effectively manage risks and impacts of projects, all Applicants are required to engage Project Affected People through

1) disclosure of information,
2) meaningful Consultation and
3) the development and implementation of systems for responding to complaints and grievances commensurate to the level of social risk.

The nature, frequency and level of effort of this engagement will be commensurate with the project’s risks and impacts and the project’s phase of development” (Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 2017).

3.3 Gaps between Local Legislation and International Guidelines

The most prominent topic which requires further elaboration in national EIA legislation is “Social Impact Assessment (SIA)”. Additional studies and implementations are required in this topic for internationally financed projects to achieve alignment with international standards. For example, implementation of detailed socio-economic surveys at Project Site and the establishment of a Grievance Mechanism are not stipulated by the national EIA legislation. However, these are required by international standards.

All these requirements will be considered and fulfilled within the scope of the Project.
# 4 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Project Subcontractor will make sure that all affected parties, particularly affected settlements and local authorities are informed about the Project and will be involved in the process of identifying the important issues of the Project. Roles and responsibilities have been defined in order to ensure effective stakeholder engagement during the life of the project.

Principal roles and responsibilities for the implementation of this plan during the construction phase are outlined in Table 4-1 below.

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<tr>
<th>Roles</th>
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| Site Manager                 | Ensures that this SEP is implemented  
 Provides necessary resources for effective implementation of this Plan  
 Coordinates with parties for effective implementation of this Plan |
| HR & Administration Manager  | Implements and improves this SEP  
 Determines necessary resources for effective implementation of this SEP and submits to his line managers  
 Evaluates the compliance of Project activities with national and international legislation requirements  
 Searches the causes of the social incidents that cause injuries, delays or stoppage in the work and disputes among Project and communities  
 Monitors all grievances and ensure that all complaints are resolved and closed, Coordinates with parties for proper implementation of this SEP |
| Security Manager Site EHS Manager HSE Manager Construction Manager | Implements this Plan  
 Organizes cooperation activities with employees  
 Reports grievances, which are received or observed verbally, to Project Manager,  
 Fills out a Complaint & Consultation Register Form  
 Investigates and proposes appropriate methodology for resolving the grievance, Conducts follow ups for the results of complaints and reports on weekly, monthly and annual basis to the Management |
5 PROJECT STAKEHOLDERS

For the purposes of this SEP, a stakeholder is defined as any individual, organization or group which is potentially affected by the Project or which has an interest in the Project and its impacts. The objective of stakeholder identification is to establish which stakeholders may be directly or indirectly affected – either positively or negatively - (“affected parties”), or have an interest in the Project (“other interested parties”).

It is important that particular effort is made to identify any disadvantaged and vulnerable stakeholders who may be differentially or disproportionately affected by the Project or who may have difficulty participating in the engagement and development processes. Stakeholder identification is also an on-going process and will require regular review and update.

5.1 Stakeholder Identification and Categorization

In order to develop an effective SEP, it has been necessary to determine exactly who the stakeholders are and understand their priorities and objectives in relation to the Project. By classifying stakeholders, it has been possible to develop a plan that is tailored to the needs of different stakeholder groups. Different issues are likely to concern different stakeholders and so different types of stakeholders have been grouped based upon their relations to the Project. Having an understanding of the relations of a stakeholder group to the Project helps identify the key objectives of any engagement. Table 5-1 illustrates how each stakeholder is connected to the Project.

Table 5-1 Connection of Stakeholders to the Project

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<th>Stakeholder Groups</th>
<th>Stakeholder Type</th>
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<td>Affected Party</td>
<td>Other Interested Party</td>
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<td>Local Communities</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Mukhtar(^2) of Albulha Village</td>
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<td>Households and communities that will receive impacts (positive or negative) as a result of the Project – e.g. positive employment opportunities, provision of infrastructure services or negative impacts associated with dust and noise.</td>
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<td>• Sheikh(^3) of Albulha Village</td>
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<td>• Residents of Albulha Village</td>
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<td>• Residents of Sharaqi Algari Village</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Users of local public amenities</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Employees of surrounding government institutions and public amenities</td>
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<td>Government</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Ministry of Electricity</td>
<td>√</td>
<td>Ministry of Electricity is the owner of</td>
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\(^2\) Mukhtar is the head of a village or neighborhood in many Arab countries. Mukhtars are usually selected by some consensual or participatory method, often involving an election.

\(^3\) Sheikh commonly designates the ruler of a tribe or community who, usually, inherited the title from his father. Sheikhs are also known as religious leader of their community.
### Stakeholder Groups

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<td>• Ministry of Oil</td>
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<td>the Project. Also, all permits and land allocation outside of Project Site is provided by the MoE.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Ministry of Environment</td>
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<td>The Ministry of Oil will provide fuel gas connection to the gas pipeline as well as crude pipeline to the Project Site.</td>
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<tr>
<td>• Ministry of Transportation</td>
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<td>The Ministry of Environment is the governmental institution concerned with implementing the state’s Environment Protection and Improvement policy, and has assumed this task since its creation in 2003 as a natural development reflecting the deep understanding and attention of the Government of Iraq attaches to environment and responding to the urgent need to practice environmental work in order to face the grave environmental challenges and problems.</td>
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### Local Administrations

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<tr>
<td>• Al Muthanna Governorate</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>The local government of primary political importance to the Project with permitting requirements that must be met by the Project and responsibilities for waste management, infrastructure and traffic management. The Project Subcontractor will have to work in cooperation with the local administration bodies.</td>
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### Employees

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<td>• Construction Staff</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>The construction and operation of the Project will require substantial labor effort and employment. It is planning to be employed approximately 850 people in the construction phase</td>
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<td>• MoE</td>
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6  STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT APPROACH

6.1 Overall Approach

The Project will maintain on-going engagement with the national authorities, affected stakeholders and other interested parties to ensure that they are informed about the Project’s progress, that they receive information on the environmental and social performance, that they can provide feedback on the effectiveness of any mitigation and management measures and that they have the opportunity to raise any concerns or grievances.

Engagement has been, and will continue to be, undertaken in four successive phases, based upon typical project planning and implementation phases. These phases and the key activities conducted or to be conducted during the engagement process, are detailed in Table 6-1.

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<tr>
<th>Phase</th>
<th>Objectives</th>
<th>Key Activities</th>
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| Phase 1: Initial Engagement| • To introduce the Project to the affected and interested stakeholders.  
  • To identify key stakeholders to be consulted.  
  • To generate feedback on the scope, approach and key issues for the ESIA.  
  • To generate feedback on the Scoping Report. | • Secondary data analysis to identify key stakeholders.  
  • Identify vulnerable groups, if possible,  
  • Meetings are held with relevant government stakeholders.  
  • Meetings are held with community leaders (Mukhtars and Sheikhs). And distribution of Project Description leaflets to the interested parties during the PPM (which was conducted on September 2017). |
| Phase 2: Impact Assessment | • To introduce the Project where necessary.  
  • To inform and validate the baseline data through semi-structured interviews and questionnaires.  
  • To generate feedback on Project activities and have specific discussions regarding potential impacts and proposed mitigation/enhancement and monitoring measures.  
  • To manage local expectations, concerns and any misconceptions.  
  • To enable stakeholders to input into the Project design and management plans. | • In-depth interviews and Semi-structured interviews were held with selected stakeholders.  
  • In depth or Focus Group Discussions with vulnerable groups, when necessary. |
Table 6-2 Stakeholder Engagement Approach

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<th>Frequency</th>
<th>Method and Materials</th>
<th>Lead and Supporting Responsibility</th>
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<td>Local Communities</td>
<td>Update of Project activities and progress</td>
<td>Monthly</td>
<td>Informal / Formal face-to-face meetings, Written Project brochures/ Posters updates, Corporate website, Grievance mechanism</td>
<td>Operational Manager, Administrative Unit</td>
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<td>Employment process</td>
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<td>Land Acquisition</td>
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<tr>
<td>Local Authorities</td>
<td>Update of Project activities and progress</td>
<td>Quarterly</td>
<td>Meetings / Visits, Written Project brochures/updates, Corporate website, Grievance mechanism</td>
<td>Operational Manager, Administrative Unit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Local Media</td>
<td>Update of Project activities and progress</td>
<td>Quarterly</td>
<td>Written Project brochures/updates, Corporate website, Grievance mechanism</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Local procurement and employment data.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Project Employees</td>
<td>Update of Project activities progress and planning</td>
<td>Yearly</td>
<td>Internal Workshops, Corporate website, Written Project brochures/updates</td>
<td>EHS Team, Operational Manager</td>
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<tr>
<td>Private Sectors</td>
<td>Update of Project activities progress and planning</td>
<td>Yearly</td>
<td>Corporate website, Written Project brochures/updates, Media advertisements</td>
<td>Operational Manager, Administrative Unit</td>
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7 Stakeholder Engagement Tools

A range of tools was used and will continue to be used for the stakeholder engagement as part of this Project. These include household surveys, focus groups, community level questionnaires, leaflets and key informant discussions. Stakeholder engagement will continue using these employed mechanisms as required ensuring efficient and effective engagement throughout the life of the project.

Specific methods will vary across different stakeholder groups and stakeholder engagement with vulnerable and minority groups will use specifically designed mechanisms, as needed. The majority of the vulnerable groups in the AoI comprise low income groups, daily workers and people who have physical and mental disabilities.

Project representatives will be present at key community engagement and information sharing events to demonstrate company commitment to stakeholder engagement, to build relationships and to answer any questions. Information will be presented that is culturally appropriate and easy to understand, using graphics and maps, wherever possible.

Project has and will continue to use the following methods for engaging with stakeholders:

- Informal / Formal face to face meetings – likely to be the primary form of on-going consultation during the construction and operation phase.
- Project Brochure/Updates - Project Brochure initially used as part of the PPM process. This will be updated to provide up to date construction progress info and will be used as on-going communication tool.
- Project Subcontractor’s website – publically available site for project announcements, documents, reports, etc.
- Grievance mechanism – aimed particularly at directly affected stakeholders. Mechanism has been and will continue to be widely disclosed to affected public.
- Media advertisements – invitations to participate in meetings, information disclosure, etc.

In order to ensure that the Project reaches all stakeholders, the Project will utilize a range of mentioned communication tools. These are described in more detail below.

7.1 Project Brochures

A brochure for the Project has been developed (in Arabic and English) and includes information about the Project in detail. Also, the brochure outlines the environmental and social impact assessment process and provide contact information (email, phone, postal address and fax) for the Public Relations Department of the Project Subcontractor for any grievances. See Annex 3 for the Project Brochure in English.
7.2 Project Website

Project Subcontractor has a corporate level website and it contains general Project description (for details see: http://www.enka.com/portfolio-item/samawa-750-mw-combined-cycle-power-plant/). ESIA report and SEP documents will also be disclosed at the website of the lender.

7.3 Grievance Mechanism

A grievance mechanism will be developed which will allow stakeholders to raise concerns or complaints personally as well as via post or electronic mail (contact details in Section 7.4). The procedure seeks to address concerns promptly and be readily accessible to all affected stakeholders. The project team will confirm the obtainment of a complaint within 7 days and find a resolution within 14 days, confirming this in writing to the complainant. A separate formal grievance mechanism will also be developed for those employed on the Project.

7.4 Public Relations Officer (PRO)

In order to maintain regular communication with affected communities, a Public Relations Officer (PRO) has been assigned by the Project Employer. The PRO will be responsible for identifying, informing and recording public views and opinions and for relaying them to the necessary person for follow up (as detailed in the grievance mechanism in Chapter 10).

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4 To address current gender limitations of the Project, suggestions notes regarding the PRO management system has been addressed in the Grievance Mechanism section of this Report
8 PREVIOUS STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

8.1 Social Baseline and Impact Assessment

8.1.1 Limitation

The Mukhtar of the Sharaqi Algari village was not willing to allow the social team to conduct household surveys in his village. He believed that his representation of his village will be sufficient enough for the field study. Therefore, the only data that has been used for the baseline outcomes of Sharaqi Algari village is the Community Level Questionnaire conducted with the Mukhtar.

The social team was gathered for the purposes of both conducting household surveys and Public Participation Meetings (PPM) combined with female staff from the locals of the Al-Muthanna Region. When the possibility of ‘female only’ participation meeting was sought from the head of villages, it was objected. This is highly related to the religious and cultural conservatism of the region; approaching local women is a quite sensitive matter in the region; therefore, no female participants attended in the PPM or were interviewed one-on-one with the female field staff for the sake of household surveys.

The field team attempted to include female locals in Albulha village for the baseline studies through seeking permission from the head of villages or directly seeking permission from the women in the village, however, as stated due to the nature of the cultural conservatism of the region, it was observed to be inappropriate to insist any further, as the women themselves in the villages rejected to be involved when asked by the female field staff directly during the household survey studies.

This attitude was not result of locals being opposed to the Project in general, in fact, according to the head of villages and observations through the PPM show that the locals do not have any objections against the Project, the locals were simply opposed to the idea of the field team interacting with the local women, as it seemed to not fit the social cohesion of the region. It is important to note that, the locals in general expected their cultural norms and religious codes to be respected by the field team.

Lastly, throughout the social field study, it was observed that there was a lack of national or local Project related NGOs in the region. Therefore the social team could not obtain NGO’s opinion regarding the Project and its activities.
8.1.2 Surveys

With the Community Level and Household Surveys, the primary data collection has been obtained to focus on the community level assessment in terms of describing environmental and social aspects of the Project.

The social field team undertook a combination of household surveys, key informant interviews and secondary data collection which covered two villages within the AoI. The community level questionnaires were conducted with Mukhtars and Sheikhs of the affected villages the between July 30, 2017. For Sharaqi Algari village, the Mukhtar was interviewed, whereas, for Albulha village the village Sheikh was interviewed. Whereas, the household surveys and key informant interviews were conducted on September 18, 2017.

Through the observations it is important to note that, there are Mukhtars in every village within the Region, whom are mainly responsible for official purposes. However, for community presentative purposes, majority of the village Sheikhs are in charge to discuss on behalf of their community.

Interviews with the local community members were conducted in Arabic, the official language of Iraq in order to avoid any regional sensitivity that might arise from conducting interviews in one regional dialect or another. The field team undertook household surveys in Albulha village.

The main tool for household surveys was a multi-subject questionnaire in Arabic which inquired about household demography, socio economy, land assets, local problems, control over resources and health. The household survey also included questions regarding community perception of impacts, such as impacts on local economy, local employment, environment (water, land, air), community's security, community's health, village’s social structure and sense of community (e.g. through migrant workers), and local community infrastructure. In line with the sampling methodology, the total of 75 household questionnaires was conducted in Albulha village.

Last, 2U1K’s social team conducted a meeting with the Governor of Al Muthanna on September 12, 2017 and received information of the AoI, possible impacts of the Project and suggestions that may be beneficial for the phases of the Project.

The summary of the surveys are provided in the below sections. Details of the surveys will be presented in the ESIA report.

8.1.2.1 Results of Surveys

According to information gathered from the community level surveys, total population of Albulha village is 600, Sharaqi Algari is 2,500, furthermore, the population figures observed to be increased due to rise in births.

According to Mukhtar of Sharaqi Algari village, 75% of the working locals are occupied as construction workers, whereas, 15% are government employee and 10% are farmers.

According to village Sheikh of Albulha village, majority of employed locals are occupied as construction workers and almost all of them are considered as low income. During the
household questionnaires, social team investigated on how the locals perceive their income compared to others within the region. 52% of the interviewees stated as their income is below average, 43% stated as average and 5% stated above the regional standards.

According to Mukhtar of Sharaqi Algari village, there is a primary school within the borders of village. In village general, approximately 25% of the locals did not attend to any educational facilities, whereas 35% are primary school graduate, 20% are secondary school graduate and 20% are high school graduate.

The general education indicators of the Albulha village are similar to Sharaqi Algari village. Approximately 50% of the locals are primary school graduate, 20% are secondary school graduate and 20% are high school graduate. From the observations, it can be stated that new generations will change the current indicators since almost all of them, including girls, are now attending schools located outside of the village.

In both villages, low income groups and unemployed individuals considered as the majority of the vulnerable groups. In terms of local problems, there are no significant local problems stated during interviews. Furthermore, the locals tend to seek village Sheiks or Mukhtars in any case of issue.

Detailed social profile information, gathered through household surveys, is available in the ESIA Report for each settlement respectively.

8.1.3 Project Awareness

Public perception of the CCGT power plant project in all villages of the AoI illuminated through interviews and questionnaires. Also, local people and authorities were target groups.

According Governorate of Al Muthanna, investment projects will be safe to establish in this region. As he fully supports the Project, he is willing to contribute to the Project as a local administration. Due to low economy of the Region, the Governorate believes that investment in Samawa will reflect to other economic sectors, such as, development in agriculture. The Mukhtar refused to organize meeting with the women of the village for further stakeholder engagement purposes.

In Sharaqi Algari village, majority of the locals overheard about the Project either through the media or government employees. There is no concern in terms of environmental impacts of the Project in general. The main concern is what type of employment opportunities will arise for the locals.

The Sheikh of the Albulha village has limited information regarding the Project, however, he is supporting the Project and very eager to learn more about the employment opportunities.

In terms of the results of household questionnaires, only 11% of the locals overheard of the Project. All of the interviewees stated that the current information is not sufficient and suggested the Project Subcontractor to contact village Sheikh for further feedback. The Sheikh refused to organize meeting with the women of the village for further stakeholder engagement purposes.
Figure 8-1 presents a photo that was taken during the meeting with the Governorate of Al Muthanna.

![Photo taken during the meeting with the Governorate of Al Muthanna](image)

8.2 First Public Participation Meeting

The initial scoping has been accompanied with stakeholder consultation about the Project’s benefits and impact. The “Scoping Phase Meeting” was on 13/09/2017 in Albulha village.

An announcement for PPM was through local television on September 9, 2017 to inform the public about the date, time, place, and subject of the meeting. As mentioned previously, due to cultural / religious codes of the region, no female participants attended in PPM.

2U1K team, with a help of local translators, made a presentation to inform people about the investment and its key environmental and social impacts identified through scoping. Comments and recommendations of the attendees about the project were taken. Figure 8-2 presents the photos that have been taken during the PPM.
The main concerns about the Project, which were raised from the attendees during the PPM are listed below, respectively;

- There is a high unemployment rate in Albulha village and the locals are willing to work as a security or construction personnel.
- The locals are expecting community investments by the Project parties in the region, this according to them will help economic development.
9 FUTURE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

This section describes the stakeholder engagement planned for the Project during Impact Assessment (IA) disclosure, and then during construction and operation.

9.1 Phase 3: ESIA Disclosure

Disclosure of the Draft ESIA Report will provide detailed information about the Project activities, assessment of the impacts and the planned mitigation measures as well as monitoring activities. After submitting the Draft ESIA Report to the lenders, it will be advertised and made available for public review.

Display venues would be expected to include:

- Al Muthanna Governorship;
- MoE;
- Albulha and Sharaqi Algarî villages; and,
- The Project office.

A community meeting should be held to disclose the ESIA. Electronic copies of the Draft ESIA Report will be made available on CDs/memory sticks and the Draft ESIA Report with its appendices will be distributed to select stakeholders registered on the database. Copies of the Draft ESIA Report will also be made available for download from the Project website.

The Public Relations officer of the Project will be responsible for receiving and collecting all comments. All received comments will be fed into the ESIA finalization process and the Final Report will be posted on the Project website.

9.2 Project Implementation

Stakeholder engagement will continue throughout design finalization, construction and operation. Key stakeholders will be kept informed about the progress of the Project, have the opportunity to provide feedback on the effectiveness of mitigation and enhancement measures and to raise any concerns or grievances. During this process key stakeholders will receive meaningful and accessible information about the mitigation/enhancement and management measures contained in the Environmental and Social Management and Monitoring Plan (ESMMP). Information to be shared before construction commences will include (but is not limited to) the following:

- the impacts that have been identified as a result of the Project;
- the impacts and mitigation or enhancement measures that are being implemented;
- the implementation schedule;
- roles and responsibilities;
- monitoring and management measures; and
- information on the grievance mechanism for the Project.
Implementation phase engagement will focus on new stakeholders, including children and potential and existing employees, as well as those engaged at earlier phases; it will focus on developing relationships thorough on-going stakeholder engagement and will be designed to build on positive stakeholder relationships established during the ESIA process, carrying these forward through Project construction and operation.

To ensure effective stakeholder engagement, the SEP will be reviewed annually by the PRO, assigned by the Project Employer, throughout construction and operation of the Project, with it being adapted as appropriate.

Project’s PRO will be responsible for engagement with stakeholders as an on-going process throughout the life of the Project. This department will be dedicated to conveying information about the Project, finalizing, and implementing the ESIA mitigation measures.

A robust grievance mechanism for workers in both construction stages will be developed by the Project Subcontractor before commencement of either activity. Project Employer will be responsible for the operation phase of the Project. Further, once finalized, this process will be managed separately from the public grievance mechanism, but employees will retain their right to access the public grievance mechanism for non-employment-related issues.

Stakeholder groups, engagement activities and specific discussion areas for the Project implementation phase engagements have been detailed in Error! Not a valid bookmark self-reference., below.

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<th>Main Objectives</th>
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<td>Mukhtar / Sheikh</td>
<td>In-Depth Interviews</td>
<td>➢ Identify Stakeholders&lt;br&gt;➢ Identify directly and indirectly affected people</td>
<td>➢ The aim of the Project&lt;br&gt;➢ The scope of the Project</td>
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<td>Local residents</td>
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<td>➢ Identifying the negative impacts&lt;br&gt;➢ Identifying the positive impacts&lt;br&gt;➢ Identifying the impact indicators&lt;br&gt;➢ Providing recommendations on mitigation and enhancement measures to strengthen the positive effects and minimize the negative effects of the Project.</td>
<td>Impacts of the construction and operation phases.</td>
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<td>Mukhtar / Sheikh</td>
<td>Community Level Survey&lt;br&gt;Focus Group Discussions&lt;br&gt;Scoping Phase Meeting&lt;br&gt;Public Participation Meeting</td>
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### Future Engagement: Impact Assessment Disclosure

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<td>Local residents</td>
<td>➢ Newspaper&lt;br&gt;Community Meetings&lt;br&gt;Website&lt;br&gt;Television</td>
<td>➢ To make the final ESIA available to all interested and affected stakeholders.&lt;br&gt;Inform Project design and</td>
<td>➢ Content of ESIA&lt;br&gt;➢ Key positive and negative impacts&lt;br&gt;Residual impacts and</td>
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<td>Local Residents, Mukhtar / Sheiks/ Government Departments</td>
<td>Media notifications of project progress, Community consultation events, Updating SEP and Sustainability reporting, On-going Community liaison and grievance logging, resolution and reporting, Phone line and postal and email address</td>
<td>Identifying the negative impacts, Identifying and advertising the positive impacts, Identifying the impact indicators, Providing recommendations on mitigation and enhancement measures to strengthen the positive effects and minimize the negative effects of the Project.</td>
<td>Impacts of the construction phase – focusing on those raised at the ESIA stage, such as road safety, and any unforeseen impacts, Impacts of the operation phase.</td>
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10 GRIEVANCE MECHANISM

10.1 Overview

Grievances can be an indication of growing stakeholder concerns (real and perceived) and can escalate if not identified and resolved. Identifying and responding to grievances supports the development of positive relationships between projects, communities and other stakeholders.

A grievance management process will be established for the Project. This will provide a formal and on-going avenue for stakeholders to engage with the Project. This grievance mechanism will be accessible to all sections of the affected community, at no cost and will not impede access to other judicial or administrative remedies. Affected communities will be repeatedly informed about the grievance process over the course of community engagement activities.

Stakeholders will be able to share their opinions and grievances via a range of options such as web sites, letters and face to face meetings during all future phases of the Project. Feedback will also be provided to demonstrate how their comments and suggestions have been incorporated into the Project decision-making process in the second public participation meeting and this process will be continue in all phases of the Project. A separate grievance mechanism will be established for Project workers.

Grievance procedures will be coordinated through the nominated Grievance Officer who will feed the grievances through to the Project Subcontractor’s PRO, who is the primary interface between the community and the Project Subcontractor. Confidentiality procedures will be put in place to protect the complainant, as appropriate.

In general, the grievance mechanism will be advertised and announced to affected stakeholders so that they are aware of the process, know they have the right to submit a grievance and understand how the mechanism will work and how their grievance will be addressed. In most cases, a grievance or complaint will be submitted by a stakeholder or local resident by phone, in writing or by speaking with one of the Subcontractor’s PROs.

As stated in Section 8.1.1 (Limitation) of this Report, the engagement with the women in the AoI has not been permitted by the official and religious heads of villages and locals themselves. In order to implement grievance mechanism equally and fulfill the need for engagement with local stakeholders in a culturally appropriate way throughout the Project phases, it is advised that a local female PRO should also be hired in order to ensure the design of the mechanism is responsive to everybody resided in the AoI.

The methods used to publicize the availability of the grievance mechanism should be culturally appropriate and in accordance with how stakeholders usually acquire information. Women and men may access information differently and it needs to be ensured that both have equal access to information.
To promote ‘female only’ Grievance mechanism, it is advised that banners can be posted in public facilities as well as outside of the Project area. It is advisable to make female staff available to assist via in person, private phone line, letter and e-mail. From the observations made during the baselines studies, in person access may not be expected to be the first option to state grievances, however, approximately 70% of the locals resided in the AoI have cellular phone, therefore, ‘female only’ phone line can be established. Also, the local health facilities and local schools should be informed and banners should be placed regarding the gender specific mechanism to increase efficiency.

10.2 The Grievance Mechanism

Complaints should be reviewed as soon as possible in order to prioritize for resolution. Regardless of general response and resolution timeframes, some complaints may require immediate attention, for example, an urgent safety issue or where it concerns the livelihood of locals or workers.

There are 10 steps that complete the grievance mechanism. This process has been summarized in Figure 7.1, and has been detailed in the text below.

**Step 1: Identification of grievance** through personal communication with appropriately trained and advertised Project Subcontractor workers (PROs). This could be in person, by phone, letter, or email using the contact details below:

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**Step 2:** Grievance is recorded in the ‘Grievance Log’ (paper and electronic) within one day of identification. The grievance log will be held at the Project Subcontractor’s offices and managed by the PRO. The significance of the grievance will then be assessed within five to seven days using the criteria outlined in **Box 10-1 Significance Criteria**.

**Box 10-1 Significance Criteria**

| Level 1 Complaint: A complaint that is isolated or ‘one-off’ (within a given reporting period - one year) and essentially local in nature. Note: Some one-off complaints may be significant enough to be assessed as a Level 3 complaint e.g., when a national or international law is broken (see Level 3). |
| Level 2 Complaint: A complaint that is widespread and repeated (e.g., dust from construction vehicles). |
| Level 3 Complaint: A one-off complaint, or one which is widespread and/or repeated that, in addition, has resulted in a serious breach of the Project Subcontractor’s policies or National law and/or has led to negative national/international media attention, or is judged to have the potential to generate negative comment from the media or other key stakeholders (e.g., inadequate waste management). |

**Step 3:** Grievance is acknowledged through a personal meeting, phone call, or letter as appropriate, within a target of 10-14 working days after submission (expect the complaints
that require immediate attention). If the grievance is not well understood or if additional information is required, clarification will be sought from the complainant during this step.

**Step 4:** The Grievance Officer is notified of Level 1, 2 or 3 grievances and the Project Manager/Director is notified of all Level 3 grievances. The senior management will, as appropriate, support the Grievance Officer in deciding who should deal with the grievance, and determine whether additional support for the response is necessary.

**Step 5:** The GO delegates the grievance within five to seven days via e-mail to relevant department(s)/personnel to ensure an effective response is developed (e.g., human resource, relevant administrative departments, contractors etc.)

**Step 6:** A response is developed by the delegated team and Grievance Officer within 14 days, with input from senior management and others, as necessary.

**Step 7:** The response is signed-off by the senior manager for level 3 grievances and the Grievance Officer for Level 2 and Level 1 grievances within 14 days. The sign-off may be a signature on the grievance log or an e-mail which indicates agreement, which should be filed by the Grievance Officer and referred to in the grievance log.

**Step 8:** Communication of the response should be carefully coordinated. The Grievance Officer ensures that an approach to communicating the response is agreed and implemented.

**Step 9:** Record the response of the complainant to help assess whether the grievance is closed or whether further action is needed. The Grievance Officer should use appropriate communication channels, most likely telephone or a face to face meetings, to confirm whether the complainant has understood and is satisfied with the response. The complainant’s response should be recorded in the grievance log.

**Step 10:** Close the grievance with a sign-off from the Grievance Officer. The Grievance Officer assesses whether a grievance can be closed or whether further attention is required. If further attention is required the Grievance Officer should return to Step 2 to re-assess the grievance. Once the Grievance Officer has assessed whether the grievance can be closed, he/she will sign off or seek agreement from the Project Manager for level 3 grievances, to approve closure of the grievance. The agreement may be a signature on the grievance log or an equivalent e-mail, which will be filed by the Grievance Officer and referred to in the grievance log. In additional, a “Grievance Closeout Form” will be used. (See: Annex 1). This process is outlined in Figure 10-1.
Figure 10-1 Flowchart for Processing Grievances
10.3 Grievance Procedure Channels of Communication

Numerous channels will be used for stakeholders to submit any complaints and requests:

- **Telephone** – All incoming calls will be registered and information summarized daily and sent to the relevant department for processing and action in accordance with the grievance procedure outlined above.

- **Electronic channels** – Stakeholders have the opportunity to send comments, remarks, requests and complaints via the official website of the Project Subcontractor.

- **Post – Mail** can be used by stakeholders for submission of their queries/requests/complaints/comments for consideration by the PRO. All incoming letters will be documented and stored as well as the responses sent to the originating party in accordance with the grievance procedure outlined above.
  
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- Any queries/requests/complaints/comments can be brought to the attention of the Project Subcontractor verbally or written (e-mail) or by filling in a Grievance Form which will be available in the project site office (See Annex 2).
### ANNEX-1 Sample of Grievance Closeout Form

Note: you can remain anonymous if you prefer or request not to disclose your identity to the third parties without your consent

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<th>Grievance closeout number:</th>
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Define immediate action required:

Define long term action required (if necessary):

Compensation Required? [ ] YES [ ] NO

#### CONTROL OF THE REMEDIATE ACTION AND THE DECISION

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#### COMPENSATION AND FINAL STAGES

This part will be filled and signed by the complainant after s/he receives the compensation fees and his/her complaint has been remediated.

Notes:

Name-Surname and Signature

Date.../.../.....

Of the Complainant: Representative of the Responsible Institution/Company

Title-Name-Surname and Signature
## ANNEX-2  Sample of Grievance Form

Note: you can remain anonymous if you prefer or request not to disclose your identity to the third parties without your consent.

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<td>Please mark how you wish to be contacted (mail, telephone, e-mail).</td>
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<td>6. On traffic, transportation and other risks</td>
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<td>7. On land acquisition</td>
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<td>8. Other (Please specify):</td>
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**Description of the Grievance**

What did happen? When did it happen? Where did it happen? What is the result of the problem?

**What would you like to see happen to resolve the problem?**

Signature:  
Date:
The Project Owner will be the Ministry of Electricity (MoE) of Iraq, which will own and operate the Project.

GE (the EPC Contractor) will provide the Power Island equipment and will also be responsible for the plant performance tests.

The scope of work of ENKA UK (the Main Sub-contractor) covers engineering, procurement, installation, erection, commissioning and start-up of the power plant.

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The Project is designed as a Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) Power Plant, which is a form of highly efficient energy generation technology that combines four gas turbines with a steam turbine. This “combined cycle” will improve the power plant’s efficiency by harvesting waste heat from the gas turbines and using it to boil water to generate steam for the steam turbines. Consequently, the power output of the system is significantly increased without any additional fuel usage.

Besides being more efficient than a simple cycle power plant, this configuration also emits less carbon dioxide into the atmosphere per megawatt-hour produced.
**PROJECT LOCATION**

The Project will be located near Samawa City in Al-Muthanna Governorate, 283 km northwest of Basrah, in Southern Iraq.

The Project Site is located in a rural area with Samawa Oil Refinery at approximately 2.5 km distance.

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**Project Description**

- GE (the EPC Contractor), with its Main Subcontractor, ENKA UK will design and build the Samawa Combined Cycle Power Plant, which will add 750 MW to the Iraqi Grid.

- The Gas Turbines were purchased by the Ministry of Electricity of Iraq as part of the Mega-Deal between the Government of Iraq and GE and will be handed over to GE-ENKA UK for installation and commissioning.

- The Plant will be the first combined cycle project of that will be owned and operated by the Ministry of Electricity of Iraq, also known as the Project Owner.

- The Project site is state-owned lands.

- An area of approximately 50 ha has been allocated for the Project by the MoE.

- About 1,100 construction workers will be employed during this phase. They will accommodate in the camp area within the Project site.

- The site mobilization was started in August 2017.

- The construction period for two phases will be 34 months.

- Local employment opportunities will be promoted for the construction activities through cooperation with the Social Recruitment Committee which is a part of the Governorate.

- Health, safety and environmental measures will be implemented throughout the construction phase.

- The MoE will be responsible for the security around the Project site.