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Each week, significant economic activities and developments occur across various sectors in Afghanistan. The Afghanistan's Economic Development Newsletter covers these important and latest economic activities and advancements.



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THE DEPUTY PM FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS INSPECTS THE OPERATIONAL PROCESS OF THE TAPI PROJECT



During his visit to Herat, the Deputy PM for Economic Affairs, Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar Akhund, conducted an on-site inspection of the operational process of the TAPI (Turkmenistan–Afghanistan–Pakistan–India) gas pipeline project.

The National Leader of Turkmenistan, Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov, also arrived in Herat from Turkmenistan, and both sides held discussions on the TAPI project as well as several other joint initiatives.

Deputy PM Mullah Baradar Akhund emphasized that the TAPI project is not only vital for Afghanistan but also for the economies of the regional countries. He requested the Turkmen side to provide employment opportunities for Afghans in the implementation of this project. The Turkmen delegation assured their cooperation in this regard.

Through the TAPI project, Turkmenistan's natural gas will be transmitted via Afghanistan to Pakistan

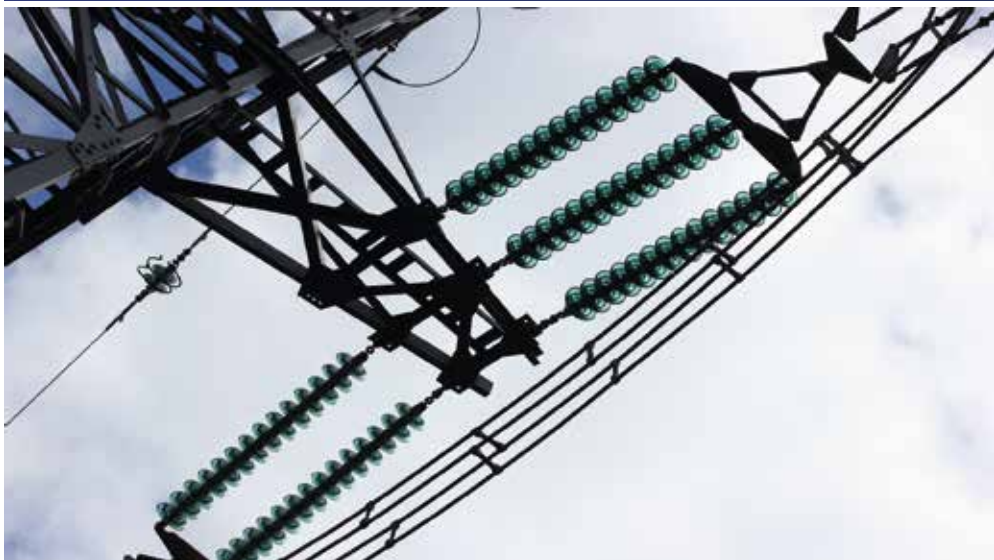
and onward to India. The practical work on the project has been completed in Turkmenistan, and its implementation in Afghanistan commenced following the re-establishment of the Islamic Emirate. The project is now progressing rapidly.

So far, 14 kilometers of the pipeline have been laid within Afghanistan, and approximately 70 kilometers of land have been prepared for the extension of the pipeline.

Based on its economy-oriented policy, the Islamic Emirate seeks to maintain positive relations with all countries and strongly supports regional connectivity. Therefore, it has attached great importance to major regional economic connectivity projects and is determined to ensure their implementation.

The TAPI project, which is of great significance for Afghanistan, enjoys the full support of the Islamic Emirate, which is committed to making it operational and beneficial. The implementation of this project will stimulate economic activity across the country, supply gas-based electricity to industrial parks, and illuminate thousands of Afghan households. It will also create hundreds of employment opportunities for Afghan citizens and generate millions of dollars in revenue.

SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN THE CASA-1000 PROJECT



Officials of Da Afghanistan Breshna Sherkat (DABS) have reported significant progress in the CASA-1000 project within the country. According to the officials, this project plays a fundamental role in enhancing Afghanistan's energy capacity. Following the political changes in 2021,

the implementation of several projects was delayed; however, as a result of the Islamic Emirate's consistent efforts, work on the suspended projects—among them CASA-1000—has resumed. It is expected that the CASA-1000 project will be completed within Afghanistan by the end

of the current solar year. Through the CASA-1000 project, electricity from Central Asia will be transmitted via Afghanistan to the countries of South Asia. Afghanistan will also receive a portion of the electricity, which will help meet part of the country's domestic energy demand. In addition to the supply of electricity, Afghanistan will earn millions of dollars in revenue from the project. Since the re-establishment of the Islamic Emirate, the implementation of regional connectivity projects has accelerated across the country. The Islamic Emirate aims for Afghanistan to play a key role in regional integration and to restore its historical position as a commercial hub.

The initiation and completion of regional connectivity projects are of immense importance for Afghanistan's economic development. Projects such as CASA-1000 and TAPI are vital for strengthening the national economy and promoting industrial growth. Upon completion, these projects will transform Afghanistan into a practical regional hub for energy transit and generate substantial economic benefits for the country.