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NNPCL and Total Energies Commence the Development of Ubeta Upstream Gas Project

On September 17, 2024, during an inaugural US-Nigeria Strategic Energy Dialogue hosted by the United States State Department in Washington, DC, the Special Adviser to the President on Energy, Ms. Olu Verheijen, made a disclosure ("the **"Disclosure"**) of the commencement of the Five Hundred and Fifty Million United States Dollars (US\$550,000,000.00) upstream gas project (the **"Project"**) between the Nigerian National Petroleum Company Limited ("**NNPCL**") and Total Energies, on the development of the Ubeta field, located in the northwestern part of Port Harcourt, Rivers State (the **"Field"**). The Disclosure was made in furtherance to the Project's Final Investment Decision (FID) executed in June 2024.

The Project aligns with the federal government's key reforms and new executive orders to enhance energy security, increase the viability of the gas-to-power value chain in Nigeria, and unlock up to Two Billion and Five Hundred Million United States Dollars (\$2,500,000,000.00) investments in the energy sector.

Read more at:

<https://nnpccgroup.com/insights/nnpc-ltd-total-energies-550m-ubeta-upstream-gas-project-takes-off>

World Bank and the African Development Bank to give Nigeria and other African Countries Ninety Billion United States Dollars (US\$90,000,000,000.00) Electricity Fund

As part of the mission to make electricity available to three hundred million (300,000,000) members of the African population (the **"Program"**), the World Bank and the African Development Bank ("**AfDB**") is set to give African countries, Nigeria inclusive, a total sum of Ninety Billion United States Dollars (US\$90,000,000,000.00) electricity funds (the **"Fund"**). The World Bank's quota of the targeted population is two hundred and fifty million (250,000,000), while the AfDB undertakes the electrification of the remaining fifty million (50,000,000) people.

The climate organisations - the Rockefeller Foundation, Sustainable Energy For All and the Global Alliance for People and Planet - announced that they been engaged to assess the viability of the project and have launched a technical assistance facility for the assessment.

Read more at:

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-09-20/a-90-billion-world-bank-plan-to-electrify-africa-gets-underway>

NNPCL Commences Consultations on Reviving the Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) projects in Ogun and Bayelsa States

On September 19, 2024, during the 2024 Gas Technology Conference and Exhibition (Gastech) in Houston, United States, the Chief Financial Officer of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation Limited ("**NNPCL**"), Mr. Umar Ajiya, stated that the NNPCL has commenced consultations with investors and stakeholders on reviving the two (2) Liquefied Natural Gas projects in Ogun and Bayelsa States (the **"Project"**). The Projects consist of a Nine Billion, Eight Hundred Million United States Dollars (US\$9,800,000,000.00) worth Olokola gas project initiated in year 2005 in Ogun State, and Twenty Billion United States Dollars (US\$20,000,000,000.00) worth Brass LNG plant initiated in year 2003 in Bayelsa state. The Project is one of the biggest gas infrastructure investments in Nigeria initiated to commercialise part of the country's natural gas reserve and meet the growing global demand for clean energy.

Read more at:

<https://businessday.ng/news/article/nnpc-in-talks-with-investors-to-revive-brass-olokola-lng-projects/?amp>



Nigeria Commences Consultation with Libya for the Construction of Regional Pipeline Project

Nigeria's Minister of state for Petroleum Resources (Gas), Ekperikpe Ekpo, and Libya's Minister of Oil, Dr. Khalifa AbduAlsadiq, had a meeting (the "**Meeting**") on the feasibility of re-routing the ongoing five thousand, six hundred and sixty kilometer (5,660km) Nigeria-Morocco gas pipeline to Libya (the "**Pipeline**") worth Thirteen Billion United States Dollars (US\$13,000,000,000.00).

The Pipeline is routed to connect Nigerian gas to the coastal countries in West African, such as Togo, Benin, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, among others. The Pipeline is also routed to end at Tangiers, Morocco and Cadiz, Spain. However, owing to several considerations such as the unstable political and economic situation in Niger, Nigeria is considering re-routing the Pipeline. The Meeting was therefore geared to consider the feasibility of re-rerouting the Pipeline through Libya and fast-tracking the completion of the potential Final Investment Decision.

Read more at:

<https://nairametrics.com/2024/09/21/nigeria-begins-talk-with-libya-for-construction-of-regional-gas-pipeline-project>

Daily Consumption of Petroleum Motor Spirit Reduced to Thirty Million Liters (30,000,000) After Subsidy Removal

President Bola Ahmed Tinubu (the "**President**") announced that ever since the removal of subsidy (the "**Removal**") on Petroleum Motor Spirit ("**PMS**" or "**Petrol**") by the government, the country's daily consumption of fuel has drastically reduced to thirty million (30,000,000) liters. The President noted that contrary to the assertion in some quarters that the Removal has badly impacted the purchasing power of the masses, it rather reflects the actual Petrol consumption rate of the country.

The President also noted that the Removal has helped with saving government funds and investment of same into critical areas such as education, infrastructure and health. He added that the Removal has encouraged the country to consider exploring alternative sources of energy such as gas.

Read more at:

<https://businessday.ng/news/article/how-subsidy-removal-reduces-daily-petrol-consumption-to-30m-litres-tinubu/?amp>