Results of Environmental Review

(1) Reference Number
15-002

(2) Project Name
Construction of wind power facilities

(3) Project Site
Taza, Morocco

(4) Project Outline
Construction of wind power facilities

(5) Category
Category A

(6) Reason of Categorization
The project includes sensitive characteristics under the Environmental Guidelines.

(7) Environmental Permission/Approval by the Environmental Authority
The Environmental and Social Impact Assessment report was prepared in compliance with the Kingdom of Morocco laws and regulations and was approved by Ministry of Energy, Mining, Water and Environment on February, 2017.

(8) Anti-Pollution Measures
There is no concern on the planned value of air, water and soil quality and the appropriate measures against pollutions, including the noise are taken.

(9) Natural Environmental Considerations
The effects toward natural environment are immaterial and the appropriate mitigation measures for the protection of the natural environment are developed

(10) Social Considerations
The appropriate plans are developed and the appropriate measures for local people affected by the project are taken.

(11) Applied International Standards
IFC Performance Standards

(12) Monitoring
The monitoring is planned in accordance with Environmental Monitoring and Surveillance Programme and is reported to the related governmental authorities by the project sponsor.

(end)

Questions

Q1. Please provide the address of the project site.

Address of the project site: Site is located between Fès and Oujda in Northern Morocco at approximately 12 km North West of the town of Taza and belongs to three municipalities, Oulad Chrif, Meknassa Al Gharbia and Bab Marzouka.

Q2. Please provide brief explanation of the project.

Development, construction, operation and maintenance of a 150MW Wind Farm

Q3. Will NEXI insurance be applied to a new project or an executing project? In case of an executing project, please inform of strong claims by stakeholders such as local residents, as well as improvement guidance or cessation orders for construction work / operations, from environmental authorities.

☒ New Project   ☐ Executing Project (with Claim etc.)
☐ Executing Project (without Claim etc.)   ☐ Others (Please specify   )

Q4. In case of this project, is it necessary to execute Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) based on the laws or regulations of the country where the project is to be implemented? If necessary, please inform the progress of EIA.

☒ Required (Completed)   ☐ Required (Under execution or under planning)
☐ Not Required   ☐ Others (Please specify   )

Q5. In case that EIA is already completed, please inform whether EIA report is already approved based on the environmental assessment system of the country where the project is to be implemented or not. If EIA report is already approved, please provide the date and name of authorities of the approval.

☒ Approved (without condition)   ☐ Approved (conditional)
☐ Under approval process   ☐ Others (Please specify   )

Date of Approval: March 5, 2013
Name of Authorities: Comité National des Etudes d'impact (National Committee of Impact Study)

Q6. If environmental permit(s) other than EIA is required, please provide the name of required permit(s). Have you obtained required permit(s)?

☐ Obtained   ☐ Required, but not obtained yet
☒ Not required   ☐ Others (Please specify   )

Name(s) of required permit(s): _____

Q7. Will the insurance be used for the undertaking that cannot specify the project at this stage (e.g. export or lease of machinery that has no relation with specific project, or Two Step Loan that cannot specify the project at the time of loan agreement)?

(No)

If you answered "Yes", it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to the following questions.

Q8. Are there any environmentally sensitive area(s) shown below in and around project site(s)?

(Yes)

If you answered "Yes", please select applicable items by marking, and reply to following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to questions 9 and after.

- ☐ (1) National parks, protected areas designated by government (coastal areas, wetlands, habitats of minorities or indigenous populations, heritage sites, etc.)
- ☐ (2) Primeval forests, tropical natural forests
- ☐ (3) Ecologically important habitats (coral reefs, mangrove, tidal flats, etc.)
- ☐ (4) Habitats of endangered species of which protection is required under local laws and international agreements.
- ☐ (5) Areas that have risks of large scale increase in soil salinity or soil erosion
- ☐ (6) Desertification areas
- ☒ (7) Areas with special values from archaeological, historical and/or cultural viewpoints (*)
- ☐ (8) Habitats of minorities, indigenous populations, nomadic people with traditional life style, or areas with special social value

(*)Borrower acknowledges that seven mosques (Muslim temple) exist around the project site. The final mitigation plan including relocation of the mosque will be determined by the further investigations which are in accordance with World Bank guideline, IFC standard and other relevant regulations, and this answer is subject to change depending on above-mentioned investigations.

Q9. Does the project involve following characteristics?

(Yes)

If you answered "Yes", please describe the scale of applicable characteristics, and reply to the questions 10 and after.
If you answered "No", please reply to questions 11 and after.

- ☒ (1) Involuntary resettlement   (Number of resettlers: 1,555(**))
  ((**)To be updated by the conclusion of the social survey of the resettlement action plan)
- ☐ (2) Pumping of groundwater   (Scale: 0m³ /year   )
- ☒ (3) Land reclamation, development and/or clearing (Scale: 34.5ha)
- ☐ (4) Deforestation   (Scale: 0ha)

Q10. Under the environmental impact assessment system of the country where the project is to be implemented, do the applicable characteristics from (1) – (4) above and their scale serve as basis for executing an EIA for the project?

- ☒ They do   ☐ They do not
- ☐ Others (Please specify   )

Q11. Will the value insured by NEXI in the export, loan or investment project be equal or less than 5% of the total project cost, or equal or less than SDR 10 million? (In the case of additional support for a past project, this shall be the accumulated total amount)

(No)

If you answered "Yes", it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to questions 12 and after.

Q12. Does the project belong to either of the sectors that impact on the environment is deemed immaterial or is not anticipated under normal conditions (e.g. maintenance of the existing facilities, non-expansionary renovation project, acquisition of rights or interests without additional capital investment)?

(No)

If you answered "Yes", it is not necessary to reply to following questions.
If you answered "No", please reply to the questions 13 and after.

Q13. Does the project belong to the following sectors?

(No)

If you answered "Yes", please specify the sector by marking, and reply to questions 14 and after.
If you answered "No", it is not necessary to reply to the following questions.

- ☐ (1) Mining
- ☐ (2) Oil and natural gas development
- ☐ (3) Pipelines
- ☐ (4) Iron and steel (projects that include large furnaces)
- ☐ (5) Non-ferrous metals smelting and refining
- ☐ (6) Petrochemicals (manufacture of raw materials; including complexes)
- ☐ (7) Petroleum refining
- ☐ (8) Oil, gas and chemical terminals
- ☐ (9) Paper and pulp
- ☐ (10) Manufacturing and transport of toxic or poisonous substances regulated by international treaties, etc.
- ☐ (11) Thermal power
- ☐ (12) Nuclear power
- ☐ (13) Hydro power, dams and reservoirs
- ☐ (14) Power transmission and distribution lines involving large-scale involuntary resettlement, large-scale logging or submarine electrical cables
- ☐ (15) Roads, railways and bridges
- ☐ (16) Airports
- ☐ (17) Ports and harbors
- ☐ (18) Sewage and wastewater treatment having sensitive characteristics or located in sensitive areas or their vicinity
- ☐ (19) Waste management and disposal
- ☐ (20) Agriculture involving large-scale land clearing or irrigation
- ☐ (21) Forestry
- ☐ (22) Tourism (Construction of hotel, etc.)

Q14. Please provide information on the scale of the project (project area, area of plants and buildings, production capacity, amounts of power generation, etc.) Further, pleased explain whether an execution of EIA is required on account of the large scale of the project in the country where the project is implemented.