

Japan Press Release

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Japan Supports the Project for Improvement of Queensway through the Grant of USD 25 million

H.E. Junzo Fujita, Japanese Ambassador to Uganda, and Hon. Maria Kiwanuka, Minister of Finance, Planning and Economic Development, have today signed the Exchange of Notes of a grant project totaling JPY 2.519 billion (approximately USD 25 million), the "Project for Improvement of Queensway Substation". Upon exchanging the Notes, the Grant Agreement of the above project has also been signed by Mr. Kyosuke Kawazumi, Chief Representative of JICA Uganda, and Hon. Maria Kiwanuka.

The project aims at contributing to the reduction of the risk of scheduled power outage and stabilising power supply at the Kampala metropolitan Area, through the procurement and installation of substation and transmission equipment at the Queensway Substation. In so doing, the loads on neighboring substations, like the Lugogo Substation and the Mutundwe Substation, will also be reduced, and thus the risk of unstable power supply and transmission and distribution network will be decreased. Also, this project will utilise the Gas Insulated Switchgears as power facilities, which will make it possible to reduce the required space to construct a compact-type substation. This project will contribute to not only enhancing the economic development of Uganda, but also to benefiting other sectors such as public administration, welfare, education and health.

This project is meant to realize the commitments made by the Japanese Government through the process of Tokyo International Conference for African Development (TICAD) . Its fifth meeting, TICAD V, was held in June last year in Yokohama to renew Japan's commitments towards African development through mutual partnership.

Project Outline

Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development
Uganda Electricity Transmission Company Ltd.
JPY 2,519,000,000
(Approximately USD 25,000,000)
The Project for Improvement of Queensway
Substation
Kampala
 Substation and Transmission facilities
- 132/33 kV Transformer (40 MVA x 3
units)
- 132 kV Gas Insulated Switchgears
- 132 kV Control and Protection Panels
 132 kV underground cables
- Control building
 Maintenance tools and Spare parts
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