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VIET NAM MACRO ECONOMY MANAGEMENT



IN SUMMARY VIETNAM OVERVIEW

General information:

Vietnam 2024 Economy Structure



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Economy Structure: Services 41.32%; Agriculture, forestry and fishery: 15.35%; Product taxations: 10%; Industry 33.34%.

Population: 99 million

Area: 331,698 sq km (land)

Water: 21,140 sq km

GDP: USD 470 billion (2024 report)

GDP per capita: 4,500 USD

Development growth rate: 8,02% in 2022, 5,05% in 2023 and 7,09% in 2024

Inflation: 3,15% in 2022, 3,25% in 2023 and 4,14% in 2024

Government debt by 2023: 34%

Vietnamese Government is the single political party regime

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Oil and Gas (PVN)

is the **Government owned group** and one of the key production and supply of oil and gas fuel to the industry and society and contribute ~ 9 % to the GDP (1 trillion VND) 42 billion USD) and net 165 thousand billion VND (equivalent 8 billion USD to the state budget in 2024).

Power Sector (EVN)

is the **Government owed group** involved in power generation, transmission and retail of power for the industry and society. In last 3 years, **EVN suffered big losses**: 1,3 billion USD in 2022, 1,1 billion USD in 2023, and 530 million USD in the first 2 quarters in FY 2024. Due to the efforts of optimized management and 4,8% increase of retailed power price (from average 9USCent/kWh), EVN has successfully **escaped from the loss last 2 quarters in 2024.**

GOVERNMENT POLICY

With the recent aggressive actions from the US President and European Community, it is predicted that the Russia-Ukraine war will be ended, depending on negotiation efforts. Thus, the domestic oil and gas and power industries will be affected, both positively and negatively, including:

Positive:

1) The imposition of an **export tax of over 10% on goods from China** will be an opportunity for ASEAN countries and Vietnam to attract investment in civil industry and manufacturing. In particular, a large part of the world's **leading technology companies will shift from China to Vietnam**. From there, the **demand for electricity and oil and gas will also increase**. A series of mixed thermal power projects using natural gas and imported LNG will be developed synchronously, satisfying the demand for an increase of over 10% in energy consumption.

2)Vietnam Government, through MOIT, will speed up functional approvals for projects development, so that the investors can **shorten the procedures for arrangement of Project Financings** with International banks and financial bodies by ECA model.

3) Bao Vang gas field development, the cooperation with Gazprom might accelerate

4) Hai Thach – Moc Tinh gas field further expansion with capex of USD0.8bn on more drilling

Negative

Oil and coal fuel prices will be more competitive, forecast to decrease slightly from 5% to 10%. These are slightly negative for oil & gas stocks but should be slightly positive for thermal power plants with lower variable components in PPA and DPPA.

POWER SECTOR

For the policy of **stabilizing the macro economy and supporting the business communities and society**, the Government still maintains the management and regulation of the energy sector through the Electricity Law, Petroleum Law; Law on Management and Use of State Capital Invested in Production and Business at Enterprises.

These legal frameworks to be specified by decrees (applicable to gas-fired, renewable, coal-fired powers) and PPA, DPPA, GSA and GSPA.

• Where PVN and EVN will play important roles for national security and bridges to get more foreign investments.

Due to some **shortcomings and overlaps between the applicable laws**, the Government has supplemented and amended the Electricity Law and the Petroleum Law to **minimize functional approvals to accelerate the implementation** of projects development, in accordance with international standards.

The legal frameworks including laws, decrees, contracts and related regulations, after amendment, will be applied consistently and throughout the whole life cycle of projects according to the energy transition policy and the PDP VIII.

COMPARISON OF POWER SOURCE CAPACITY BETWEEN PDP-8 AND PDP-8 REVISED



POWER SECTOR: REVISED PDP VIII

On February 19, the National Appraisal Council completed its review and accepted the final version of the revised Power Development Plan (PDP) VIII. The plan is targeted for formal approval by the Prime Minister at the end of February 2025. A summary of the revised PDP VIII is provided below:

| NATIONAL INSTALLED CAPACITY TARGET BY 2030F (MW) | DRAFT REVISED PDP VIII | DRAFT VS CURRENT PDP VIII (CHANGE) |
|---|--|---|
| Coal-fired | 31,055 MW (accounting for 16.9-13.1%) | unchanged |
| Domestic gas-fired | 10,861 MW (accounting for 5.9-4.6%) | unchanged |
| LNG-fired | 8,824 MW (accounting for 4.8-3.7%) | down by 13,576 MW (due to slow progress in assessing power sources) |
| Hydroppower | 33,294-34,667 MW (accounting for 18.2-14.7%) | up by 4,560-5,275 MW |
| Onshore wind | 27,791-28,058 MW (accounting for 13.2-14.4%) | up by 3,949-5,321 MW |
| Solar (farm & rooftop) | 46,459-73,416 MW (accounting for 25.3-31.1%) | an increase compared to PDP VIII from 25,867-52,825 MW |
| Biomass power, waste and geothermal | 2,979-4,881 MW (accounting for 1.6-2.1%) | an increase compared to PDP VIII from 709-2,611 MW |
| Energy storage | 12,394 - 22,271 MW (accounting for 6.8-9.4%) | an increase compared to PDP VIII from 9,694-19,571 MW |
| Flexible source | 2,000-3,000 MW (accounting for 1.1-1.3%), | an increase from 1,700-2,700 MW |
| Total | 183,291-236,363 MW | an increase of about 27,747-80,819 MW |

PPA-DPPA-GSA-PROJECT FINANCING (1)

The Government shall not issue any GGU and with the current national GDP structure, projects development in Vietnam will soon no longer depend on ODA Loans. Accordingly, for the new economic model and project development concepts, except for 100% foreign investor capital, Project Financings will be approx. 30% equity and 70% ECA bank loans.

Project ECA Model are supported by International banks and financial bodies from different resources: US, EU, Japan, Korea and China which require key original materials and equipment supply in individual projects.

By the new development concept, MOIT may need to issue some new legal frameworks to support and expedite the functional approval and development schedules.

The revised PDP VIII requires a total CAPEX of approximately 118 to 148 billion USD for new generation projects from 2025 to 2030. Under Vietnam's positive development scenario, with GDP growth projected at 7% to 8%, electricity consumption demand is expected to increase by more than 10%. Compared to global standards, Vietnam's current power prices in PPAs do not fully reflect CAPEX, OPEX, input fuel costs, transportation, and transmission expenses, making it less attractive to foreign investors. Therefore, alongside the adjusted PDP VIII, the MOIT must supplement and refine existing regulations—such as price terms in PPAs and increasing output commitment levels—to provide investors with a solid basis for synchronized implementation.

For power transmission projects solely owned by EVN, the revised PDP VIII also requires an additional 18 to 24 billion USD from 2025 to 2030. Given the current wide operating margin and transmission overloading, the Government will likely assign other state-owned corporations, such as **PVN and Vinacomin, to share the burden with EVN by taking over some transmission projects for investment and operation.** This development strategy also ensures national security.

PPA-DPPA-GSA-PROJECT FINANCING (2)

1) Retail electricity price : Since EVN suffered big losses by maintaining a fixed price mechanism based on a component of power consumption (the actual amount), electricity price has been proposed to apply two-component power price, including the price that consumers pay for the registered capacity and the price for the amount of power consumed.

2) DPPA: tentatively be issued to apply within March 2025. This will be a back born for renewable and solar projects.

3) GSA, GSPA:

- pass through mechanism from GSA (gas price) to PPA (power price) for mega projects in the oil and gas sector such as Block B O Mon, or Blue Whale in upcoming years,
- and commitment for the design capacity and **consumption output (Qc) to share the risks and harmonized benefits** between suppliers and consumers.

4) Project financing: to support investors, MOIT will minimize the risk of project delays by cutting off unnecessary paper-works and shorten functional approvals for Project Licenses, Land Clearances, Feasibility Studies (FS), Conceptual or Front-End Engineering Designs (FEED), GSA, GSPA, to optimize the development process. These documentations, agreements will be the basis to arrange international bank loans and owner capital investment.

After revised PDP VIII, as no further GGU issuance, MOIT is currently reviewing frameworks for optimal solutions such as prioritized power sectors and developers, thus, EVN will focus on distribution/retail sector, while PVN, Vinacomin will involve more in generation and transmission system to ensure projects designed in PDP VIII will be commercially developed as schedule.

CONCLUSION

Global Levelized Cost of Electricity (US cents/kWh-e)



Arranging Loan Financing and Equity Capital (Owner's Capital): The required CAPEX ranges from USD 118 to 140 billion from now until 2030, posing significant challenges.

Compared to global benchmarks, the **electricity** selling price in PPAs does not fully cover CAPEX, OPEX, transportation, and transmission costs.

Conclusion: Therefore, there is a pressing need to detail cost components to accurately determine the electricity price structure.

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DOMESTIC GAS PROJECTS

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | Province/City | COD | Remark |
|----|--------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|--------|
| 1 | O Mon 1 | 660 | Can Tho | Operating | |
| 2 | O Mon 2 | 1.050 | Can Tho | 2028 | |
| 3 | O Mon 3 | 1.050 | Can Tho | 2030 | |
| 4 | O Mon 4 | 1.050 | Can Tho | 2028 | |
| 5 | Dung Quat 1 | 750 | Quang Ngai | 2030 | |
| 6 | Dung Quat 2 | 750 | Quang Ngai | 2030 | |
| 7 | Dung Quat 3 | 750 | Quang Ngai | 2030 | |
| 8 | Mien Trung 1 | 750 | Quang Nam | 2030 | |
| 9 | Mien Trung 2 | 750 | Quang Nam | 2030 | |
| 10 | Quang Tri | 340 | Quang Tri | 2030 | |

LNG PROJECTS

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | Province/City | COD | Remark |
|----|-----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Nhon Trach 3&4 | 1.624 | Dong Nai | 6/2025 | NT 4 COD end of 2025 |
| 2 | LNG Hiep Phuoc | 1.200 | НСМС | 2028 | Under construction |
| 3 | LNG Bac Lieu | 3.200 | Bac Lieu | 2029 | FS preparation |
| 4 | LNG Son My 1 | 2.250 | Binh Thuan | 2029 | FS preparation |
| 5 | LNG Son My 2 | 2.250 | Binh Thuan | 2029 | FS preparation |
| 6 | LNG Quang Ninh | 1.500 | Quang Ninh | 2029 | FS preparation |
| 7 | LNG Hai Lang | 1.500 | Quang tri | 2029 | FS preparation |
| 8 | LNG Thai Binh | 1.500 | Thai Binh | 2030 | Seeking for investors |
| 9 | LNG Nghi Son | 1.500 | Thanh Hoa | 2030 | Seeking for investors |
| 10 | LNG Ca Na | 1.500 | Ninh Thuan | 2029/2030 | Seeking for investors |
| 11 | LNG Quang Trach | 1.500 | Quang Binh | 2029/2030 | |
| 12 | LNG Quynh Lap | 1.500 | Nghe An | 2029/2030 | |
| 13 | LNG Long An | 1.500 | Long An | 2029/2030 | FS preparation |

RENEWABLE: OFFSHORE WIND

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | COD | Remark |
|----|---------------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 1 | Northern | 2.500 | By 2030 | |
| 2 | North Central | 0 | By 2030 | |
| 3 | Central | 500 | By 2030 | |
| 4 | Highland | 0 | By 2030 | |
| 5 | South Central | 2.000 | By 2030 | |
| 6 | Southern | 1.000 | By 2030 | |
| | Total | 6.000 | By 2030 | |

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | COD | Remark | |
|----|-----------|---------------|---------|--------|----|
| 1 | Ha Noi | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 2 | Hai Phong | 2,3 | By 2030 | | |
| 3 | Hai Duong | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 4 | Hung Yen | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 5 | Ha Nam | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 6 | Nam Dinh | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 7 | Thai Binh | 70 | By 2030 | | |
| 8 | Ninh Binh | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 9 | Ha Giang | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 10 | Cao Bang | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 11 | Lao Cai | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 12 | Bac Kan | 400 | By 2030 | | |
| 13 | Lang Son | 1.444 | By 2030 | | 16 |

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | COD | Remark | |
|----|-------------|---------------|---------|--------|----|
| 14 | Tuyen Quang | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 15 | Yen Bai | 200 | By 2030 | | |
| 16 | Thai Nguyen | 100 | By 2030 | | |
| 17 | Phu Tho | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 18 | Vinh Phuc | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 19 | Bac Giang | 500 | By 2030 | | |
| 20 | Bac Ninh | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 21 | Quang Ninh | 400 | By 2030 | | |
| 22 | Lai Chau | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 23 | Dien Bien | 300 | By 2030 | | |
| 24 | Son La | 400 | By 2030 | | |
| 25 | Hoa Binh | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 26 | Thanh Hoa | 300 | By 2030 | | 17 |

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|----|----------------|---------------|---------|--------|----|
| 27 | Nghe an | 70 | By 2030 | | |
| 28 | Ha Tinh | 700 | By 2030 | | |
| 29 | Quang Binh | 1.130 | By 2030 | | |
| 30 | Quang Tri | 1.800 | By 2030 | | |
| 31 | Thua Thien Hue | 50 | By 2030 | | |
| 32 | Da Nang | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 33 | Quang Nam | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 34 | Quang Ngai | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 35 | Kon Tum | 154 | By 2030 | | |
| 36 | Gia Lai | 1.842 | By 2030 | | |
| 37 | Dak Lak | 1.375 | By 2030 | | |
| 38 | Dak Nong | 730 | By 2030 | | |
| 39 | Binh Dinh | 250 | By 2030 | | 18 |

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|----|-------------------|---------------|---------|--------|----|
| 40 | Phu Yen | 462 | By 2030 | | |
| 41 | Khanh Hoa | 102 | By 2030 | | |
| 42 | Ninh Thuan | 1.127 | By 2030 | | |
| 43 | Binh Thuan | 907 | By 2030 | | |
| 44 | Lam Dong | 217 | By 2030 | | |
| 45 | Ho Chi Minh City | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 46 | Binh Phuoc | 50 | By 2030 | | |
| 47 | Tay Ninh | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 48 | Binh Duong | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 49 | Dong Nai | 0 | By 2030 | | |
| 50 | Ba Ria – Vung Tau | 150 | By 2030 | | |
| 51 | An Giang | 50 | By 2030 | | |
| 52 | Tien Giang | 250 | By 2030 | | 19 |

| No | Project | Capacity (MW) | COD | Remark |
|----|------------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 53 | Ben Tre | 1,100 | By 2030 | |
| 54 | Kien Giang | 137 | By 2030 | |
| 55 | Can Tho | 0 | By 2030 | |
| 56 | Hau Giang | 100 | By 2030 | |
| 57 | Tra Vinh | 1,130 | By 2030 | |
| 58 | Soc Trang | 1,613 | By 2030 | |
| 59 | Bac Lieu | 1,210 | By 2030 | |
| 60 | Ca Mau | 1,060 | By 2030 | |
| | Total | 21,880 | | |