

# STRENGTH WITH RESILIENCE



Adani Energy Solutions Limited

Materiality Assessment 2024-25









Distribution Smart Metering District Cooling

#### Materiality assessment

# Assessing priorities to deliver long-term value

We conducted a comprehensive materiality assessment to identify critical issues impacted by and or impacting operations. This includes stakeholder concerns, business risks, opportunities, sustainability trends, and regulatory changes. Focussing on the priorities, we allocated resources efficiently, set strategic goals, and developed impactful strategies that drive long-term value and resilience.



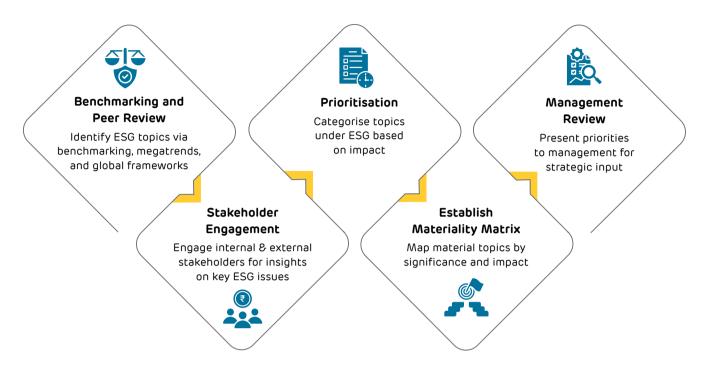
#### Applying the Double Materiality Principle

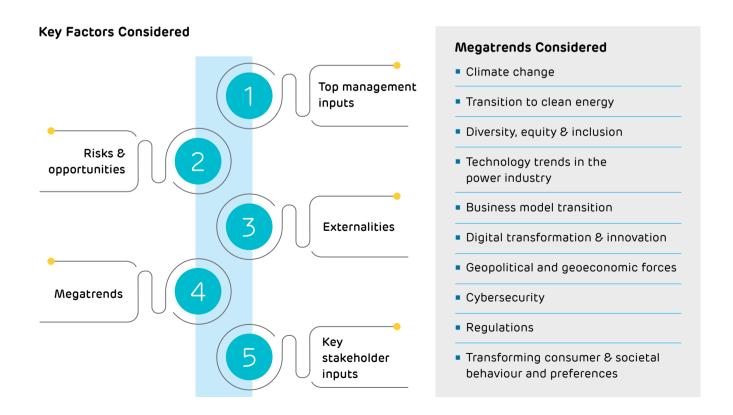
We have strengthened our assessment during FY 2024-25 with a Double Materiality Analysis, in line with GRI 2021 and ESRS General Disclosures.



#### **Approach to Materiality Assessment**

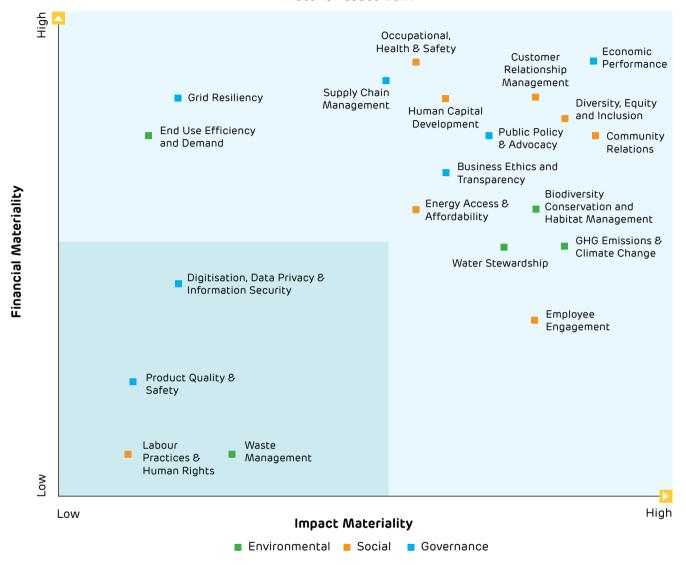
Our first Double Materiality Assessment began in FY 2023-24 followed by review in FY 2024-25, during which we revisited material topics through extensive internal engagement and identified 16 key material issues to focus on.





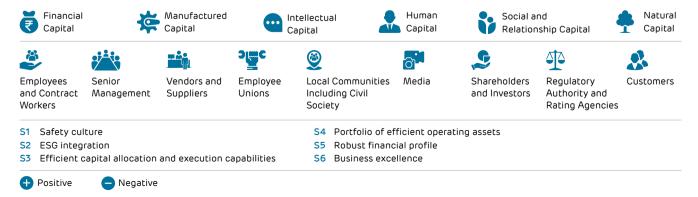
#### Mapping What Matters the Most

#### Material Issues 2025



#### **Addressing High Priority Material Matters**

We refine material assessments by mapping the six capitals and strategies from the reporting period. This strengthens decision-making and ensures inclusivity across value creation aspects. The legends below align high-priority material matters with the six capitals and strategies.



#### **Environmental**

#### Material Topic

#### Biodiversity Conservation and Habitat Management

**GRI Alignment** 

GRI 304

#### **SDG Alignment**







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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

Biodiversity conservation and habitat management are crucial for Adani Energy Solutions due to the environmental impact of its operations, regulatory requirements, and importance of corporate social responsibility. By focussing on these areas, Adani Energy Solutions can mitigate risks, enhance its reputation, achieve cost savings, and contribute to global sustainability goals.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Habitat fragmentation because of new transmission lines	<b>V</b>
Species deterioration through operations/projects in eco-sensitive zones	<b>•</b>
Community backlash	i) ë
Reputation damage	<b>₿</b> ĕ
Increased compliance/project costs	<b>\\ \\ \</b>

#### **Opportunities**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Innovative construction practices	<b># 6</b>
Species conservation programmes	<b>•</b>
Engaging local communities	•
Reputation enhancement	<b>ÿ</b> ₹
Access to green financing	ĕ
Market differentiation	ĕ
Operational resilience	<b># 6</b>

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Dedicated policy for biodiversity preservation, targeting Net Positive Gain by FY 2024-25
- Signatory to India Business and Biodiversity Initiative (IBBI) 2.0
- Avoid ecologically sensitive zones, minimise impact, and restore habitats
- Conduct third-party biodiversity assessments for informed planning
- Partner for conservation, carbon sequestration, and ecosystem restoration
- Committed to Adani's pledge of nurturing 100 million trees by 2030 under 1t.org
- Ensure regulatory compliance before transmission line development
- Offset biodiversity loss through habitat creation or restoration
- Engage employees, communities, and environmentalists for sustainability

#### Stakeholders Impacted











- Operational sites near protected or high-biodiversity areas
- Business activities impacting biodiversity
- IUCN Red List and national conservation species affected
- Protected or restored habitats

#### GHG Emissions & Climate Change

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 302, GRI 305

#### **SDG Alignment**











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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

Due to the environmental impacts of its operations, regulatory requirements, and the growing importance of corporate social responsibility. By prioritising the reduction of GHG emissions and addressing climate change, Adani Energy Solutions can mitigate environmental risks, enhance its reputation, achieve cost savings, and contribute to global sustainability goals. This commitment reflects Adani Energy Solutions dedication to operating responsibly and sustainably, ensuring the well-being of both the environment and the communities it serves.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### **Risks**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change	•
Reduction in GHG emissions by increasing the share of renewable energy in existing power purchase mix	<b>† ĕ</b>
Community backlash	<b>₩</b>
Reputation damage	Vĕ
Increased compliance/project costs	₹

#### **Opportunities**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Resource conservation	<b>*</b> •
Reduced operating costs	₹
Addressing physical risks posed by climate change	ĕ
New market opportunities	<b>⊕</b> ₹
Attract sustainable investments	₹ ♣
Reputation enhancement	ij ĕ

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Corporate Responsibility Committee oversight on sustainability related operational and financial risks
- Robust Business Continuity Plan in place
- Climate-linked remuneration for key management
- Third-party assessments for climate risk and opportunities
- Invest in innovation for climate resilience (RE, solar, energy efficiency)
- Emergency Restoration System for network reliability
- Expand solar capacity to cut auxiliary power use
- Align with global climate goals for sustainability
- Review climate resilience strategies every 3-5 years

#### Stakeholders Impacted





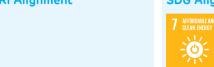






- Energy consumption (from renewable vs non-renewable sources) within and outside the organisation
- Energy intensity
- GHG emissions (Scope 1, Scope 2 and Scope 3)
- Reduction of energy consumption
- GHG emissions intensity
- Ozone-depleting substances
- NOx, SOx, direct mercury emissions, dust emissions

## Material Topic End Use Efficiency and Demand GRI Alignment SDG Alignment











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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

"End Use Efficiency and Demand" is pivotal for Adani Energy Solutions as it addresses both regulatory compliance and market competitiveness. Maintaining energy efficiency standards compliance is crucial to avoid penalties and reputational damage. Additionally, technological advancements and shifting consumer preferences towards energy-efficient solutions demand that Adani Energy Solutions adapt to maintain its market position. Emphasising efficiency not only reduces operational costs but also supports environmental sustainability and resource conservation, ensuring long-term operational continuity and enhanced corporate social responsibility. This focus can lead to financial incentives and a competitive edge, attracting cost-conscious and environmentally aware customers.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### **Risks**

Risk	Description	Capitals Impacted
	Penalties and fines	₹
	Damage to brand image	· ·
Non-compliance	Loss of employee morale	<b>.</b>
with energy efficiency	Stricter regulations on product processes	<b>*</b>
standards	Reduced innovation due to a conservative approach	•
	Increased environmental impact due to inefficient energy use	<b>•</b>
	Lagging behind competitors in innovation	
	Loss of market revenue	ĕ
Falling behind in energy-efficient	Perceived as a laggard in technology	<b>V</b>
technology	Skill gaps in new technologies	
	Higher resource consumption due to inefficient products	<b>•</b>
Not adapting to consumer preferences	Decline in sales and revenue	₹
	Loss of consumer trust and loyalty	i i
	Missed opportunities for innovation	•
	Weakened customer relationships	i

Risk	Description	Capitals Impacted
High operational costs	Increased operational expenses	₹
	Potential job cuts to save costs	
	Greater environmental impact from higher energy use	<b>•</b>
Poor energy efficiency	Higher carbon footprint	<b>•</b>
	Negative public perception	<b>V</b>
	Costs associated with carbon taxes	₹
	Reduced focus on sustainable innovation	•
	Higher initial investment costs	₹
Missing out on financial incentives	Delayed adoption of new technologies	李
	Reduced access to investment capital	₹
	Viewed as lacking commitment to sustainability	<b>V</b>
	Less focus on reducing environmental impact	<b>•</b>

#### **Opportunities**

Opportunity	Description	Capitals Impacted
End use efficiency	Develop Competitive Advantage, attract environmentally conscious consumers and businesses, enhance market share and brand reputation	
Energy-efficient technologies	Substantial cost savings, reduce energy wastage, lower operational expenses	₹
Efficient energy practices	Help Environmental Sustainability, strengthen Adani Energy Solutions' CSR profile, attract socially responsible investors	<b>‡</b> %
Government incentives	Offset implementation costs, accelerating efficiency initiatives	<b>60%</b>

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Engage in regular dialogue and community outreach programmes with local communities
- Ensure compliance with all regulations and maintain transparent communication with regulatory authorities
- Proactively participate in policy development and advocacy
- Foster a culture of innovation and collaboration among employees
- Establish robust supplier evaluation and audit processes for vendors and suppliers
- Develop strategic partnerships with key suppliers
- Provide regular and transparent financial reporting to investors and shareholders
- Engage in active investor relations
- Implement robust customer feedback mechanisms for customers
- Innovate and diversify product offerings for customers
- Ensure a strong governance framework and regular strategic reviews for senior management
- Continuously analyse market trends and adapt strategies as a strategic response

#### Stakeholders Impacted













- Energy Efficiency Standard Compliance Rate
- Penalty Incidence Rate
- Customer Satisfaction Index
- Market Share in Energy-Efficient Products
- Revenue from Energy-Efficient Solutions
- Operational Cost Savings
- Energy Intensity Reduction
- Investment in Energy-Efficient Technologies
- Number of Energy Efficiency Projects Implemented
- Carbon Emission Reduction
- CSR Initiatives in Energy Efficiency
- Policy advocacy w.r.t. Energy efficiency and use
- Demand side management programmes
- Public Recognition and Awards

#### Water and Effluent Management

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 303

#### **SDG Alignment**







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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

Water and effluent management is a material issue for Adani Energy Solutions due to its significant environmental, regulatory, operational, community, and reputational implications. By prioritising sustainable water practices, Adani Energy Solutions can enhance its operational efficiency, comply with regulations, build community trust, and position itself as a leader in the energy sector.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Pollution of land, water and air	•
Reputation damage	₿ĕ
Regulatory compliance	₿ĕ
Water scarcity	<b>≉</b> ♣ ĕ

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Reputation enhancement	i ë
Increased availability of freshwater sources	<b>‡ ‡</b> ₹
Opportunity to secure a licence to operate by demonstrating compliance with regulatory standards and commitment to sustainable practices	₩
Reduce pollution of land, water and air	<b>•</b>

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Monitor and track water consumption across sites
- Rainwater harvesting at substations to reduce freshwater use
- Replenish natural sources by using less than extracted
- Treat and reuse effluent for horticulture
- Ensure compliance with water regulations and quality standards
- Reduce water intensity with efficient systems and technologies
- Plan for water risks like droughts and floods
- Maintain and repair leaks for optimal efficiency
- Review progress toward water positivity

#### Stakeholders Impacted









- Water withdrawal
- Water withdrawal intensity
- Water discharge
- Water consumption
- Rainwater harvested

#### Social



#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

A safe and healthy workplace directly impacts employee morale and productivity. When employees feel secure in their working conditions, they are more likely to be engaged and motivated. This leads to higher productivity, reduced absenteeism, and lower turnover rates. By prioritising OHS, Adani Energy Solutions can foster a culture of care and responsibility, which translates into better performance and job satisfaction among its workforce. Failure to ensure employee health, safety and well-being can negatively impact productivity. This can consequently affect our business operations, customer satisfaction, revenue and profitability.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Exposure to hazards and accidents at workplace	
Increased instances of mental health illnesses	
Poor safety practices, injuries or fatalities, lower morale, increased turnover rates	<b>.</b>
Accidents, operational disruptions, affecting productivity and profitability	计学员
Increased litigation and/or penalties, compensation claims	ĕ
Non-compliance with safety standards, fines, operational restrictions with increase regulatory and other scrutiny	<b>#16</b>
Increased insurance premiums, cost of funds	₹
Talent retention issues	<b>♣</b> ĕ

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Enhanced safety protocols & trainings	ijĕ
Reduced insurance premiums	₹
Increased engagement, productivity, and job satisfaction	ijĢĕ
Increase operational reliability, leading to greater customer satisfaction and trust	<b>\$</b> ≠ €
Business continuity planning	李葛
Reputation building	ij ĕ

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Strong health & safety governance for workplace well-being
- Six-step Contractor Safety Management (CSM) system with compliance monitoring
- Incident Reporting & Investigation aligned with Group standards
- Regular health check-ups & safety training for employees and contractors
- Workforce safety initiatives like 'Safety Samvaad', 'Sabhi ki Suraksha WhatsApp Group', & direct COO interactions
- In-house & third-party safety audits for all sites

#### Stakeholders Impacted







- Workplace injuries, fatalities
- Lost-Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR)
- Work-related ill-health
- Safety training hours
- Employee turnover rate

#### **Customer Relationship Management**

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 416, GRI 418

#### **SDG Alignment**







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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

It helps understand customer needs, enhance service reliability, facilitate proactive communication, support smart metering initiatives, improve cooling solutions, drive customer loyalty, and ensure regulatory compliance. Prioritising CRM enables Adani Energy Solutions to build strong customer relationships and contribute to its mission of providing reliable and affordable energy solutions for long-term success.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### **Risks**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Disrupted power supply and inconvenience to customer	<b>₽ĕ</b>
Inefficient energy use by customers resulting in increased demand	<b># 6</b>
Financial implications for customers due to partially functional or dysfunctional smart meters	Vĕ
Increase in green energy tariff	<b>ÿ</b> ĕ
Billing errors	<b>ÿ</b> ĕ
Breach of customer data, leading to regulatory and/or legal implications	<b>₩</b> ĕ

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Undisrupted power supply and minimum inconvenience to customer	· ·
Driving efficient energy through DSM programmes resulting in reduced max demand & grid losses	4 4 6
Technology adoption such as smart meters	<b>Q</b> $\check{\bullet}$ $\check{\circ}$
Contribute to national goals under climate change and helping customer to achieve their Net Zero/SBTi commitments	<b>₩</b> † ĕ
Effective communication leading to better understanding and enhanced trust	ĕ
Enhance reputation	ĕ
Awards and accolades	ĕ

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Increase renewable energy in the overall mix
- Offer subsidised green tariffs to support climate goals
- Deploy smart meters and explore new opportunities
- Enhance communication for trust and clarity

#### Stakeholders Impacted





- Customer satisfaction scores
- Incidents related to breach of customer data
- Average duration of interruption (ADI)
- Average time to resolve customer complaints
- Billing error rate

#### **Employee Engagement**

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 3-3, GRI 400 series

#### **SDG Alignment**



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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

By prioritising engagement, Adani Energy Solutions can enhance customer relationships, drive innovation, boost employee morale, ensure regulatory compliance, and promote a positive organisational culture. These factors collectively contribute to Adani Energy Solutions ability to provide reliable and affordable energy solutions, ultimately supporting its mission and long-term success.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### **Risks**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Low Productivity: Poor engagement can lead to reduced employee productivity and efficiency	<b># 8</b>
High Turnover: Disengaged employees are more likely to leave, increasing recruitment and training costs	<b># 3</b>
Morale Issues: Lack of engagement can lower overall team morale and increase absenteeism	<b>\$</b>
Innovation Stagnation: Disengaged employees are less likely to contribute to innovative ideas and solutions	<b>⊕</b> ₹
Customer Service Impact: Low employee engagement can negatively affect customer service quality and satisfaction	<b># 6</b>

#### **Opportunities**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Engaged employees are more motivated and committed to their work, leading to higher levels of productivity and efficiency	<b>.</b>
When employees feel valued and connected to their organisation, they are less likely to leave, reducing turnover costs and retaining valuable talent	23
Engaged employees are more likely to contribute creative ideas and solutions, fostering an innovative work environment that drives business growth	• ;
Employees who are engaged and satisfied with their work are more likely to provide exceptional customer service, leading to higher customer satisfaction and loyalty	<b>‡⊕</b> ĕ
New market opportunities	<b>⊕</b> ₹
Attract sustainable investments	<b>§</b> •
Reputation enhancement	<b>V</b> §

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Motivated employees through Rewards & Recognition programmes and professional development
- Offered competitive benefits and career advancement opportunities
- Encouraged creative ideas through innovation hubs and brainstorming sessions
- Provided training and recognised excellent service

#### Stakeholders Impacted







- Employee engagement score
- Spends on employee benefits
- Employee turnover and retention rates
- Employee referrals
- Customer services impacted

#### Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

#### **GRI Alignment**

**GRI 405** 

#### **SDG Alignment**





#### **Financial Implication**



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#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion are not just buzzwords; they are critical components of a resilient and sustainable business strategy. Addressing DEI as a material issue can drive innovation, enhance customer relationships, boost employee engagement, ensure regulatory compliance, and positively impact the broader community. By prioritising DEI, the utility can foster a more inclusive and equitable future, aligning with its mission to provide reliable and affordable energy solutions for all.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### **Opportunities**

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Inclusive learning materials to foster belonging and engagement	
Scholarships and affordable resources for equitable learning access	•
Partnerships for job placements, childcare, and mentorship	V
Employment opportunities for a	



- Integrate diverse perspectives into learning materials to foster inclusion
- Provide scholarships, affordable materials, and tech access for equitable learning
- Partner with local organisations for job placements, childcare, and mentorship
- Collaborate with DEI organisations for insights and innovative solutions
- Participate in industry forums to promote diversity and inclusion
- Engage with civil society to support social inclusion projects

#### Stakeholders Impacted





- Women representation at all levels and functions within the workforce
- Number of hires across diverse demographics
- Regional diversity of workforce

#### **Material Topic Energy Affordability**

#### **GRI Alignment**

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#### **SDG Alignment**





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#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

Energy affordability is a key concern for many stakeholders, including the community, shareholders, investors, and customers. Ensuring affordable energy solutions supports sustainable economic growth and enhances the quality of life by providing reliable and cost-effective power. Furthermore, as Adani Energy Solutions navigates India's dynamic energy landscape, incorporating scalable energy solutions like smart metering can optimise energy usage, reduce costs, and improve service delivery.

Strategic responses such as leveraging renewable energy in the procurement mix and introducing green tariffs align with the goal of enhancing energy affordability. These initiatives can help mitigate risks related to energy price volatility and regulatory changes while opening opportunities for growth and increased stakeholder trust.

By focussing on energy affordability, Adani Energy Solutions can play a pivotal role in fostering economic stability and promoting sustainable development, thereby aligning with broader social and environmental objectives.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Expanding customer access to green energy	<b>₩</b>
Implementing smart grids for reliability, efficiency, and integration of distributed energy	<b>⊕</b> ₹
Providing electricity at affordable prices	<b>₩</b>
Promoting energy-efficient products under DSM programmes	<b>ÿ</b> ∳ĕ

#### Stakeholders Impacted







#### **KPI's Mapped**

- Green tariff
- Renewable energy in procurement mix

#### **Actions to Capitalise on Opportunities**

- Deploy smart grid technologies for efficient energy management
- Launch energy efficiency programmes with incentives and consumer education
- Procure renewable energy to expand green energy access
- Integrate renewable sources into the grid to enhance sustainability and reduce fossil fuel dependence
- Train employees and communities in efficient energy management
- Advocate policies for affordable energy access and sustainable practices
- Partner with government, private sector, and NGOs for scalable energy solutions

# Material Topic Human Capital Development SDG Alignment GRI 404 Strategic Priorities S2 S6

#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

By focussing on enhancing employee skills, boosting morale, promoting safety, encouraging innovation, supporting community development, and building a strong employer brand. Investing in human capital development enhances the Company's reputation as an employer of choice. A strong employer brand attracts top talent, providing a competitive edge in the labour market. This influx of skilled professionals can drive the Company's growth and success, while also positioning it as a leader in the energy sector by mitigate risks and capitalise on opportunities, ensuring long-term success and sustainability.

### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Investing in continuous learning to enhance skills and adaptability	<b>⊕</b> ₹
Leadership development through training, mentoring, and succession planning	<b>E</b>
Employee well-being programmes, flexible work, and engagement initiatives	<b>☆</b> ひ歩ぎ
Boosting employee engagement, creativity, and innovation	<b></b> •
Enhancing employee performance and productivity	<b>♣</b> ₹

#### Actions to Capitalise on Opportunities:

- Continuous learning to enhance skills, adaptability, and organisational value
- Leadership development through training, mentoring, and succession planning
- Employee well-being programmes to boost engagement, productivity, and job satisfaction

#### Stakeholders Impacted



- Employee engagement score and employee engagement index
- Hours of learning and development
- Employee turnover and retention rates
- Spends on employee benefits
- Employee satisfaction score
- Types of employee development programmes

# Material Topic Community Relations GRI Alignment GRI 413 SDG Alignment 3 AND WILLESING B ECONOMIC GROWTH Strategic Priorities S2 S6

#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

Identifying risks and opportunities involves enhancing livelihoods through reliable services, partnering for community development, organising engagement activities, supporting economic stability, and ensuring transparency in stakeholder communication. These efforts help build trust, foster sustainable development, and contribute to local economic stability, reinforcing the utility's role as a responsible corporate citizen.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Creating livelihoods and improving quality of life, generating indirect economic benefits	
Partnering with schools, non-profits, and businesses for community development initiatives	•
Hosting events, workshops, and service projects to strengthen community ties	

#### **Actions to Capitalise on Opportunities**

- Host events, workshops, and service projects to strengthen community ties
- Partner with schools, non-profits, and businesses for joint initiatives
- Sponsor scholarships, cultural events, and educational programmes
- Support community well-being and economic stability
- Ensure transparency by sharing corporate information with stakeholders

#### Stakeholders Impacted



- Number of beneficiaries
- Number of beneficiaries from marginalised and vulnerable groups
- Programme-wise beneficiaries and extent of reach
- Number of events, workshops, and service projects hosted annually
- Outcomes & impact assessment based on predefined criteria
- Participant feedback scores on event effectiveness and satisfaction
- Engagement rates with shared content (e.g., website visits, document downloads, meeting attendance)
- Beneficiary feedback and outcomes assessment

#### Governance

#### **Material Topic**

#### **Business Ethics and Transparency**

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 205: Anti-corruption

GRI 2: General Disclosures (3. Governance, 4. Strategy, policies and practices)

**SDG Alignment** 

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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

Adani Energy Solutions operates within a complex and highly regulated environment. Two critical areas that significantly impact the Company's success and sustainability are business ethics and transparency, and corporate governance. These are material issues for Adani Energy Solutions given their profound influence on the Company's operational integrity, stakeholder trust, regulatory compliance, and overall corporate reputation.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Lack of transparency can lead to corrupt practices and legal implications	ÿĕ
Ethical breaches can erode stakeholder trust and damage the Company's reputation	ÿĕ
Non-compliance with ethical standards can result in regulatory fines and operational restrictions	<b>7 4</b>
Unethical behaviours can lead to internal conflicts and a toxic work environment	<b>₹</b> \$\$
Poor ethics can negatively impact market perception and investor confidence	<b>₩</b>

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Effective governance mechanism leading to increased transparency and disclosures	8
Enhances the Company's reputation as a responsible corporate entity	<b>ÿ</b> ĕ
Strong governance improves investor confidence, ensuring regulatory compliance and long-term financial growth	₩
Attract sustainability-linked investments	₹ ♣

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Strong corporate governance led by the Board with policies, codes, and KPIs for ethics and compliance
- Integrated frameworks ensure transparency, compliance, and ethical business practices
- Employee training on ethics, whistleblower mechanism, and third-party compliance audits
- Regular disclosures and continuous improvement of governance and ethics programmes
- Policies for anti-corruption, diversity, safety, and community engagement

#### Stakeholders Impacted

















- Training of Directors, employees and senior management personnel on Code of Business Ethics & Conduct and Whistle Blower mechanism
- Incidents related to the breach of code including corruption and bribery
- Incidents related to human rights violation
- Audits and third-party assessments
- Number of incidents reported through whistleblower hotline or reporting system

#### Supply Chain Management

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 308, GRI 414

#### **SDG Alignment**









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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

The supply chain encompasses the procurement, transportation, and management of the essential materials and components required for power T&D infrastructure. This includes everything from transformers and cables to substations and circuit breakers. A robust supply chain ensures that these critical components are available when needed, preventing delays in project execution and maintaining the reliability of the power grid. By securing a steady flow of high-quality materials, Adani Energy Solutions can minimise disruptions and enhance the efficiency of power distribution, ultimately lowering costs and making energy more affordable for consumers. Adani Energy Solutions can enhance energy affordability, support India's energy transition, and contribute positively to the community.

#### Potential Risks & Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Human rights violations in operations and supply chain	i ë
Environmental and social impact of unsustainable sourcing	<b>₩</b>

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Boosting the local economy	•
Enhancing efficiency and cost reduction through Al and IoT adoption	• *
Strengthening supplier relationships via sustainable practices and transparency	<b>;•</b> €

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

- Assess human rights violations in operations and value chain partners
- Screen suppliers to prevent potential or actual negative impacts
- Build supplier capacity and support collective sustainability goals
- Analyse supplier spending and tier-wise distribution
- Conduct third-party value chain assessments
- Assist suppliers in implementing corrective action plans
- Leverage AI and IoT for operational efficiency and real-time decision-making
- Promote sustainable practices and transparent communication to strengthen supplier trust

#### Stakeholders Impacted









- Number of new suppliers onboarded
- Number of suppliers screened using environmental and social criteria
- Supplier capacity building programmes
- Significant suppliers
- Procurement spends on local suppliers
- Tier-wise suppliers

#### **Economic Performance**

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 3-3, GRI 201

#### **SDG Alignment**







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#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

Economic performance is a material issue for Adani Energy Solutions due to its significant influence on the Company's operations, investment capabilities, and stakeholder relationships. By maintaining strong economic performance, Adani Energy Solutions can ensure financial viability, attract investors, support technological advancements, meet regulatory compliance, and enhance stakeholder value. This focus on economic performance not only supports Adani Energy Solutions business objectives but also contributes to India's broader energy transition and climate action goals.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Opportunities

Topics	Capitals Impacted
Investing in smart grid technology	● 柒 🕹
Expanding renewable energy integration	<b>†@6</b>
Enhancing operational efficiency	<b>学</b> •
Establishing strong relationships with financial institutions and exploring innovative financing options such as green bonds can also support long-term growth	₩
Streamline operations, reduce costs, and improve decision-making	<b>ĕ</b> ‡ <b>∴</b>

#### **Actions to Capitalise on Opportunities**

- Leveraging digital transformation for asset management, customer engagement, and data analytics, to streamline operations, reduce costs, and improve decision-making
- Establishing strong relationships with financial institutions and exploring innovative financing options such as green bonds can also support long-term growth
- Collaboration with stakeholders, including government agencies, regulatory bodies, technology providers, and consumers
- By investing in smart grid technology, expanding renewable energy integration, enhancing operational efficiency, strengthening financial management, leveraging digital transformation, and collaborating with stakeholders, to achieve sustainable economic success

#### Stakeholders Impacted











- Direct economic value generated and distributed
- Investment in Smart Grid network
- % Grid reliability
- Transmission network added
- Transmission operational EBITDA
- Distribution operational EBITDA
- Consolidated operational EBITDA
- Total revenue generated
- PAT
- Payment to government
- Wages and benefits given
- Payment to providers of capitals
- Community investments

### Material Topic Public Policy Advocacy

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 415

#### **SDG Alignment**



#### Financial Implication



**Strategic Priorities** 





#### Rationale for Identifying Opportunity

Public policy advocacy is a material issue for Adani Energy Solutions due to its significant impact on the Company's operations, regulatory compliance, and strategic growth. By engaging in public policy advocacy, Adani Energy Solutions can influence regulatory frameworks, drive sustainability initiatives, ensure fair market conditions, and enhance stakeholder engagement. This commitment to advocacy not only supports Adani Energy Solutions business objectives but also contributes to India's broader energy transition and climate action goals. Ultimately, public policy advocacy reinforces Adani Energy Solutions dedication to operating responsibly and sustainably, ensuring long-term success and positive contributions to society.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Opportunities

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Topics	Capitals Impacted
Implementing efficient procedures through research and policy initiatives	<b>⊕ 锋</b>
Strategic communication to influence policymakers on ESG issues	• ;
Collaborating with stakeholders to drive regulatory and legislative improvements for sector sustainability	<b>@ ; </b>
Addressing regulatory challenges	计学员
Advocating for policies supporting T&D modernisation, renewable integration, and smart grid adoption	<b>♣</b> ≉ <b>⊕</b> ĕ <b>ù</b>

#### Stakeholders Impacted











#### **KPI's Mapped**

- Contributions to political parties, trade associations, tax-exempt groups
- Number of successful policy engagements per year
- Percentage of advocacy campaigns that achieve their set goals such as public awareness, policy changes, or stakeholder support
- Public Policy Awareness Programmes
- Environmental and social impact of policy advocacy initiatives

#### **Actions to Capitalise on Opportunities**

to enhance efficiency and reliability

- Collaborate with academic, government, and private sectors to address public policy challenges
- Develop targeted communication strategies to influence policymakers and public opinion
- Establish stakeholder partnerships to drive beneficial legislative and regulatory changes
- Advocate for clean energy and efficiency regulations through joint government proposals
- Engage in workshops and seminars to educate policymakers on industry trends and advancements
- Partner with cybersecurity experts to develop and promote robust grid protection standards
- Provide feedback on existing regulations and propose process improvements to reduce bureaucracy

### Material Topic Grid Resiliency

#### **GRI Alignment**

GRI 201, GRI 203 GRI 302, GRI 305 GRI 413, GRI 416

#### **SDG Alignment**











Strategic Priorities

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#### Rationale for Identifying the Risk/Opportunity

Prioritising grid resiliency is crucial for Adani Energy Solutions as it enhances operational stability, attracts investors, and ensures customer satisfaction. By investing in smart grid technologies, Al, and distributed energy resources, Adani Energy Solutions can improve real-time monitoring, optimise grid performance, and increase grid flexibility. This proactive approach not only secures financial stability by minimising costly outages but also strengthens Adani Energy Solutions' reputation as a reliable and innovative utility provider, thereby giving the company a competitive edge and fostering long-term sustainability.

#### Potential Opportunities and their Impact on Capitals

#### Risks

Risk	Description	Capitals Impacted
Operational Disruptions	Unanticipated disruptions can lead to service interruptions, affecting customer satisfaction and compliance with regulatory requirements.	ĕĢij
Technological Failures	Dependence on smart grid technologies and Al can be risky if these systems fail or are compromised, potentially leading to data breaches and operational inefficiencies.	<b>@ ! ĕ</b>
Financial Strain	High investments in grid resiliency may strain financial resources if not managed properly, affecting the company's overall financial stability.	<b>.</b>
Regulatory Non-compliance	Failure to meet regulatory standards for grid resiliency could result in penalties and loss of operating licenses.	ğ <b>\$</b> i
Reputation Damage	Inability to ensure a resilient grid may damage Adani Energy Solutions' reputation, reducing customer trust and investor confidence.	<b>8</b> & <b>1</b>
Competitive Disadvantage	Lagging in grid resiliency advancements could put Adani Energy Solutions at a competitive disadvantage, impacting market share and growth opportunities.	<b>ĕ ©</b>

#### **Opportunities**

Opportunity	Description	Capitals Impacted
Data Analytics	Monitor grid performance, predict failures, optimise maintenance	<b>⊕ ‡</b>
Integrating RE Sources	Integrate wind, solar, hydroelectric power into the grid	<b>• *</b>
Smart Grid Technologies	Smart meters, sensors, automated control systems	<b>⊕</b> ‡ ₹
Microgrids	Develop microgrids, promote distributed energy resources	<b>#</b> ;
Energy Storage	Invest in batteries, pumped hydro storage	<b>ĕ</b> •
Cybersecurity	Implement measures to protect grid infrastructure from cyber-attacks	• 6
Policy Advocacy	Advocate for policies and regulations promoting grid resiliency	₿ĕ
Community Engagement	Initiate programmes to involve local communities in grid resiliency	<b>\$</b> &

#### Actions to Mitigate Risks/Capitalise on Opportunities

Risk	Description
Invest in Grid Resiliency	Implement advanced technologies and infrastructure to enhance grid resilience. Regularly update and maintain current systems to prevent outages and ensure continuous service.
Enhance Customer Communication	Develop transparent communication strategies to keep customers informed about reliability improvements. Foster strong relationships with stakeholders through open dialogue and regular updates.
Strengthen Workforce Training	Provide continuous training programmes to enhance the skills of the workforce, focussing on new technologies and best practices. Encourage innovation and problem-solving within the team to address potential grid issues proactively.
Leverage Technological Advancements	Invest in cutting-edge technologies to stay ahead of competitors in grid resiliency. Explore partnerships with tech firms to implement innovative solutions rapidly.
Expand Market Presence	Use the strengthened grid resiliency as a selling point to attract new customers and markets. Highlight the reliability and efficiency of the grid in marketing campaigns to enhance brand image.
Optimise Resource Utilisation	Maximise the use of financial, manufactured, and intellectual capital to support growth initiatives. Identify and leverage underutilised assets to improve overall operational efficiency.

#### Stakeholders Impacted















- Grid Reliability Index
  - SAIDI : System Average Interruption Duration Index
  - SAIFI : System Average Interruption Frequency Index
  - CAIDI : Customer Average Interruption Duration Index
- Renewable Energy Penetration
- Infrastructure Investment in Grid Modernisation
- Recovery Time Post-Disruption
- Renewable Integration Capacity
- Cybersecurity Preparedness

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