

STRENGTH WITH RESILIENCE



Adani Energy Solutions Limited

Stakeholder Engagement 2024-25









Distribution Smart Metering District Cooling

Stakeholder engagement

Engaging to ensure collective success

Regular stakeholder engagement is key to sustained growth and success. It enables us to understand their needs and concerns, shaping strategic decisions accordingly. Maintaining transparency in our approach fosters trust and strengthens relationships. Emphasising open dialogue and collaboration ensures long-term value creation for all.



Approach to Stakeholder Engagement

Our operations engage diverse stakeholders across the value chain. A holistic approach fosters strong relationships, ensuring timely and effective issue resolution. Guided by our Stakeholder Engagement Policy, these interactions drive performance, innovation, and competitive advantage. A robust governance framework, led by the Board and policies, ensures an effective and transparent engagement process.

Quarterly Board Reviews



Board-led Stakeholder Relationship Committee

Direct oversight and guidance on the Stakeholder engagement activities of the organisation



Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO)

Development and management of the stakeholder engagement strategy as well as processes at Executive level



Executive Level

Execution of stakeholder engagement process consistent with the strategies defined from the top



Regular Briefings to the Board



Identifying Material Stakeholders

We have established a four-step process to stakeholder engagement that is guided and overseen by our Board-led Stakeholder Relationship Committee.



Stakeholder Identification

Analysing stakeholder groups to assess their influence, expectations, and key concerns



Stakeholder
Categorisation &
Prioritisation

Profiling stakeholders based on influence, impact, interest, and engagement with Adani Energy Solutions



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Reviewing engagement outcomes with the Board to align future actions with stakeholder interests



Presentation of Outcomes

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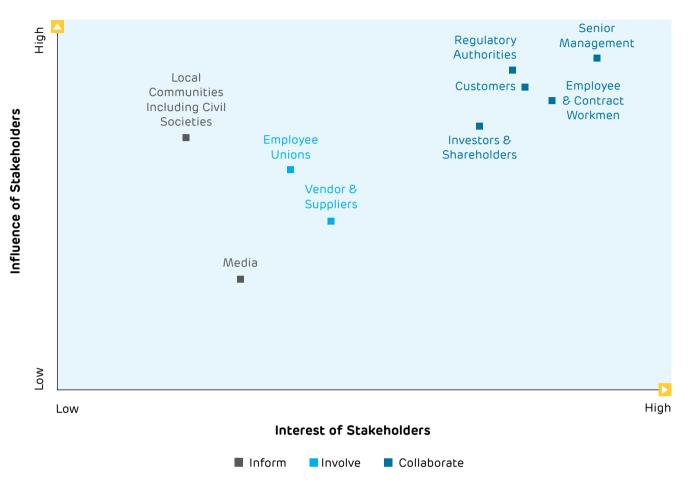
Implementing strategies for effective engagement and analysing gathered insights



Engagement and Validation of Outcomes

Stakeholder Importance

Stakeholder Priority



Addressing Stakeholders' Needs and Expectations

We are strengthening our stakeholder engagement by mapping capitals and material topics, highlighting their interconnections across our engagement strategies. The below legend system ensures a clear alignment between stakeholder priorities, material issues, and value creation across multiple capitals.





Employees and Contract Workers (Internal and/External)

Stakeholder Importance

Critical asset enabling us to navigate the ever-changing industry landscape with their skills and dedication

Needs and Expectations

- Work culture that encourages diversity, equity & inclusion
- Fostering innovation within unique markets and customer interactions
- Career growth opportunities
- Learning & development opportunities
- Forums to express and interact with management

Methods of Engagement

- Employee engagement surveys
- Employee feedback surveys
- Townhalls and interviews
- Informal meetings through open forums
- Direct interaction with the MD, CEO and senior management

Engagement Frequency

- Continuously
- Monthly
- Quarterly
- Annually
- Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Undertake initiatives to promote health & safety, learning & development, and diversity & inclusion
- Offer learning programmes to upskill employees
- Encourage regular career and performance discussions between employees and management
- Maintain an open-door policy for employees to engage with leadership anytime

₹ 4.99 crore

Invested in employee/ workers' well-being measures, training and development

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Capitals Impacted









🔽 Senior Management (Internal)

Stakeholder Importance

Provides strategic direction, oversees risk management, performance, corporate governance, and shapes long-term objectives

Needs and Expectations

- Ethical conduct
- Positive financial performance
- Sustainable and resilient business operations
- Compliance with applicable regulatory requirements
- Transparency in ESG disclosures

Methods of Engagement

- In-person meetings
- Virtual modes such as video conferences, calls

Engagement Frequency

- Quarterly
- Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Conduct quarterly reviews of risk management process, stakeholder engagement, ESG-related matters
- Update senior management on the overall performance of the organisation on financial and non-financial parameters

Related Material Themes



















Vendors and Suppliers (External)

Stakeholder Importance

Ensures timely service delivery and promotes responsible sourcing for a resilient supply chain

Needs and Expectations

- Clear communication and timely payments
- Fair and ethical treatment
- Long-term relationship
- Support and collaboration for overcoming challenges to achieve mutual goals
- Transparency in operations, especially regarding future plans that may affect them
- Respect and recognition for the expertise
- Adoption of technology at scale
- Turnkey contracts

Methods of Engagement

- Site visits to manufacturing facilities
- One-on-One interaction
- Supplier summits
- Online & offline training sessions
- Pre-bid conferences

Engagement Frequency

Continuous

Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Ensure fair treatment and timely payments to vendors
- Build long-term relationships through support and goal alignment
- Enhance quality and ESG compliance through targeted programmes
- Maintain transparency in operations affecting vendors
- Leverage vendor expertise for mutual benefit
- Strengthen vendor relationships with strategic initiatives
- Improve procurement using digital technologies and analytics
- Engage suppliers with audits, training, and forums
- Uphold ethical practices with a Supplier Code of Conduct

98%

Procurement from Local (India) suppliers

20.8%

Procurement from MSME suppliers

Related Material Themes







Capitals Impacted









Employee Unions (Internal and/External)

Stakeholder Importance

Ensures fair representation, protects employee rights, and fosters collaboration between workforce and management

Needs and Expectations

- Fair wages and benefits
- Proper working conditions
- Workplace safety
- Respect for human rights
- Training & development

Methods of Engagement

In-person meetings

Engagement Frequency

Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Ensure compliance with regulations for wages above the minimum standard
- Implement policies for safe working conditions
- Train employees on safety, operations, and technology

Related Material Themes









Local Communities including Civil Society (Internal and/External)

Stakeholder Importance

Builds positive relationships, ensure long-term viability and social licence to operate

Needs and Expectations

- Positive, social and economic contribution
- Provide long-term support
- Address climate change and environmental issues
- Understand their concerns, and involve them in decision-making processes
- Generate employment opportunities
- Understand health and safety-related hazards especially the ones related with power generation and distribution

Methods of Engagement

- Meetings and discussions with local communities & project officers
- Public consultations
- Feedback & grievance mechanisms
- Interaction with NGO partners and communities
- Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives

Engagement Frequency

Continuous

Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Drive socioeconomic development through CSR programmes
- Conduct impact assessments to align CSR initiatives with community needs
- Ensure transparency in the availability of information about company operations
- Implement a community grievance redressal mechanism for effective resolution



Total CSR investment made

59,332

Direct and indirect beneficiaries

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Capitals Impacted







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Media (External)

Stakeholder Importance

Enables communication with stakeholders regarding business performance and ESG initiatives

Needs and Expectations

- Transparency and credibility in the Company's dealings, operations and communications
- Accountability and social responsibility in the Company's actions and decisions
- Adherence with ethical practices

Methods of Engagement

- Direct communication
- Social media

Engagement Frequency

Need-based

Issue-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Tailored communication strategies for media based on consultation or information needs
- Utilise multiple channels: emails, newsletters, social media, and meetings
- Ensure timely, accurate responses to social media comments and questions
- Build strong, long-term media relationships for collaboration and engagement

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Number of press releases issued

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Investors and Shareholders (Internal and/External)

Stakeholder Importance

Mobilise financial resources for sustained business growth

Needs and Expectations

- Stable, robust and sustainable financial performance
- Transparency and progress on ESG topics
- Align the Company's values and actions with those of the investors
- Participation in decision-making regarding the changes advocated by the shareholders
- Receive scheduled updates on the Company's progress

Methods of Engagement

- Investor meets
- Shareholder meetings [Annual General Meetings]
- Investor conferences and roadshows
- Investor Relations (IR) webpage on company website
- Regulatory filings, newsletters, media relations, market intelligence reports
- Periodic declarations on performance
- Industry forums, panels, and discussions
- Investor Relations (IR) webpage on company website
- Social media and digital platforms
- Webinars, webcasts, and virtual tours

Engagement Frequency

- One-on-One meetings
- Quarterly

Periodic

Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Drive profitability through efficient cost management and sustainable growth
- Ensure transparent, timely communication on business and ESG performance
- Balance environmental, social, and economic priorities
- Share insights on market trends, competition, and industry outlook
- Set and track clear ESG and business goals
- Encourage stakeholder feedback and engagement
- Uphold ethical conduct through robust governance
- Expand into new markets for growth opportunities
- Communicate promptly during crises
- Engage media to enhance visibility among investors
- Deliver value through attractive dividends
- Maintain a dedicated Investor Relations Officer
- Strengthen revenue and profitability to maximise shareholder value

9.12%

ROCE

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Regulatory Authorities (External)

Stakeholder Importance

Ensures compliance, business continuity, and fair competition amidst a changing policy landscape

Needs and Expectations

- Comply with regulatory standards and support energy transition
- Adhere to adjudicated disputes and performance standards
- Drive large-scale technology adoption and digital transformation
- Maintain strong capital base and liquidity
- Uphold a robust Code of Conduct
- Achieve positive ESG developments
- Ensure robust governance and transparent reporting

Methods of Engagement

- Policy advocacy
- Direct interactions on a case-to-case basis
- Regulatory audits and inspections
- Regulatory forums & awards
- Public consultations and hearings
- Collaborative initiatives with regulators for development of sector-specific policies and regulations affecting the power sector
- Compliance management

Engagement Frequency

Need-based

Periodic

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Ensure 100% compliance with laws and regulations through robust practices
- Implement systems to proactively mitigate noncompliance risks
- Provide transparent compliance disclosures via website, reports, and standalone publications
- Promote energy-efficient appliances through Demand-side Management programmes
- Collaborate with stakeholders to ensure compliance and industry growth
- Embrace digital transformation to stay competitive
- Support the energy transition through Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) with renewable developers

₹ 205.83 crore

Total tax contribution to the exchequer

ZERO

Instances of regulatory non-compliances

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Customers (Internal and/External)

Stakeholder Importance

Provides an opportunity to build long-term symbiotic relationships

Needs and Expectations

- Differentiated service offerings and product portfolio
- Digitally-enabled positive experience
- Participation in various industrial forums
- Digital disruption
- Identification and satisfaction of customer needs
- Brand reputation
- Customer privacy and feedback

Methods of Engagement

- Direct communication
- One-on-One interaction
- Feedback surveys
- Grievance mechanism

Engagement Frequency

Continuous

Need-based

How we Create or Preserve Value

- Expand into new markets like renewable energy
- Adopt technology and data-driven solutions for efficiency and cost savings
- Deliver sustainable, affordable, and innovative energy solutions
- Enhance customer experience through digital transformation and competitive solutions
- Implement initiatives for better responsiveness and value delivery
- Ensure effective grievance redressal for quick resolution
- Advocate customer concerns to regulators for consumer-friendly policies
- Integrate data privacy into risk management to protect customer information

99.7%

Transmission system availability

99.996%

Electricity distribution system reliability

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