TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PERFORMANCE REPORT

2015 (First Half)





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1. Introduction

The electricity transmission network in Sri Lanka is solely owned and operated by Ceylon Electricity Board (CEB). CEB Transmission Licensee is responsible for the safe, secure and efficient operation of the electricity transmission in Sri Lanka. The transmission network in Sri Lanka is operated at 220kV and 132kV to carry electricity from generation points to distribution bulk supply points.

This Transmission Performance Report contains a summary of information and performance statistics of the transmission system for the first half of year 2015 and it compares the performance with year 2014's statistics. The document, moreover, takes account of availability, security of supply and quality of service of the transmission network during the reported period.

All the index and other calculations in this report have been executed based on the data received through LISS (Licensee Information Submission System) and details obtained from CEB Monthly Review Reports.

2. Energy Sales

CEB sells the electricity transmitted from generation stations, to the distribution licensees. There are 5 major distribution licensees who purchase the power bulky and distribute among consumers. CEB itself owns 4 distribution licenses for four distribution regions and Lanka Electricity Company (LECO) owns one distribution license.

The charts and tables below show the monthly energy sales by transmission licensee (TL) to each distribution licensee (DL) in the first half of year 2015.

Liconcoc	TL to DL Energy Sales (MWh)						Total
Licensee	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	TOLAI
DL1	252,793	258,394	305,675	281,156	305,489	305,867	1,709,375
DL2	316,936	283,666	319,871	302,437	326,176	332,307	1,881,392
DL3	173,391	157,058	184,310	168,209	186,488	180,070	1,049,526
DL4	137,633	125,928	142,593	124,994	145,098	144,789	821,035
LECO	114,613	105,826	122,293	113,885	124,685	121,912	703,214
Total	995,366	930,871	1,074,743	990,681	1,087,936	1,084,946	6,164,543

Liconcoo	Sales by TL (MWh)					
Licensee	Day	Peak	Off-Peak	Total	% Total	
DL1	1,020,596	337,964	350,816	1,709,375	28%	
DL2	1,063,361	388,618	429,413	1,881,392	31%	
DL3	612,194	230,267	207,066	1,049,526	17%	
DL4	458,953	182,253	179,829	821,035	13%	
LECO	407,269	138,170	157,776	703,214	11%	
Total	3,562,372	1,277,271	1,324,899	6,164,543		





2.1 Transmission Losses

Transmission loss is calculated by taking the difference between total electrical energy received from the generating plants and the total energy supplied to all bulk supply distribution licensees. It is usual to express losses as a percentage value rather than an absolute value.

The definition of the transmission losses is defined as;

%Transmission Loss =
$$\frac{\sum E_G - \sum E_T}{\sum E_G} X 100\%$$

Where;

E_G = Total Energy Purchased from generation plants (MWh) during reported period

 E_T = Total Energy Sold to Distribution Licensees (MWh) during reported period

- Total Energy Loss in Sri Lankan Transmission Network during first half of year 2015 = 3.6 %
- Total Energy Loss in Sri Lankan Transmission Network in 2014 = 2.7 %

It can be noted that the transmission loss during the first half of year 2015 has been increased than it was in 2014.

Note: Transmission losses were calculated totally based on the data received through LISS.

3. System Availability

When considering transmission system availability, it is convention to analyze in terms of transmission system unavailability. The availability of the transmission system components depends on the number of faults which occur and on the number of outages taken to allow maintenance and construction work to be undertaken. System availability is reduced whenever a circuit is taken out of operation for either planned purposes or as a result of a fault.

System unavailability is calculated as a percentage of actual circuit hours unavailable in relation to total possible circuit hours available. Circuit outages that result from both planned and unplanned unavailability are taken into account.

System Unavailability = $\frac{\text{The sum of all circuit hours unavailable}}{(\text{No.of circuits}) X (\text{No.of hours in period})} \times 100\%$

A circuit is defined as transmission line, cable, transformer or any combination of these that connects two system bus bars.

Transmission System availability of the Transmission Licensee can be assessed through Individual Performance Indicators and Overall Performance Indicators. Individual Performance Indicators are used to measure Transmission System availability of each individual Transmission Line and each individual Grid Substation Transformer.

Overall System Performance Indices used to measure average Transmission System Availability, are defined below.

3.1 Overall System Unavailability – Transmission Lines

This measures the average fraction of time (expressed in percent) that Transmission Lines are unavailable for service in relation to the possible circuit hours available.

$$SA_L = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NL} H_j}{NL * T} \ge 100$$

Where;

H_i = Unavailable Duration of Transmission Line Circuit "j" (in hours).

NL = Total number of Transmission Line Circuits

T = Number of hours in the reported period.

- Unavailability of Transmission Lines in the first half of year 2015 = 0.22%
- Unavailability of Transmission Lines in year 2014 = 0.08 %
- Unavailability of 132kV Transmission Lines in the first half of year 2015 = 0.06%
- Unavailability of 132kV Transmission Lines in year 2014 = 0.09 %
- Unavailability of 220kV Transmission Lines in the first half of year 2015 = **0.91%**
- Unavailability of 220kV Transmission Lines in year 2014 = 0.03 %

Reference for the formula: National Electricity Transmission System Performance Report – England. Transmission System Performance Report of System Operator For Northern Ireland Ltd.

3.2.1 Monthly Variation

The chart below shows the monthly variation in transmission line unavailability.



Transmission Line Unavailability - 2015

3.2 System Transmission Transformers Unavailability

This measures the average fraction of time (expressed in percent) that Transmission Transformers are unavailable for service in relation to possible circuit hours available.

$$SA_T = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NT} H_j}{NT * T} \ge 100$$

Where;

 H_i = Unavailable Duration of Transmission Transformer "j" (in hours)

NT = Total number of Transmission Transformers

T = Number of hours in the reported period

- Total System Unavailability of Transmission Transformers in the first half of year 2015 = 1.07%
- Total System Unavailability of Transmission Transformers in year 2014 = 1.8%

3.2.1 Monthly Variation

The chart below shows the monthly variation in total system transformer unavailability.



3.3 System Average Frequency of Outages per 100km of Transmission Lines

This measures the average number of Outages per 100km of Transmission Line Circuits (Expressed in number of outages per 100 km of lines)

$$SAFO_{L_{100}} = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NL} NO_j}{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NL} LONG_j}{100}}$$

Where;

NO = Number of Outages of Transmission Line Circuit "j" during the reported period

NL = Total number of Transmission Line Circuits

LONG_j = Length of Transmission Line Circuit "j"

- Total System Average Frequency of Outages per 100km in the first half of year 2015 = 2.91
- Total System Average Frequency of Outages per 100km in the first half of year 2014 = **3.10**
- Average Frequency of Outages per 100km of 132kV lines in the first half of year 2015 = 3.23
- Average Frequency of Outages per 100km of 132kV lines in the first half of year 2014 = **3.75**
- Average Frequency of Outages per 100km of 220kV lines in the first half of year 2015 = 1.96
- Average Frequency of Outages per 100km of 220kV lines in the first half of year 2014 = 0.88

Reference for the formula: Transmission Performance Standards Code of Electricity Regulatory Commission of Jordann.

3.4 Transmission Line Interruption Duration Index (in Hours)

This measures the average time duration per reported period where a single transmission line circuit is not available in service.

$$UD_L = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NL} \sum_{i=1}^{kt} H_{i,j}}{NL}$$

Where;

 H_{ii} = Duration of Outage "i", that affected Transmission Line Circuit "j" (in hours)

NL = Total number of Transmission Line Circuits

kt = Total number of Outages of Transmission Line Circuit "j" during the reported period

- Transmission Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2015 = 9.54 hours
- Transmission Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2014 = 2.78 hours

- 220kV Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2015 = 39.62 hours
- 220kV Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2014 = 0.88 hours
- 132kV Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2015 = 2.44 hours
- 132kV Line Interruption Duration in the first half of year 2014 = 3.2 hours

Reference for the formula: Transmission Performance Standards Code of Electricity Regulatory Commission of Jordann.

3.5 Substation Transformer Interruption Duration Index (in Hours)

This measures the average time duration per reported period where a single substation transformer is not available in service.

$$UD_T = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{NT} \sum_{i=1}^{kt} H_{i,j}}{NT}$$

Where;

 H_{ii} = Duration of Outage "i", that affected Substation Transformer "j" (in hours)

NT = Total number of Substation Transformers

kt = Total number of Outages of Substation Transformer "j" during the reported period

- Interruption Duration per Substation Transformer in the first half of year 2015 = 46.5 hours
- Interruption Duration per Substation Transformer in the first half of year 2014 = 88.1 hours

3.5.1 Monthly Variation

The chart and table below show the monthly variation in interruption durations per substation transformer.



4. Transmission System Power Quality

Quality of a power system service is measured with reference to system voltage and frequency. Power quality indicators show how the transmission line parameters comply with the defined standards and limits.

4.1 Frequency Standard

Frequency variation is the deviation of frequency, beyond a certain range. The nominal allowed frequency range shall be 50 Hz \pm 1% in Sri Lanka. The system is normally managed such that frequency is maintained within operational limits of 49.5 and 50.5Hz. Frequency may, however, move outside these limits under faulty conditions, or when abnormal changes to operating conditions occur. Frequency deviation indices can be defined to find the number of time or duration that the system frequency goes beyond the allowable range.

CEB System Control unit records the system frequency every 0.25 seconds. To calculate the violations, 10 second mean values have been considered. Frequency distribution during the first half of year 2015 is plotted below with respect to 1,520,997 measurement samples.



To figure out the extent of frequency excursions, three frequency ranges can be defined as follows

1. Normal State

The Transmission System frequency is within the limit of 49.5Hz to 50.5Hz

2. Alert State

The Transmission System frequency is beyond the normal operating limit but within 49.0Hz to 51.0Hz

3. Emergency State

There is generation deficiency and frequency is below 49.0Hz

During the first half of year 2015 1,520,997 measurement samples were taken to assess the system frequency and the average frequency value was **50.015Hz**. According to the frequency standards the system must be normally managed such that frequency is maintained within operational limits of 49.5Hz and 50.5Hz and during the reported period system frequency has been maintained within that normal operating limit **99.98%** of the time. And the system frequency has deviated **0.02%** of the time to the Alert State and **0.001%** of the time to the Emergency State.

In the year 2014 the system frequency has been maintained within the normal operating limit **99.93%** of the time while the system frequency has deviated **0.06%** of the time to the Alert State and **0.004%** of the time to the Emergency State.

Reference to the definitions of frequency states: Transmission System Performance Report of Bhutan Power Corporation Limited.

4.2 Voltage Criteria

Voltage variation is the deviation of voltage in a certain range. Voltage deviations can be identified by monitoring the bus bar voltages of the grid substations. According to the defined standards, bus bar voltage magnitudes must comply with following allowed ranges of variation.

Voltage	Normal Condition	Single Contingency
220kV	± 5%	-10% to +5%
132kV	± 10%	± 10%

Voltage deviation indices can be defined to find the frequency or duration that the bus bar voltages violate above range.

By analyzing the recorded minimum bus bar voltages it could be identified that the allowable voltage limits have been violated every month during the reported period. Due to lack of data the frequency and the duration of voltage excursions could not be found.

4.3 Grid Substation Overloading

Overloading of grid substations is defined based on the loading levels of grid substation power transformers. Overloading of transformers must be avoided to avoid overheating, leading to equipment damages and reducing the life time of transformers.

During the first half of year 2015, out of 144 grid substation transformers, only 2 have been overloaded. The list of overloaded transformers is given below.

- Anuradhapura No.02 Transformer has been overloaded in 2 months with a maximum overloading of 5%. Recorded in the month of May.
- Anuradhapura No.03 Transformer has been overloaded only in the month of June with a maximum overloading of 3%

It is to be noted that only the above two transformers have been overloaded during the year 2014 as well.

5. Security of Supply

Power System security is the ability of the system to withstand sudden disturbances. To secure the supply the Transmission system must be able to deliver the power even under abnormal or faulty conditions. The security of supply can be measured by estimating the energy not served to the consumers during loss of supply.

5.1 Energy Not Supplied (ENS)

This gives an estimation of the Energy not supplied to the connected Load due to the Interruptions over a year.

$$ENS = \sum_{i=1}^{kt} PD_i * H_i$$

Where;

*PD*_{*i*} = Power disconnected by Interruption "i" (in MW).

 H_i = Duration of Interruption "i" (in hours)

kt = Total number of Interruptions during the reported period

- Energy Not Supplied due to all transmission system circuit interruptions in 2015= 1251.4 MWh
- Energy Not Supplied due to all transmission system circuit interruptions in 2014= 1733.6 MWh
- Energy Not Supplied due to transmission lines interruptions in 2015= 1097.9MWh
- Energy Not Supplied due to transmission lines interruptions in 2014= 1402.1 MWh
- Energy Not Supplied due to transmission transformer interruptions in 2015= 153.5MWh
- Energy Not Supplied due to transmission transformer interruptions in 2014 = **331.5 MWh**

5.1.1 Monthly Variation

The chart and table below show the monthly variation in energy not supplied to the system due to transmission line and transformer interruptions.



6. Conclusion

Compared to the transmission line and transformer availability in year 2014, it can be perceived that the transmission line availability has receded while transformer availability has improved in the first half of year 2015. Out of above, the overall transmission line availability has receded mainly due to 34 days outage occupied in one of the Vicoria – Kotmale lines.

Like in year 2014, only two substations have been overloaded during the first half of 2015 as well.

Compared to the Unserved Energy due to transmission line interruptions during year 2014, it can be perceived that the estimated amount of Unserved Energy has been decreased during year 2015.

The Report has moreover described and calculated a number of key performance indicators for Sri Lankan electricity transmission system. These indices can be used to measure the system performance compared with benchmarks and to illustrate the historical trends. The indicators for the present technical performance of the transmission system are useful when planning the future developments and taking the corrective actions if necessary to improve system performance and ensure a high degree of reliability of the transmission system.