



# **The Republic of the Union of Myanmar**

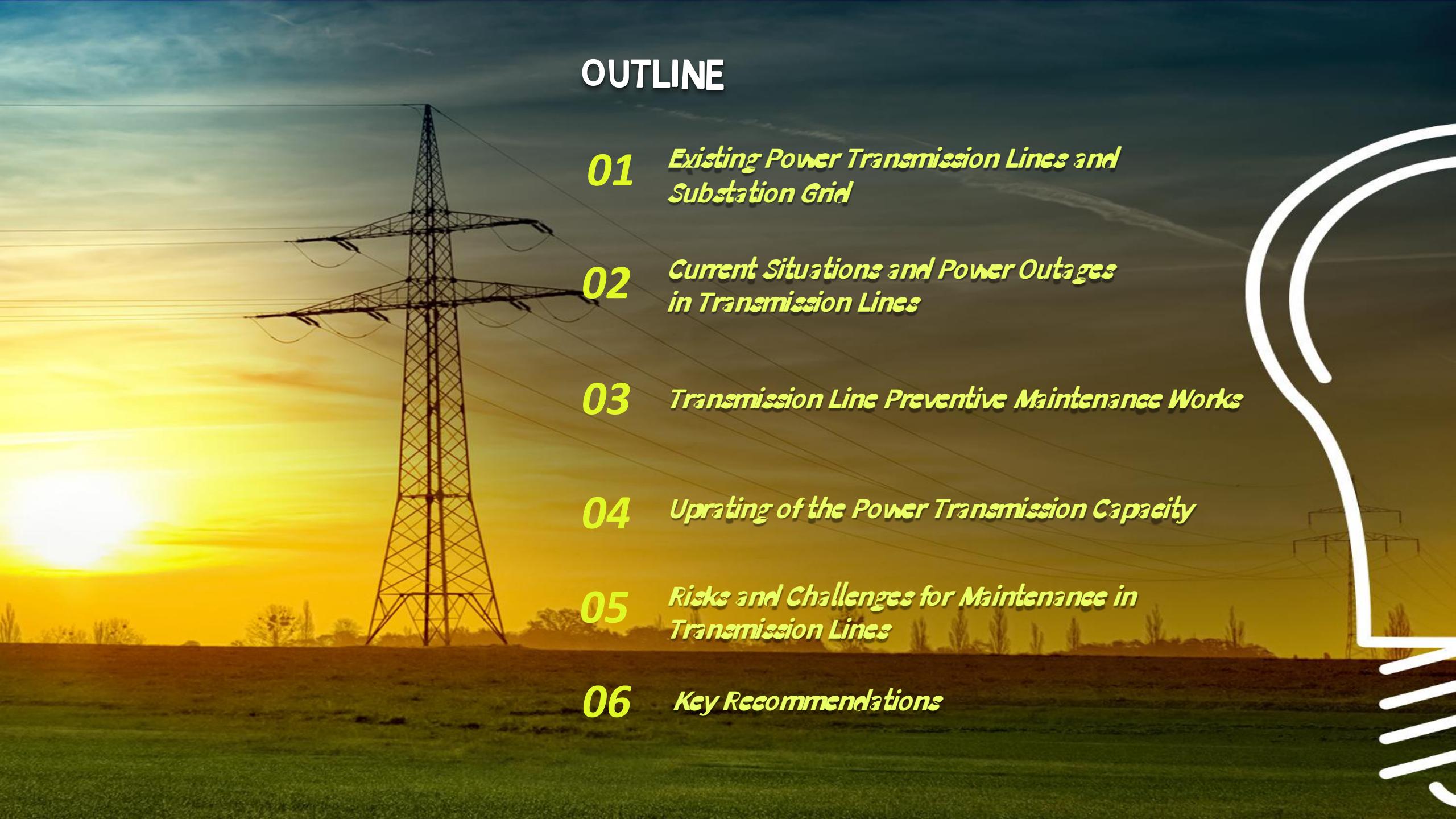
## **Ministry of Electric Power**



## **Best Practices in Maintenance of Transmission System**

**Venue -**

**Date – 10 February 2026**

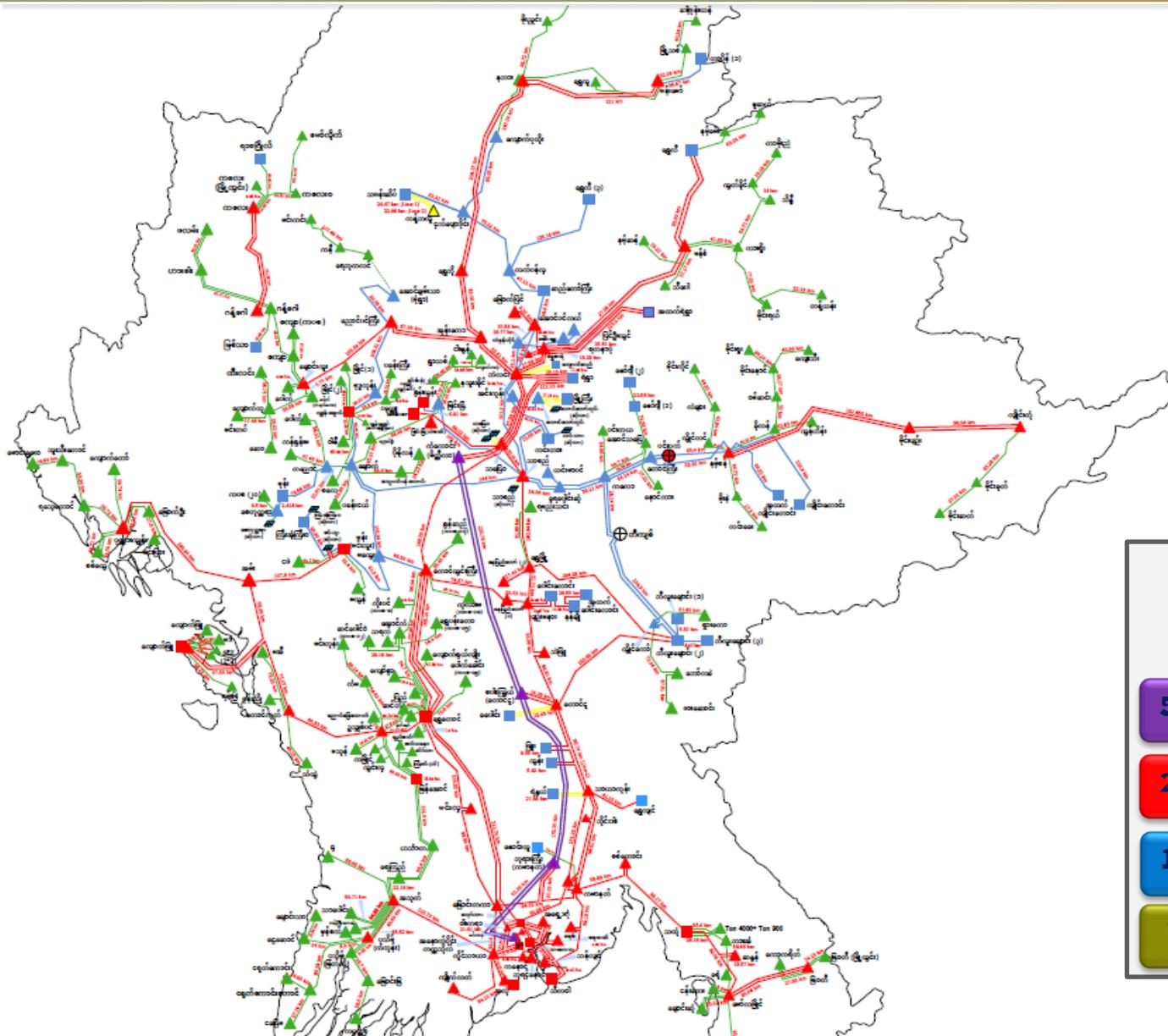


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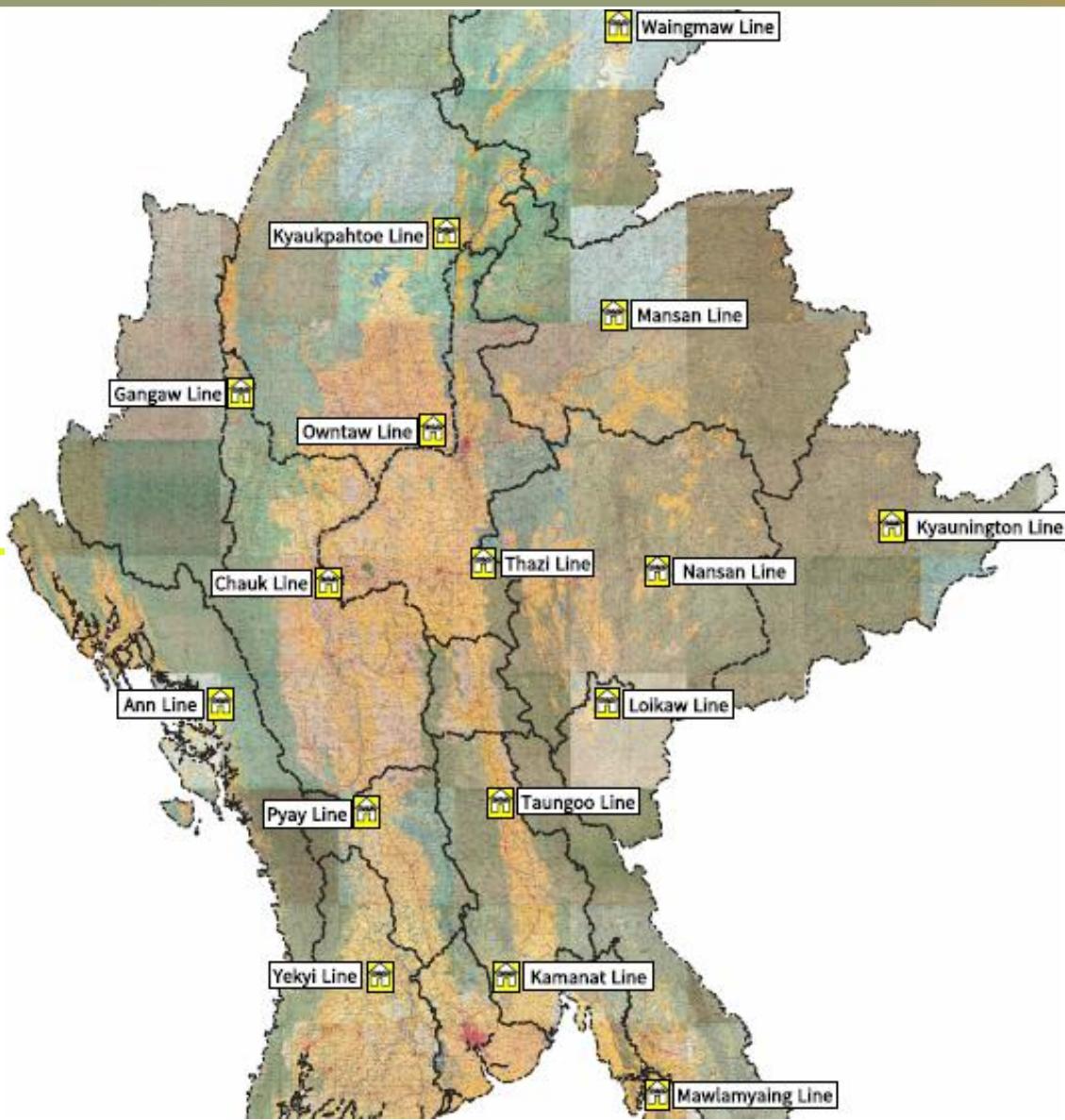
# Existing Power Transmission Lines and Substations Grid



Transmission Lines		Substations	
Nos	Miles	Nos	MVA
500 KV	4	254.19	4 4000
230 KV	92	3514.41	55 11231.5
132 KV	42	1442.10	21 2286
<b>Total</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>9120.35</b>	<b>80 13571.5</b>



# Transmission Line Maintenance Offices





# Fair Way (Right of Way) for Power Transmission Lines



Voltage Level	Center of Tower (Left & Right)	Total length of Fair Way
500 kV (or) 500,000 V	100 Feet	200 Feet
230 kV (or) 230,000 V	75 Feet	150 Feet
132 kV (or) 132,000 V	75 Feet	150 Feet
66 kV (or) 66,000 V	50 Feet	100 Feet
33 kV (or) 33,000 V	25 Feet	50 Feet

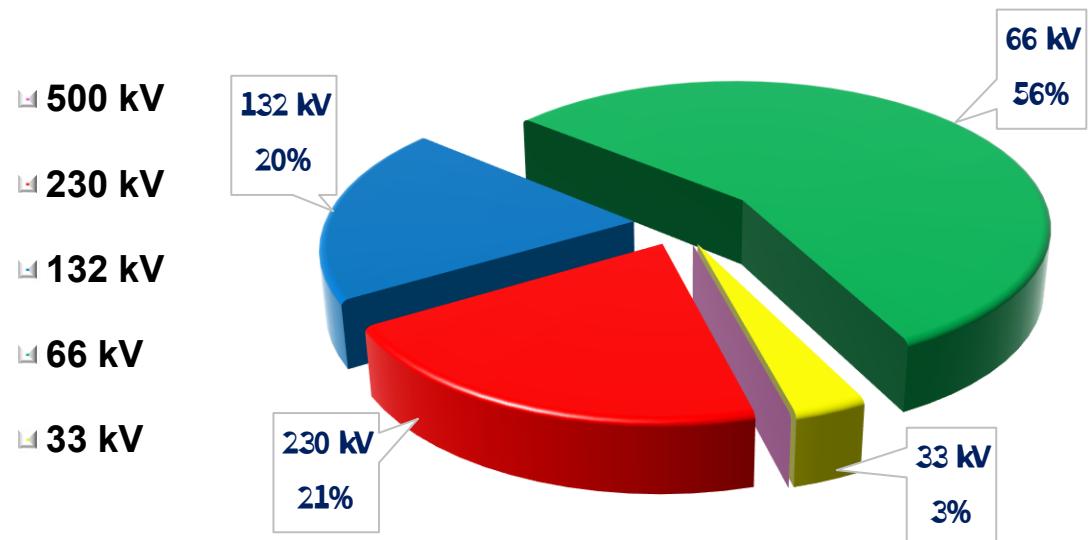


# Power Outages of Transmission Lines in Year 2025



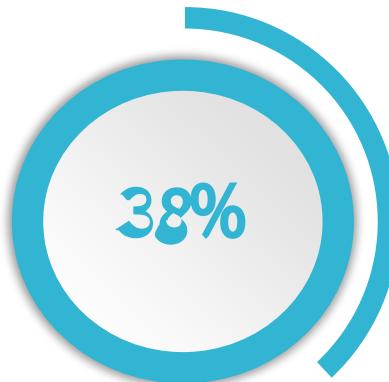
Voltage Level	Power Outages of Transmission Lines in 2025					
	500 kV	230 kV	132 kV	66 kV	33 kV	Total
Total	0	191	181	522	30	924

**Power Outages**





# Power Outages in Transmission Lines



## Weather and natural events

Storms, lightning, wind, snow can physically damage lines or towers.



## Human & Wildlife errors

Animals can cause short circuits and vehicles hitting poles/towers



## Equipment Failure

Breakdown of conductors, insulators, hardware, or towers



## Others

Such as overloads and system stress



# Photo Records for Causes of Power Outages in Transmission Lines



Power Outage by Flying Devices



Power Outage by Carbon Conduct



Power Outage by Animals (Bird)



# Transmission Line Preventive Maintenance Works



## Best Practice in Maintenance of Transmission System



Regular inspections, cleaning, tightening of fittings, checking conductors and insulators to prevent faults.



Repairing faults or failures after they occur, such as broken conductors, damaged insulators, or tower defects.



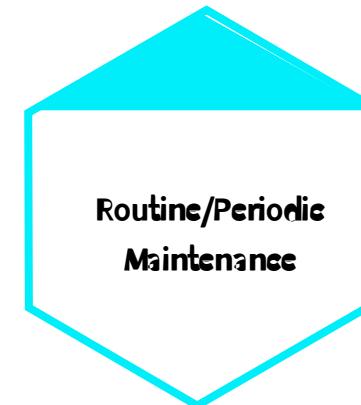
Using monitoring tools and sensors (thermography, corona cameras, vibration analysis) to predict failures before they happen.



Maintenance actions triggered by the actual condition of equipment rather than fixed schedules.



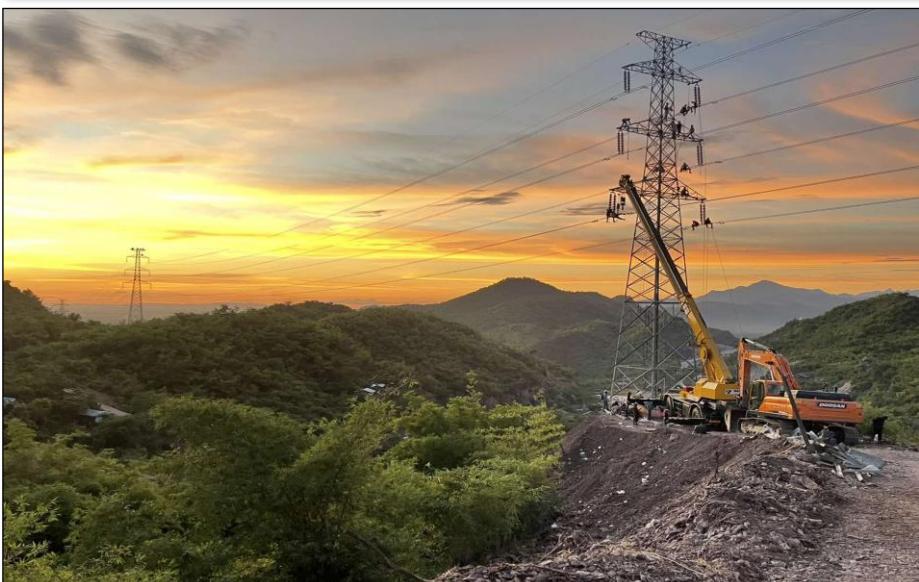
Urgent repair work in case of storms, accidents, or system outages.



Scheduled tasks such as line patrolling, vegetation control, and checking grounding systems.



# Photo Record in Preventive Maintenance Works



Latitude: 21.340689  
Longitude: 99.014495  
Elevation: 580.39±3.32 m  
Accuracy: 5.17 m  
Time: 03/02/2026 11:50

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# Photo Record in Preventive Maintenance Works





# Training Courses

*On Job and ground training courses*



- On job and ground training courses for power line maintenance are being offered at the central training school in Naypyitaw, along with on-site training at relevant line offices.



# On Job and Ground Training Courses



## Hands-on Line Maintenance:

Practical training on tower inspections, conductor stringing, hardware installation.

1

## Live Line Techniques:

Hot-stick and bare-hand methods for safe maintenance on energized lines.

3

## Fault Detection & Repairs:

On-site practice for identifying line faults and performing corrective maintenance.

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## Field Safety & PPE:

Training on grounding, personal protective equipment, and high-voltage safety protocols.

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4

## Tools & Equipment Handling:

Practical use of maintenance tools, climbing gear, and testing instruments.



# Photo Records in Training Courses



- Trainings for hands-on line maintenance, and field safety & PPE.
- On-site practice for identifying line faults and performing corrective maintenance.
- Practical use of maintenance tools, climbing gear, and testing instruments.





# Integrated Power Facilities Inspection Diagnosis Device



01	Name of Product	INSPECO P1
02	Type of Product	Ultrasonic Device
03	Company of Origin	Korea Inspeco Co.,Ltd
04	Country of Origin	Korea
05	Brand of Model	INSPECO, P1

## Ultrasound drive-by inspection technology

- ❖ **INSPECO P1** is designed for detecting degraded apparatus of overhead power facility.
- ❖ It is the only Ultrasound detection system with patent drive-by inspection which enables you to **inspect distribution facility while your vehicle is running as fast as 30 km/hr.**
- ❖ **INSPECO P1 is so sensitive which allows to detect ultrasound emissions from objects over 30m distance. Furthermore, it can pinpoint exact location of degraded equipment, less influenced by the surrounding noises.**



# Using Ultrasound Inspection Technology



## Benefits

- ❖ To predict the failure conditions in transmission line accessories.
- ❖ Interconnects with personal smartphones through wireless Wi-Fi and sends analysis reports of any defects directly to the smartphones for evaluation.
- ❖ By using interface and real-time dB information, P1 performs FFT waveform analysis that can accurately and efficiently analyze & determine a defect.



# Using Ultrasound Inspection Technology

**STEP 01** This device requires settings before taking measurements.

Temperature and humidity are automatically read directly from the device

**STEP 02**

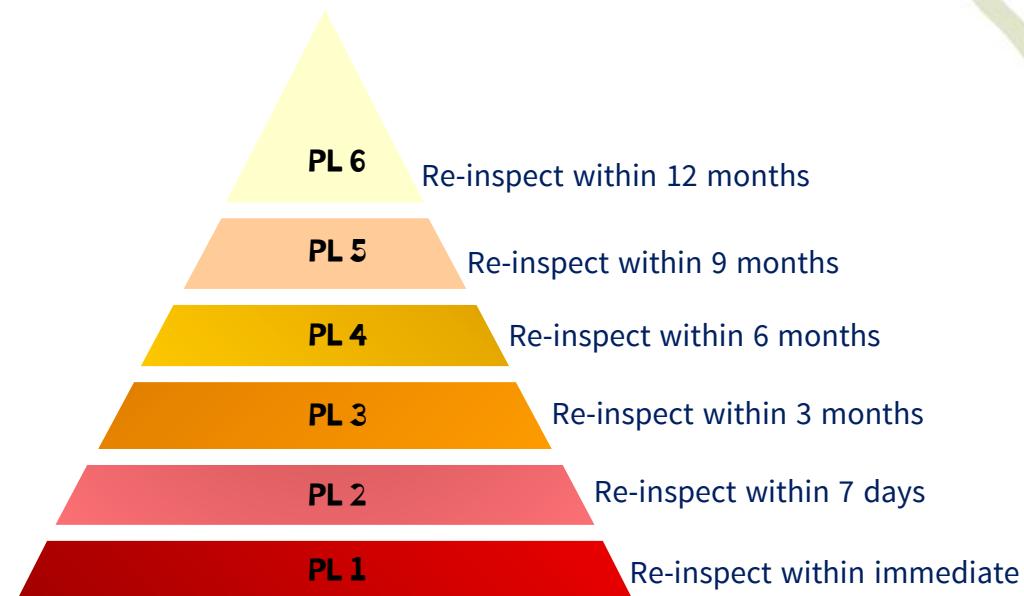
**STEP 03** The voltage level must be set to this device externally.

The ultrasound output is captured within 20 to 30 meters by directly weighing the object to be measured.

**STEP 04**

**STEP 05** Results can be generated in 6 levels of Damage Priority Level of the measured object.

## 6 Levels of Priority

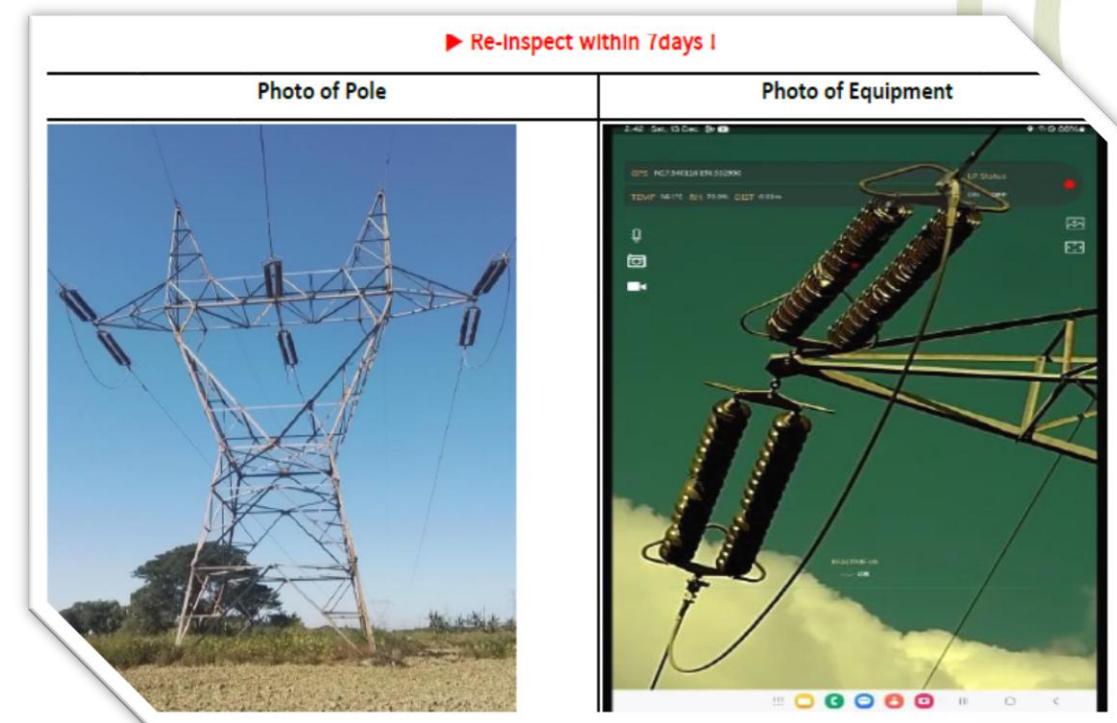




# Sample for Inspection Report

Ultrasonic Diagnosis Results Report																		
Line Name	Tharyarkhone-Kamanat	Pole No.	212	Line	Transmission	kV	230											
Distance(m)	13	Temperature (°C)	36.0	Humidity (%)	70.2	Real dB	9.86											
Kinds of equipment	Suspension Insulator		Conditions of equipment	Cracked														
Defect Content	error found in C Phase tension insulator (Two side)																	
Waveform																		
Priority Level																		
Priority Level [ PL2 ]																		

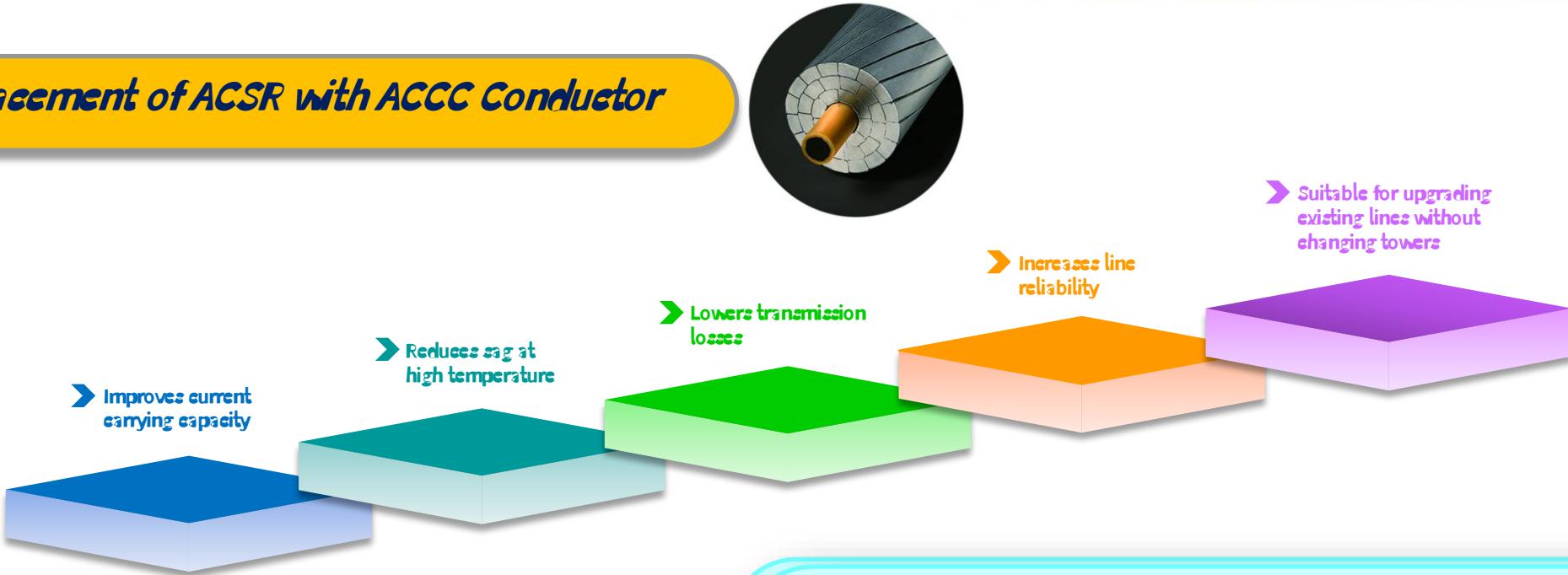
⚡ This report details an inspection of the 230 kV Tharyarkone-Kamanat transmission Line's insulator.





# Uprating of the Power Transmission Capacity

## Replacement of ACSR with ACCC Conductor



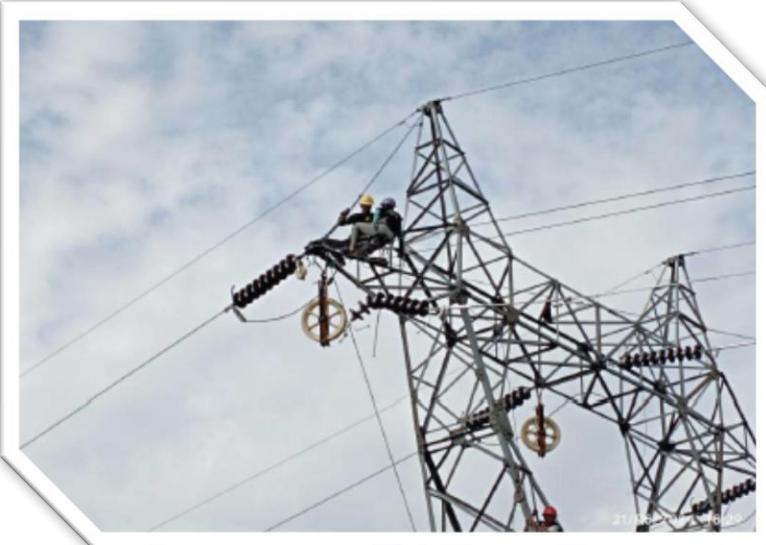
- The existing ACSR conductors on five (5) of 132 kV power transmission lines, which are the tie lines and lines connecting the Myanmar power grid to the generation plants, are being replaced with ACCC conductors
- It reduces thermal limits that cause bottlenecks.
- System reliability and stability are enhanced.



# Uprating of the Power Transmission Capacity



## *Photo Record of ACCC Conductor Replacing*

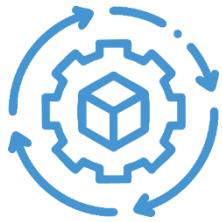


These are documents showing the replacement of ACSR conductor with ACCC conductor in Myanmar.





# Risks and Challenges for Maintenance in Transmission Lines



## Aging & Deteriorating Infrastructure

Many transmission lines in Myanmar, especially 132 kV lines, have aged and required a lot of maintenance because they were built using outdated technologies.

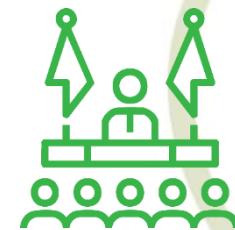


## Renovation & Upgrading

Aging transmission lines, conductors, insulators, and accessories need to be renovated and upgraded.

## Modernization capacity

Maintenance personnel and modern equipment are required to minimize maintenance efficiency and safety.



## Financial requirements

Financial resources are needed to modify the power line design to align with modern expectations and to construct higher towers.





## Key Recommendations

The government is also implementing renovation projects such as ACCC cable replacement and upgrading of transmission lines with the national budget. Regarding transmission line maintenance, we would like to make the following requests:

### Financial Investment

Funding for transmission line upgrades and modern maintenance tools & equipment.



### Training & Capacity Building

Advanced technical and safety training for engineers and technicians



### Opportunities

Knowledge exchange, workshops, and joint projects



### Other Support

Policy guidance, technical collaboration, research assistance, and career development opportunities.





## Conclusion



Together with BIMSTEC, Myanmar can build a safer, smarter, and more resilient power transmission network.



Thanks  
for Your Attention.

