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President Jokowi inaugurates Tangguh Train 3

TELUK BINTUNI: Today, President Joko Widodo officially inaugurated Tangguh Train 3, a national strategic project. Tangguh, located in Teluk Bintuni, Papua Barat is the largest gas producer in the country. When Train 3 reaches full capacity, Tangguh will account for approximately one-third of Indonesia's gas production.

The inauguration by President Widodo marked Train 3's start of commercial operations on 18 October and underlined Tangguh's significant contribution to the country's energy security. The inauguration ceremony was also attended by Arifin Tasrif, Energy & Mineral Resources Minister; Bahlil Lahadalia, Minister of Investment; Pratikno, Minister of State Secretary; Dwi Soetjipto, Chairman of Indonesia's upstream regulator SKK Migas; Anja-Isabel Dotzenrath, bp's executive vice president, gas & low carbon energy; and Kathy Wu, bp regional president Asia Pacific, gas & low carbon energy.

"Tangguh LNG is the largest gas producer in Indonesia and the Train 3 project will play a critical role in increasing the Indonesia's annual gas production," Energy Minister Arifin Tasrif said. The Minister also pointed out that the project has employed 5,450 local workers from the land of Papua.

Anja-Isabel Dotzenrath said, "We are honored to have the President inaugurate Tangguh Train 3. Tangguh is a world-class facility with 70% of staff drawn from the local Papuan community. Indonesia is an important country in our portfolio, we are grateful for the support of the government in helping to support Indonesia meet its growing energy needs. "

The completion of Train 3 is a significant milestone for Tangguh, which has been a vital pillar of Indonesia's energy infrastructure for the past 14 years. Around a third of Tangguh's three-train production is serving the domestic market, enough to generate electricity for roughly 18 million homes. On 18 October 2023, Train 3 safely shipped its first LNG cargo to PLN.

This is the first time that the President of Indonesia has visited Tangguh, which is located 3,000 km away from Jakarta with no direct flight connection. For Tangguh, the journey began almost 40 years ago with the Berau PSC awarded in 1987. Construction of Tangguh Train 3 began in 2016 and the project was safely completed and ready for start-up in July 2023.

In his speech, President Widodo also mentioned the next phase of Tangguh development, the UCC Project, which is also a national strategic project. In addition to further field development, the project aims to utilize carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS) technology to significantly reduce Tangguh's greenhouse gas emissions and potentially receive and store third-party CO₂, supporting Indonesia's Net Zero Emissions target of 2060 or sooner.

Notes to editors:

- Tangguh LNG is located in Teluk Bintuni Regency, Papua Barat Province, Indonesia. It has been in operation since 2009 and now consists of offshore gas production facilities supplying three 3.8mtpa liquefaction trains.
- Tangguh is operated by BP Berau Ltd on behalf of the other production sharing contract partners as contractor to SKK Migas. BP Berau Ltd and affiliates in Indonesia hold a 40.22% interest in the project. Other production sharing contract partners are MI Berau B.V. (16.30%), CNOOC Muturi Limited (13.90%), Nippon Oil Exploration (Berau), Limited (12.23%), KG Berau Petroleum Ltd and KG Wiriagar Petroleum Ltd (10.00%), and Indonesia Natural Gas Resources Muturi Inc. (7.35%).
- The Tangguh expansion project involved 17,500 tons of structural steel (more than the weight of two Eiffel Towers) and used 70,000 cubic meters of concrete (equivalent to the volume of 28 Olympic-sized swimming pools).
- bp is the largest UK investor in Indonesia. In addition to its interest in Tangguh LNG, bp has exploration interests off the coasts of Aceh and East Java, a fuel retail partnership, and its lubricants brand Castrol is active in the country.

Further information

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