

# PRESS STATEMENT

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## TNB INVESTS IN 30% STAKE IN INDIA'S GMR ENERGY FOR US\$300 MILLION

- TNB to benefit from long-term growth in India's power market
- GMR Energy currently has five operational power assets with an additional four assets under development
- Indian power market is adding 20GW in new capacity annually

**New Delhi, 9 May 2015** – Tenaga Nasional Berhad ("TNB") today announced its entry into India's rapidly expanding power sector after it signed a Subsciption Agreement ("SA") and Shareholders Agreement ("SHA") to invest in a 30% stake in Indian power company, GMR Energy Limited ("GEL"), for US\$300 million.

The transaction is expected to be completed within the next three to six months. It will also cement a strategic partnership with GMR Infrastructure Limited ("GIL"), one of India's largest infrastructure development conglomerates with businesses spanning energy, airports, transportation and urban infrastructure.

GEL, a subsidiary of GIL, has a portfolio of five operational power assets comprising coal, gas and Renewable Energy assets with a combined generation capacity of 4,630MW. An additional four power asets are currently under various stages of completion in India and Nepal with a combined generation capacity of 2,300MW.

Datuk Seri Ir. Azman Mohd, President/Chief Executive Officer TNB said "TNB's investment in GEL Energy meets all its investment criteria as this deal delivers tremendous potential and unlocks significant value. It places TNB in prime position to benefit from India's superior long-term electricity consumption growth potential, in one of the world's largest emerging economies. It also offers multiple avenues for growth in India's power sector, beyond generation, with the prospect of pan- Indian development.

"We welcome the opportunity to enter into a long-term working relationship with a best-in-class strategic partner with in-depth knowledge of the Indian power market, bring together our respective strengths and unleash synergies that will allow TNB to create a strong foothold and maximise opportunities inherent in the Indian power market which is adding 20GW of power annually.", he added.



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The investment, which will be financed by a combination of internal funds and/or external debt, is subject to the fulfilment of several conditions including obtaining regulatory approvals from relevant regulatory authorities both in India and Malaysia.

The advisors for this agreement include Credit Suisse (Exclusive Financial Advisor), Slaughter & May and Khaitan & Co (legal counsels) and KPMG India Private Limited (Transaction Due Diligence, Regulatory and Commercial Advisor).

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### **About Tenaga Nasional Berhad**

TNB's core activities are in the generation, transmission, and distribution of electricity. In addition to being the nation's primary electricity generation enterprise, TNB also transmits and distributes all the electricity in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Federal Territory of Labuan. As at 31 August 2014, TNB supplies electricity to approximately 8.6 million customers.

TNB, through its subsidiaries, is also involved in the manufacturing of transformers, high voltage switchgears and cables; the provider of professional consultancy services, construction and operating and maintenance of district cooling facilities, generation equipment, repair and maintenance, fuel supply services; services related to renewable energy, energy efficiency and power quality; higher education and skill training and undertakes research and development.

As an integrated electricity provider, TNB has and will continue to meet its crucial role in powering the nation's progress.

#### **About GMR Infrastructure Limited**

GIL is a leading global infrastructure conglomerate with interests in Airport, Energy, Transportation and Urban Infrastructure. The group has fifteen power generation projects, nine operating road assets and a double rail track line of eastern dedicated freight corridor under development.

GIL developed and operates India's busiest and currently World's No. 1 Indira Gandhi International Airport in New Delhi and greenfield Rajiv Gandhi International Airport at Hyderabad. GMR Infrastructure in partnership with Megawide Construction Corporation is developing Mactan Cebu International Airport (MCIA) in Philippines. The Group is also developing two Special Investment Regions at Krishnagiri and Kakinada and India's largest Smart Airport City near Hyderabad International Airport.