SALIENT FEATURES

Name of the Project Pegu Khola Small Hydropower Project

Source Pegu Khola

Type of Development Run-of-River (ROR)

Project District Dolakha

Project Gaupalika / Municipality Bigu

Accessibility

Kathmandu to Charikot 133 km (Black topped Road)

Charikot to Singati (Powerhouse) 47.5 km (Gravel/Earthen Road)

Singati to Sorung 25 km (Gravel/Earthen Road)

Sorung to Project Site 5 km (Gravel/Earthen Road)

Transmission

Length 13 km (from powerhouse of PKSHPP to NEA s/s

at 132/33 kV Singati S/S)

Voltage 33 kV

Hydrology

Catchment area at Intake side 34 km²

Design flood Discharge 16 m³/s

General Hydraulics

Capacity 3 MW

Diversion Weir

Type Broad crested shaped Boulder and Concrete weir

Length 14 m (with undersluice)

Crest elevation 1987.37masl Spillway type Free flow

Undersluice Opening (W X H) 1 nos (1.5 X 1.5 m)

Undersluice Crest Level 1984.87 masl

Intake cum Gravel Trap

Type Sub-merged orifice type, Side intake

Size of opening 1.5 m x 1.25 m, 2 nos.

Intake Sill Level 1986.37 masl

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Length of Gravel Trap 7.5 m

Width of Gravel Trap (Avg.) 2.55 m

Overall depth 3.10 m

Particle Size to be trapped 5 mm

Flushing Channel 20.15 m length (0.5 x 0.5 m)

Approach Canal

Type RCC, Box culvert

Length 46 m

Size 1.5 m x 1.30 m

Desanding basin

Type/ No of bays Gravity Flushing type Double chamber

Dimension (L x B x H) 43 m x 3.5 m x 3.2 m (2 chamber)

Inlet transition Length 8.0 m
Particle size to be settled 0.2 mm
Trapping efficiency 90%

Headrace Pipe

Type Mild Steel
Length 1300 m
Internal Diameter 1.10 m
Steel thickness 6 mm

Forebay

Type RCC Tank

Size 15 m x 5 m x 3 m (L x B x H)

Normal Operation Level 1984.241 masl

Steel Penstock Pipe

Type Mild Steel

Internal Diameter 1 m
Length 900 m

Steel Thickness 6 mm to 14 mm

Nos. of Anchor Blocks 10 nos. Nos. of Saddle Support 85 nos.

Powerhouse

Type Surface

Size (L x W) 20 m x 10 m

Height 9 m

Turbine Axis Level 1797 masl

Tailrace

Type Box- Culvert
Size (W x D) 1.5 m x 1.2 m
Tailrace Water Level 1795.05 masl

Turbine

Type/No. of units Pelton / 2 Nos.
Rated output 1563 kW each

Net Head $182.22 \ m$ Discharge per Unit $0.975 \ m^3/s$

Efficiency 90 %

Governer

Type Digital Microprocessor Based

Adjustment for Speed Drop 0-10 %

Generator

Type Horizontal synchronous

Rated Capacity 1765 kVA each

Power Factor 0.85
Generation Voltage 6.3 kV
Frequency 50 Hz

No. of Units 2

Excitation System Brushless Excitation

Efficiency 96 %

Transformer

Type Three Phase

Unit 1 No.

Rated capacity / Efficiency 3600 kVA / 99 %

Vector group YNd11

Power factor / Frequency 0.85 / 50 Hz Voltage ratio 6.3/33 kV

Energy output

Annual energy 16.245 GWh
Dry energy 2.447 GWh

Wet energy 13.797 GWh

Financial parameters (based on 2024 price level, Economic life = 30 years)

Assumptions

Debt-Equity ratio 70:30
Interest rate 10%

Repayment period 12 Years

Before financing After financing

Total Project cost, NRs. 54.28 Cr NRs. 57.92 Cr Cost per kW, NRs. 18.10 Cr. NRs. 19.31 Cr.

Financial Indicators

Project Internal Rate of Return (PIRR) 13.00% Return on Equity (RoE) 15.62%

Net Present Value (NPV) '000 NRs. 135,665

B/C ratio 1.27
Average Debt Service Cover Ratios 1.47

Cost Per Unit Electricity Generation NRs. 3.78