

Announcement for Public Consultation

Public Consultation on the Terms of Reference for Environmental Impact Assessment

- a. Name of project proponent: **TIMOR GAP Pualaca Block Unip, Lda (PSC TL-OT-21-17).**
- b. Location of the proposed project: **The proposed project consists of drilling three onshore exploratory wells within Manatuto Municipality. The drilling wells are Daulorok well, Pualaca well, are located in suco Orlalan, aldeia Orlalan and Pualaca, Administrative Post of Laclubar and W1 well, which is located in suco Uma-Boco, aldeia Fehuc Rin, Administrative Post of Barique.**
- c. Exploratory Drilling type and size: **The drill site area of each well is approximately 10,000m² to 20,000 m². The estimated total well depth is 2,000m–3,000m, and the expected drilling duration is 30 to 60 days.**
- d. The purpose of the drilling project is **to confirm the presence, of hydrocarbon resources that has been identify through integrated subsurface study. In addition, with acquired more geological information for the future reference for other surrounding potential prospects or leads or blocks.**
- e. As per applicable Laws in Timor-Leste and the decision category assigned by the ANP, the proposed project is classified as Category “A”, vide. letter number ANP/HSE/S/26/093 dated 4th May 2026. And shall undertake an **environmental assessment (EIA).**
- f. The Terms of Reference for this study must be accepted by the ANP prior to the preparation, development and submission of the Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Management Plan of the proposed project. **Draft TOR is prepared as per ANP Guideline for the preparation of TOR for Environmental Impact Assessment for Petroleum Activities dated 20th December 2024. The TOR has the scope of work that is to be carried out during the EIA process. The TOR describes the proposed drilling project, legal requirement, description of the environment covering physical biological and socio economic, baseline data collection for existing environmental quality, socio economic survey, project location, impact assessment, risk classification, potential impact, and outline of public consultation and EIS structure.**
- g. The Terms of Reference have been submitted to the ANP and are now available for public viewing and comment. **Any feedback and comments received during this process will be taken into consideration, where appropriate, and will be incorporated into EIS and EMP report.**
- h. The hard copy of the Terms of Reference are available for viewing during normal working hours at the following addresses:
 - **Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo Office**
City 8 Compound, Rua Has-Laran, Aldeia Fomento II,
Suco Comoro, Dom Aleixo - Dili, Timor-Leste; and
 - **TIMOR GAP Pualaca Block Unip, Lda. office**
Timor Plaza, CBD 2, Level 2, Unit 205
Av. Presidente Nicolau Lobato
Comoro, Dom Aleixo, Dili, Timor-Leste

- i. The Terms of Reference are also available for viewing outside the normal working hours at:
ANP website
<https://www.anp.tl/terms-of-reference-tor-for-the-exploratory-drilling-in-the-pualaca-block-area/>
TIMOR GAP website
<https://www.timorgap.com/exploratory-drilling-timor-gap-pualaca-block-psc-tl-ot-21-17/>
- j. The term of reference is now available for viewing on the above two websites. Any member of the public can comment on the Terms of Reference, via emails provided below.
- k. Any comments on the Terms of Reference must be submitted in writing to **Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo, City 8 Compound, Rua Has Laran, Aldeia Fomento II, Suco Manleuana, Dom Aleixo, Dili, Timor-Leste, P.O. Box 113.** And it can also be sent to **Mrs. Isaura Gomes** or **Mr. Jose Sarmento** at the Autoridade Nacional do Petróleo in writing or by email to isaura.gomes@anp.tl or jose.sarmiento@anp.tl or hse.staff@anp.tl. Comments can also be submitted to the project proponent by email to **Mrs. Lilia da Silva** at lilia.dasilva@pualaca.timorgap.com or **Mr. Venancio de Jesus** at venancio.dejesus@pualaca.timorgap.com.
- l. All comments shall be submitted to ANP and/or project proponent **by 5 August 2026.**



TIMOR GAP Pualaca Block, Unip. Lda.

Date, 14 July 2026