

### MINISTRY IN THE PRESIDENCY FOR ELECTRICITY



### **MINISTERIAL ENERGY ACTION PLAN BRIEFING**

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#### 12-Month trend assessment (January 2023 – January/February 2024)



The improvement of the EAF and unplanned outages is as a result of concerted efforts focusing on priority power stations (Kusile, Kendal, Majuba, Matla, Tutuka and Duvha) where each power station has its detailed recovery plan. A total of 3 510MW was recovered by January 2024 through these interventions.



The highest level of planned maintenance was performed between December 2023 and January 2024, reaching an average of 18% of the generation capacity.



Although heightened maintenance negated the EAF, the deliberate spike in planned maintenance is aimed at improving the reliability of the generation fleet to deliver long-term benefits and ensure security of energy supply.



A comparison of loadshedding between December 2022 and February 2023 (from 1 December 2022 to 16 February 2023) and in the same period (1 December 2023 to 16 February 2024), indicates that there was a reduction of loadshedding hours from 1 801.25 hours to 1 217.98 hours, which is about 600 hours less.



The reduction in the intensity and frequency of loadshedding as well as the positive EAF trajectory are the real signs that there is some improvement in the performance of the generation fleet. The focus remains on sustaining this trajectory.



#### Generation performance: Month to Date (12-23 February 2024)

Date (08:00 daily)	Capacity Available (MW)	Planned outages (MW)	UCLF, Partial Losses & outage delays (MW)	Partial Load Losses (MW)	p.m. peak forecasted (MW)	Units at Risk (MW)	Outage Slip (MW)	Load Shedding Stages (range)
12-Feb-24	24890	5933	17183	5652	26902	4619	3122	Stage 5
13-Feb-24	25932	7329	14688	6373	26727	4619	2205	Stage 3/4
14-Feb-24	26342	6518	15118	6678	26701	5194	2205	stage 3/4
15-Feb-24	26357	6461	15096	6728	26099	4601	2262	Stage 3
16-Feb-24	26828	6931	14069	6991	25555	4601	2205	stage 3&2
Average	26070	6634	15231	6484	26397	4727	2400	
19-Feb-24	26960	7811	13215	6045	26769	3451	2605	Stage 2
20-Feb-24	26446	7233	14351	6918	26375	4276	2605	Stage 2
21-Feb-24	26231	7236	14334	5800	26127	5632	2605	Stage 2
22-Feb-24	23883	7876	16103	5228	26639	4451	2030	Stage 4
23-Feb-24	24488	7291	15990	5704	25193	5026	1415	Stage 4
Average	25602	7489	14799	5939	26221	4567	2252	
May-23 Baseline	27410	3120	17369	6793	31135	6579	3478	



Generation performance: Month to Date (MTD) Trend Analysis against May 2023 Baseline – Feb 2024

period (08:00 daily)	Capacity Available (MW)	Planned outages (MW)	UCLF, Partial Losses & outage delays (MW)	Partial Load Losses (MW)	p.m. peak forecasted (MW)	Units at Risk (MW)	Outage Slip (MW)
05 - 07 Feb 2024	26078	6989	14803	6099	26354	4935	3266
12 - 16 Feb 2024	26070	6634	15231	6484	26397	4727	2400
19 - 23 Feb 2024	25602	7489	14799	5939	26221	4567	2252
MTD Average	25916	7038	14944	6174	26324	4743	2639
May-23 Baseline	27410	3120	17369	6793	31135	6579	3478



#### A downward trend in Unplanned Outages over 12 months (Jan 2023-Feb 2024)



There has been a declining trend in unplanned losses since mid-winter 2023, with monthly unplanned unavailability stabilisation followed by a sustained reduction.



#### **Events Leading to stage 4 load shedding 23 February 2024**



Last Thursday, generation capacity was lost from five generating units at Kendal. This (together with a unit loss at Duvha) resulted in the need to ramp up loadshedding to Stage 4 from 4:00



Kendal Unit 1 was taken offline on Wednesday at 20:00 due to leaking safety valves, which caused the capacity of the demineralised water storage tanks to run low. While recovering the storage water tanks, a contamination incident occurred in the water treatment plant, necessitating the isolation of the plant to investigate the root cause.



During this period of investigation, the level of auxiliary cooling water, which also uses demineralised water, ran low. This led to capacity loss from four generating units at 2:00 in the morning

- □ Retuned to service
  - □ Kendal 4 (returned 23 Feb)
  - □ Kendal 3 (returned 25 Feb
  - □ Kendal 5 (26-Feb 13:00)
  - □ Kendal 2 (Midweek)
  - □ Kendal 1 (Planned Maintenance)



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