



**Brief Summary Report
On**

**Release of Report on BIMSTEC Energy Outlook 2030¹ in the Conference on BIMSTEC at its 20:
Towards a Bay of Bengal Community, 20th March 2018-BIMSTEC Secretariat House No- 6, Road
No-53, Gulshan-02, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh**

Dhaka, 20th March, 2018

The SARI/EI report on BIMSTEC Energy Outlook 2030² was released in the inaugural session of the Conference on “BIMSTEC at its 20: Towards a Bay of Bengal Community³” held on 20th March 2018 at BIMSTEC Secretariat in Dhaka, Bangladesh. H E Mr. Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali, MP, Hon’ble Foreign Minister of Bangladesh inaugurated the day long conference⁴ on marking the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation or BIMSTEC. Mr. V.K. Kharbanda, Project Director, SARI/EI in his address thank H.E. Secretary General, BIMSTEC for giving an opportunity to SARI/EI to Release the Report on BIMSTEC Energy Outlook 2030 and briefly shared the objective, contents covering the Report on BIMSTEC Energy Outlook 2030 and overview of the SARI/EI program. He mentioned that BIMSTEC Energy Outlook 2030 is the first of its kind report in the BIMSTEC region which covers substantial data, sectoral analysis, investment requirements, Demand-Supply projections up to 2030, and institutional structure and energy security considerations related to energy/electricity covering all the seven BIMSTEC countries. The report will not only help in improving the Energy literacy among BIMSTEC member states but also will bring more cohesion and sustenance about the Energy/Electricity cooperation initiatives among BIMSTEC member states over a long period of time. Mr. V. K. Kharbanda PD, SARI/EI said as adequate supply of Energy/Electricity is pre-requisite for all pursuits of life, this report will help policy makers of all BIMSTEC countries to plan, enhance energy integration and accelerate economy and bring prosperity in the BIMSTEC region. Diplomats, Scholars, think-tanks, government officials, diplomats, business leaders and other stakeholders of the BIMSTEC member states - Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Myanmar, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Thailand –took part in the conference that took stock⁵ of the achievements with a focus on the future course of action.



Figure 1 BIMSTEC Energy Outlook-2030 Report was Released in the Conference on BIMSTEC at its 20: Towards a Bay of Bengal Community held on 20th March 2018 (Right to Left –Mr. V.K. Kharbanda , Project Director, SARI/EI, His Excellency Professor Dr. Chop Lal Bhusal, Ambassador of Nepal to Bangladesh, H E Mr. Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali, MP, Hon’ble Foreign Minister of Bangladesh, Ambassador M Shahidul Islam, Secretary General of BIMSTEC and Mr. Rajiv Ratna Panda, Program Coordinator, SARI/EI



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