



# An Open Letter to the Members of the Board and Shareholders of the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC)

On the occasion of your Annual General Meeting (AGM), we would like to take this opportunity to reach out to you about ICBC's climate policy and plans for a low carbon pathway.

It's been almost a year now since President Xi Jinping told the United Nations General Assembly that "China will step up support for other developing countries in developing green and low-carbon energy, and will not build new coal-fired power projects abroad." He reiterated this pledge during the 30th Asean-China dialogue held in November 2021. Within the context of the accelerating climate crisis, we would like to know the steps

you have undertaken to be consistent with this policy to end overseas coal. In particular, how has President Xi's announcement been translated into policies and concrete actions concerning ICBC's involvement in coal projects in the pipeline, and on fossil gas? We are also interested to know how your support and participation for the much needed acceleration of the development of renewable energy systems will be scaled up in developing countries, especially in Asia.

The <u>latest report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC)</u> indicated the urgency of stopping all carbon dioxide emissions globally by 2050 to keep global average temperature rise below 1.5°C and avoid catastrophic climate change. The report also states that, "global GHG emissions must fall by 43 per cent by 2030 compared to 2019 levels, amounting to 31 GtCO2e in 2030. And the use of coal, oil, and gas must decline by 95 per cent, 60 per cent and 45 per cent by 2050 compared to 2019."

The world is already facing numerous and unavoidable climate hazards. Unless a drastic and deep reduction in CO2 and other greenhouse gas emissions occurs, we will all suffer the consequences of catastrophic climate change.

We will appreciate any clarification or additional information that you may be able to share with climate-aware environmental groups like us. We are aware that ICBC is currently involved in the following projects:

### **VIETNAM**

- Vinh Tan -3 Coal-Fired Power Plant (Units 1-3) 3 supercritical units, which is part of the Vinh Tan Complex with a capacity of 1900 MW located at Binh Thuân Province.
- Nam Dinh 1 Coal-Fired Power Plant (Units 1-2) 2 ultra-supercritical units each equipped with a circulating fluidised bed (CFB) boiler technology with a capacity of 1, 200m MW located at Hai-hau District, Nam Dinh Province.
- **An Khanh** Bac Giang Coal Power Plant circulating fluidized bed with a capacity of 650 Mw located at Bắc Giang Province.

### **INDONESIA**

- **Sumsel-1 power station** also known as South Sumatra 1, a 600-megawatt (MW) subcritical coal-fired station in South Sumatra Province.
- Bengkulu power station 200 MW (Units 1& 2) subcritical coal-fired power station located in Port of Baai Island, Bengkulu City, Regency, South Sumatra
- ICBC (Financial Leasing) partners with BW Group for a 1 year extension of contract in providing LNG production and storage services on the TSB Field in Indonesia.

# **PAKISTAN**

- Thar Block-1 Integrated Coal Mine-Power Project is a combined coal mine and coal-powered energy generation project with a capacity of 1, 320 MW located in Mithi, Tharparkar District, Pakistan.
- ICBC (Financial leasing) long-term strategic partnership with BW FSRU providing production and storage and regasification services up to 750 million standard cubic feet of LNG per day, in Port Qasim.

## **PHILIPPINES**

• ICBC (Financial Leasing) strategic partnership with BW FSRU - providing LNG storage and regasification services and increasing LNG access to nearby industrial areas and the rest of the country.

The time to act on climate change is fast running out. We urge ICBC to act swiftly and take a strong participation towards China's more ambitious climate action. We sincerely hope that the steps that will be undertaken by your company are consistent with the pronouncements stated by President Xi Jingping.

Signed by the following peoples' movements, networks and CSOs in Asia:

Asian Peoples Movement on Debt and Development (APMDD)
Asian Energy Network (AEN)
350.org Asia
Action for Ecology and People's Emancipation (AEER), INDONESIA
KRUHA (The People's Coalition for The Rights to Water), INDONESIA
Trend Asia, INDONESIA
WALHI (Friends of the Earth- Indonesia) - INDONESIA

YAPPIKA (ActionAid Indonesia), INDONESIA Agrarian's Collective Pakistan, PAKISTAN Akhuwat Kissan, PAKISTAN Anjuman e Muzareen e Punjab, PAKISTAN Cholistan Development Council, PAKISTAN Clean and Green Khai, PAKISTAN Climate Activists Collective, PAKISTAN

Community Developers Association (CDA), PAKISTAN
Crofter Foundation, PAKISTAN

Feminist Collective Pakistan, PAKISTAN

Gilgit-Baltistan Social Welfare Organization, PAKISTAN

Haqooq e Khalq Movement, PAKISTAN

Home Net Pakistan, PAKISTAN

Kissan Ikkat, PAKISTAN

Kissan Karkeela, PAKISTAN

Kissan Ravi Club, PAKISTAN

Labour Education Foundation, PAKISTAN

Labour Qomi Movement, PAKISTAN

Pakistan Fisherfolk Forum (PFF)

Pakistan Institute of Labour Education and Research (PILER), PAKISTAN
Pakistan Kissan Rabita Committee (PKRC), PAKISTAN

Policy Research Institute for Equitable Development (PRIED), PAKISTAN

Progressive Student's Collective, PAKISTAN

Sanga, PAKISTAN
Sawera Foundation, PAKISTAN

Sindh Hari Porhyat Council, PAKISTAN

Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), PAKISTAN

Tameer e Nau Women's Worker Organization, PAKISTAN

Textile Powerloom Garments Workers Federation, PAKISTAN

Visionary Forum, PAKISTAN

Young Reformers, PAKISTAN

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Philippine Movement for Climate Justice -Ozamis, PHILIPPINES

Philippine Movement for Climate Justice-Visayas, PHILIPPINES

Oriang Women's Movement, PHILIPPINES

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