

Crossing Over to Brazil

LOCATION
Pernambuco, Brazil



POWERING UP THE 'GREEN ARCH' IN BRAZIL

We won the Arcoverde (literally the 'Green Arch') project, our very first on foreign soil, in an auction conducted by the Brazilian Electricity Regulatory Agency (ANEEL) in April 2017. The concession was signed in August 2017. This project was key to establishing our credibility as a trusted transmission player in the country.

THE CHALLENGES

Considering our first project on foreign lands, the Arcoverde project was faced with two major challenges - attaining financial closure for the project and obtaining the various environmental clearances for the project.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Our first foray into Brazilian territory notwithstanding, we attained financial closure for the project within a short period of time. We generated ~800 jobs through the course of the project in the region. We obtained the required environmental license in record six-and-a-half months. What's more, we successfully completed the project a whopping 28 months ahead of the schedule set by ANEEL. Not only did this exemplify our project execution capabilities, it helped us showcase how power infrastructure can serve the country's grid.

WHAT WE DID

We began the project implementation with diligent planning and carried out our work with extreme sensitivity to ensure minimum outages, on account of any overlap with the corridor. Our teams simultaneously liaised with various entities during the planning phase to overcome the right-of-way issues.