COTE D’IVOIRE: PROJECT FOXTROT

THE CHALLENGE

- Due to inadequate coordination and financial constraints, the expansion of power generation capacity is today hindered by lags in development of new gas resources.
- Lack of creditworthy offtaker prevented much needed private investments
- Financial situation of the sector was reasonable, but needed support from the Government
- Lack of track record implementing similar projects, and country’s experience with civil wars, added to the difficulty in attracting private investments

THE SOLUTION

- Through the WB Guarantee the private investors were able to increase gas production for additional 140mcf/d
- The WB Guarantee of US$ 60 million was able to attract investments worth of US$ 960 million resulting in one of the largest foreign investments in the country and in the gas sector
- Security Package designed to provide comfort to private sector while at the same time reduce the need for Government guarantee
- Created market confidence and built track record
- Allowed for fair and equitable risk sharing with the private sector
- Transaction completed in 6 months in CY13.
The proposed Guarantee will use a letter-of-credit (L/C) structure to support Côte d’Ivoire’s payment obligations under the GSPA to the JV partners, excluding the share corresponding to PETROCI (SOE)