



## OFFICE OF UTILITIES REGULATION

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### **AHMAD ZIA MIAN**

Director General, Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR)

**AHMAD ZIA MIAN** was appointed Director General of the Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) with effect from February 10, 2009.

Mr. Mian is a Trained Economist and Financial Analyst with just under fifty years experience working with private, public, international and multilateral organizations. His areas of expertise include Energy; Infrastructure & Energy Projects; Project Operations & Finance and Information & Communication Technology (ICT).

He has also facilitated a number of seminars on regulatory framework, procurement and project finance. In addition, he has been a regular contributor to the print media on energy, economics and regulatory issues affecting the geographic regions of Asia, Africa, Latin America, South Pacific and the Caribbean.

The holder of a **B.A. (Hons.)** in Economics & Literature and a **M.A.** in Economics from the Punjab University – Pakistan; Mr. Mian has also earned a **M.Sc.** in Economics from the University of the West Indies – Jamaica, as well as a Post Graduate Diploma in Economics from the Pakistan Institute of Development Economics – Pakistan. In addition, he holds a **LLB** from Karachi University – Pakistan in International and Corporate Law, as well as a Master of Technology from Oracle, USA and a MS in System Engineering from Microsoft, USA. He also pursued a post graduate program at the University of Pennsylvania.

Prior to joining the OUR, Mr. Mian served as a consultant to the Government of Jamaica in the Office of the Prime Minister/Cabinet Office and the Ministries of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade and Mining & Energy.

Between 1978 and 1980, he was the Chief Technical Advisor and Project Manager for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) energy project in Jamaica and assisted in establishing petroleum supplies arrangements with Nigeria and the establishment of the Petroleum Corporation of Jamaica (PCJ).

Subsequently, Mr. Mian worked with the World Bank for almost twenty years (1980-1999). Significantly, his appointment as OUR's Director General continues a journey which began between 1990 and 1994 when, on loan to the Government of Jamaica by the World Bank, he was the Energy Policy/Technical Advisor on issues of deregulation, liberalization and the development of regulatory framework for utilities and assisted with the establishment of the Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR). In addition, he assisted with the development of the first IBRD/IDB/EIB financed take-out-option for private sector financed power generation project and drafted the energy sector policy/strategy and developed the enabling environment for successful private sector participation in the industry.