

Bahrain: 16 new substations to be built

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The Kingdom yesterday signed three contracts worth almost BD14.6 million for the building of 16 substations and the enhancing of the water network.

Executive Director of the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA) Dr. Abdul Majeed Al Awadhi signed the three agreements yesterday that together make up the largest project ever undertaken by the Authority.

The first contract, worth almost BD3.9 million, was signed with Olympic Contracting Co. for the building of eight 66 kilovolt substations in Salmabad, Mahzaa, Isfala, East Muharraq, Al Zahraa, East Hidd and Northern Seef.

The second contract, valued at BD3.7 million, was awarded to M&A Construction Company for the building of eight other such substations in Dohat Juffair, Diraz, Magaba, Jid Hafs, Malkiya, Zalaq, Jiblat Habshi and Hfaira.

The building of these 16 substations is the largest such project in the Authority's history and will greatly contribute to the transferring of electrical power from the Al Dour plant in the south of the island to the rest of the Kingdom.

A third contract was signed with the Japanese company Marubeni-Itochu Steel for a BD7 million project. The company will provide equipment and pipes for the Areen supply project and water network development projects in the Southern Governorate.

This project is expected to greatly improve the water network in Hamad Town and the western villages, in addition to providing the Al Areen project and development projects in the Southern Governorate with a stable water supply.