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T&TEC assures stable grid

THE Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T& TEC) yesterday reassured the public that the national electricity grid remains stable despite two recent voltage dips experienced in various parts of the country.

The voltage dips occurred on July 25 at approximately 7 p.m. and again yesterday around 2 p.m., T& TEC stated.

T& TEC stated that both incidents were traced to separate technical issues on the Brechin Castle–Point Lisas 132 kV transmission circuits.

'In both cases, the system's protective mechanisms operated as intended, containing the impact and preventing widespread outages. The issues were promptly addressed by T& TEC's technical teams,' T& TEC stated.

T& TEC yesterday said it remains committed to delivering a reliable and secure electricity supply and continues to actively monitor the grid. 'We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience caused to customers during these events,' it stated. Last week it was announced that the first electrons from the Brechin Castle solar farm have been successfully delivered to T& TEC substation, marking a major milestone in the country's renewable energy transition.

The Brechin Castle facility is Trinidad and Tobago's first utility- scale solar farm and is being developed through a joint venture between bp, Shell, and the National Gas Company (NGC).

'On Thursday 17 July, first electrons were transmitted from the southern segment of the Brechin Castle solar farm, which will be gradually ramped up to deliver up to ~40 megawatts (ac) of power to T& TEC,' a release stated last week.