

## Timor Resources atualiza projetu esplorasau mina no gás faze daruak ba Xanana



Kompania Timor Resources Sobu ona ekipamentu perfurasaun iha posu lafaek, imajen Tatoli/Celestina Teles.

**DILI, 16 Abril 2026 (TATOLI)**—Diretór Timor Resources, Christopher Moyes, akompañadu husi Antigu-Ministra Negósiu Estranjeiru Austrália, Julie Bishop, hala’o enkontru ho Prmeiru-Ministru, Kayrala Xanana Gusmão, hodi diskute no atualiza kona-ba prosesu atu halo esplorasau mina no gás ba faze daruak iha Timor-Leste.

Diretór Timor Resources, Christopher Moyes, hateten iha implementasaun faze dahuluk nian sira konsege halo ona perfurasaun ba posu mina tolu iha rai-maran liuliu iha área Suai-Kovalima nian.

“Agora ami hakarak avansa husi esplorasau ba faze avaliasau no dezvoltimentu, nune’e ohin ami hetan ona oportunidade hasoru malu ho Primeiru-Ministru Xanana no fahe ami-nia entuziazmu ba projetu ne’e no nia apoiu hodi avansa ba oin, ba ami-nia kompañia nia benefisiu no mós ba benefisiu Timor-Leste nian,” Diretór Timor Resources, Christopher Moyes, informa ba jornalista sira iha Palásiu Governu, ohin.

Tanba ne’e, nia dehan, ohin nia ho Diretór-jestor Interinu ba projetu ne’e, ne’ebé responsável ba operasaun, Chris McCown mai halo sorumutu ho Xefe Governu, no durante enkontru Primeiru-Ministru mós iha iniciativa apoiu no eleva projetu ne’e ba faze tuir mai hodi fornese enerjia ba povu Timor-Leste.

“Ha’u hanoin Primeiru-Ministru haree ami-nia projetu hanesan buat ne’ebé importante tebes. Buat ida-ne’ebé bele akontese iha futuru, tanba ne’e ha’u hanoin nia apoiu tebes buat ne’ebé ami koko atu halo. Nia enkoraja reguladór ministériu oioin iha Timor atu servisu hamutuk ho ami hodi hetan rezultadu ne’ebé susesu,” nia haktuir.

Nia hatutan, sira hein atu halo perfurasaun ba posu adisionál sira iha rai-maran, kona-ba dezvoltolve rezerva mina-rai nomós rezerva gás nian iha Timor-Leste liuliu iha fatin potenciál sira.

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# Timor Resources updates successful drilling of onshore wells in Timor-Leste



*The meeting between President José Ramos-Horta and the Timor Resources team in Dili on Thursday, 17 April 2026  
Photo: PR*

**DILI, 17 April 2026 (TATOLI)** – Timor Resources Pty Ltd, a private Australian oil and gas company engaged in onshore oil and gas exploration in Covalima municipality, provided an update on the successful drilling of three onshore wells in Covalima municipality during a meeting with President José Ramos-Horta.

Timor Resources has been exploring oil and gas in Covalima since 2021, and has drilled three wells in the municipality, namely Feto Kmaus, Liurai, and Lafaek.

During the audience, representatives from Timor Resources reported the successful drilling of three onshore wells.

The company also expressed its commitment to moving forward with the development of these fields, with the goal of producing oil and gas in the near future.

“This initiative is expected to play a vital role in boosting the local economy and infrastructure,” the statement added.

The team and the head of state also discussed progress in onshore energy exploration and development plans in the country’s energy sector.

Chris McCown, the company’s Interim Managing Director, briefed President Ramos-Horta on the company’s strategic plans to transition from exploration to the development of Timor-Leste’s natural resources, marking what both sides described as a significant step in the nation’s energy sector.

McCown emphasized that the project’s primary objective is to provide energy security and sovereign energy resources for the people of Timor-Leste.

Following their meeting with the President, the delegation is scheduled to hold further discussions with Prime Minister Xanana Gusmão and other key government regulators to coordinate the next phases of the project.

It is recalled that in 2024, Timor Gap, the state-owned oil and gas company, and Timor Resources signed a settlement agreement to end a commercial dispute over the exploration of the three wells.

The signing of the settlement agreement put an end to the commercial dispute between the two companies and allowed both parties to continue oil and gas exploration in the southern municipalities (PSC TL-OT-17-08 (Onshore Block A) and TL-OT-17-09 (Onshore Block C).

The two companies also signed a Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) to continue oil and gas exploration activities.

In 2023, Timor Resources announced that it had invested more than US\$64 million in the exploration of the three wells. The results of the drilling of the three wells indicated hydrocarbon discoveries, with fluids identified as oil, and gas.

Timor Resource announced that hydrocarbon pressure was above 8000 psi, revealing the potential for a significant recoverable reserve.

Timor Gap with Timor Resources signed the Production Sharing Contract (PSC) with ANP in 2017 for both onshore blocks, PSC TL-OT-17-08 (Onshore Block A in Covalima Municipality) and PSC TL-OT-17-09 (Onshore Block C in Manufahi & Ainaro Municipalities) and became a 50:50 joint venture partner with Timor Resource as operator.

# PR Horta – Timor Resources Diskute Dezenvolvimentu Enerjia Rai Maran

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**DILI, STLTIMORLESTE.com** – Prezidente Republika (PR), Jose Ramos Horta halo enklontru ho Konsehu Administrasaun no Investidor sira husi Timor Resources hodi diskute kona-ba dezenvolvimentu enerjia rai maran.

Bainhira remata hasoru malu, Chris McCown, Diretor Jerente Interinu kompanha Timor Resources ba Jornalista iha palasiu Prezidensial Nicolau Lobato Bairru Pite Kinta (16/04/2026) hatete, sira mak maka investidor husi Konsehu Administrasaun no investidor sira husi Timor Resources neebe fura ona posu 3 iha Tasi ibun, buka atu avansa espera katak atu hahu dezenvolve kampu sira.

“Espera katak atu hahu dezenvolve kampu sira produz potensialmente mina no gasiha tempu badak,” katak nia.

Nia hatutan, sira Konsehu Administrasaun no investidor sira husi Timor Resources mai halo enkontru ho Prezidente Republika iha Palasiu Prezidensial Nicolau Lobato deskute progresu esplorasun enerjia rai-maran nian.

Enkontru nee foka liu ba planu estratejiku kompania nian atu halo tranzisaun husi faze esplorasun ba dezenvolvimentu rekursu natural sira rai-laran nian, neebe sai hanesan pasu importante ida ba sektor enerjia nasional.

Durante audiensia nee, representante sira husi Timor Resources relata kona-ba susesu perfurasaun ba posu tolu iha rai-maran. Kompania nee espresa sira-nia kompromisu atu kontinua ho dezenvolvimentu ba kapa (fields) sira-nee, ho objetivu atu produs mina no gas iha tempu badak. Inisiativa nee hein katak sei iha papel vital ida hodi dudu dezenvolvimentu ekonomia lokal no infraestrutur.

Chris McCown, Diretor Jerente Interinu kompania nian, sublina katak objetivu prinsipal husi projetu nee mak atu fornese seguransa enerjetika no rekursu enerjia soberanu ba povu Timor-Leste.

Hafoin enkontru ho Prezidente, delegasaun nee sei halao tan diskusaun ho Primeiru-Ministru Xanana Gusmão no regulador governu xave sira seluk hodi koordena faze tuirmai husi projetu nee.



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