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Senegal lays first pipe on North Segment gas network

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Senegal broke ground on its national gas distribution network on 10 September 2026, when the first pipeline section of the North Segment of the Réseau Gazier du Sénégal (RGS) was officially laid at a ceremony in Gandon. The event was presided over by Dr El Hadji Abdourahmane Diouf, Minister of Energy and Petroleum, marking a concrete construction milestone for the country's emerging domestic gas infrastructure.

The North Segment represents the opening phase of what the RGS is positioning as a national-scale gas grid. The ceremony at Gandon — a locality in the Saint-Louis region in northern Senegal — signals that the project has moved from planning into active civil and pipeline works. The article indicates the segment is externally financed, though the source text does not specify the financier, contract value, or total pipeline length. Norwegian service companies should treat those parameters as unconfirmed until RGS or the Senegalese government publishes a full project disclosure.

Senegal's gas infrastructure ambitions are directly tied to production from the offshore Greater Tortue Ahmeyim LNG project straddling the Senegal-Mauritania maritime border, as well as onshore and nearshore discoveries that have yet to reach full commercialisation. A functional domestic pipeline network is a prerequisite for monetising gas that would otherwise be entirely export-oriented, and the Gandon first-pipe ceremony is the clearest signal yet that Senegal intends to build that monetisation pathway in parallel with upstream development. The North Segment's

geographic position near Saint-Louis also places it proximate to the coastline where offshore gas tie-ins could eventually connect.

For the moment, the project is in early construction. No tender, contract award, or FID details are confirmed in the source article beyond the fact that financing is in place and physical works have commenced. Norwegian service companies should monitor procurement notices from RGS closely, as follow-on contracts for pipe supply, welding, corrosion protection, cathodic protection systems, and construction supervision are typical at this stage and often issued in tranches as a grid build-out progresses. Relationship-building with RGS and the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum is the appropriate near-term posture.

Why this matters to partners and clients of Saga

The project has entered physical construction, but no procurement details are confirmed in the source — Norwegian companies should monitor RGS tender notices and establish contact with the ministry and project developer rather than approaching procurement directly at this stage. As the network expands, follow-on packages for pipeline construction support, integrity management, and metering systems will be relevant. Saga Advisory can map the contracting structure once RGS publishes further project documentation.

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- **Pipeline:** Track RGS tender releases for pipe supply, field joint coating, and construction supervision contracts as the North Segment build-out progresses.
- **Service:** Cathodic protection, leak detection, and pipeline integrity systems will be required as the network scales — position early with RGS's technical team.
- **Subsea/FPSO:** Monitor whether the North Segment route includes any nearshore or offshore tie-in infrastructure connecting to gas fields off Saint-Louis.
- **LNG:** A functional domestic gas grid reduces flaring pressure and supports gas sales agreements that could affect LNG project economics — track offtake structure developments.

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