Treasury Transfers to Electricité du Liban A Monthly Snapshot September 2021

I. Treasury Transfers to EDL in September 2021

▶ *In September* 2021, treasury transfers to EDL reached LL -1.29 billion¹, as follows:

⇒ For Reimbursement of KPC and Sonatrach

LL -1.57 billion

⇒ Debt Service

LL 0.28 billion

Table 1: Monthly Treasury transfers to EDL in Jan-September 2021

(LL billion)	Jan	Feb	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Total
EDL of which:	43.23	66.49	218.08	59.33	31.09	99.60	126.77	54.56	-1.29	697.86
Debt service (C-Loans and Eurobonds):	0.00	0.00	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.58	0.00	1.34	0.28	2.49
 Principal payments 	0.00	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.00	0.54	0.00	0.92	0.26	1.99
 Interest payments 	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.04	0.00	0.41	0.02	0.50
Reimbursement for purchase of gas and fuel	43.23	66.49	217.79	59.33	31.09	99.02	126.77	53.22	-1.57	695.37
• KPC & SPC	43.23	66.49	217.79	59.33	31.09	99.02	126.77	53.22	-1.57	695.37

Source: Ministry of Finance

II. Treasury Transfers to EDL in Jan-September 2021 in comparison with Jan-September 2020

Transfers to EDL in Jan-September 2021 were LL 320.45 billion lower than the Jan-September 2020 level

Transfers in Jan-September 2021 were LL 320.45 billion lower than the amount paid in Jan-September 2020, which stood at LL 1018.31 billion. This was mainly a result of lower payments to KPC and Sonatrach for fuel oil and gas oil purchases.

Table 2: Comparison of Treasury Transfers to EDL

(LL billion)	Jan-September 2020	Jan-September 2021	Change	% Change
EDL, of which:	1018.31	697.86	-320.45	-31.5%
Debt Service (C-Loans and Eurobonds):	2.72	2.49	-0.23	-8.6%
-Principal Repayments	2.26	1.99	-0.27	-12%
-Interest Payments	0.46	0.50	-0.04	-8.1%
Reimbursement for purchase of gas and fuel	1015.59	695.37	-320.22	-31.5%
KPC & SPC	1015.59	695.37	-320.22	-31.5%

Payments to the two oil suppliers in Jan-September 2021 were LL 320.22 billion lower than their level during Jan-September 2020.

The component "Reimbursement of KPC and Sonatrach Agreements" reached LL 695.37 billion in Jan-September 2021, a fall from LL 1015.59 billion in Jan-September 2020. This 31.5 percent decrease was mainly driven by lower quantities of fuel and gas oil.

• From a quantity-effect viewpoint:

o % Change in Quantity of Fuel Oil imported: 31.44% ▼

○ % Change in Quantity of Gas Oil imported: 59.56% ▼

• From a price-effect viewpoint:

	Jan-September 2020 Bill	Jan-September 2021 Bill
Average Price/Barrel	US\$ 41	US\$ 67.52
% Change in weighted average price of crude oil	64.69% ▲	

¹ In September 2021, LCs refund exceeded LCs blocked.

III. Contribution of EDL out of the total oil bill

▶ EDL contributed 2.09 percent of the total oil bill in Jan-September 2021

From a total oil bill of LL 710 billion in Jan-September 2021², EDL contributed by around 2.09 percent to the cost of gas oil and fuel oil purchase. This figure was lower at 0.08 percent during the same period of 2020, out of a higher bill of LL 1,016 billion. In nominal terms, EDL's contribution was only LL 0.85 billion during the same period in 2020.

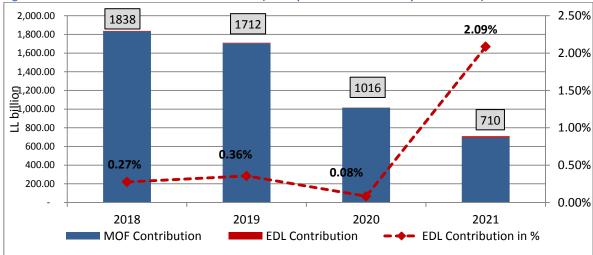


Figure 1: Contribution of EDL out of the total oil bill (Jan-September 2018 – Jan-September 2021)

IV. Shares of "Transfers to EDL" out of Expenditures

▶ Transfers to EDL constituted 6.2 percent of primary expenditures in Jan-September 2021

With primary expenditures at LL 11,330 billion, the share of transfers to EDL reached 6.2 percent in Jan-September 2021. This share was higher at 8.3 percent in Jan-September 2020.

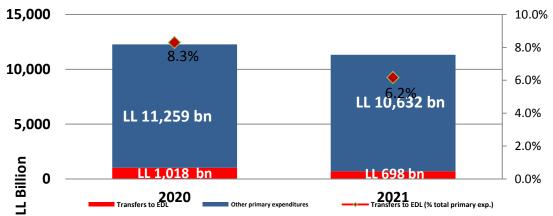


Figure 2: Transfers to EDL out of primary expenditures (Jan-September 2020 – Jan-September 2021)

² The Treasury transferred around LL 697.86 billion to cover EDL's deficit in Jan-September 2021. This entire amount represented the Treasury transfer to EDL (as shown in Table 2). However, the total oil bill for Jan-September 2021 amounted to LL 710.18 billion, which correspond to LL 695.37 billion of Treasury transfers plus LL 14.81 billion of payments made by EDL.