## Policy guidelines for appointment of Cost Auditors in NHPC Ltd.

- 1. The Corporation shall maintain a list of bio-data of Cost Accountants/ firms of Cost Accountants who approach it.
- From the above list, Cost Accountants/ firms of Cost Accountants, who fulfills any of the following criteria shall be empanelled for consideration for appointment as Cost Auditors in future:
  - *(i)* Firms of Cost Accountants with a minimum experience of 5 years out of which one year in Power Sector.
  - (ii) Cost Accountants who have worked for 15 years in PSUs and having experience in maintenance/supervision of Cost Accounts and dealing with Cost Auditors in PSUs or Power Sector Companies.
  - (iii) Cost Accountants who were members of Indian Cost Accounts Service.
- 3. Appointment of Cost Auditors shall be made every year as per laid down procedure of appointment read with relevant provisions of Companies Act, 1956, out of the list of biodata of Cost Accountants available with the Corporation. The name of the Cost Auditors shall be recommended by an internal committee constituted by Director (F)/Chairman & Managing Director of Corporation.
- 4. A Cost Auditor shall not be considered for re-appointment in fourth consecutive year. The cooling period shall be at least one year. In other words, after serving for 3 years a Cost Auditor shall be given rest for at least one year.
- 5. List of bio-data referred to above means the list of Bio-data of all the Cost Accountants received in NHPC from time to time.