



FROM CMD's DESK



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Dear Colleague,

In a proud moment for the entire NHPC family, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi ji on 24th of April 2022 laid the foundation stones of 850 MW Ratle Hydroelectric Project and 540 MW Kwar Hydroelectric Projects in UT of Jammu and Kashmir. During this occasion, I had the privilege of interacting with Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and address his queries about time frame for completing the projects.

In yet another great news for the organization, Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has accorded approval to the 540 MW Kwar Hydroelectric Project. The project will be implemented by our subsidiary Chenab Valley Power Projects Ltd. (CVPPL). The government has great confidence in our abilities to timely implement hydropower projects and now the onus is on us to expedite the construction of our projects. We must concentrate on completing our projects as per schedule and prevent time and cost over-runs. We should take initiative at individual level to come up with innovative ideas, practices and suggestions that can be beneficial for the company as well as for the nation.

With your amazing dedication and resolve, we are attaining new heights of excellence. In a watershed moment for the 2000 MW Subansiri Lower Project, rotor of the country's largest capacity Hydrogenerator (306 MVA) was successfully lowered on 14.04.2022. With a diameter of 11.45 m and lifting assembly weight of approximately 674 tonnes, this rotor is the largest ever lifted device in any Indian hydroelectric project. I along with Shri R. M. Rajendran, Joint Secretary (Hydro), Ministry of Power, Govt. witnessed this momentous occasion.

I had the opportunity to meet Shri Tapir Gao, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, East Parliamentary Constituency, Arunachal Pradesh and Mr. Alo Libang, Hon'ble Minister, Health and Family Welfare, Social Welfare, Women and Child Development, Social Justice, Empowerment & Tribal Affairs, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh at Pasighat (Arunachal Pradesh) during my visit to Subansiri & Dibang projects from 14th to 17th April 2022 and met. The discussions were focused on development of hydropower in Siang Basin. I also visited the dam, power house and colony site of 2700 MW Siang Lower Hydroelectric Project, which has been identified by the Ministry of Power, Government of India for allotment to NHPC. During my visit to 2880 MW Dibang Multipurpose Project, I had fruitful interactions regarding future planning of project.

During my visit to Teesta region (Sikkim) earlier this month, I met Sh. Prem Singh Tamang, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Sikkim at Gangtok on 02.04.2022 and requested for his support for NHPC's initiatives in the state. Subsequent to this meeting, Hon'ble Chief Minister was kind enough to give us an audience on 08.04.2022 at New Delhi. The progress of works at 500 MW Teesta-VI and issues related to clearance for the 520 MW Teesta-IV Project was discussed during the meeting. Hon'ble Chief Minister appreciated NHPC's efforts and assured of continued support to NHPC.

Undersigned alongwith Shri Amit Kansal, Independent Director, NHPC met Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti Sh. Gajendra Singh Shekhawat on 27.04.2022 at New Delhi. Discussions were held with the Hon'ble Minister regarding consultancy services by NHPC for Renovation and Rehabilitation of old Dams in India.

New ideas are essential for growth of the organization. We must challenge ourselves to find better solutions for the new age opportunities. With this in mind a conclave of Executive Directors was held from 29.04.2022 to 30.04.2022 and I was pleased to be part of very healthy and dynamic discussions. A lot of ideas for betterment of the organization have been discussed.

Other highlights of the month are:

- I was part of International Conference on 'Hydropower and Dams Development for Water and Energy Security - Under Climate Change'. During my address I highlighted the key challenges being facing Hydropower development in the country. The conference was organized by THDC, CBIP and INCOLD (Indian Committee on Large Dams) at Rishikesh from 7th - 9th April 2022.
- The 131st birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar was observed across all NHPC locations. A special programme under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav was also organized at Corporate Office to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Ambedkar on 18th April 2022 wherein Shri Mukul Kanitkar, National Organizing Secretary, Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal graced the occasion as Chief Guest.
- Sh. Biswo Nath Poudel Hon'ble Vice Chairman of Nepal Planning Commission visited NHPC Corporate Office on 28.04.2022. Fruitful discussions were held regarding our recent initiatives and for further new business opportunities for NHPC in Nepal.
- NHPC was conferred with "PSU developer of the Year" award in Gold Category on 13th April 2022 by EQ International during EQ's PV Invest Tech India Conference & Awards at New Delhi.
- The total revenue collection during the month of April 2022, was Rs. 295.90 crore.

NHPC power stations have generated 2369.4 MUs in the first month of current FY. We are reaping the benefits of maintaining our machines in healthy conditions and the same is also reflecting in good PAF numbers. Congratulations to you all! Keep up the good work.

I convey my greetings to you and your family on the auspicious occasions of Eid-ul-Fitr and Buddh Purnima.

Sincerely yours,



(A. K. Singh)

Chairman & Managing Director