

From CMD's Desk...



1st July 2022

Dear Colleague,

Your hard work, dedication and positive approach has generated a lot of goodwill for NHPC in the last two years. Due to this, NHPC has now many opportunities to grow and keep its position as the top organization for hydropower development for a long time to come. The journey on the path for growth and development is a tedious one and it requires complete commitment from each and every employee of the organization. One area where I have been asking for improvement is in our willingness to take responsibility and accepting new challenges. NHPC has the potential to achieve exponential growth and for that we must embrace the challenges. Always focus on the goals and do not digress from them. We have seen progress and development in various fronts and I am sure that you will continue your good work.

Shri R.K. Singh sahab, Hon'ble Union Minister of Power, New & Renewable Energy was kind enough to spare his valuable time to visit the 2000 MW Subansiri Lower H E Project from 13th to 14th of June 2022. Shri Chowna Mein, Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh, Dr. Ranoj Pegu, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Welfare of Plain Tribe & Backward Classes, Government of Assam, Shri Pradan Baruah, Honb'le Member of Parliament (Lok sabha), Shi Tarin Dakpe and Shri Kardo Nyigyor, Hon'ble Members of State Legislative Assembly of Arunachal Pradesh, Shri Alok Kumar, Secretary (Power), Government of India and other dignitaries also graced the occasion with their presence. The visit by Hon'ble Minister has inspired all of us and his kind, gracious words of encouragement has given new wings to our determination to commission the project at the earliest. The project team is putting persistent hard work and the erection work of Unit #1 (Boxing up) of Subansiri Lower HEP was completed on 13th June 2022, taking a big step towards commissioning of the project. This extremely significant event was witnessed by the Hon'ble Union Minister of Power, New & Renewable Energy. The excellent work done by our project team and the contractors received a lot of praise from all the dignitaries.

Our efforts for carving out a truly multinational presence for NHPC got a big boost up with the consent of Government of Nepal of our proposal regarding development of 750 MW West Seti Storage HEP and 450 MW Seti River-6 HEP in Nepal. We have just crossed a new frontier in our journey towards being a multinational company. It is now our responsibility to make sure that we seize the moment and establish ourselves in Nepal.

I had the opportunity to meet Shri Anurag Thakur, Hon'ble Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting and Youth Affairs & Sports on 8th June 2022 at New Delhi and apprise the Hon'ble Minister about NHPC's endeavors in Hydropower development in India and Nepal. Hon'ble Minister took keen interest in the status of activities at the 500 MW Dugar HEP. Hon'ble Minister appreciated NHPC's contribution to Indian hydropower sector and is highly optimistic of NHPC's future.

Shri Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble LG of UT of J&K granted me an audience on 18th June 2022 at New Delhi. During the meeting I apprised the Hon'ble LG about status of ongoing projects in J&K. Hon'ble LG assured of his full support to NHPC in its ventures.

A strong network of business connections is essential for our growth and getting new business has always remained my top priority. With this objective, I visited Goa from 21st to 23rd June 2022 and had detailed discussions with Dr. Pramod Sawant, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa regarding setting up of Renewable Energy Projects by NHPC in Goa. I also met Shri R. Dhavalikar, Hon'ble Minister, Power, New and Renewable Energy and Housing, Shri P.K. Goel, Chief Secretary, Goa and Shri Y.V.V.J. Rajasekhar, Secretary (Power) Goa and had fruitful discussions about possibilities in areas like Ground Mounted/ Roof Top Solar, Floating Solar, Wind etc. Dr. Uday Sakharam Nirgudkar, Independent Director, NHPC, played a key role in this very successful visit.

I also met Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Hon'ble Minister of Jal Shakti on 23rd June 2022 at New Delhi. Hon'ble Minister appreciated progress made by NHPC in recent times. During the meeting I pitched for NHPC's expertise in Renovation & Rehabilitation of Dams. This is important, as most of the old dams in the country shall require renovation and rehabilitation. Discussions are underway with Ministry of Jal Shakti for NHPC's participation in the DRIP (Dam Rehabilitation & Improvement Project) program.

I had the good fortune of meeting Shri Suresh Prabhu, ex power minister, Government of India, on 23rd June 2022. He has been one of the guiding forces behind the success of NHPC. He expressed his happiness over the progress made by NHPC and assured his full support for all our endeavors.

Some major milestones were achieved at our construction projects. Besides the completion of boxing up of Unit#1 at Subansiri Lower Project, day-lighting of Diversion Tunnel-I was successfully achieved on 12th June 2022 at the 850 MW Ratle HEP. The work on Diversion Tunnel at the 540 MW Kwar Project has also commenced and the first blast for the DT Outlet Portal took place on 20th June 2022. Let us keep working towards making NHPC an efficient organization.

Other Highlights of the month are:

- 'World Environment Day' with Slogan "Only One Earth" Living Sustainably in Harmony was celebrated across all NHPC locations. A massive plantation program was organized under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM MEGA SHOW) on 8th June 2022 wherein more than 2 thousand saplings were planted at different locations.
- NHPC celebrated the 8th International Day of Yoga across all its Power Stations, Projects and Regional Offices on 21st June 2022. NHPC employees and their family members enthusiastically participated in the programs.
- NHPC was conferred with Certificate of Appreciation and Special Commendation award for 'Innovative Training Practices: 2020-21' by Indian Society for Training & Development on 25th June 2022.
- Contract Agreement was signed with M/s Adani Infra (India) Limited for development of 600 MW solar project under CPSU scheme Phase-II on 9th June 2022.

- NHPC's achievements and the new business initiatives were showcased during the exhibition on 'Nation Building and CPSEs' at Gandhinagar, Gujarat from 9th to 12th June 2022.
- NHPC has offered 133 no. of appointment letters for the post of Junior Engineers (Civil-68, Elect-34 & Mech-31).
- NHPC Women's Carrom Team secured 2nd position in Inter-CPSU Carom Tournament 2022 held at Shimla under the aegis of Power Sports Control Board.
- During the month of June 2022 Rs. 655.76 Crore revenue were collected. The total cumulative revenue collection till June 2022 stands at Rs. 1504.68 crore, which is the highest ever revenue collection in the first quarter in a financial year.
- The total cumulative generation of all NHPC power stations till the end of June 2022 stood at 8165.3 MUs.

NHPC Power Stations achieved highest ever monthly PAF of 100.09 % in June 2022. Congratulations to the entire team for this extremely commendable achievement! Let's continue to work with same dedication and achieve new records.

We have always made efforts to provide you the facilities which are generous and at par or are the best in the industry. In continuation of these efforts, the rates for expenditure on local travel have been revised holistically and the revised scheme is now one of the best being offered by our peers. Your management has always been benevolent towards your needs so that all your focus remains on the work and I expect you to provide your best to the organization.

Timely fulfillment of career aspirations is extremely important and with this view the promotions to General Manager have been carried out. My best wishes to the successful candidates and I am sure that they will strive to put their best for the organization.

Sh. Anil Kumar Jain, Executive Director, has superannuated after providing 37 years of valuable service to the organization. For the last one year he has done tremendous work at PID and at RO Banikhet for various studies/ clearances in projects like 500 MW Dugar, 1856 MW Sawalkot, 260 MW Dulhasti Stage-II, 240 MW Uri-I Stage-II besides getting the restoration works of HRTs of Chamera-I and Sewa-II Power Stations completed in scheduled time. Shri Jain has served the organization with admirable commitment and dedication. He has been a role model for all of us. I wish him a long and healthy retirement life.

I convey my greetings to you and your family members on the auspicious occasions of Rath Yatra, Guru Purnima and Bakrid.

Sincerely Yours,

(A.K. Singh) Chairman & Managing Director