

From CMD's Desk...



1st May 2023

Dear Colleagues,

It has been our continuous endeavor to expand our profile and look for new business opportunities. With your hard work, dedication and positive approach, NHPC has now many opportunities to grow across the country as well as at international level. I am sure that with your continuous efforts, NHPC has the potential to achieve exponential growth in the future years.

I alongwith Shri Y.K. Chaubey, Director (Technical) met Rt. Hon'ble Prime Minister of Nepal, Shri Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda'. NHPC delegation also had interactions with Hon'ble Minister of Energy, Water Resources and Irrigation Shri Shakti Bahadur Basnet, Hon'ble Minister of Finance Dr. Prakash Sharan Mahat, Hon'ble Minister of Foreign Affairs Shri Narayan Prakash Saud, Chief Secretary Shri Shanker Das Bairagi and other senior government officials of Nepal at Kathmandu on 19th April 2023 and apprised them about NHPC's initiatives in Nepal with request for greater opportunities for NHPC in Nepal in the future.

During the visit, I also addressed the plenary session of the Power Summit'23, organized by Independent Power Producers' Association, Nepal (IPPAN) on 19th April 2023 at Kathmandu, Nepal and highlighted upon the critical role of hydropower for overall economic development and emphasized on the need to develop hydropower projects to meet the energy demand.

I also visited Gujarat from 17th to 18th April 2023 wherein I met Shri Raj Kumar, Chief Secretary, Gujarat on 18th April 2023 at Gandhinagar and apprised him about establishment of Renewable Energy & Green Hydrogen (RE&GH) Division of NHPC at Ahmedabad. During the meeting, I expressed NHPC's interest in taking up the development of Pump Storage Projects in Gujarat. The Chief Secretary appreciated the efforts made by NHPC in Power Sector and welcomed NHPC's presence in Gujarat and assured all possible support to NHPC.

I, alongwith Sh Y.K. Chaubey, Director (Technical), Shri R.P. Goyal, Director (Finance) and Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Project) visited the Subansiri Lower HEP (2000 MW) on 26.04.2023 and reviewed the ongoing construction activities. You will be delighted to know that in a significant step towards completion of Hydro Mechanical works of the project, 3 nos. Radial Gates which are country's largest Spillway Radial Gates in terms of hydraulic capacity, size and weight have been successfully operated.

I am very happy to share that Parbati-II HE Project (800 MW) has achieved a major milestone towards full commissioning of Powerhouse with restoration of Unit#3 and Unit#4 on 03.03.2023 and on 21.04.2023 respectively.

I am also glad to tell you that Teesta-VI HE Project (500 MW) has achieved a cumulative heading excavation of 4Km in Head Race Tunnels on 22.04.2023. The progress has been made overcoming adverse geological conditions encountered in the twin tunnels.

NHPC is a responsible Corporate Organization which always rises to the occasion during times of need for the nation. I am proud to state that I along with Sh. Y. K Choubey presented a cheque of Rs 2 Crore to Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami,

Hon'ble Chief Minister, Uttarakhand on 12th April 2023 at Dehradun as contribution towards Chief Minister Relief Fund for Joshimath crisis. The Hon'ble Chief Minister highly appreciated the humanitarian gesture of NHPC.

NHPC has issued offer letters to 397 provisionally selected candidates (for post of Trainee Engineer/ Officer in disciplines of Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Finance, HR and Law) during the 4th Tranche of Rozgar Mela held on 13.04.2023. All the selected candidates virtually attended the event wherein Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi addressed the new recruits.

Other highlights of the month are:

- NHPC organized a special programme to commemorate the 132nd birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar at its Corporate Office, Faridabad on 17th April, 2023. Dr. (Prof.) Kirit Premjibhai Solanki, Hon'ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha) and Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, graced the occasion as Chief Guest.
- > In a major step towards venturing into Green Hydrogen business, NHPC has awarded the work to develop Gridconnected Green Hydrogen Fuel Cell based 25 kW Microgrid Pilot Project at Nimmo Bazgo Power Station (UT of Ladakh) to M/s Uneecops Technologies Limited.
- > Shri MAKP Singh, Member (Hydro) and Shri Manoj Tripathi, Chief Engineer from CEA visited NHPC Subansiri Lower HEP (2000 MW) on 07.04.2023.
- > Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) and NHPC Independent Directors including Dr. Uday Sakharam Nirgudkar, Prof.(Dr.) Amit Kansal, Prof. (Dr.) Rashmi Sharma Rawal and Shri Premkumar Goverthanan visited NHPC 50 MW Tamil Nadu Solar Power Project on 9th April 2023.
- > Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) visited NHPC Dibang Multipurpose Project (2880 MW) on 18th April 2023 and took review meeting of Lot-2 works with the contractor M/s L&T.
- > Miss Reetika, an NHPC Elite Sports Scholarship awardee won the Bronze Medal at the Asian Senior Wrestling Championship 2023 (72 kg category) in Astana, Kazakhstan on 12th April 2023.
- ➤ Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh in association with NHPC organized 3rd awareness trip for 29 villagers from Siang Upper Multipurpose Project area of Siang and Upper Siang districts of Arunachal Pradesh from 18th to 25th April 2023. The participants visited Omkareshwar Power Station (520 MW) & Indira Sagar Power Station (1000 MW) of NHDC and Tehri Hydro Power Plant (1000 MW) & Koteshwar HE Project (400 MW) of THDC India Ltd. to witness engineering marvels and their Rehabilitation & Resettlement (R&R) initiatives.
- The revenue collection during the month of April 2023 stood at Rs. 488.33 crore.
- > The total cumulative generation of all NHPC Power Stations stood at 1882.6 MUs at the end of April 2023. I convey my greetings to you and your family on the auspicious occasion of Buddh Purnima.

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Chairman & Managing Director

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