

From CMD's Desk...



1st August 2023

Dear Colleagues,

NHPC plays a vital role in the nation's power sector and both the Central and State Governments continue to pose their faith in NHPC for harnessing the vast untapped hydro potential of country. I am delighted to inform that Government of Arunachal Pradesh on 21st July 2023 has conveyed its approval for allotment of two mega projects i.e. 2000 MW Subansiri Upper Hydroelectric Project and 1800 MW Kamala Hydroelectric Project to NHPC. Addition of these projects to our portfolio is a major boost in our endeavor to scale up our business horizon.

The progress at our ongoing construction projects is encouraging despite the various challenges being encountered time and again. In Rangit IV HEP (120 MW), concreting upto Dam top i.e. EL 471m of Overflow Block no 5 completed on 6th July 2023. Further at Teesta- VI Project (500 MW), Cumulative progress of 5 Km in HRT heading excavation achieved on 22nd July 2023. In Pakal Dul HE Project (1000 MW), the launch of Tunnel Boring Machine-1 for construction of HRT - 1 has been successfully achieved on 25th July 2023.

As you all are aware, the northern part of the country has been devastated by floods and landslides during ongoing monsoon. As a responsible corporate citizen, NHPC has always been concerned about the welfare of the public at large and has stood by the nation during these difficult times. You will be heartened to know that, NHPC on 26th July 2023 contributed Rs. 3 Crore to Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF), Himachal Pradesh towards the relief of the flood and landslide victims in the state.

Further, NHPC has released the 1st installment of Local Area Development Fund (LADF) amounting to Rs 14.95 Crore to Himachal Pradesh State Government in respect of Dugar HE Project (500 MW) located in Himachal Pradesh. This fund will be highly beneficial in taking up development works in remotely located Pangi Tehsil of Himachal Pradesh.

Due to the heavy rainfall, flashfloods and landslide at various locations in Himachal Pradesh on 8th July 2023, generation at some of our Power stations namely Chamera-II, Chamera-III, Parbati-III and Baira Siul was affected. However, with the relentless efforts of our employees and support of local administration, these power stations have been restored and generation has resumed.

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Energy (2022-23) under the Chairmanship of Shri Jagdambika Pal visited Subansiri Lower Project (2000 MW) on 5th July 2023 and took stock of the progress of ongoing construction activities. The Committee also visited Shillong (Meghalaya) on 7th July 2023 and held a meeting with officials of Ministry of Power and senior NHPC officials led by Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) on "The Electricity Amendment Bill 2022" and other related issues. The committee highly appreciated the work being carried out by NHPC.

Other highlights of the month are:

- Shri Ojing Tasing, Hon'ble MLA, Pangin, Arunachal Pradesh visited NHPC Corporate Office on 18th July 2023. The Hon'ble MLA held a meeting with Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) and discussed issues related to upcoming NHPC projects and welfare initiatives for local people in Arunachal Pradesh.
- Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) met Smt. Mamta Verma, IAS, Principal Secretary, Energy and Petrochemicals Department, Govt. of Gujarat on 19th July 2023 at Gandhinagar (Gujarat). Shri Basu apprised the Principal Secretary about NHPC's endeavours in Gujarat on Renewable Energy Projects.
- MOU was signed on 3rd July 2023 between NHPC and Universal Health Foundation under NHPC CSR Scheme for setting up of Gramin Gyan Jyoti Kendras in government schools located in Jodhpur and Nagore district of Rajasthan.
- NHPC's achievements were showcased in 'Govt. Achievements & Schemes Expo-2023' organized by NNS Media Group at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi from 21st to 23rd July 2023.
- Under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, on 12th July 2023, a medical camp was organized by NHPC medical division in collaboration with Apollo Hospital, New Delhi. Also, on 16th July 2023, a free eye checkup camp was organized in association with Center for Sight and Fortis Escorts Hospital at NHPC Residential Complex.
- MoU was signed on 27th July 2023 between NHPC & UP Braj Teerth Vikas Parishad for providing CSR support for O&M of TTSP Water Booths, Water Lines & Tube Wells for Choti & Badi Parikrama at Govardhan, Mathura, Uttar Pradesh for 3 years at a cost of Rs 1.5 crore.
- The revenue collection during the month of July 2023 stood at Rs. 1063.70 Crore and the cumulative revenue collection for FY 2023-24 till July 2023 was Rs 2786.82 Crore.
- The total cumulative generation of all NHPC Power Stations stood at 10967 MUs at the end of July 2023.

As we prepare to celebrate the 77th anniversary of our country's independence, let us resolve to work in synergy for betterment of our country with greater commitment and dedication.

I convey my greetings to you and your family members on the auspicious occasions of Independence Day and Raksha Bandhan.

Sincerely Yours, Ral

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