

FROM CMD's DESK



Dear Colleagues,

At the outset, I would like to congratulate Shri Raj Kumar Chaudhary on assuming the charge of Director (Technical). Shri Chaudhary is a highly accomplished hydro professional with profound experience in design, construction and commissioning and has contributed significantly in development of hydropower in India and Bhutan. I am sure NHPC will be highly benefitted by his vast experience and technical competence.

Currently two of our prominent Projects i.e. 2000 MW Subansiri Lower HE Project and 800 MW Parbati II HE Project are in crucial phase of construction. In spite of the various challenges faced in these Projects, NHPC has been able to complete the critical components of these Projects and are poised for commissioning in the next year. However, all the hard work put in will only materialize if the deadlines committed by NHPC to MOP are not further delayed. The next coming months especially for Subansiri HE Project are very critical due to limited working season. Therefore, it is essential for us to keep ourselves motivated and focused on our targets and carry on the momentum of work at a steady pace so these Prestigious Projects are not delayed further.

NHPC top management is constantly reviewing progress of works at ground level and is always available for guidance and support in any matter related to the construction of our projects or any issues at our operating power stations.

In Parbati-II HE Project, Excavation of HRT from TBM portion has been completed on 27.09.2023. This has been achieved in spite of various challenges and difficult geological conditions and is a critical milestone towards completion of the Project.

NHPC being a responsible corporate citizen, believes in helping the society at large during the moments of crisis. I feel happy to inform that NHPC Parbati-III power station handed over the financial aid of Rs 2.68 crore to the local administration for constructing a new Bailey bridge in place of a bridge destroyed due to natural calamity in Kullu district (Himachal Pradesh).

Shri Mohammad Afzal, Joint Secretary (Hydro), MOP alongwith Shri Biswajit Basu, Director (Projects) and Shri R.K. Chaudhary, Director (Technical) visited 2000 MW Subansiri Lower HEP and reviewed the progress of construction activities. Shri Afzal expressed his satisfaction over progress of works and urged for commissioning of two units by February 2024. Joint Secretary (Hydro) alongwith Director (Technical) and ED, Subansiri Lower HEP also visited the Sericulture Livelihood Intervention Project and distributed Eri rearing trays in Kamalpur village (Assam). This Project is sponsored by NHPC under downstream development works & benefitted 2000 women.

NHPC participated in 'CPSEs Roundtable on CSR & Exhibition 2023 with Special Focus on Aspirational Districts' organized by DPE, Govt. of India at New Delhi from 25th to 26th September 2023. A special pavilion showcasing NHPC's CSR activities and initiatives was also set up on the occasion. The NHPC CSR pavilion was inaugurated by Dr. Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad, Hon'ble Minister of State for Finance, Govt. of India. Shri Uttam Lal, Director (Personnel) visited NHPC CSR pavilion on 26th September 2023 & ED (CSR) participated in panel discussion on 'Expected Takeaways' of CPSEs Roundtable & Exhibition, wherein he highlighted upon various CSR interventions and best practices for CSR undertaken by NHPC.

As a prelude to Vigilance Awareness Week-2023 and with the initiative of Shri Santosh Kumar, IFS, CVO, NHPC, various Preventive Vigilance awareness measures were undertaken during September 2023. These included Lecture session on Technical matter "Public Procurement" and Brain storming session on 'Best Practices in Vigilance Administration including Innovative Systemic Improvements Measures in Power Sector'.

The revenue collection during the month of September 2023 stood at Rs 1151.83 Crore.

The total cumulative generation of all NHPC Power Stations stood at 16797.4 MUs at the end of September 2023.

Other highlights of the month are:

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- Dr. Amit Kansal, Independent Director, NHPC and ED, RO Jammu met Shri Harbhajan Singh, Hon'ble Power Minister, Punjab, Shri Tejveer Singh, Principal Secretary, Punjab, CMD, PSPCL and Director (Generation) PSPCL on 21st September 2023 and discussed about development of power projects in Punjab by NHPC.
- Head of NHPC Nepal Projects met Shri Shakti Bahadur Basnet, Hon'ble Minister of Energy, Water Resources & Irrigation, Nepal on 14th September 2023 and apprised him about the status of NHPC Projects in Nepal.
- NHPC stood 2nd Runner up in PSCB Bridge Tournament after bagging 4 awards out of total 8 awards in the tournament.
- > Hindi Pakhwada was celebrated with great enthusiasm across all NHPC locations.
- The 19th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Jalpower Corporation Limited (JPCL), a wholly owned subsidiary of NHPC was conducted on 2nd September 2023.
- Ms. Brishty Mukherjee, NHPC Sports Scholar won Silver Medal in Classical event & Bronze Medal in Blitz event at Asian Junior Girls Chess Championship held in Jamshedpur.
- > Vishwakarma puja was organised and celebrated across NHPC on 17th September 2023.

I convey my greetings to you and your family members on the auspicious occasions of Navratri, Durga Pooja and Dussehra.

Sincerely Yours,

(R.K. Vishnoi) Chairman & Managing Director