

## From CMD's Desk...



## Dear Colleagues,

As we approach the 7<sup>th</sup> of November, NHPC is poised to celebrate a momentous milestone—our 50<sup>th</sup> Raising Day. This occasion marks the start of our Golden Jubilee Year, a time for us to reflect on our rich history, remarkable achievements and steadfast commitment to generating green energy for the nation's progress. As we celebrate this momentous anniversary, we honour the dedication of our employees, stakeholders and partners who have contributed to our journey over the past five decades. This is also an opportunity to set ambitious goals for the future, ensuring NHPC's pivotal role in India's energy landscape.

I am pleased to announce that the 88 MW Floating Solar PV Power Project at Omkareshwar Reservoir was fully commissioned on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2024, with the Commissioning Certificate (COD) obtained on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

On 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024, I met with Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Rajasthan, to discuss the development of pumped storage projects in collaboration with state entities, aimed at enhancing Rajasthan's energy security and sustainability. Additionally, on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024, I met with Shri Manoj Sinha, the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, to discuss NHPC's activities and future initiatives in the region. On 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024, I apprised Shri Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh, the progress of the Dugar Hydroelectric Project and other NHPC projects in the State.

We have achieved significant milestones across our projects. At the Subansiri Lower HE Project, the rotor of Unit No. 3, weighing 673 tons, was successfully lowered on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Final Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the West Seti HE Project (800 MW) in Nepal was submitted to the Investment Board of Nepal on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024, in line with our commitment under the MoU. DPR of Kamala HE Project (1720 MW) has been submitted to CEA on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2024 for accord of techno-Economic Clearance.

Throughout October 2024, I had the privilege of addressing various industry events. During the inaugural session of the 92<sup>nd</sup> ICOLD Annual Meeting & International Symposium on 1<sup>st</sup> October, I spoke on the importance of "Dams in India's Water Management." On 3<sup>rd</sup> October, I chaired a panel discussion on "Dams and People" with experts from the USA, Romania, Japan and more. At the Green Future Summit 2024 on 4<sup>th</sup> October, I emphasized innovation and collaboration as key drivers for achieving India's Net Zero goals. On 21<sup>st</sup> October, I participated in the CEO's Round Table at the 23<sup>rd</sup> India Power Forum, outlining NHPC's progress toward the Hon'ble Prime Minister's Panchamrit goals.

I am also proud to share that NHPC demonstrated its commitment to community welfare by supporting flood relief efforts in Nepal. On 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024, Shri R.P. Goyal, Director (Finance), presented a cheque of NPR 1 crore to the Rt. Hon'ble Prime Minister of Nepal to assist communities affected by recent floods.

As of the end of October 2024, the total cumulative generation of all NHPC power stations reached 16315 MUs, with revenue collection for the month standing at Rs 850.86 crores.

## Other highlights from October include:

- On 6<sup>th</sup> October 2024, I flagged off bikers from the 'Samaarambh Foundation' at the NHPC Corporate Office as part of the CSR initiative 'Shiksha Rath 7.0', aimed at empowering children and communities in seven remote border villages of Ladakh along the Line of Control (LOC).
- NHPC is observing Vigilance Awareness Week from 28<sup>th</sup> October to 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024, featuring activities such as essay writing, debates, poetry recitation, and painting competitions across all NHPC locations.
- Along with all Functional Directors and the CVO, I engaged with a delegation from the 'Kamla Multipurpose Self-Help Group' near our upcoming projects in Arunachal Pradesh, discussing the benefits of these projects for local communities.
- NHPC's Regional Office in Chandigarh was recognized by Shri Gulab Chand Kataria, Hon'ble Governor of Punjab & Administrator of UT Chandigarh, for its active collaboration with the Municipal Corporation Chandigarh during 'Swachhata Hi Seva 2024' on 2<sup>nd</sup> October.
- We organized a series of Blood Donation camps for National Blood Donation Day, collecting a total
  of 308 units.
- On 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024, NHPC hosted the Fit India Freedom Run 5.0 at the NHPC Residential Complex in Faridabad, with enthusiastic participation from employees and their families.
- NHPC Sports Scholar Miss Bristy Mukherjee won a gold medal in the Asian Junior Girls Chess Championship Blitz Event 2024 in the Philippines.
- Employees also participated in the Vedanta Delhi Half Marathon and Kashmir Marathon on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024, competing across various categories.
- On 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024, to commemorate "National Unity Day," NHPC employees took the "National Unity Pledge" and participated in the "Run for Unity" event held at the Corporate Office.
- Subansiri Lower HE Project signed an MOU with Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, Dhemaji, for the construction of four classrooms under our CSR initiative.

As we celebrate these achievements, I extend my warmest wishes to you and your family for a joyous Diwali and Guru Nanak Jayanti.

Sincerely Yours,

(R.K. Chaudhary)

**Chairman & Managing Director**