

From CMD's Desk...



A Navratna Company
December 1st 2024

Dear Colleagues,

We proudly celebrated NHPC's 50th Raising Day on November 7th, 2024, at all our locations, culminating in a grand event at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, on November 9th, 2024. The occasion was graced by Shri Manohar Lal Khattar, Hon'ble Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, as the Chief Guest, and Shri Pankaj Agarwal, Secretary (Power), Government of India, as the Special Guest. Also present was Shri Gurdeep Singh, CMD (NTPC), as NHPC and NTPC celebrated their 50th Raising Day jointly. Hon'ble Minister, Shri Khattar emphasized NHPC's significant contribution to the power sector, praising the dedication and commitment of our employees. Shri Agarwal also commended NHPC's remarkable achievements, acknowledging the company's pivotal role in India's energy security and economic growth. Reflecting on our glorious 50-year journey, it's clear that NHPC's success has been driven by the unwavering dedication and hard work of each of you.

From November 18th-19th, 2024, I visited the Kishanganga Power Station and inspected its various components. I am pleased to share that on November 19th, 2024, NHPC successfully commissioned the Dam Toe Power House (2.4 MW) in the remote Gurez Valley of Jammu & Kashmir. The power generated by this plant will be used for the Dam's auxiliaries and the local grid, benefiting the people in this remote border area, which is cut off from the grid during the winter season.

On November 22nd, 2024, Shri Manohar Lal Khattar, Hon'ble Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, visited the Nimoo Bazgo Power Station in Leh District (UT of Ladakh). During his visit, I briefed him on the power station's activities and the various CSR initiatives NHPC is undertaking for the local community.

On November 14th, 2024, the stator for Unit #4 of the Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project was successfully lowered. The stator, which weighs 395 tons and has a bore diameter of 11.5 meters, is the largest of its kind in any hydroelectric project in India.

On November 17th, 2024, Smt. Nimuben Jayantibhai Bambhaniya, Hon'ble Minister of State for Consumer Affairs, visited the Dibang Multipurpose Project (2880 MW). She expressed satisfaction with the project's progress and encouraged the team to continue their hard work toward its timely completion.

On November 6th, 2024, Shri Pankaj Agarwal, Secretary (Power), Government of India, chaired a Progress Review Meeting of NHPC at our Corporate Office in Faridabad. He also visited the Master Control Room – Generation Monitoring & Early Warning System at the Corporate Office.

On November 13th, 2024, I, along with Shri U.S. Sahi, Executive Director, met Shri Bijendra Prasad Yadav, Hon'ble Minister of Energy, Government of Bihar, in New Delhi. During our meeting, we discussed the development of floating solar energy projects and other solar initiatives in Bihar. The Hon'ble Minister requested NHPC to send a team of experts to explore these projects further.

On November 25th, 2024, I, along with Shri V.R. Shrivastava, Executive Director (RE&GH), met Shri Alok Kumar, ACS Energy, Rajasthan, in Jaipur, to brief him on NHPC's ongoing and planned renewable energy projects in the state.

I also had the privilege of participating in two significant panel discussions: one on "Green Hydrogen: Energy Security for India - Technology Innovation & Policy Intervention" at Jharkhand University of Technology (JUT) & BITSAA on November 14th, 2024, in Ranchi, and another on "Sustainable Development and India's Energy Transition" at the Platinum Jubilee Celebration of BIT, Sindri on November 15th, 2024.

By the end of November 2024, the total cumulative generation from all NHPC power stations reached 17091 MUs, with revenue collection for the month amounting to Rs 788.69 crores.

Other key highlights for the month include:

- NHPC showcased its capabilities at the Ministry of Power Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair (IITF) held from 14th to 27th November 2024. The Pavilion was visited by Shri Manohar Lal Khattar, Hon'ble Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs, and Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Power & Renewable Energy.
- Shri Santosh Kumar, CVO (NHPC), met Shri Arvind Kumar Sharma, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister for Energy and Additional Energy Sources Department, Uttar Pradesh, in Lucknow to discuss issues related to BSUL's solar projects.
- NHPC signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) at its Corporate Office, Faridabad on November 28th 2024 to promote innovative clean energy solutions, focusing on agrivoltaics, green hydrogen and sustainable financing strategies.
- NHPC organized the company finals of "Abhyuday" The Business Simulation Games 2024 on November 19th 2024 at the Corporate Office. Four teams emerged as winners, which shall be representing NHPC at the GMC, BSG National Finals.
- On November 27th 2024, NHPC signed a Power Sale Agreement with UPPCL, Uttar Pradesh, for 1280 MW of Firm and Dispatchable Renewable Energy (FDRE) under the MNRE's REIA scheme.
- NHPC observed Vigilance Awareness Week across all locations from October 30th to November 5th 2024 with various programs including essay writing, debates, poetry recitation and painting competitions.
- NHPC celebrated 'Constitution Day' on November 26th 2024 at all locations, commemorating the adoption of the Constitution of India.
- NHPC organized a Free "Health Mela" / Multi-specialty health camp in association with empaneled hospitals of NCR at the Corporate Office, benefiting 301 patients.
- NHPC Sports Scholar Tushar Suveer won a silver medal at the All India Junior National Badminton Championship held in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

I extend my heartfelt greetings to you and your family on the joyous occasion of Christmas.

Sincerely Yours,

(R.K. Chaudhary)
Chairman & Managing Director