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Summary report for council of ministers on important developments in Power sector during the month of JANUARY, 2022

1. Important policy decisions taken, and major achievements during the month

I. The total electricity generation including generation from renewable sources in the country during the month of January 2022 was 1,20,586 MU as against the generation of 1,20,015 MU during the corresponding period last year, showing a growth of 0.48%.

II. Overall Renewable Generation (Including Hydro) has increased by 2.79% during January 2022 as compared to last year during same period.

III. A proposal of Central Power Research Institute (CPRI) for Augmentation of Existing Test Facilities and Establishment of New Test Facilities at its various centres with an outlay of Rs.213.40 crore has been approved on 2lst January, 2022. The Timeline for completion of the project is three years from date of release of 1st installment of fund.

IV. Public Investment Board has recommended the proposal of investment approval of Rs. 2614.51crore for implementation of 382MW Sunni Dam HEP in Himachal Pradesh.

V. Standing Finance Committee under Chairmanship of Secretary (Power), in meeting held on 11th January, 2022, has approved "Energy Conservation Scheme "ROSHANEE" for the Financial Years 2021-2026". The second meeting of the Inter Ministerial Committee for implementation of activities under ROSHANEE was subsequently held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Power on 31.1.2022.

VI. The first stakeholder consultation for discussing the design of the National Carbon Market in India was held on 29.1.2022 in this Virtual consultation around 130 representatives of various Ministries, Departments and other think tanks had participated.

VII. Under the Street Lighting National Programme (SLNP), 1,601 Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) have been enrolled, out of which LED street light installation work has been completed in 1,060 ULBs and installation work in 203 ULBs is under progress. As on 31st January 2022, over 1.22 crore LED Street lights have been installed.
Progress during the month of January: 73,039.

VIII. LED bulbs distributed under UJALA as on 31.01.2022 are 36.79 crore.
Progress in the month of January: 6,953

IX. The process of privatization of Power department in Union Territories is in advance stages. Puducherry has released RFP on 03.01.2022 for bidding. The UTs of A&N Islands and Lakshadweep are also in the process of finalizing the RFP.

X. Implementation of National Smart Grid Mission projects:

a) A Whitepaper on G-NZEB (Grid-Interactive Net or nearly zero energy buildings) has been prepared and shared with CEA for incorporation in roadmap for introducing smart grid technologies in distribution sector.
b) In Chandigarh Sub-Division 5 Smart Grid project, 19025 smart meters installed in field till date.
c) In JVVNL (6 towns) Smart Grid project, 87646 smart meters installed in field till date.
d) As of January 2022, more than 36.6 lakh smart meters installed in field and about 75 lakh smart meters are under deployment across various schemes/states.

XI. Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme:

Govt. of India approved a reforms-based and results-linked scheme"Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme: on 30-06-2021with the objective of improving the quality andreliability of power supply to consumers through a financially sustainable andoperationally efficient distribution sector.

To monitor the progress andimplementation of the scheme, an inter-ministerial monitoring committee hasbeen constituted under the chairmanship of Secretary (Power). The 4thmeeting of monitoring committee of Revamped Distribution Sector Schemewas held on 10-01-2022.

XII. Additional Borrowing of 0.5% to States-

As per the recommendation of theFifteenth Finance Commission, Govt. of India decided to provideperformance based additional borrowing space of 0.50 percent of Gross StateDomestic Product (GSDP) to states in the power sector.
The objectives of theadditional borrowing space are to improve the operational and economicefficiency of the sector, and promote a sustained increase in paid electricityconsumption.Ministry of Power is nodal ministry for assessment of performance of Statesand recommending the grant of additional borrowing permission to the States toDepartment of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. During the month of January,this Ministry has recommended the grant of additionalborrowing permission of thestates of Rajasthan and Manipur to Ministry of Finance.

2. **Important policy matter held up on account of prolonged inter-ministerial consultations:** Nil

3. **No. of cases of 'sanction for prosecution' pending for more than three months:** No such cases pending.

4. **Particulars of cases in which there has been a departure from the Transaction of Business Rules or established policy of the Government:** Nil

5. **Status of ongoing SwachhtaAbhiyan (progress of Special Campaign):**

Recording / Reviewing of Files (as on 31.01.2022)		
No. of Files proposed for Review on 1st October, 2021	No. of Files Reviewed	No. of Files weeded out
38773	34787	23648

6. **Status of Rationalization of Autonomous Bodies:** Nil

7. **Information on specific steps taken for utilization of the Space Technology based tools and applications in Governance and Development**

NHPC utilized space technology for Remote Sensing Based Sedimentation studies of one of its project i.e. Teesta-IV HEP through M/s NRSC Hyderabad. The study was also conducted to generate the spatial layers on geological parameters, Land Use, Soil and topography using multi-temporal satellite data and to assess the sediment load in the Teesta –IV HE Catchment area. The above study work started in January'2017 and was completed within the scheduled duration of 4 years and the final report was submitted by NRSC Hyderabad in February 2021.

THDCIL is using Real Time Flood Forecasting system inTehri Project with the help of installed automatic weather stations, automatic G&D stations and automatic Reservoir level sensor.

8. **Vacancy position of senior level appointments in the Ministry/Department, including Autonomous Bodies/PSUs**

- No. of total posts (Board level) under Ministry of Power- 94
- No. of Posts Vacant - 21(16+5*)
- Posts going to be vacant within Next 6 Months – 13 (11+2*)

* To be filled by the DoPT

9. **List of cases in which ACC directions have not been complied with**

- ACC vide direction dated 10.11.2020 has directed the Ministry to frame the Recruitments Rules for the posts of Chairman & Whole Time Members of BBMB. The RRs are under final stage of approval and will be notified soon.

- Further, there is no fresh direction of ACC pending on AVMS.