

From the Chairman's Desk



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Chairman, DVC

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Dear Colleagues,

I am honored and privileged to assume the charge of Chairman of this great organization from today. It is indeed a special feeling to lead independent India's first multipurpose river valley project. Our organization is one of the most diversified entities in the power sector and it is our collective responsibility to uphold its multifarious objectives.

In recent years, we have achieved important milestones and proved our inherent abilities. As we look forward, we must focus on the efficient and effective realization of our expansion plan. A major component of the roadmap is the installation of renewable energy to the tune of almost 6000 MW consisting of solar PV and pumped storage projects in our command area. This will help in achieving an optimal energy mix in line with the targets of the Government of India. In addition, we have also taken up brownfield thermal projects of 3720 MW to support the base load of the country. We are also strengthening and augmenting our T&D system for adding more consumers at various voltage levels and to accommodate the capacity addition. Critical factors for the timely completion of the projects will be prudent project management, honest communication, teamwork, dedication, and clarity of purpose. We must also strive to generate alternate sources of revenue to unlock our complete potential.

An important focus area should be the continuous improvement in the operational performance of existing assets. The consumer expectations of reliable and affordable power must be kept in mind while generating and transmitting every unit of electricity. Availability of coal by ensuring maximum production from Tubed coal block and regular coal supply from coal companies will be key to greater fuel security. At the same time, ash utilization on a sustained basis will be critical to uninterrupted running of thermal power stations. We must accord particular importance to the safety of our assets including ensuring dam safety. In all our activities, we must give high priority to the occupational safety and health of our employees and workmen.

The power sector is changing rapidly in terms of both technology and commercial aspects. To keep pace with the changes, we are putting greater focus on digitization and automation across DVC. I urge all employees to actively participate in the transformation process and acquire requisite skills aligned with the changing business and regulatory environment.

Our socio-economic responsibilities through our CSR programs must be unwavering. The beneficiaries are important stakeholders who need to be supported through inclusive initiatives. The activities under soil conservation must be augmented to support the important needs of water and prevention of soil erosion. We must also protect our heritage and rich legacy.

Focus on people, performance and profit must be our mantra as we strive to achieve great things in the coming days. Our stakeholders are looking towards us with great hope and expectations. I have the confidence and conviction that we will fulfill them and make DVC one of the most preferred power organizations in India and beyond.

As I start my journey in a new role, I look forward to the support and dedication of each member of Team DVC. I convey my best wishes to all the family members who unconditionally stand behind every employee as they discharge their daily duties.

As we proudly work towards taking DVC to newer heights, I seek the blessings of the almighty to guide us in all our future endeavors.

Best Wishes,

M. Raghu Ram