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Government of India
Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg,
New Delhi, dated 02nd April, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Constitution of an Independent Thermal Project Monitoring Group (TPMG) for monitoring the execution of Thermal Power Projects, under implementation-reg.

Hon'ble Minister of Power & NRE has approved the proposal for constitution of an Independent Thermal Project Monitoring Group (TPMG) to conduct site inspections and provide assessment of each site of the Thermal Power Project under implementation by a Central/State utility and IPPs.

2. Accordingly, Ministry of Power, hereby constitutes an independent Thermal Project Monitoring Group (TPMG) with following composition:

- (i) Member (Thermal), CEA – Head of the Group
- (ii) Chief Engineer or above level officer of CEA (**01 No.**)-Member
- (iii) Retired senior officers of CEA/NTPC/DVC (**06 Nos.**) - Member

3. Two Deputy Director (DD) Level Officers of CEA will assist the Group.

4. Chief Engineer and above level officers and Deputy Director (DD) Level Officers of CEA are to be nominated by CEA.

5. Retired senior officers of CEA/NTPC/DVC will be appointed by Ministry of Power.

6. The terms of reference of the TPMG Group are enclosed at **Annexure.**

7. This issues with the approval of the Secretary (Power).

Encl: As above.

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To,

1. Chairperson, CEA
2. Chairman, DVC
3. CMD, NTPC
4. ACS (Energy)/Principal Secretary (Energy) of all the States
5. CMDs/MDs of all Central/State GENCOS
6. All IPPs.
7. Technical Director, NIC with request to upload this circular on the website of the Ministry of Power.

Copy to:

PS to Hon'ble Minister of Power & NRE/Sr. PPS to Secretary (Power)/PPS to JS(Thermal)/ PPS to JS &FA/ PPS to Dir(Thermal), Ministry of Power

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Terms of Reference of the Thermal Power Monitoring Group (TPMG)

1. Scope of Work

(i) The Members of the TPMG would undertake site visits of all the Thermal Power Projects of the Central/State Sector as well as IPPs which are under implementation. They would conduct site inspection of the project area to observe first-hand progress made by the project proponents and based on their assessment, would submit a progress report in prescribed format to the TPMG. TPMG would compare this progress report with the progress being reported by project proponents directly to CEA. Based on both of these reports, CEA would submit the realistic position about the progress of the projects under implementation in prescribed format during the regular capacity addition review meetings.

(ii) The Members would undertake meetings with key members involved in the project, including project managers, and contractors, to gather insights into the progress and identify any issues affecting the project's timeline. The Members may also share their insight into any hindrance that the Project may face in future based on their assessment and may also provide suggestions for improvement in project implementation to the TPMG.

(iii) TPMG would identify any challenges or obstacles encountered during the implementation phase and evaluate the effectiveness of the mitigation strategies employed by the project proponents.

(iv) TPMG may be assigned any additional work by CEA/MoP as deemed suitable.

(v) Member (Thermal), being the Head of the group will oversee the activities of the TPMG, ensure that all relevant aspects of the project are adequately evaluated, and facilitate discussions to reach consensus on key findings and recommendations.

(vi) The schedule of the site visit of the Members shall be prepared by the Head of the TPMG.

(vii) The projects/project component will report the original completion date, and the subsequent target details – with reasons for extension, in prescribed reporting format.



2. Deliverables:

(i) A detailed report outlining the findings of the site visit and progress review, including observations, and any deviations from the proposed timelines is to be prepared by the TPMG in prescribed format. The report shall also include the latest photographs of the critical areas and achievements.

(ii) The Members shall submit a progress review report **within 07 working days** after the site visit. **TPMG** shall apprise the progress/timelines of the site of the Thermal Power Projects under implementation to the Ministry of Power after every visit.

3. Review and Amendments:

These terms of reference may be reviewed and amended by the Ministry of Power as and when required, to ensure the TPMG's effectiveness.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'A. Chandra', is written over a horizontal line.