

Hon'ble Chief Minister's Review Meeting of Energy Department
on 22.07.2021

Hon'ble Chief Minister chaired the Review meeting of Energy Department on 22.07.2021 at 05.15 PM in the Old cabinet room in which Hon'ble Minister (Electricity, Prohibition and Excise) participated along with the following officials:

1. Dr. V.Irai Anbu, I.A.S., Chief Secretary to Government
2. Thiru S.Krishnan, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department
3. Thiru T.Udhayachandran, I.A.S, Principal Secretary-I to Chief Minister
4. Dr. P.Umanath, I.A.S, Secretary-II to Chief Minister
5. Thiru M.S.Shanmugam, I.A.S., Secretary-III to Chief Minister
6. Tmt. Anu George, I.A.S., Secretary-IV to Chief Minister
7. Dr. Atulya Misra, I.A.S., Additional Chief Secretary cum Chairman and Managing Director, Tamilnadu Power Finance and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited
8. Thiru Rajesh Lakhani, I.A.S., Principal Secretary cum Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited
9. Thiru Dharmendra Pratap Yadhav, I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Government, Energy Department
10. Tmt. K.Asia Mariam, I.A.S., Managing Director, Tamilnadu Energy Development Agency
11. Thiru Elampoornam, Chief Electrical Inspector to Government

At the outset, the Principal Secretary, Energy Department welcomed the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Hon'ble Minister (Electricity, Prohibition and Excise), the Chief Secretary and other officials who participated in the review meeting of Energy Department. The Principal Secretary also appraised the details of Heads of Department coming under the Energy Department

The Chairman cum Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited presented about various activities of Tamil

Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited in details before the Hon'ble Chief Minister as detailed below:-

Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO)

- Honourable Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, discussed the performance of all the State owned Generating Stations and Renewable energy integration.
- On reviewing the progress of the works in ongoing projects, it was discussed to restudy the shifting of the Uppur project so as to meet the raising demand. Hon'ble Chief Minister also insisted to speed up the commissioning of all the ongoing projects. An expenditure of Rs.792 crore has been made to Ennore Expansion Thermal Power Project (1X660 MW). Hence it has been directed to examine and study the revival of the project.
- Wind Banking-Wind generators inject the power during May to September and in-turn due to banking of wind power high cost power of TANGEDCO is being consumed by the generators during the peak summer ending up in additional burden.
- To avoid increasing transportation cost of coal, signing up of agreements with pithead generating stations shall be explored at competitive prices.
- Indian coal contains high ash content and hence the viability of long term agreements for imported coal shall be studied. Further, there is a wide difference in the Gross Calorific Value (GCV) of coal when compared to the supply end and receiving end. Joint inspection of the GCV at the receiving end was discussed.
- As the Chandrabilla coal block has not been put into effective usage due to various issues like non availability of land for dumping, no proper approach etc., request for change of block shall be discussed with MoP.
- On review of Distribution sector, emphasis was given on the AT&C loss reduction and to rectify low voltage issue by strengthening the network.
- Pending Agriculture applications was reviewed and 24 hrs supply for agriculture services was discussed. In the present situation the network