

Brief on One day national Conference on “Crisis & Disaster Management in Power Sector and Associated Environment” on 14th October, 2015, at CPRI, Bengaluru.

Central Electricity Authority (CEA) and Central Power Research Institute (CPRI) organized one day National Conference on ‘Crisis and Disaster Management in Power Sector and Associated Environment’ on 14th October, 2015 at CPRI, Bengaluru. The objective of this National conference was to sensitize the utilities/stakeholders to share their experiences in dealing with crisis and disaster situations in power sector and to discuss the steps/measures which could be adopted for such emergency condition.

136 delegates from all over the country, representing Utilities/Organization like CPRI, NTPC, THDC, SJVNL, POSOCO, PGCIL, APTRANSCO, KPTCL, RRVUNL, DTL, PED Puducherry, SPPC Bengaluru, Tata Power, CESC, BPCL, BSES Yamuna Power, JSW Energy Ltd., MAPGCL, Reliance Infrastructure Ltd., TCED Thrissur, Serene Properties Pvt. Ltd., Shell India, UNIDO, Tamil Nadu Police, Taurus Powertronics etc. participated in the Conference.

Shri Major Singh, Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, was the Chief Guest and inaugurated the conference. In his inaugural speech, Shri Singh, explained that CEA brought out Crisis & Disaster Management Plan for Power Sector in 2004 and revised it in 2012. He said, that the objective of organizing the workshop is to sensitize the utilities in effectively handling the crisis situation to which there power plants are vulnerable.

The conference had four sessions apart from inaugural session as detailed below:

Session-I: Role and Responsibilities of various organizations in handling Disaster & Crisis Situation.

Session-II: Challenges in handling Crisis and Disaster Situations in Thermal and Hydro Electric Stations & Case Studies.

Session-III: Cyber Threats, Cyber Security for Power sector and Hazardous chemical threats.

Session-IV: Disaster Management in Transmission and Distribution System & Electricity Grids and Grid Security.

A total of 13 eminent speakers from NIDM, CEA, CPRI, Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre, NTPC, THDC, SJVNL, POSOCO, UNIDO and CESC, former Member MERC, addressed the delegates and shared their experience in handling various emergency situations. Chief Engineer (PS&LF), CEA, gave a presentation on the Crisis & Disaster Management Plan of Power Sector prepared by CEA in 2012.

Knowledge shared in the conference would help power engineers to further improve their preparedness for crisis/disaster management.

