

Profile of Shri Milind Ganesh Gokhale

Shri Milind Ganesh Gokhale (M.G. Gokhale) is presently holding the post of Member (Hydro) and Ex-officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India, Central Electricity Authority. He was previously holding the post of Executive Director in NHPC Ltd, a schedule "A" Govt. of India Navaratna Enterprise. Shri Gokhale is a graduate in Electrical Engineering from Maulana Azad College of Technology, Bhopal (now known as Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology, Bhopal) and has also done MBA.

Shri Gokhale has more than 35 years of experience in the Hydro sector from concept to commissioning. The Water to Wire experience encompasses various stages like Design, Preparation of Technical Specification, Pre & Post award Engineering, Erection, Testing & Commissioning, Operation & Maintenance, Transmission and Commercial aspects. He has more than 15 years of experience in Design, about 12 years' experience in Construction Projects : Electromechanical works, Transmission lines, experience of 5 years in O&M of Power Stations and 3 years in Commercial Division.

His significant achievements are record generation from Salal Power station (1990, 1991) revival of Salal Generating Units after flooding in 1992, Commissioning of additional 220 kV bay, 220/132 kV transformer and 132 kV bay at Tanakpur ahead of schedule in 1998, Commissioning of Kalpong Project in Andaman & Nicobar, 14 months ahead of schedule in 2000, Commissioning of 4 units of Indirasagar Project from January 2004-March, 2004 inspite of inundation of Powerhouse in July 2003 and balance units by March 2005. Unit-7 received Prime Ministers National Award for best executed Hydro Project. Erection of Generating Units of TLDP-III and construction of 3 transmission lines of Teesta Low Dam Projects inspite of challenging environment of Gorkha agitation (2007-2012), Successful Engineering of Mangdechhu Project in Bhutan (2013-2015). Preparation of DPR of Renovation and Modernization of Bairasul Project (2014), Erection, Testing and Commissioning of Generating Units of Kishanganga Project (2016-2018) in challenging environment as then existed in Kashmir, Innovative modelling of tariff, timely submission of tariff petitions in Hon'ble CERC 2019, collection of highest revenue by NHPC in single financial year (2020-21), collection of revenue through innovative double discounting scheme in 2021-2022, dewatering of inundated Subansiri Power Station in record time in September 2022, monitoring and speeding up Electromechanical works of Subansiri Project (2023) etc. He had been associated with R&D projects on condition monitoring

Earlier to joining CEA, Shri Gokhale was on the Board of Directors of Lanco Teesta Hydro Power Ltd, National High Power Test Laboratory Limited and NHPC Renewable Energy Limited. He has visited Brazil, Netherlands, Sweden, UAE besides Nepal & Bhutan. His co-authored technical papers on Commissioning Aspects and Control System of Indira Sagar Project were published in CBIP Water & Power Journal in 2006. Recently his one of the coauthored technical paper has been selected in ICOLD 2024 for oral presentation and another one in Hydro Austria, 2024.
