

Profile of Shri HEMANT JAIN, Member (Grid Operation & Distribution), CEA

Shri Hemant Jain, an officer of the 1990 batch of Central Power Engineering Services (CPES) Group 'A' Cadre, is holding the post of Member (Grid Operation & Distribution), Central Electricity Authority and Ex-Officio Additional Secretary to the Government of India since 1st February,2024.

Born on 24th July, 1968, Shri Hemant Jain graduated in Electrical Engineering from Madan Mohan Malviya Engineering College, Gorakhpur (UP) (now, Madan Mohan Malviya University of Technology, Gorakhpur). Subsequently, he completed his M.Tech. from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi, prior to joining Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in CPES cadre as Assistant Director in February,1991.

With a work experience of over 33 years in various facets of power sector, Shri Hemant Jain is presently heading the Grid Operation & Distribution Wing of CEA, which comprises of five Divisions and five Regional Power Committees (RPCs), each headed by a Chief Engineer level Officer.

After his initial stint as Assistant Director in Grid Management Division of CEA, Shri Jain was amongst the few officers deputed by Ministry of Power to the newly created Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) in 1999. In CERC, he had handled the work related to formulation of Indian Electricity Grid Code (IEGC), Regulation of Inter-state transmission of electricity including licensing and tariff setting, preparation and notification of related Regulations.

With the regulatory experience of over five (5) years in CERC, he was deputed in Office of Chairperson, CEA, for handling all the technical, administrative, regulatory, legal and vigilance matters referred to Chairperson, CEA, for final decision. In 2006, Shri Jain was sent on deputation to Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) as Joint Director (Engg.) for almost three (3) years where he handled the work of approval of Capital expenditure Schemes of Distribution and Transmission Licensees, setting of Generation, Transmission and Retail Consumer Tariff, approval of Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) and all technical matters related to operation of Delhi power system.

Back in CEA, Shri Jain worked in the Integrated Resource Planning (I.R.P) Division, CEA, and also handled the additional charge in Office of Chairperson, CEA, from October,2008, to February,2016, for administrative coordination of the activities of various Divisions and Wings of CEA apart from handling of all the technical, regulatory, legal and vigilance matters. Subsequently, he had gained experience in the Renewable Energy Source (R.E.S.) Development Division, Regulatory Affairs (R.A.) Division, Grid Management (G.M.) Division and Renewable Project Monitoring (R.P.M.) in CEA, before moving to his present assignment on 1st February,2024.
