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Fourth Edition of Lineman Diwas celebrated on Mar 4, 2024 in New Delhi

The Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Ministry of Power in association with Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd. (Tata Power-DDL) celebrated the Fourth Edition of Lineman Diwas on March 4th, 2024 in New Delhi.

The initiative aims to honor the frontline heroes of the Indian Power Sector – The Linemen, by establishing it as a nationwide tradition for all State and Private Transmission and Distribution companies to celebrate 'Lineman Diwas.' The endeavour serves as a significant morale booster for the frontline workers in the power sector, providing them with the well-deserved recognition and appreciation.

Appreciation by Ministry of Power and CEA

Sh. Raj Kumar Singh, Minister of New and Renewable Energy, Govt. of India conveyed his message of appreciation for the line workers through a special video message saying, "The celebration of Lineman Day is a start of a culture of greater appreciation and applauds for the unrelenting efforts of the frontline workers of the power sector. We take immense pride in recognizing their invaluable contribution who work even in the face of challenges like adverse weather and unforeseen crises."

"Lineman Diwas serves as a highly effective platform facilitating the exchange of ideas and the sharing of Safety Best Practices among the participants. We are grateful to the linemen who go above and beyond to ensure uninterrupted power supply for the functioning of the country's technological, industrial, and social infrastructure." he added.

Delivering a keynote address at the event, Chairperson, Central Electricity Authority, Shri Ghanshyam Prasad said, "Linepersons of power sector are the strongest pillar of our nation's power system. The observance of 'Lineman Diwas' emphasizes our profound appreciation for their dedication and relentless service. The purpose behind recognizing the hard work of these frontline workers, is to educate them on safety and inspire them to persist in their exemplary efforts."

The event was attended by the senior members of the CEA and transcos and discoms which included- Sh. Ashok Kumar Rajput, Member (Power Systems); Sh. A. Balan, Member (Planning); Sh. Ajay Talegaonkar, Member (E&C); Sh. Praveen Gupta, Member (Thermal), Smt Rishika Sharan, CEI, CEA, Shri Ganesh Srinivasan, CEO Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited, Shri Vineet Sikka, CEO BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd.; Shri Amarjeet Singh, CEO, BSES Yamuna Power Ltd; and Deputy Director, NPTI.

Participation by Transmission and Distribution companies from across the country Over 150 linemen and linewomen from over 40 State and Private Transmission and Distribution Companies, from Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Jammu and Kashmir, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Delhi visited the National capital to participate in the celebration. They were felicitated with Medals, Certificates and Gifts for their selfless contribution.

Shattering the stereotype that jobs are gender specific, **9 ambitious women comprising linewomen, technicians, and engineers from some Transcos & Discoms** from Bihar, Karnataka, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Uttarakhand participated in the event and shared their stories of dedication and hardwork.

Names of the participating Transmission and Distribution Companies: Adani Electricity

Mumbai Ltd, Andhra Pradesh Eastern Power Distribution Company Limited (APEPDCL),

Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited, Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited (BESCOM), Bihar State Power Transmission Company Ltd, BSES Yamuna Power Ltd., BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd, Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Ltd (CESC), Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (DHBVN), Damodar Valley Corporation, Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited (GETCO), Indigrid Ltd, Jammu and Kashmir Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. (JKPTCL), Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited, Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (JDVVNL), MP Madhya Kshetra Vidyut Vitaran Co. Ltd.

(MPMKVVCL), MP Poorv Kshetra Vidyut Vitaran Company Ltd. (MPPKVVCL), Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited (MGVCL), Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd,

New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC), North Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd (NBPDCL), Nidar Utilities Panvel LLP, Noida Power Company Ltd, Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited (OPTCL), Pashchimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd (PVVNL), Power Transmission Corporation of Uttarakhand Limited, Dehradun (PTCUL), Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited (PGVCL), Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd, South Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd (SBPDCL), Punjab State Transmission

Corporation Ltd (PSTCL), TP Central Odisha Distribution Limited (TPCODL), TP Southern Odisha Distribution Limited (TPSODL), TP Western Odisha Distribution Limited (TPWODL), Tata Power Northern Odisha Distribution Limited (TPNODL), Tata Power Company Ltd, Tata Steel Ltd, Tata Steel Utilities and Infrastructure Services Ltd, Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Ltd. (UGVCL), Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd (UPPCL), Uttar Pradesh Power Transmission Corporation Ltd (UPPTCL).

The Event

- 1. Following officers from CEA and TATA POWER DDL were part of Organizing committee:
 - a) Rishika Sharan, Chief Engineer, CEA- Head of the committee.
 - b) Arpita Upadhyay, Deputy Director, CEA-Member
 - c) Rahul Singh, Deputy Director, CEA-Member
 - d) Alok Kumar, Deputy Director, CEA-Member
 - e) Ravi Shankar, Deputy Director, CEA-Member
 - f) Gaurav Srivastava, Assistant Director, CEA-Member
 - (a) H.C. Sharma, Chief-TS, BD & Collaboration, Tata Power DDL
 - (b) Sonia Sarin, Head of Group -Corporate Communications, Tata Power DDL-Member
 - (c) Manzah, Tata Power DDL-Member
 - (d) Imran Ahmed, Tata Poer DDL-Member

The theme for Lineman Diwas celebration was 'Seva, Suraksha, Swabhiman' signifying the *Dedication, Service and Sacrifice* of the frontline heroes of the power sector.

- At the event, linemen and linewomen also had the opportunity to interact with Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA and share their views, suggestions and concerns.
- The representatives from the participating Transcos and Discoms Exchanged Ideas and Shared Safety Best Practices, fostering collective learning within the power industry.
- A special display of the various safety equipment and tools were arranged,

allowing guests to learn and share more about the best practices implemented.

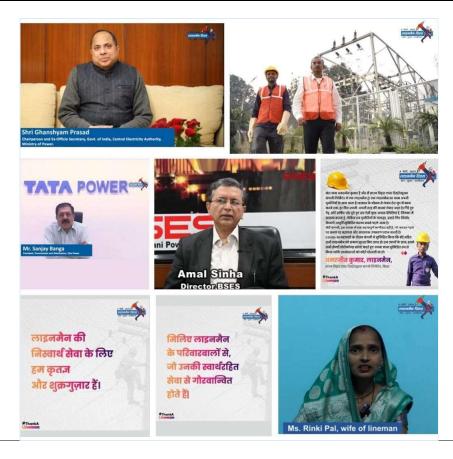
- Additionally, videos screened at the event highlighted the importance of workplace safety and incidents prevention by various Transcos and Discoms including BSES, Power Grid Corporation of India, Tata Power Southern Odisha Distribution Limited, Indigrid, Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation (GETCO) and Tata Power-DDL. This collaborative effort empowered linemen to draw insights from their peers, broaden their perspectives, and reinforce effective safety protocols, thereby promoting a safer working environment for all.
- A Safety Skit prepared by Sh Manjunath, Lineman, BESCOM and a cultural Program prepared by Linemen were performed during the event

Extensive Media & Social Media Coverage

Celebration across the country: Besides the event in Delhi, CEA also urged the transmission and distribution companies to organize Lineman Diwas event at their respective office locations to engage and honour their entire frontline team.

Digital and Social Media promotion plan: For enhanced awareness and amplification of Lineman Diwas and the critical role of Lineman in ensuring uninterrupted power supply across the country, an extensive Digital and Social Media promotion plan was executed during the pre-event period.

Total Reach & Engagement on Company's Social Media Platforms					
No. of posts	No. of posts Platforms Total Engag		Total Reach/Impressions		
	Facebook	4,292	33,35,709		
32	Instagram	1,753	23,72,533		
	LinkedIn	3283	2,23,329		



Media Coverage: Lineman Diwas garnered a good Media Coverage both at the National & Regional level with a Total Media Coverage in 358 publications with Print: 145, Online: 213.

Coverage: Print 40 Online 17					
Pre-event Press Release: Central Electricity Authority to honour	PIB	Link			
the nation's frontline power sector workers; fourth edition of Lineman Diwas to be celebrated on March 4, 2024.					
Coverage: Print 105 Online 196					
Post-event Press Release: Central Electricity Authority honours PIB L					
nation's frontline power sector workers, at fourth edition of Lineman Diwas.					





ચોથી આવૃત્તિની થીમ છે 'સેવા, સુરક્ષા, સ્વાબિમાન', જે દેશભરના લાઇનમેનોની નિઃસ્વાર્થ સેવાને સ્વીકારે છે. CEA નો ઉદ્દેશ્ય તમામ











'Lineman Diwas' - A Unique Initiative by the Central Electricity Authority to Honor the Selfless Contribution of Frontline Workforce of the Power Sector

Honoured 150+ linepersons from 40+ transcos & discoms on March 4th, 2024 in the National Capital New Delhi, Delhi, India (NewsVoir)

The Central Electricity Authority (CEA), Ministry of Power in association with Tata Power Delhi Distribution (Tata Power-DDL) Ltd. commemorated the Fourth Edition of Lineman Diwas on Natrol 4th, 2024 in New Delhi. The initiative aims to honor the frontline hences of the Indian Power Sector — The Lineman by setablishing it as a nationwide tradition for all state and private transmission and distribution companies to celebrate a dedicated day as "Lineman Diwas." This endeavor served as a significant.

केंद्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण ने मनाया लाइनमैन दिवस

नई दिल्ली। केंद्रीय विद्युत प्राधिकरण सीईए बिजली मंत्रालय ने टाटा पावर दिल्ली डिस्ट्रीब्यूशन टाटा पावर डोडीएल लिमिटेड के सख्योग से ४ मार्च २०२४ को नई दिखें में लाइनमेन दिवस चौथा संस्करण मनाया। इस परंश का उदेश्य सभी सरकारी और प्राइवेट ट्रांसमिशन और डिस्ट्री ब्यद्धशन कंपनियों के लिए एक दिन लाडनमैन दिवस के रूप में समर्पित करने और उसका बहुहराज कबानार्थ के सार के तर किया किया है। अरहार मानार्क में हारदायाँ प्रस्ताव कर हरिया कार देवेट के प्रतास कर हिन्दा के लाइजमैन का समाना करना है। इस प्रवास ने पावर सेपटरर में प्रतास कर्म वर्कत के लिए मनोबल बढ़ाने का महत्वपूर्व काम किया है। जिससे उन्हें उदित प्रत्यान और समाना मिली। इस समारोह में हिस्सा लेने के लिए आंध्र प्रदेश, बिसर, गुजरात, हरियाणा, झारखंड, कर्नाटक,जनम् और करमीर, मासराद, मध्य प्रदेश, ओडिशा, पंजाब, राजस्थान,उत्तर प्रदेश, उत्तराखंड और दिलीश के 40 से अधिक सरकारी और पाइवेट ट्रांसमिशन और डिस्टी ब्यउशन कंपनियों के 150 से उत्पामत लाइनमेंन और लाइनाबुमेंना ने सदीय राजधानी का दौर दिया। लाइनमेंन दियस समारोह का यीम सेवा, सुरथा, खानिमान वा जो पावर सेवटनर के प्रदेशन कारावा की कार्या दिया। नाइनमेंन दियस समारोह का यीम सेवा, सुरथा, खानिमान वा जो पावर सेवटनर के प्रदेश कारावा की समारोवा सेवा ऊर्जा मंत्री राज कुमार सिंह ने कहा कि लाइनमैन दिवस का उत्सव बिजली थेत्र के प्रोटलाइन वर्कर्स के अथक प्रयासों की व्यामणक सरहना और सम्माभन की संस्कृति की शुरुआत है। हम उनके अमूल्य योगदान की सराहना करते हुए बहुत गर्व महसूस करते हैं नो प्रतिकूल मौसम और अप्रत्याशित संकट जैसी चुनीतियों का साममा करते हुए अपना काम करते हैं।

Objective to elevate Lineman Diwas to National/Special Day

The larger objective of this initiative is to formally adopt Lineman Diwas as a National/Special Day on March 4th, which also marks the beginning of the National Safety Week (March 4th–10th) every year.

Establishing it as a nationwide tradition for all state and private transmission and distribution companies to celebrate a dedicated day as 'Lineman Diwas' will be a morale booster for the frontline workers of the power sector making them feel recognized and appreciated.

Additionally, it provides an effective platform where the exchange of ideas and sharing of safety best practices by various participants contribute to collective learning.

Proposal for the formal adoption of Lineman Diwas as a National/Special Day has been shared with the Ministry of Power through CEA.

Value it brings

- Lineman Diwas is a very effective platform where exchange of ideas and sharing of Safety Best Practices by various participating organisations contribute to collective learning.
- ☐ It is a great morale booster for the frontline workers of the power sector who feel recognized and appreciated thus enhancing connect between the management and the ground staff.
- ☐ Linemen get to share their experiences, challenges and views with the officials at the event during a candid interaction.

Focus on Safety

For linemen, safety is extremely important. Working with high-voltage power lines and equipment poses significant risks, and adherence to strict safety protocols is nonnegotiable.

Keeping safety at the forefront, robust safety policies, protocols and initiatives safeguard the well-being of these frontline workers.

- Development of comprehensive safety training programs designed to equip linemen with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate hazardous working environments safely.
- By building a culture of safety and providing requisite trainings, organizations empower linemen.
- Providing state-of-the-art safety equipment and technologies to enhance the protection in the field.
- Insulated tools and personal protective equipment, and advanced monitoring systems are some of the measures that play a crucial role in minimizing exposure to hazards and preventing accidents.
- Site Inspection prior to starting the work and ensuring all necessary safety management is done.
- Awareness is also being created among the workforce through Safety videos
 which are easier to understand. Old incidents and problems related to safety are
 explained through videos.

Useful **suggestions** a) A Linewoman form Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited from candid (OPTCL) shared her views on the women representation in the power interaction of sector workforce. It would be a good move to focus on encouraging Chairperson, CEA Diversity and Inclusion of eligible females also in the technical and with all the frontline workforce. participating b) Increased communication on Safety through videos and collaterals on Lineman/Linewoman CEA's and Discoms' websites. c) Improving the communication skills. d) Supporting further education for career growth through ITI to Diploma and further to Degree courses etc. e) A training module to upskill linemen on new technologies-Solar Rooftop, Smart Metering Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure (EVCI), hot line working etc. In collaboration with a reputed institutions such as NPTI, may be explored. f) Sharing of best practices and unique experiences. g) Imparting necessary first aid training and training in case of the person getting electrocuted. Vote of Thanks Vote of Thanks was delivered by Rishika Sharan, CEI, CEA. Chairperson, CEA and all the Dignitaries who attended the Program. The event was truly totally dedicated to Linemen for recognizing and appreciating the tireless efforts they do for us. The event also delivers an important message to enhance and bring more safety into the works of a linemen. She proposed that some line women also joined the event and from next year the event may be named as Lineperson Diwas to bring gender neutrality. Special appreciation to wonderful partners for coming together in this journey She added that the event was informative and enjoyable, and has enable us to connect with each other from top to down in power sector.

(some images from the Lineman Diwas celebration have been appended on the following page)

Some glimpses of Lineman Diwas 2024.



Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson & Ex-Officio Secretary to the Govt. of India, CEA along with dignitaries from CEA, Tata Power-DDL and BSES (BRPL & BYPL) at Lineman Diwas, March 4, 2024 in New Delhi.



Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA lighting the inaugural lamp at the event



Mr. Ganesh Srinivasan, CEO, Tata Power-DDL welcoming Chief Guest Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA



Special Video Message from Sh. Raj Kumar Singh, Minister of New and Renewable Energy, Govt. of India



Mr. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA interacting with the Line workers at the event



Safety Oath



Oraganising Team Memebers



Lineman sharing his experience



Linewoman sharing her views



Felicitation of Linepersons at the event



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Linepersons at the event



Vote of Thanks by Ms Rishika Sharan, CEI, Central Electricity Authority







THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION





1.	Adani Electricity Mumbai Ltd	23.	Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd.
2.	Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited	24.	New Delhi Municipal Council
3.	Andhra Pradesh Eastern Power Distribution Company Limited	25.	Nidar Utilities Panvel LLP
4.	Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited	26.	Noida Power Company Limited
5. Bihar State Power Transmission Company Limited		27.	North Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd.
6. BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd.		28.	Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited
7. BSES Yamuna Power Ltd.		29.	Pashchimanchal Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited
8. Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation Ltd, Mysuru		30.	Power Grid Corporation of India Limited
9.	Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Ltd	31.	Power Transmission Corporation of Uttarakhand Limited, Dehradun
10.	Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam	32.	Punjab State Transmission Corporation Limited
11.	Damodar Valley Corporation	33.	South Bihar Power Distribution Company Ltd
12.	Green Energy Transition Research Institute, Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Ltd. Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited IndiGrid Ltd		Tamil Nadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited
13.			Tata Power Central Odisha Distribution Limited
14.			Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited
15.			Tata Power Northern Odisha Distribution Limited
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17.	Jammu & Kashmir Power Transmission Corporation Ltd., Kashmir	38.	Tata Power Southern Odisha Distribution Limited
18.	Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited	39. 40.	Tata Power Western Odisha Distribution Limited
19.	9. Kerala State Electricity Board Limited		Tata Steel Utilities and Infrastructure Services Limited
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21.			Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Limited
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Lineman Diwas celebration at locations across India