





# Lineman Diwas – an initiative to honour the frontline workforce of the power sector.



### <u>Lineman Diwas 2025 – Felicitation of the frontline workforce of the power sector.</u>

#### 1. Fifth Edition of Lineman Diwas:

Central Electricity Authority (CEA) in collaboration with Tata Power Delhi Distribution Ltd (Tata Power-DDL) successfully organized the Fifth Edition of 'Lineman Diwas' on March 4, 2025 in New Delhi.

Lineman Diwas was first organized by the Central Electricity Authority in partnership with Tata Power-DDL in March 2021, with subsequent editions taking place in 2022, 2023, and 2024 to recognize the dedicated service of frontline heroes. The 5th edition this year continued the tradition of honouring linemen for their unmatched contributions, further expanding the event to a larger scale.

#### 2. Appreciation by Ministry of Power

- a) Sh. Manohar Lal, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs conveyed his special message of appreciation for the linemen through a video saying, "Reliable access to electricity is the lifeblood of thriving industries, flourishing businesses, and vibrant communities. Linemen, our unsung heroes, work tirelessly to ensure an uninterrupted power supply, overcoming any challenge—be it weather, disasters, or adversity. Lineman Diwas on March 4th celebrates their unwavering dedication and fosters safety, collaboration, and innovation in the energy sector. A day dedicated to honoring their crucial role, especially during National Safety Week, underscores the importance of their safety and well-being."
- b) Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Power, also shared a video message applauding the services of the linemen. He said, "Reliable access to electricity is essential for smooth operation of industries, success of businesses, and effective functioning of communities. Linemen are the backbone of the power sector. Their untiring dedication and hard work ensure an uninterrupted power supply to consumers, which is made possible through their round-the-clock service, regardless of adverse weather, natural disasters, or even unprecedented challenges.

# 3. <u>Participation by CEA, NPTI, Generation, Transmission and Distribution companies from across the country</u>

- a) The event was attended by senior members of the CEA and other TRANSCOs, GENCOs and DISCOMs including Sh. A. Balan, Member (Planning), CEA, Sh. M. G. Gokhale, Member (Hydro), CEA, Sh. Hemant Jain, Member, (GO&D), Sh. A.K Rajput, Ex-Member (Power Systems), CEA, Sh. Praveen Gupta, Member, (Thermal), CEA, Sh. Pankaj Batra, ex-Chairperson, CEA, Ms Rishika Sharan, Chief Electrical Inspector, Dr. Tripta Thakur, Director General, NPTI, Sh. Gajanan Kale, CEO, Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited, Sh. Amarjeet Singh, CEO, BSES Yamuna Power Limited, Sh. Abhishek Ranjan, CEO, BSES Rajdhani Power Limited, and other senior officials.
- b) Around 180 linemen from over 45 States and Private Power Distribution, Generation, and

**Transmission Companies** across India attended the event in the National Capital and shared experiences, challenges, and key moments in maintaining an uninterrupted power supply. Additionally, the event served as a vital platform for exchanging ideas, discussing best safety practices, and fostering collective learning among participants. The event was also live telecast to all the power utilities so that they could join and celebrate the event simultaneously.

c) Names of the Generation, Transmission and Distribution Companies which participated: Adani Electricity Mumbai Limited, Adani Energy Solutions Limited, Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (AVVNL), Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited (BESCOM), BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. BSES Yamuna Power Ltd., Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Co. Ltd (CSPDCL), Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Ltd. (DGVCL), Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Ltd. (DHBVNL), DAMODAR VALLEY CORPORATION, Eastern Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh Limited (APEPDCL), Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Ltd. (GETCO), India Grid Trust (INDIGRID), J&K Power Transmission Corporation Limited (JKPTCL), Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited, Jharkhand Biji Vitran Nigan Ltd (JBVNL), Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Limited (JDVVNL), Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL), Kerala State Electricity Board Limited (KSEBL), Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited, Madhya Pradesh Pashchim Kshetra Vidyut Vitran Co. Ltd., Madhya Pradesh Poorv Kshetra Vidyut Vitaran Company Ltd., Madhya Pradesh Power Transmission Company Ltd., Maharashtra State Electricity Distribution Co. Ltd. (MSEDCL), New Delhi Municipal Corporation (NDMC), Nidar Utilities Panvel LLP, NIDP Developers Pvt. Ltd. (Gr. Noida), Noida Power Company Limited (NPCL), North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited, Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited, Power Grid Corporation of India Limited, Power Transmission Corporation of Uttarakhand, Punjab State Transmission Corporation Limited (PSTCL), Purvanchal Vidyut Vitran Nagar Limited (PUVVNL), South Bihar State Power Distribution Company Ltd., Tata Power Company, Mumbai (TPC), TP Northern Odisha Distribution Limited (TPNODL), Tata Power-DDL, The Narmada Hydroelectric Development Corporation (NHDC) - JV of NTPC & MP, TP Ajmer Distribution Limited (TPADL), TP Central Odisha Distribution Limited (TPCODL), TP Western Odisha Distribution Limited (TPWODL), Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam Limited (UHBVNL), Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Ltd (UGVCL), Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd, UPPCL, Uttrakhand Power Corporation Limited (UPCL), West Bengal State Electricity Distribution Company Ltd. (WBSEDCL).

#### 4. The Event: Focus on Safety:

The theme for the 5th edition of Lineman Diwas celebration was 'Seva, Suraksha, Swabhiman', which aptly, signifies the Dedication, Service and Sacrifice of frontline heroes of power sector.

- a) Acknowledging the dedication and efforts of linemen, CEA, in collaboration with Tata Power-DDL, released a **Special Anthem on Lineman Diwas**. This multilingual anthem, sung in 12 languages, honors their unwavering commitment and sacrifices in powering every corner of the country.
- b) During the event, four DISCOMs and five Linemen were recognized as high performing DISCOMs and Linemen for their exemplary adherence to safety standards.
- c) During the celebrations, Dr. Tripta Thakur, Director General of National Power Training Institute (NPTI) delivered a special address, emphasizing the importance of adopting safety

- practices and regular training of frontline workers. She acknowledged that these regulations play a crucial role in minimizing electrical accidents, ensuring a safer working environment for frontline workers.
- d) An informative presentation on **Hotline Maintenance** was also delivered by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. focussing on the advanced techniques for hotline maintenance, or live-line maintenance planned outages while ensuring uninterrupted power and improved grid reliability.
- e) Linepersons who came to participate in the event from across the country, seized a valuable opportunity to exchange safety best practices and collaborate with diverse stakeholders within the power industry.
- f) A **special display of the various safety equipment and tools** was arranged, allowing the frontline workers to learn and share more about the best practices being implemented.
- g) **Safety videos** by various TRANSCOs, GENCOs and DISCOMs were showcased at the event, emphasizing the importance of workplace safety and incident prevention. This collaborative initiative allowed linemen to gain valuable insights from their peers, expand their viewpoints, and strengthen safety protocols, fostering a safer work environment for everyone.
- h) After the event, **Linemen visited DOSEC** (**Distribution Operations & Safety Excellence Center**) which imparts training on CEA prescribed curriculum for O&M Staff at the levels of Workmen, Supervisor and Engineers.

#### 5. Extensive Media & Social Media Coverage

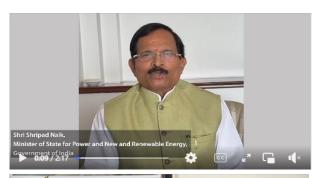
#### **Pre-event Story**

a) Digital and Social Media promotion plan: To raise awareness and highlight the crucial role of Linemen in maintaining a continuous power supply nationwide, a comprehensive digital and social media promotion campaign was carried out in the lead-up to Lineman Diwas.

Total Reach & Engagement on Company's Social Media Platforms			
No. of posts	Platforms	Total Engagement	Total Reach/Impressions
53	Facebook	4.7K	5,500,000
	Instagram	3.6K	9,000,000
	LinkedIn	2.2K	95,000













- b) Media Coverage: Lineman Diwas garnered good Media Coverage both at the National & Regional level with a Total Media Coverage in 508 publications. Print: 81, Online: 427. Through Power Line magazine collaboration reached an audience of 100K+.
- c) Report published in ANI on "Cutting-Edge Technology Revolutionizes Linemen's Work, Enhancing Safety: Tata Power-DDL". Coverage: 204 (Print 9, Online 195). (Link)
- d) Collaboration with Power Line Magazine (Jan 2025 edition): Extensive Industry Reach Power Line had established itself as India's leading power sector magazine, ensuring exposure to key decision-makers across generation, transmission, and distribution. Through this collaboration, we successfully reached an audience of 100K+. (Link)
- e) Exclusive **Elecrama 2025 Distribution** The January 2025 issue was widely circulated at Elecrama'25, India's top power sector show, maximizing brand visibility among industry leaders and stakeholders. Additionally, the magazine was distributed to all exhibitors, further expanding its reach.

#### **Post-event Press Release:**

- a) Press release in PIB on "Central Electricity Authority to honor frontline workforce of the Power Sector at Fifth Edition of Lineman Diwas on March 4, 2025". (Link)
- b) Coverage by different media groups:





c) Celebration across the country: Besides the event in Delhi, several utilities organized Lineman Diwas event at their respective office locations to engage and honour their frontline workforce.

## Some glimpses of Lineman Diwas 2025.



Sh. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA along with dignitaries from CEA, Tata Power-DDL and BSES (BRPL & BYPL) at Lineman Diwas, March 4, 2025 in New Delhi.



Sh. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA with Mr. Gajanan S Kale, CEO Tata Power-DDL at the event



Special video message from Sh. Manohar Lal, Hon'ble Cabinet Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs



Video Message by Shri Shripad Yesso Naik, Hon'ble Minister of State for Power



Sh. Ghanshyam Prasad, Chairperson, CEA delivering a keynote address



Sh. Gajanan S Kale, CEO Tata Power-DDL addressing the audience at the event



High-performing DISCOM Recognition



**Best Lineman Recognition** 



Felicitation of Linepersons at the event



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Organising Team of CEA and Tata Power-DDL







# **Lineman Diwas celebration at locations in India**



Lineman Diwas event at Kanpur Electricity Supply Company (KESCO)



Felicitation of Lineman at KESCO



Lineman Diwas event at Tata Steel, Seraikela & Kharsawan, Jharkhand



Felicitation of Lineman at Tata Steel



Lineman Diwas event at Tata Steel, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand



Felicitation of Lineman at Tata Steel, Jamshedpur



Lineman Diwas event at Chhattisgarh State Power Distribution Company Limited (CSPDCL)



Felicitation of Lineman at CSPDCL