



Background

In the face of growing energy demands and the urgent need for sustainable development, the role of State stakeholders in the power sector has never been more critical. Most of the laws, policies, and regulations governing the power sector are formulated by the Central Government in consultation with the State Governments, while implementation is primarily conducted at the State level. With new recruitments in the States, the legacy does not necessarily get passed on to the new recruits. Therefore, it is crucial that the principles of the laws, policies, and regulations are informed to these new recruits as well as refreshed for the incumbent State stakeholders. In this direction, IRADe in collaboration with Central Electricity Authority (CEA) Ministry of Power, Government of India, has taken the initiative to organise series of capacity building workshops with the following objectives:

- **Enhance knowledge and understanding** of the State stakeholders regarding national laws, policies, and regulations governing the power sector.
- **Deepen expertise** in the technical, financial, legal, and regulatory aspects of power sector regulation.
- **Equip State stakeholders with skills** to analyse and address emerging trends and challenges in the sector.
- **Foster best practices** in stakeholder engagement and public consultation processes.
- **Facilitate networking and knowledge exchange** among the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission/ Central Electricity Authority, State, & other power sector stakeholders.

This Capacity building Program includes:

- ✓ A half-day workshop for all Principal Secretaries of Power in State Governments.
- ✓ Two-day Regional workshops for State stakeholders.
- ✓ Four two-day webinars on critical topics for a broader State audience

The regional workshops will be organised in all five regions (as per regional grids) of the country i.e. North, West, East, South and North-East. These workshops will lead to refreshing and deepening expertise of the State stakeholders in technical, financial, legal, and regulatory aspects of the power sector, these stakeholders can effectively navigate the complex landscape of energy governance and ensure sustainability of a progressive power sector. Also, it will enable the state stakeholders to analyze and address emerging trends and challenges in the sector, such as renewable energy integration, energy storage, electric vehicle charging, energy efficiency, and grid modernization. By equipping them with the necessary skills and knowledge, it empowers them to develop the sector informed strategies and policies that promote sustainable energy transitions and mitigate potential risks. Furthermore, facilitating networking and knowledge exchange among key stakeholders promotes collaboration, innovation, and mutual learning. By creating platforms for sharing experiences, lessons learned, and best practices, this objective catalyzes collective action towards common sustainability objectives, fostering a culture of cooperation and solidarity within the power sector.

Tentative Agenda

Day 1 – Thursday, 17th October 2024

09.30-10.00 Hrs	Registration
10.00 -11.00 Hrs.	Inaugural Session
10.00 -10.05 Hrs. 10.05 – 10.10 Hrs. 10.10 – 10.15 Hrs.	Welcome Address by Dr. Jyoti Parikh , Executive Director, IRADe Context Setting by Shri Pankaj Batra , Senior Advisor, IRADe & Ex Chairperson, CEA Introductory Remarks by Dr. Kirit Parikh , Chairman, IRADe & Former member, Planning Commission
10.15 - 10.25 Hrs	Special Remarks by Guest of Honour, Dr. Nilesh Ramchandra Deore , (IAS), Director, Bihar Renewable Energy Development Agency, & MD- NBPDCCL & MD- BSPTCL, Govt. of Bihar
10.25 - 10.35 Hrs.	Special Remarks by Guest of Honour, Shri Mahendra Kumar , (IAS), Managing Director, Bihar State Power Generation Company Ltd. & MD SBPDCL, Govt. of Bihar
10.35 – 10.45 Hrs	Special Remarks by Guest of Honour, Shri Amir Subhani IAS (Retd.), Chairperson, Bihar State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Govt. of Bihar
10.45 - 10.55 Hrs. 10.55 -11.00 Hrs.	Special Remarks by Guest of Honour, Shri Pankaj Kumar Pal (IAS), Secretary, Energy Department, Government of Bihar Inaugural Address by Chief Guest, Shri. Ghanshyam Prasad , Chairperson, CEA/Member CEA, Vote of thanks by Ms. Navpreet Saini , Senior Research Analyst, IRADe
11.00-11.20 Hrs	Group Photograph & Tea
11.20-12.00 Hrs.	Presentation on Outline of Laws, Rules, Guidelines, Regulations of the Government of India/CERC – Shri Pankaj Batra , Senior Advisor, IRADe & Ex-Chairperson, CEA
12.00-12.30 Hrs.	Roundtable of Secretaries on Capacity Building Requirements for Eastern Region’s State Shri Pankaj Kumar Pal (IAS), Secretary, Energy Department, Government of Bihar Shri Avinash Kumar (IAS), Additional Chief Secretary -Department of Energy, Government of Jharkhand Shri Hemant Sharma (IAS), Principal Secretary, Energy Department, Government of Odisha Shri Shantanu Basu (IAS), Secretary Department of Power, Government of West Bengal Shri T.T. Lepcha (IAS), PCE-cum-Secretary (Power), Government of Sikkim Ms. Ranjana Deswal , (IAS), Secretary Power Department, U.T Administration, A. & N. Islands
12.30 -13.00 Hrs.	Roundtable Of Regulators On Capacity Building Requirements For Eastern Region’s State Shri Amir Subhani IAS (Retd.), Chairperson, Bihar State Electricity Regulatory Commission Shri Atul Kumar , Member (Technical), Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission Shri Gajendra Mohapatra , Member/Officiating Chairperson, Odisha Electricity Regulatory Commission Dr. M.V. Rao , Chairperson, West Bengal Electricity Regulatory Commission Mr. K.B. Kunwar , Chairperson, Sikkim State Electricity Regulatory Commission
13.00 -13.30 Hrs.	Roundtable of Renewable Energy Development Agencies on Capacity Building Requirements for Eastern Region’s State Dr. Nilesh Ramchandra Deore (IAS), Director, Bihar Renewable Energy Development Agency, & MD- NBPDCCL & MD- BSPTCL, Govt. of Bihar Shri K. K. Verma , Director, Jharkhand Renewable Energy Development Agency Shri Saidutta Biplab Keshari Pradhan (IAS), Additional Secretary, Energy Department, Govt. of Odisha & Chief Executive, Odisha Renewable Energy Development Agency Shri Barun Kumar Ray (IAS), Additional Chief Secretary, Non-Conventional &Renewable Energy Sources Department, West Bengal
13.30 -14.30 Hrs.	Lunch Break & Networking

14.30 -15.30 Hrs.	Resource Adequacy and laws/Guidelines /Regulations related thereto – Ms Ammi Topo, Chief Engineer (IRP), CEA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Demand Forecasting ➤ Power Generation Resource Planning ➤ Renewable Generation/Energy Storage Planning ➤ Power Trading/Power Exchange in India ➤ Q&A
15.30 -16.30 Hrs.	Grid balancing, Grid stability due to intermittent generation. Ancillary Services Regulations – Mr. Alok Pratap Singh, Chief Manager, ERLDC Grid Controller of India <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Issues relating to tackling intermittency of variable renewable generation ➤ Grid stability, frequency control, voltage control ➤ Demand Response ➤ Ancillary Services Regulations ➤ Q&A
16.30-17.00 Hrs.	Tea
17.00-18.00 Hrs.	Tackling intermittency, Long duration storage, Flexibilizing thermal power plants – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Closed Loop Pumped Hydro Storage - Mr. Shravan Kumar, Chief Engineers, CEA ➤ Flexibilizing thermal power plants – Mr. Narender Singh, Chief Engineer, CEA Q&A
Day 2 - Friday, 18th October 2024	
10.00 -10.15 Hrs.	Recapitulation and introduction to the forthcoming Sessions – Shri Pankaj Batra, Senior Advisor, IRADe & Ex-Chairperson, CEA
10.15-11.15 Hrs.	New Grid Code 2023 – Mr. Awdhesh Yadav, Chief (Engineering, CERC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Objective & Scope ➤ Resource Planning Code ➤ Connection Code ➤ Protection Code ➤ Commissioning and Commercial Operation Code ➤ Operating Code ➤ Scheduling and Dispatch Code ➤ Cyber Security ➤ Monitoring and Compliance Code ➤ Miscellaneous ➤ Q&A
11.15-11.30 Hrs.	Tea
11.30-12.30 Hrs.	Grid operation – Mr. Alok Pratap Singh, Chief Manager, ERLDC, , Grid Controller of India <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Frequency and voltage control ➤ Transmission Capacity and Transfer Capability, TTC. ATC and RM ➤ Transmission Congestion ➤ Angular Stability ➤ Q&A
12.30-13:30 Hrs.	Connectivity Regulations and General Network Access – Mr. Awdhesh Kumar Yadav, Chief (Engineering), CERC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Connectivity ➤ Long Term Access, Medium Term Access, Short Term Open Access ➤ Provision of General Network Access Q&A
13.30-14:30 Hrs.	Lunch Break & Networking
14:30-15.30 Hrs.	Functioning of Power Exchange: Mr Ravi Seth (Vice President – Business Development NR & ER), IEX <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Types of markets in the Power Exchange, and their features ➤ Bid Matching mechanism ➤ Prudential Norms for establishment of Power Exchange ➤ Settlement Guarantee Fund (SGF) ➤ Management of Power Exchange ➤ Risk Management by Power Exchange ➤ POC mechanism of sharing of transmission charges & losses ➤ Open Access charges ➤ Deviation Settlement Mechanism ➤ Q&A
15.30-16.30 Hrs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ CEA Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply Regulations Smt. Rishika Sharan, Chief Engineer, CEA ➤ CEA Communication Regulations – Ms. Priyam Srivastava, Deputy Director, CEA
16.30-17.00 Hrs.	Closing remarks & Vote of thanks Shri Pankaj Batra, Senior Advisor, IRADe & Ex-Chairperson, CEA
17.00 Hrs.	Tea

About Central Electricity Authority of India (CEA)

The Central Electricity Authority of India advises the government on policy matters and formulates plans for the development of electricity systems. It is a statutory organization constituted under section 3 of Electricity Supply Act 1948, which has been superseded by section 70 of the Electricity Act 2003.

CEA vision to ensure reliable 24×7 power supply of adequate quality to all consumers in the country.

Central Electricity Authority seeks to achieve the vision by performing its statutory function by providing technical support base to all stakeholders in the power sector, to support Ministry of Power for forming policies in the power sector, to make technical standards & regulations, to carry out project monitoring, to disseminate power sector information, to upgrade skills of human resources in the power sector of the country.

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