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YEAR 2009 HAS SET THE PACE FOR A PROMISING YEAR 2010.

Let's catch the spirit to be part of BPCL's brewing success! Happy New Year!



MD's MESSAGE

Dear Friend,

Wish you and your family a very happy and prosperous New Year.

*The year gone by was quite eventful. The devastation caused by the North Karnataka Floods overshadowed other human miseries and triumphs. **Your Company** has shared a small burden of the rehabilitation agreeing to build 120 houses in Koppal District. This is in spite of the 24 MW Chaya Devi Project getting affected due to floods leading to a loss of Rs.5 crores. Thanks to the monumental and speedy efforts of all concerned at BPCL, the station came back in a record time of 6 weeks.*

On the brighter side, the 10 MW Manjanadaka SHP got commissioned in July 2009. We are a few steps away in commissioning the 6 MW Dadupur SHP in Haryana. The 25.5 MW Dhonithanda Wind Project in Gadag District has started and is slated for commissioning in September 2010. Same is the case with the 18 MW Kumaradhara Project in Karnataka though the commissioning is two years away, because of the heavy monsoon in that area.

The Company has also benefited from the New Tariff Order from KERC for Wind and Small Hydro, enabling bankable returns from such projects.

As we enter 2010 our strides have become more confident and positive based on past experience. We in BPCL rededicate ourselves to the cause of Sustainable Development through generation of Green Power.

We thank all Stakeholders for their encouraging support during the year gone by.

Sincerely

S. Chandrasekhar



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CORPORATE NEWS

→ Know your colleagues



Ashok K J joined BPCL in 1998 as Trainee, Assistant Engineer, Mechanical. A well qualified performer, Ashok was quick to take up the many opportunities in BPCL's workplace to groom his professionalism and shape a successful career. Ashok's enthusiasm and commitment to his role moved him up the corporate ladder to the position of Assistant Manager, Mechanical, in a brief period. Being a good team player, he was able to win over many friends in the organization.

Ashok was married in November 2002 to Bhanumathi. They have one daughter, Isha who studies in UKG. As a proud father and dedicated husband, Ashok enjoys spending time with his family. A sportsman at heart, Ashok enjoys a game of cricket, football or volley ball, whenever time permits. He also spends a lot of time reading business articles. We wish Ashok the very best in his future.



Nandhakumar N came into the BPCL family in 1998 with a Diploma in Electrical and Electronics Engineering and lots of enthusiasm. He began as AET, Electrical and drove his career with dedication and commitment. Today he delivers his duty as Senior Engineer, Electrical, at one of BPCL's prestigious power plants in Mandagere. Nandhakumar is a good team player and brings to his workplace the right attitude to help him perform successfully on any assignment. His friends know him to be an amiable team member motivating and helping his colleagues in every way he can.

Nandhakumar is married to Sudha N and spends his leisure time with his family while he pursues his many hobbies. He loves reading, music and sport and has many heroes in the sporting world. We wish Nandhakumar the very best in the coming year.

EDITORIAL BOARD: TEAM BHORUKA

→ Welcome aboard

Anil Kumar, joined BPCL as Assistant Engineer (*Mechanical*), at Dadupur on 13th November.

→ Congratulations

Siddalingayya, Helper, from Rajankollur, on being blessed with a baby girl **Chinmai** on 1st October

→ Transfers

- **Amayya S.Hiremath**, *Fitter*, from Mandagere to Rajankollur on 26th September
- **Bilal Ahmed**, *Fitter*, from Chayadevi to Shahapur on 26th September
- **Shivanand Madiwalar**, *Helper*, from SRD Katte to Shahapur on 26th September
- **Shivanand B M**, *Electrician*, from Shahapur to Nargund on 26th September
- **Mehaboob Pasha**, *Helper*, from Shahapur to Shivapur on 26th September
- **Arun Kumar N.Hosamani**, *Assistant Engineer (Mechanical)*, from Mandagere to Chayadevi on 26th September

Reaching out to flood victims

Ravaged by rains, over 2 lakh houses in 15,000 villages spread over 15 districts in Karnataka, were submerged in water leaving a gory trail of death and destruction. Bhoruka stepped in to contribute both in cash and kind. Our employees contributed one-day salary towards relief operations with the management pitching in to help rebuild 120 houses at Kollur village in Koppal District. Necessary authorization has been received from DC, Koppal with the construction schedule all set for the rebuilding process.

OBITUARY

We extend our deep-felt condolences to family and friends of **Shri. Rajasab**, *Carpenter*, Shivapur Plant, who met with a serious accident on 1st December, while on his way to Hulgi on his two-wheeler. He succumbed to severe head injury on 5th December. We pray for his soul to rest in peace.



WORLD AIDS DAY

According to UNAIDS estimates, there are now **33.4 million** people living with HIV, including **2.1 million** children under 15.

As a company that stands tall for charity and community service, this was a statistic grim enough for concern. Every employee under the BPCL banner sat up and took notice, joining forces with the rest of the world to observe and internalize the poignancy of the AIDS pandemic.

Intense sessions on AIDS were held on World AIDS Day on 1st December at All plants including corporate office, Bangalore. Workmen and staff gathered together in the conference halls in each of the power plants to participate in a programme that featured audio-visual presentations, video coverage, exposure to company policy, talks on awareness and prevention, social impact and causes of the disease. Speeches in English and Kannada were made to reach out to everyone present.

World AIDS Day observed at BPCL:



AYUDHA POOJA | BPCL SNAPSHOTS



INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS | A F A C E L I F T

ISO 9001:2008 Quality Management System Standard



ISO 9001:2000 has been updated to ISO 9001:2008. This entailed complete documentation including the apex manual being revised to comply with around 79 changes in the revised standard. It took us around 6 months to revise and practice the new system. M/s.TUV NORD conducted the re-certification audit for the revised system in October 2009. The audits covered all power stations and departments in the corporate office. The team of auditors greatly appreciated the initiative, acknowledging the innovative ideas that flowed from our enthusiastic engineers to continually improve the plant systems. The auditing team conveyed their delight to the top management during discussions. The certification is valid for 3 years (till October 2012). Regular half-yearly Internal Quality and Surveillance audits by M/s.TUV NORD are being conducted to maintain and further improve the system and working practices.

◀ ISO auditing team in discussion in Sugur

ISO 14001:2004 / OHSAS 18001:2007

As an environment-friendly hydro power producer, we practice and protect our environment, occupational health and safety in accordance with a mature, structured and integrated management system based upon international standards, such as, ISO 14001 and OHSAS 18001. We have recently upgraded the OHS system to International standard OHSAS 18001:2007, which is the latest revision. The revised system is more focused and effective in ensuring occupational safety and health. It demands day-to-day scrutiny on workers' changing behavioral aspects and work environment in order to ensure safe working practice. We have received the re-certification by M/s.TUV NORD and have revised the integrated management system in December. The certificate is valid for 3 years, (till December 2012). We conduct regular internal and surveillance audits to ensure maintenance and further improvements.

OHSAS auditing team in discussion in Madhavamantri ▶



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



▲ Sports Meet at Shivapur

Shivapur celebrates its 17th year!

27th November 2009 brought with it nostalgia and pride to BPCL which woke up to the 17th glorious year of its first plant site. Shivapur was the center of attention as its employees and their families drew together at the plant site to celebrate a great event. The colourful function began with a prayer. Shri. G K Vijaya Kumar, Senior Plant Manager, Shri. Srinivas, Headmaster, Boruka School and Shri. P Anand Deputy Manager, Civil, were present on the dais. Shri Vijay Joshi was the anchor regaling the crowd with eloquence.

The event progressed on a list of entertaining programmes including comedy shows, singing by both children and staff. Prizes were distributed to the winners and runners up of the Anniversary Sports Meet. The Sports Meet was organized by the Sports Committee which drew up an interesting list of events like cricket, volleyball, tug of war, shuttle badminton and carom for everyone, including ladies and children. Mementos were given to the guests. Everyone present participated in a Thambola and had a great time. The event ended with a sumptuous dinner and vote of thanks.

Shahapur is 11!

The celebrations of the 11th Anniversary of the Shahapur Plant was no less in color or excitement. The day began with a Satya Narayana Pooja being performed. All the workmen and staff attended the Pooja along with their families.

ISO System Training



▲ Training program at Mysore on ISO-9001-2008

The revision of the ISO 9001:2000 standard to ISO 9001:2008, necessitated extensive training of our team to effectively maintain and take forward the quality standards being built over the years. A training programme was organized through M/s NNCPL, Bangalore, for our staff from the plants and corporate office. The first session was conducted in Hotel The President at Mysore on 12th and 13th October 2009.

The second session followed in the Corporate Office on 22nd and 23rd October 2009. Around 50 staff members participated in the training programme. An examination was held to measure the skills acquired to develop, implement and manage the system. It was heartening to note that all participants scored very good marks in the exam.



▲ Pooja on Anniversary Day at Shahapur

A volley ball match was held and prizes were distributed to the winners and runners up. Shri. Krishna Madhav, Director of Boruka Charities, Bangalore, the Irrigation

Executive Engineer and Assistant Executive Engineer were present during the Pooja and got into the celebratory mood at the plant.

Sugur



The festive spirit of Ayudha Pooja caught on like wildfire on 27th September as employees at all BPCL plant sites got together to celebrate. Machinery and equipment were polished to a sparkle, flowers and buntings decorated the walls and ceiling, the smell of incense sticks filled the air and the bright red of the vermilion caught everyone's eye to draw them into the real mood of the festival. Shivapur, Shahapur, Rajankollur, Madhavamantri, Mandagere, Sugur, SRD Katte, Sattigala, Neria, Chayadevi and Manjanadaka were sights of joy and revelry. Poojas were performed, sweets were distributed, and lunch was served. Employees had a great day of fun.

NEWSMAKERS

Karnataka seeks gas allocation for future power projects

Reforms may include privatisation of electricity supply cos

Our Bureau
Bangalore, Nov 18
The State Government has sought allocation of gas from the Union Petroleum Ministry for the proposed 10,000 MW. The Petroleum Secretary is expected to visit the State soon to discuss gas availability, including completion of the grid from Dabhol to Bangalore, which is expected to be ready by 2012.

This was stated by Mr K. Jaishankar, Additional Chief Secretary in the Department of Energy, at a conference organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry here on Wednesday. Mr Jaishankar said that it was not advantageous to promote coal-based power plants in the State and that gas was a better option compared to coal "even if it is slightly expensive."

Meanwhile, the State Energy Minister, Mr K.S. Eshwarappa, said on the subject of power reforms that the "next step is the privatization of the electricity supply companies," while adding that the State Government is also considering an appropriate wholesale electricity trading arrangement.

He said that the State Government was set to add 1,250 MW to the State power grid by the end



Seeking more: Mr S. Chandrasekhar (left), Chairman Karnataka Power 2009 and Managing Director, Bhoruka Power Corporation, Mr K.S. Eshwarappa, Minister for Energy, Government of Karnataka, and Mr T. Parabrahman, Chairman, CII Karnataka State Council, at the Karnataka Power 2009 conference in Bangalore on Wednesday. G.R.N. Somashekhar

the financial year. This includes the 500-MW Udipi thermal power plant, which would commence generation by January-February 2010, and the eighth unit of the Raichur Thermal Power Station (250 MW), which is expected to be ready this year.

"Implementation of new systems by the private sector for administration, billing collection, customer management and tackling theft of power will not only improve the viability of the sector, but also result in improved

customer service," the Ministers said. Karnataka has drawn up plans for setting up four gas power plants with a capacity of 2,000 MW each in four districts under the public-private partnership model. The gas-based power plants have been planned at Belgaum, Gadag, Davangere and Tumkur at an estimated cost of Rs 32,000 crore, Mr Eshwarappa said.

The Government is confident of adding at least 500 MW from only renewable energy sources to the grid this year, he

added. Meanwhile, Mr Jaishankar said that the 2000-MW gas-based project at Bidadi would "signal the end of power issues for greater Bangalore."

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TCI/BHORUKA GROUP Established 1958
Despite India being seen as a late entrant in the Mini-hydel power sector, the group's power plants in Karnataka are producing nearly 100 MW of power

POWERFUL STRIDE

From just one truck in 1958 to one of India's largest integrated supply chain solutions majors, TCI has undergone ametamorphosis. As part of the Bhoruka Group, founded by late Prabhu Dayal Agarwal, the company realised that the relatively low-cost and environment-friendly mini-hydel power sector in India was yet to be explored. In the 1980's, the group became the first private sector company to commission the 18-MW Shivapur hydel plant on the banks of the Tungabhadra river near Hampi in Karnataka.

It's a powerful accomplishment because big power stations take a long time and a lot of money," says S N Agarwal, chairman of the Bhoruka Group, who is currently supervising more than a dozen power stations producing nearly 100 MW across the state. Mini-hydel power plants can produce energy in remote and hilly areas and they don't need big money or massive paperwork like dams. Agarwal, also the chairman of the Indian

51,207 MW is the total hydropower generating capacity anticipated at the end of the 11th Five-Year Plan in India.



"Our big thrust is on green power through mini-hydro projects to ensure a cleaner environment and a better world."
S.N. Agarwal 63, Chairman, Bhoruka Group

chapter of the International Chamber of Commerce, recently launched a Rs 250 - crore edible oil and bio-diesel facility in Australia, the biggest Indian-backed Greenfield investment in that part of the continent. With it, he is hoping to generate at least 75 million litres of bio-diesel to help push the company's green energy initiatives. Apart from supply chain logistics and production of industrial gases, the company has forayed into real estate which includes construction of premium flats in Mumbai and a modern tech park in Bangalore.

(Source: India Today)

Discussion on Labour Laws



BCIC organized a discussion on "Labour Laws - Policies and Procedural Issues" on 3rd December. Shri Ramesh B Zalki, IAS, Secretary, Department of labour, Government of Karnataka, Shri. H. Srinivasaiah, Director, Directorate of Factories & Boilers and officers from the PF and ESI departments participated in the discussion. As part of his concluding remarks Shri. A M Naganna, GM - HR & Admin, BPCL, spoke on various issues concerning labour laws.



Training in Shahapur

TRAINING

- **Working together for success and vital importance for human relation in an organization**
The training sessions were conducted by M/s. Reach Management Services, Bangalore. Employees from **Neria, Mandagere, Sattegala, Kumaradhara, Manjanadaka, Madhavamantri, Donithanda and SRD Katte** participated in two batches on 30th and 31st October at Mangalore.
Similarly, the training was held in Bangalore on the 5th and 6th November in two batches in Bangalore for the corporate office staff members.
- **In-house training at Madhavamantri**
In house training was conducted by Sreenivas Reddy pertaining to Mechanical Auxiliaries, Girish. PV on Transformer and Siddalingesh KG on Electrical system auxiliaries. All staff members participated in the programme.
- **Persistent organic pollutants (POPs) and polychlorinated bi phenyls (PCBs)**
The seminar was conducted by KSPCB, Bangalore. Chandrashekar V, attended the training programme from Sattegala.
- **Cycle of Accountability: 1. Ownership Empowerment Accountability 2. Managing Delegation 3. Building Culture of Accountability**
The training session was conducted by M/s. HR Cornucopia Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore at **Shahapur** on 5th December, which had the participation of employees from **Shahapur, Shivapur, Sugur, Rajankollur, Sattegala and Madhavamantri**.
On 7th December, the session was held at **Hospet** for employees from **Shivapur, Shahapur, Sugur, Sattegala, Madhavamantri, Rajankollur, SRD Katte and Mandagere**.
- **In-house Training at Shivapur Safety Environment and Health: 1. Permit to work 2. Material Handling 3. Personnel Protection Equipments 4. Quality Policy and Safety Policy and Objectives 5. Noise Control and Prevention 6. Working at Height.**
In-house training was conducted by T Rajasekhar and B K Kantappa.

PROJECT DADUPUR

At Dadupur the construction work at the project site is at an advanced stage and is fast approaching the 'target commissioning' date of Unit # 4 by the end of January 2010. Work in all departments is at the finishing stage and the excitement of yet another success is mounting.

1 Electrical panel has been installed in the switch gear room





2 The team looks on at the powerhouse switchyard which is all set
3 Skew bridge, powerhouse, control room and DT - view from the diversion road

- Forebay and intake are all set to receive the flow of water from Dadupur reservoir. The head regulator gates have been installed in the power canal. Intake gates and trash rack are in position.
- The powerhouse is fully constructed and superstructure completed. Structural column trusses and roof sheeting has been completed. Doors and windows have been fixed. Brick work and sheet cladding for covering the sides is also completed.
- Concreting of the draft tube structure is in progress. The pier deck slab and gate installation along with hoisting structure is scheduled to be completed shortly to facilitate protection from the downstream end.
- The barrage structure essential for water collection in the Dadupur pond for power generation has been completed.
- The earth retaining RCC wall on both sides of the tail race canal is nearing quick completion with three parts in the tail pond waiting to be finished.
- The RCC bed lining in the tail race canal is in progress. The skew bridge work, which is a challenging task, has gained momentum and will be ready to solicit public traffic shortly. This will also allow the tail race canal to be opened for spinning the units.
- On the power evacuation front, the overhead transmission line from the powerhouse to Chhacharauli substation is all set with the pole erected, hardware fixed and conductor strung.
- The control, switchgear and battery rooms are ready with the erection of electrical components under heady progress.
- The switchyard at the powerhouse has been completed. Chhacharauli will be ready for the charging line and transformer shortly.
- Erection of TG at unit #4 is nearing completion except for a few more components that remains to be included. Unit #3 is making speedy headway. Unit #4 will be all set for synchronizing by the end of January 2010.

OPERATING PLANTS

SHIVAPUR HYDEL PLANT

Generation peaks

Excitement was high at Shivapur as the generation for November was recorded at 10358 MWh against D.P.R projection of 9576 MWh.

Engineer's Day

15th September, Engineer's Day in India is a remarkable tribute to the greatest Indian Engineer - Bharat Ratna, M Visvesvarayya. At BPCL there was a sense of pride as Engineers observed the day with the garlanding of the photograph of Sir M Visvesvarayya by the Senior Plant Manager and Deputy Manager, Electrical.



▲ Honoring Sir MV on Engineer's Day



▲ MD in discussion during his visit to the site

Visitors at Shivapur

MD, Sr. VP (T) and VP (C) visited the plant site on 16th October. Speaking of cost efficiency at the discussions held, MD stressed the need for adopting cost cutting techniques with immediacy. The engineers acted promptly

on the techniques discussed, to show measurable improvement in the system. The effort was greatly appreciated and shared at the monthly meeting held at Bangalore.

SHAHAPUR HYDEL PLANT

Visitors

VP (Operations) visited the Shahapur plant site and had discussions with the Chief Engineer and the Superintendent Engineer from the irrigation department. The discussions centered on water management. The team inspected the canal up to Sch # 5. VP also held talks with the staff members on the plant activities.

Sr. VP(T) visited the plant on 10th December and held discussions with the site engineers on various problems faced at the plant site. He made valuable suggestions to improve the functioning of the plant.

cartoon time



RAJANKOLLUR HYDEL PLANT



Ashoka Saplings

Driving the tenets of a green environment in an all-round manner, Ashoka saplings were planted near the school and tree guards were provided for their safety.

Visitors

Periodical inspection of electrical installation by Chief Electrical Inspector, Bellary and Electrical Inspector, Gulbarga was completed on 10th September. The duo was happy with the world class standards maintained by BPCL and expressed their delight in their talks with the team members.



▲ Ashoka saplings being planted at Rajankollur

MANDAGERE HYDEL PLANT

Visitors

The Deputy Chief Electrical Inspector, Mysore, along with Deputy EI, Mandya visited the Mandagere powerhouse on 7th November as part of their annual inspection of electrical installations. The high profile 2-member team was greatly impressed with the plant's adherence to the electrical standards, safety measures and good housekeeping practices. He openly appreciated the team's efforts.



▲ Deputy Chief Electrical Inspector during his visit to the site

NERIA HYDEL PLANT

Prayer

"Prayer is the key of the morning and the bolt of the evening" – Mahatma Gandhi. At Neria, a decision has been made to begin every day on a religious note. To start every morning with the prayer "Asato Ma Sadgamaya" is now a must-do. Sure everyone is enjoying the comfort of God's presence.

Greenery

Neria is one of the most beautiful scenic locations among our plant sites. The plant is situated in a natural green belt visited by the most beautiful birds and animals. To complement the natural setting, we are nurturing a bed of beautiful flowers, fruit trees and other green plants.



▲ Employees begin their day with a prayer

MADHAVAMANTRI HYDEL PLANT

Highest Generation

Madhavamantri had every reason to rejoice and bask in glory as the monthly generation of the plant peaked to 3358 MWh for October which is the highest monthly generation so far. The Figure surpasses the previous highest generation of 3305 MWh recorded in October 2006.

Another record was written when the day's highest generation of 111.0 MWh was recorded on 8th October to surpass the previous highest daily generation of 110.8 MWh recorded on 2nd October this year. Bravo Madhavamantri. It's a great way to begin the New Year.

One with the Nation

BPCL joined hands with the rest of India to observe the First Anniversary of the 26/11, Mumbai blast with a two minute-silence as tribute to the victims – soldiers, civilians and foreigners.



▲ A moment's silence for a country burning with terrorism

SRD KATTE HYDEL PLANT

Plant progress

Vehicle owners are delighted with the improvement in the approach road near the main entrance gate at SRD Katte plant site. The road is laid with red murom soil to smoothen vehicular movement. The soil also adorns the garden area giving the plant premises a vibrant appearance.

Laughter is an instant vacation | Milton Berle

Writing letters to son

One student fell into a cycle of classes, studying, working and sleeping.

Didn't realize how long he had neglected writing home until he received the following note:

"Dear Son, Your mother and I enjoyed your last letter. Of course, we were much younger then, and more impressionable. Love, Dad."

A businessman enters a tavern, sits down at the bar, and orders a double martini on the rocks. After he finishes the drink, he peeks inside his shirt pocket, then orders the bartender to prepare another double martini. After he finishes it, he again peeks inside his shirt pocket and orders the bartender to bring another double martini. The bartender says, "Look, buddy, I'll bring ya' martinis all night long - but you gotta tell me why you look inside your shirt pocket before you order a refill." The customer replies, "I'm peeking at a photo of my wife. When she starts to look good, I know it's time to go home."



CHAYADEVI HYDEL PLANT

Flood Havoc

In the wee hours of October, the Chayadevi plant site experienced the worst floods due to heavy rains that lashed the site continuously for sometime. The incessant rains resulted in the river overflowing and entering the powerhouse from the tail race end. With the rains abating and the river receding the team was quick to deploy forces to drain the powerhouse. The hydro turbines and generator were attended to on a war footing. Equipment and accessories were cleaned, serviced and checked for functionality, internally. M/s. Rajamane Hegde and OEM M/s. Vatech were deployed to service the generator. Units # 1 & 2 were quickly put back into service. Technical personnel from the other plant sites pitched in to help the Chayadevi team restore the site to normalcy.



▲ Ravaged powerhouse

▼ After clean up



MANJANADAKA HYDEL PLANT

Slithery guest

The animal rights activists will be happy with our team for this one! On 22nd October an eight feet long black cobra was found at the power canal gate. The horrified team was quick to inform the Forest Department which deputed Shri. Bhos Madappa, a professional snake catcher to pick up the large reptile and release it into the Shree Mangale Forest.

Kind gesture for technology

We donated a computer system to Vivekananda Vidyalaya Panathur in Kerala. This gesture by BPCL was greatly appreciated by the authorities.



▲ Computer system donated to an institute in Kerala

Landscaping

At BPCL beautifying the plant sites is a continuing exercise, as a conformance measure with the OHSAS standard. At Chayadevi extensive landscaping and gardening work has been started to upgrade the premises and maintain a beautiful site.

Sports

In an effort to promote physical fitness among the employees, sports materials have been arranged according to the sporting activities that have been listed. Employees are thrilled with the unwinding that these activities offer.

Rajyothsava

1st November marks Kannada Rajyothsava which was observed by the Chayadevi team with the unfurling of the State Flag at the powerhouse premises. All staff members were present on the occasion and sweets were distributed.



▲ Observing Rajyothsava Day

SUGUR HYDEL PLANT

Inspection

The Deputy Chief Electrical Inspector visited the Sugur plant site on 4th December to inspect electrical installations. He was delighted with the safety measures adopted and the soundness of the electrical systems. He appreciated our effort during his talks with the team.



▲ Calibration of the energy meter under progress

SATTEGALA HYDEL PLANT

Power generation improves

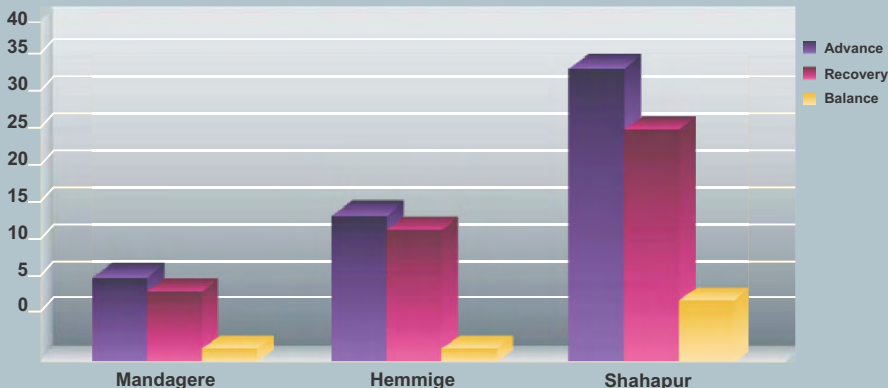
There has been a marked improvement in power generation this year. As on 30th November, the total power generation was 17.27 MU from the start of financial year. With this reading we were ahead by 2.6MU as compared to same period last year.



▲ The inauguration of the computer center in Talakad



▲ Tailoring and embroidery training in Shahapur



	Advanced	Recovered	Balance
Hemmige	19.45	17.53	1.92
Mandagere	11.00	9.12	1.88
Shahapur	38.73	30.55	8.18
	69.18	57.20	11.98

Bhoruka Welfare, through Prabhudhan Rural Development Trust has given Micro Finance Loans to nearly 200 Self Help Groups. A sum of Rs. 69.18 lakhs for various income generating activities.



▲ Eye Camp at Mandagere



COMMUNITY WELFARE SHAHAPUR

Training on tailoring and embroidery

A Tailoring and Embroidery Training Centre has been started by Bhoruka Welfare. The center will conduct a 6-month course in tailoring and a 3-month course in embroidery. The response has been overwhelming with many housewives and educated girls enrolling for the course.

Income generation

Members of the Pragathi Mahila Swasahaya Sangha, one of the Self Help Groups initiated by Bhoruka Welfare has taken up activities like making of papads, pickles and snacks with the micro finance facility offered to them. They have been very successful in marketing their products and each member earns around Rs. 650/- per day. The success of this group has encouraged members of other groups.

MANDAGERE

Revolving Fund

5 Self Help Groups (SHGs) have received Revolving Fund of Rs. 5,000/- each from the Women and Child Development Department, K.R. Pet. These funds are interest-free and will remain within the SHG available to its members based on their repayment discipline. Till date, 10 SHGs started by Bhoruka Welfare have received this Revolving Fund from the department.

Skill Development

5 students were chosen for a 6-month tailoring training under the Zilla Panchayat, Khadi & Gramodhyoga Industrial Section, Small Scale Industries, K.R. Pet. These students will be trained under the PRDT tailoring training center, and will receive stipend and certificates from the Khadi and Gramodhyoga Industrial Section, Mandya.

Eye Camp

An Eye Camp has been conducted at Mandagere in collaboration with Sree Bhagavan Mahaveer Darshan, Mysore. 42 patients were screened during the camp and 18 underwent cataract eye operations. An 8-member team consisting of an eye specialist, lab technicians and a nurse participated in this camp. Free medicines and spectacles were distributed.

Disabled SHGs

Training has been conducted at Moodanahally and Alenahalli in collaboration with Sree Ramanamaharshi Academy for the blind, K.R. Pet. Mr. Baira Gowda, Co-ordinator, conducted the training at the facility in the Government department for the disabled. 3 members received KSRTC bus passes with which they can travel up to 100 kms free of cost. 2 members have received the identity card issued by the Government of Karnataka to get the bus pass and monthly pension.

TALAKAD

Computer Center

A computer centre has been started by Bhoruka Welfare to help educated rural women undergo computer training. The center has adopted the syllabus set by the Government to enable the trainees get the certificates from M/s.Keonics, a Government undertaking.



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