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BHEL commissions second 270 MW Thermal Unit in Punjab in a month

Within one month of the successful commissioning of a 270 MW thermal generating unit in Punjab, Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (**BHEL**) has commissioned another 270 MW coal-based unit at the same site in the state. The unit has been commissioned at the 2x270 MW Goindwal Sahib coal-fired Thermal Power Project of GVK Power & Infra Limited (GVKPIL), located in the historic city of Goindwal Sahib in Tarn Taran district, near Amritsar in Punjab. The first unit of the project was earlier commissioned by the company in February, 2016. **BHEL**'s scope of work in the Goindwal Sahib project envisaged design, engineering, manufacture, supply, erection and commissioning of Steam Turbines, Generators, Boilers, associated Auxiliaries and Electricals, besides state-of-the-art Controls & Instrumentation (C&I) and Electrostatic Precipitators (ESPs). The equipment for the project were supplied by various manufacturing units of **BHEL** located at Trichy, Ranipet, Hyderabad, Bengaluru & Haridwar while the construction work was carried out by **BHEL**'s Power Sector - Northern Region. Thermal sets of 270 MW rating are an in-house improvisation of 210/250 MW sets supplied earlier by **BHEL**, which today form the backbone of the Indian power sector and have been performing much above the national average as well as international benchmarks. **BHEL** has so far contracted 35 sets of 270 MW rating, out of which 13 sets have now been commissioned. Notably, all the operational sets of 210-270 MW class in the state of Punjab have been supplied, erected and commissioned by **BHEL**. In addition to thermal projects, **BHEL** has a significant presence in the state's hydro sector also, with 95% share in the hydro generating capacity of Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL). Presently, **BHEL** is executing Electro-Mechanical works for hydro-electric power plants at Shahpur Kandi in Gurdaspur (206 MW) and Mukerian (18 MW) in the state of Punjab.

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