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## **Sh. Anant Geete, Hon'ble Union Minister for HI&PE, reviews Performance of BHEL**



New Delhi, April 12: Hon'ble Union Minister of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, Shri Anant Geete, reviewed the performance and the future readiness of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited during a visit to the company's Corporate Office at Siri Fort, New Delhi. Shri Atul Sobti, CMD, **BHEL** and all Functional Directors on the Board of **BHEL**, welcomed the Hon'ble Minister.

Sh. Girish Shankar, Secretary, Dept. of Heavy Industry (DHI); Dr. SC Pandey, AS&FA, Dept. of Industrial Policy & Promotion, Sh. RK Singh, Joint Secretary/DHI and other senior officials of DHI and **BHEL** were also present on the occasion.

Hon'ble Minister was briefed about the performance trends of the company, its strengths in project execution, initiatives taken for enhancing competitiveness and building R&D capabilities. Apart from the new initiatives and strategies for growth, the challenges being faced by the company in the prevailing subdued business environment were also explained.

Appreciating the role of **BHEL** as the pillar of India's Heavy Electrical Equipment industry since its inception, the Hon'ble Minister commended the company's leadership role on attaining an all-time high commissioning/synchronization of 15,059 MW of power generating equipment during the last year. He expressed his happiness over the company surpassing the Govt. of India's target for power generating capacity addition by 23% and achieving 94% of the XII Plan target in the first four years itself.

While **BHEL** is gearing up for the future to face the upcoming challenges, he advised the company to step up its activities in diversification areas like solar and transportation, in a big way to address the slowdown in power sector.

Following the review meeting, the Hon'ble Minister addressed a cross-section of **BHEL** employees during which he lauded their achievements in surpassing the project execution targets. On the occasion, which also coincided with the Public Sector Day, he complimented **BHEL** for its excellent work-culture and said that with its inherent resilience, the company would be able to overcome the current challenges. He assured **BHEL** of full support from the Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises in its efforts towards regaining the growth momentum.

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