

Weekly Report
Key Developments in Power Sector
(Week ended 03.07.2026)

During the week, key developments in the Power Sector were examined from an Audit perspective. The following observations were noted:

1. POWERGRID acquires Kakinada I Transmission SPV from PFCCL

Power Grid Corporation of India Limited acquired Kakinada I Transmission Limited from PFC Consulting Limited on 2 July 2026 for approximately ₹205 million under the Tariff-Based Competitive Bidding (TBCB) route. The SPV will implement the Transmission System for proposed Green Hydrogen/Green Ammonia Projects in the Kakinada Area (Phase-I) in Andhra Pradesh. The project includes the development of a 765/400 kV Gas-Insulated Substation (GIS), installation of a STATCOM, and associated 765 kV transmission lines to facilitate power evacuation for upcoming green hydrogen and green ammonia projects.

The same is proposed to be sent to the Power Transmission and Finance Group for information.

2. NTPC incorporates wholly owned subsidiary in Mauritius for floating solar-plus-BESS project

NTPC Limited incorporated NTPC (Mauritius) Energy Limited as its wholly owned subsidiary in Mauritius with an initial capital of 1 million Mauritian rupees (approximately ₹1.98 million). The subsidiary has been established to develop a floating solar photovoltaic (PV) project integrated with a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and to undertake other power sector businesses in Mauritius, marking NTPC's expansion into overseas renewable energy initiatives.

The same is proposed to be sent to the Power Generation Group for information.

3. POWERGRID commissions transmission scheme for solar energy zones in Andhra Pradesh

Power Grid Corporation of India Limited has commissioned the Transmission Scheme for Solar Energy Zone in Ananthapur (2,500 MW) and Kurnool (1,000 MW) in Andhra Pradesh. The scheme facilitates evacuation of up to 3,500 MW of solar power from designated solar energy zones. The project was initially executed through POWERGRID Ananthapuram Kurnool Transmission Limited, which was later amalgamated with POWERGRID Khavda II-C Transmission Limited effective 1 March 2026, and the assets were subsequently commissioned by POWERGRID.

The same is proposed to be sent to the Power Transmission and Finance Group for information.

4. NTPC declares commercial operation of Unit 2 of PVUNL's Patratu STPP Phase-I

NTPC Limited has declared the commercial operation of Unit 2 (800 MW) of the Patratu Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) Phase-I (3×800 MW) of its subsidiary Patratu Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited with effect from 25 June 2026. With this commissioning, the NTPC Group's installed capacity has increased to 90,857 MW, and its commercial capacity to 89,777 MW, marking a further expansion of its operational thermal power generation portfolio.

From an audit perspective, project implementation and monitoring, adherence to commissioning schedules, project execution and completion may be examined during audit of NTPC Ltd.

The same is proposed to be sent to the Power Generation Group for information and further necessary action.

5. NHPC and UPPCL sign PPA for 260 MW Dulhasti Stage-II hydro project

NHPC Limited has signed a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited for the supply of power from the 260 MW Dulhasti Stage-II Hydroelectric Project located in Kishtwar district. Under the agreement, UPPCL will procure power from the project for 40 years from the date of its commercial operation, ensuring long-term power offtake and revenue certainty for the project.

The same is proposed to be sent to the Power Admin Coordination Group for information.