

**CHIEF MINISTER'S OFFICE  
GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA**

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Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri K. Chandrashekar Rao has reiterated that Telangana State should become a power surplus state by completing all the proposed thermal power plants on a fast track. The CM wanted BHEL, which took the responsibility of construction of thermal power plants, should speed up its work.

The CM held a review meeting on the Thermal Power Plants in the state in New Delhi in which Energy Minister Sri Jagadish Reddy, BHEL Chairman Sri Atul Sobti, Genco CMD Sri D. Prabhakar Rao, Transco ED Sri Ajay, Government's Chief Advisor Sri Rajiv Sharma, Principal Secretary to CM Sri S. Narsing Rao, MPs Sri Gutha Sukhender Reddy, Sri Azmeera Seetaram Naik, Sri P. Srinivas Reddy, Government's Representative Sri S. Venugopalachary participated.

The CM instructed that the 800 MW thermal power plant being constructed in Bhadradi Kothagudem district should be completed at end of the year. He also wanted 1080 MW Bhadradi Thermal Power Station (BTPS) in Manuguru should also be completed on a fast track. The CM wanted works should begin on 4000 MW Yadadri Ultra Mega Power project at Damaracharla and the project should be completed within 36 months. Since the time limit for 720 MW plant in Kothagudem expires by next year, measures should be initiated to set up 800 MW new plant there. He clarified that no matter whatever may be the pressures, power projects construction works will not be given to the private parties. In this context, the CM reminded that all the power generating projects and plants are handed over to the Public sector Undertakings and this policy is implemented with commitment, dedication and to the last letter and spirit. The CM has expressed satisfaction that the PSUs like the BHEL and Genco are living up to the expectations of the government in setting up these plants and generating power. Since the PSUs are generating the power it is ultimately good for the people and it is possible to give concessions to farmers and the poor.

**CPRO to CM**