



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you all to the 14th Annual General Meeting of the Company. The Directors Report and Audited Financial Statements of the Company for the year ending 31st March 2020 together with the Auditors Report already circulated, are taken as read.

I am happy to report that the Company has achieved a remarkable acceleration in the pace of the implementation of the project during the year. The company achieved many milestones during the year even though the work was hampered in later half of March 2020 due to lockdown announced by the Government of India to prevent spread of COVID-19. Some of the notable achievements are:

- 1.1. Successful running of Goods train in Rewari - Madar section (306 km) of WDFC on trial:** Rewari-Madar section (306 km) was completed in December, 2019 and more than 176 trains have been run in this section upto 31.03.2020.
- 1.2. Successful running of goods train in Bhadan-Khurja section in EDFC-I on trial:** Bhadan-khurja (194 km) section was completed and more than 1200 trains have been run in this section since Nov'2019.
- 1.3. Track linking of 682 km** has been done in the year taking the cumulative linking to 2582 km.
- 1.4. Successful Oscillation run in WDFC:** Oscillation Trials of 25T axle load BOXNS & BLC (Container) wagon at maximum speed of 110kmph successfully conducted by RDSO in Phulera-Ateli section (193 km) of Western DFC. With this, now full DFC is fit to run 25T axle load trains @100 kmph, as against IR's current regime of 22.9 T axle load @ 65-70 kmph.
- 1.5. OHE wiring by Mechanized wiring train has been started for the first time in India in both EDFC & WDFC.** In this process, stringing of contact & category wire is being done simultaneously that too under tension. This facilitates the dropping activity which can follow on immediately thereafter. Each machine is capable of undertaking wiring of 3 km per shift. At present there are 4 wiring trains in EDFC-1 & WDFC. Total 1508 km laying of catenary and contact wire has been completed upto 31.03.2020.
- 1.6. CAPEX:** During the year under review, the Company has achieved CAPEX of ₹12262.65 Crores (Without Land), which is the highest ever in the history of DFCCIL.
- 1.7. Award of Contracts:** With the award of pending 3 system contracts of EDFC in the month of April '20, 100% contracts of WDFC and EDFC have been awarded.
- 1.8. Achievements in Land Acquisition, Environment & Forest Clearances:-**
 - (a) Land acquisition in both EDFC & WDFC is almost complete as on 31.03.2020. The total award u/s 20F declared so far is 11311 Ha of land (WDFC: 5990 ha out of 6000 ha and EDFC: 5321 ha out of 5795 ha) which is approx. 98.5% excluding Sonnagar-Dankuni section and overall 96.8% with compensation amounting to ₹14,022 Crs. till March, 2020.
 - (b) Forest Clearances have been obtained for 206 Ha (mainly 203.8 ha in Hazaribagh, Jharkhand).
 - (c) During the year, 445 Arbitration cases & 123 Court cases in EDFC and 446 Arbitration cases & 83 Court cases in WDFC have been disposed off taking cumulative figure of 11553 Arbitration cases & 1907 Court cases.
 - (d) M/s L&T JV (system Contractor of EDFC-II) has been awarded "**ROSPA Award by RoSPA U.K in March 2019 and March 2020 repetitively and BSC International Safety award** with Merit Certificate. M/s L&T (Civil Contractor of Lot 303) has been awarded with **International Safety Award- 2020** by the British Safety Council. M/s GIL TPL JV (Civil Contractor of Lot .302) has got various awards like **OHSSAI "Environment Award" and OH&S and BBS award** during the year 2019-20.
- 1.9.** During the year, total 21 ROBs (12 WDFC, 9 EDFC) have been constructed.

1.10. CRISIL has reaffirmed the “**CCR AAA**” rating to DFCCIL. ICRA, a unit of Moody’s has also reaffirmed [**ICRA**] **AAA** rating for DFCCIL. India Ratings & Research, A Fitch Group Company has affirmed Long term issuer rating at **IND AAA** to DFCCIL. CARE, has affirmed **CARE AAA** rating for DFCCIL.

A report on “Corporate Governance” and “Management Discussion & Analysis Report” forms the part of the Annual Report. The Company is committed towards ensuring that business ethics and values are adhered to.

At DFCCIL, Corporate Social Responsibility is envisaged as a commitment to meet its social obligations by playing an active role to improve the quality of life of the communities and stakeholders on a sustainable basis, preferably in the project areas where it is operating. CSR activities during the year includes.

1. Skill intervention in schools to improve the employable skills and physical fitness of the students (through Confederation of Indian Industry-CII).
2. Construction of toilet blocks and installation of computers in schools in Ballia, UP.
3. Provision of dustbins and water coolers with RO installation in villages and schools.
4. Augmentation of community facility.
5. Provision of smart class accessories in aspirational districts (Chandauli) and (Mewat).

I must place on record my sincere appreciation to Ministry of Railways, Zonal Railways, and other Ministries of the Government of India and State Governments, lending agencies, bankers and business associates for their support to DFCCIL. I also thank all the other stakeholders of the company for their support.

Place : New Delhi
Date : 17.12.2020

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Vinod Kumar Yadav
Chairman