

New Year Message

1st January, 2016

My Dear Members of the DFCCIL Family,

I wish you and your families a very Happy and Prosperous New Year 2016.

2015 has been an year full of achievements for DFCCIL and we have excelled in all the fronts, be it the finalization of Major Civil, Electrical, S&T contracts, land acquisition, environmental, forest & CRZ clearances, tying up of funding arrangements with World Bank, sanction of Revised Estimate, increase in the progress of the on-going works and bringing of New Technology in Mechanized Track Laying.

DFC made magnificent progress in the field of award of contracts during 2015. 7 major Civil, Electrical and S&T contracts worth Rs.17,500 crores were awarded, which is much more than the total contracts awarded by DFCCIL during the last 6 years (around Rs 13000 crores). As a result, Civil and Track work is today progressing in 65% length (1830 km) and system works in 50% length(1360 km).

Not only this, the last year saw a quantum jump in the progress of Civil works with ten-fold increase in Rewari-Palanpur section of Western Corridor and three-fold increase in Kanpur-Khurja section of Eastern Corridor. The mechanized laying of the track by NTC machines commenced at Bhadan & Maitha in Eastern Corridor and Bhagega in Western Corridor. **This was done for the first time in India.**

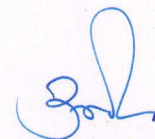
Besides, complete funding for both the corridors was tied up, all major environmental, forest and other statutory clearances are in place and acquisition of more than 85% land has been successfully completed.

The year 2016 comes with much bigger challenges for all of us - the most important being finalisation of all the balance contracts and completion of land acquisition process. The project is being monitored by the Hon'ble Minister for Railways as well as by the Hon'ble Prime Minister. DFCCIL has been given very stiff targets for completion of major works in both the corridors by December 2018 and commissioning of both the corridors by December 2019. This entails many fold increase in the progress of Civil, Electrical and S&T works. We must, however, remember that Quality and Safety are the areas of highest priority & we must ensure zero tolerance in these areas.

I am confident that committed team of DFCCIL will give their 100% to the project & dedicated team effort will take DFCC to newer heights of achievements so that our Nation can be assured of timely delivery of this Mega Infrastructure Project.

I once again convey my best wishes to you and your family for the New Year.

“Let new beginnings signify new chapter filled with pages of success and happiness, written by the ink of hard work.”



(Adesh Sharma)