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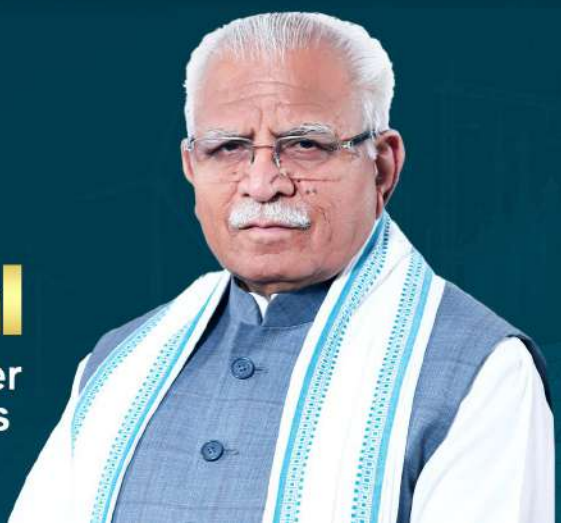

Shri Manohar Lal

Hon'ble Union Minister of Power and Housing & Urban Affairs

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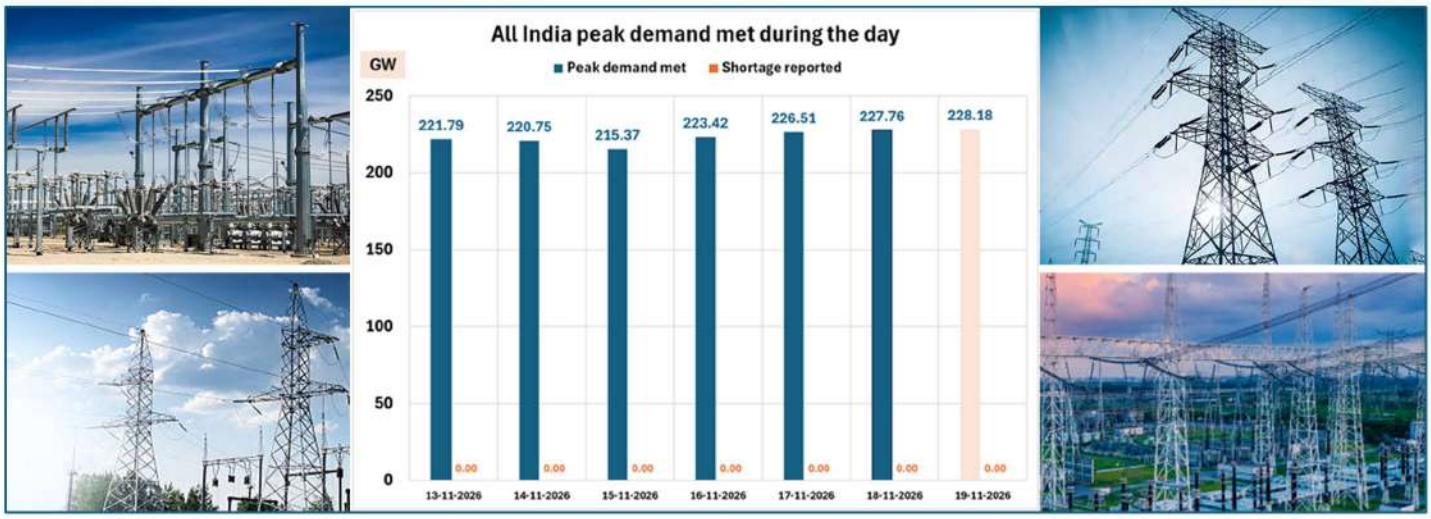
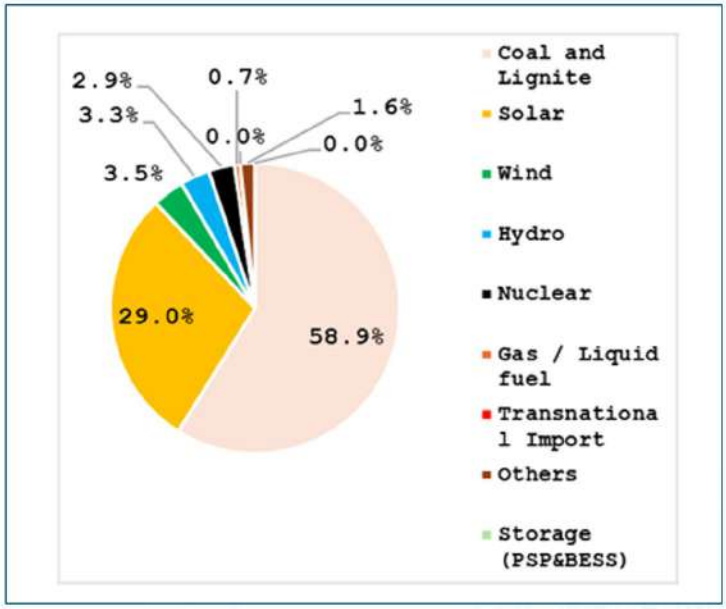
All-India Peak Demand of 228.18 GW Met Without Shortage

The chart below presents the daily peak demand met and power shortage reported from 13 November to 19 November 2026



Generation Mix at the time of Peak

Generation source	Generation (GW)	Share of Total generation (%)
Gas / Liquid fuel	1.5	0.7%
Hydro	7.7	3.3%
Nuclear	6.7	2.9%
Coal and Lignite	136.8	58.9%
Wind	8.2	3.5%
Solar	67.4	29.0%
Storage (PSP&BESS)	0.0	0.0%
Others	3.8	1.6%
Transnational Import	0.0	0.0%
TOTAL	**232.2**	**100.0%**
Transnational Export	0.8	0.3%



All-India peak demand met and energy consumption growth, compared with the corresponding period of the previous year, stood at 14% and 11.5%, respectively.

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13 Nov, 2026

Prime Minister Inaugurates Two POWERGRID Transmission Projects in Karnataka, Lays Foundation Stone for Two More Projects





Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister, inaugurated two POWERGRID transmission projects: "Transmission Scheme for Integration of Renewable Energy Zone (Phase-II) in Koppal-II (Phase-A & B) and Gadag-II (Phase-A) in Karnataka" and "Transmission Scheme for Solar Energy Zone in Bidar (2500 MW), Karnataka."

He also laid the foundation stone for POWERGRID's "Transmission Scheme for Integration of Davanagere/Chitradurga and Bellary REZ in Karnataka" and "Transmission System Strengthening for Integration of Additional RE Potential at Davanagere (0.25 GW) and Bellary (2.75 GW)." Dr. Sudha Yadav, Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka, and Shri D. K. Shivakumar, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Karnataka, were also present along with other senior dignitaries. These schemes will strengthen the grid's capacity to carry renewable power from Karnataka to demand centres across India.

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16 Nov, 2026

Ministry of Power Pavilion Showcases a Decade of Power Sector Initiatives and Achievements at IITF 2026





The Ministry of Power Pavilion at the 45th India International Trade Fair (IITF) 2026 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi showcases the initiatives and achievements of the power sector in the last decade. Using technology to simplify the power sector initiatives and to make it entertaining for the Fair audience, the pavilion makes use of interactive exhibits, an immersive zone, kinetic wall, anamorphic 3D display, rotating LED, virtual reality (VR) models, 3D project models and a Smart Home demonstrating energy-efficient appliances and smart energy solutions.

The pavilion was inaugurated by Sh. Pankaj Agarwal, Secretary Ministry of Power and a brochure on the pavilion was also unveiled on the occasion. Others present included Dr. Saibaba Darbamulla, Additional Secretary (MoP), Ms. Reetu Jain, Economic Advisor, MoP, Sh. Vamsi Rama Mohan Burra, CMD, POWERGRID, members of the Board of Directors and senior officials of POWERGRID, NTPC, NHPC, PFC, REC, SJVN, THDC, EESL, BEE.
The pavilion provides a common platform for different organisations in the Power Ministry to showcase their contributions towards strengthening India's power infrastructure and advancing the vision of a sustainable and energy-secure nation.

The pavilion can be visited till November 27, 2026.





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GRID-INDIA Signs Agreement for Acquisition of CTUIL from POWERGRID



The Share Purchase Agreement (SPA) for the acquisition of 100% of the paid-up equity share capital of Central Transmission Utility of India Limited (CTUIL) by Grid Controller of India Limited (GRID-INDIA) from Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) was signed among the three companies in the presence of their respective Board Members. It marks a significant milestone in the proposed acquisition in furtherance of the directions of the Ministry of Power, Government of India.

The proposed acquisition represents a significant step towards strengthening the institutional framework governing India's power sector. It is envisaged to bring the functions of system operation and transmission planning under a unified institutional framework, thereby facilitating enhanced coordination, integrated planning and more effective development of the Indian power system.

The signing ceremony was attended by the Board Members and senior officials of POWERGRID, GRID-INDIA and CTUIL, reflecting the collective commitment of the three organizations towards the successful implementation of this important institutional initiative.

19 Nov, 2026

BBMB and CWPRS Sign MoU for Development and Validation of Stage-Discharge Curves for Sutlej and Beas Rivers and Associated Water Channels



Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB), Chandigarh, and the Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune, entered into a technical collaboration at CWPRS, Pune, by signing and exchanging a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in the presence of Sh. C. R. Patil, Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti, and Sh. Raj Bhushan Choudhary, Hon'ble Union Minister of State, MoJS, Government of India.

This collaboration envisages technical cooperation in the development and validation of stage-discharge curves at critical and control sections of the Rivers Sutlej and Beas, interstate contact points, Nangal Hydel Channel (NHC) and Bhakra Main Line (BML), besides undertaking other related hydraulic and hydrological studies and activities.

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PFC CMD Parminder Chopra Honoured Among Business Today's Most Powerful Women 2026



Smt. Parminder Chopra, Chairman & Managing Director (CMD), Power Finance Corporation Ltd. (PFC), has been honoured by Business Today as the BT Most Powerful Women 2026, recognising her exemplary leadership and contribution to the corporate and business landscape. The award was presented to Smt. Parminder Chopra by Shri Alok Nair, Chief Operating Officer, Business Today.

The BT Most Powerful Women Awards celebrate women leaders who are reshaping boardrooms, driving business growth and inspiring the next generation through their vision, determination and achievements. The awards recognise the growing role of women in leadership and their contribution to business excellence and economic progress.

This recognition acknowledges Smt. Parminder Chopra's distinguished leadership at PFC and her contribution to strengthening the organisation's role in financing India's power and infrastructure sectors. Her achievement stands as an inspiration for aspiring women leaders and highlights the growing influence of women in shaping India's growth story.

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Key News of the Week

The Times of India
(14 Nov, 2026)

CERC brings changes in connectivity regulations

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Lucknow: In a relief to power developers facing delays in obtaining access to the national electricity transmission network, the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) has amended its connectivity regulations to allow withdrawal of grid connectivity applications and refund of bank guarantees under specific conditions.

The changes are part of the CERC (Connectivity and General Network Access to the Inter-State Transmission System) (Fourth Amendment) Regulations, 2026, notified on Nov 11. The provisions will come into force after publication in the official gazette.

Under revised rules, developers can surrender their entire connectivity allocation if there is a delay of two years or more between the grant of in-principle and final connectivity approvals, or if the scheduled connectivity date is postponed by at least two years.

To avail the relief, developers must submit their withdrawal applications within 45 days of receiving final approval. Projects that have not received final approval even after two years from the grant of in-principle connectivity can also apply for withdrawal within 45 days of completing the two-year period.

The nodal agency is required to decide on such requests within 15 days. Once approved, bank guarantees furnished by developers will be refunded, though the application fee will remain non-refundable.

The amended regulations also seek to improve utilisation of the existing transmission network. Renewable energy and battery energy storage projects with capacities of 50 MW or more can apply for connectivity during non-solar hours, subject to availability.

The central transmission utility has been directed to publish the available transmission capacity at eligible substations every month.

In another key reform, eligible consumers can maintain connectivity with both the inter-state transmission system and state transmission networks after obtaining necessary approvals and paying applicable charges.

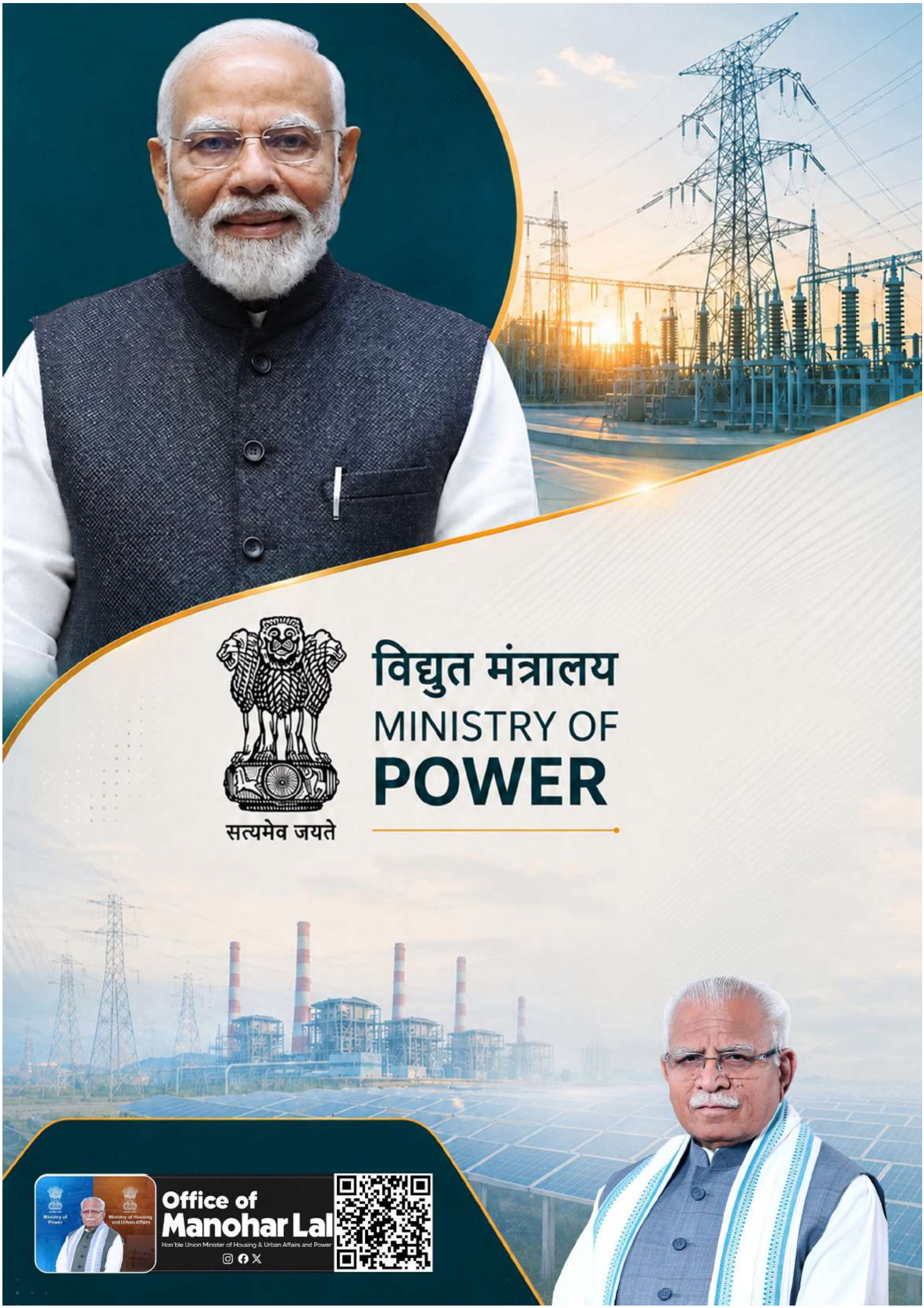
The regulations also provide for earlier release of certain bank guarantees after one year of commercial operation, replacing the previous five-year phased release mechanism aimed at easing liquidity pressures on developers.

The Statesman
(15 Nov, 2026)

POWERGRID organises Analysts and Investors Meet in Mumbai



Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID), a Maharatna PSU under the Ministry of Power, Government of India, organised an Analysts and Investors Meet in Mumbai. The meet was led by Sh. Vamsi Rama Mohan Burra, CMD, POWERGRID, in the presence of Dr. Yatindra Dwivedi, Director (Personnel), Sh. Amol Taori, Director (Finance), Sh. Akhilesh Pathak, Director (Projects), and Sh. Pankaj Pandey, OSD (Operations). During the interaction, CMD and senior management engaged with analysts and investors, sharing insights into the company's business performance, key developments and future outlook. The presentation covered the company's Q2 and H1 FY 2026-27 performance, financial achievements, capital expenditure, and asset addition during the period. The ongoing expansion of POWERGRID's transmission network, its role in strengthening the national grid and development of new transmission projects, including HVDC infrastructure, were also key areas of focus.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