

# National Seminar

## Changing landscape and Growing Financial Crisis in power Sector in India

Venue- USO House, Katvaria Sarai, New Delhi

Date: 1-2 Sept 2018

Day -1

Timeline	Session	Speakers
9:30 to 10:15	<p><b>Welcome and objective of this National Seminar</b></p> <p><b>Self-Introduction</b></p>	
10:15 to 12:00 PM	<p><b>Understanding the current landscape in the energy:</b></p> <p>Overview of the power sector in India, and where it is leading, after Paris Agreement, what kind of crisis facing the sector.</p>	<p><b>Soumya Datta</b>, Environmentalist, Beyond Copenhagen Collective, New Delhi</p> <p><b>Dr. Shoibal Chakravarty</b>, Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) Bangalore</p> <p><b>Paranajoy Guha Thakurtha</b>, Senior Journalist</p>
12:15 to 1:45 PM	<p><b>Critical Review of the current schemes related to the power sector:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ujwal Discom Assurance Yojana (UDAY), Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY),</li> <li>• Integrated Power Development Scheme (IPDS),</li> <li>• Urban Jyoti Abhiyaan (URJA),</li> <li>• National Electricity Fund (NEF), etc.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Shreya Jai</b>, Senior Journalist, Business Standard</p> <p><b>Dr. Manish Gupta</b>, National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, Delhi</p> <p><b>Ashok Jain</b>, All India Power Engineer Federation ( AIPEF)</p>
2:30 to 4:00 PM	<p><b>A perilous shift in regulatory framework over the past decade</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)</li> <li>b. Central Electricity Authority</li> <li>c. Electricity Act, 2003</li> <li>d. Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC), MoEF</li> </ol>	<p><b>Prabir Purkayastha</b>, Senior Journalist, News click</p> <p><b>Ritwick Dutta</b>, Environmentalist Lawyer, Legal Initiative for Forest and Environment (LIFE)</p> <p><b>Ashok Rao</b>, All India Power Engineer Federation ( AIPEF)</p>
4:15 to 5:30 PM	<p><b>Changes in policies with respect to the power sector: Land, Forests, Mining, Water:</b> Issues related to livelihoods, displacement, forest, water, pollution, health and land grabbing</p>	<p><b>Leo Saldanah</b>, Senior Activist &amp; Environmentalist, Environment Support Group, Bangalore</p> <p><b>Nitin Sethi</b>, Senior Journalist, Business Standard</p> <p><b>Philip Cullet</b>, Water policy expert</p> <p><b>Dr. Shoibal Chakravarty</b>, Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore</p>

## Day -2

Timeline	Session	Speakers
9:30 to 10:15	<b>Critical look at the current scenario of hydropower &amp; Nuclear and their policies in India</b>	<b>Himanshu Thakkar</b> , Environmentalist & Water expert, SANDRP <b>Soumya Dutta</b> , Environmentalist, Beyond Copenhagen Collective, New Delhi
10:15 to 12:00 PM	<b>Critical look at the alternatives of coal pushed by the government: Solar &amp; Wind</b> <b>How green energy is green?</b> Will it be sustainable sources, what kind of negative impacts on ground of it, is Indian government following the INDC signed in the Paris agreement	<b>Soumya Dutta</b> , Environmentalist, Beyond Copenhagen Collective, New Delhi <b>Srinivas Krishnaswamy</b> , Economist, Vasudha Foundation <b>Sanjay Mangala Gopal</b> , Senior Activist & Renewable Energy expert <b>Prof. E Somanathan</b> , Economist, Indian Statistical Institute
12:15 to 1:45 PM	<b>Challenges for State Discoms – Privatization, Financial Crisis, PPAs</b>	<b>Ashok Rao</b> , AIPEF <b>Ashok Jain</b> , AIPEF
2:30 to 4:00 PM	<b>Analysis of growing burden on the Public Sector Bank and unsuccessful attempts by the government to resolve the NPA crisis with regards to power sector: Role of IBC, Bad Bank, Project Sashakt</b>	<b>Nitin Sethi</b> , Senior Journalist Business Standard <b>Com. Thomas Franco</b> , Former General Secretary, AIBOC <b>Prabir Purkayastha</b> , Senior Journalist, News Click <b>Ashok Rao</b> , AIPEF