

## PRESS NOTE

Kaithal, June 8- Haryana Chief Minister, Mr Bhupinder Singh Hooda launched the prestigious 'Apna Transformer Yojna' of the Uttar Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam for district Kaithal before addressing a thanks-giving rally arranged by the Congress party here today. The Nigam would install 38,000 transformers on the tubewells with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 388 crore under the scheme.

Addressing the largely attended rally Sh. Hooda said that almost 50 percent of the total available power was being supplied to agriculture sector in the State. The major thrust of the Government was to arrange and supply maximum power to the consumers. The implementation of Apna Transformer Yojna (High Voltage Distribution System) will go a long way in energy conservation. It will make the power supply reliable, qualitative and uninterrupted.

He said that the energy conserved by installing independent transformer for each tubewell will be helpful in bringing around development of the State. Existing low tension lines would be replaced by high tension lines which would minimize the distribution losses. After the change, there will be significant improvement in voltage of electricity. With better voltage, there will be reduction in the cases of damage of motors and transformers.

Sh. Hooda also said that the Nigam has been directed to ensure that the transformer of suitable capacity matching with the motor on tubewell of the farmer is installed. Thus, there will be no mismatch of load. The farmers, having higher capacity motors will be having higher capacity transformers under the scheme.

He further stated that the State has already introduced the Voluntary Disclosure of Load Scheme under which the unauthorized load of consumers will be regularized without penalty. The scheme is maximum beneficial for farmers. It will continue upto July 31,2009.

Speaking on the occasion, Haryana Power Minister, Mr Randeep Singh Surjewala said that it was a historical day not only for the farmers of the district Kaithal but for the farmers for the state as a whole as they are going to have a new farmers-friendly scheme. The Nigam has started the 'Apna Transformer Yojna' from district Kaithal.

It has been planned to implement the scheme in district Karnal and Rohtak also for which finalization of the competitive bids was in advance stage. The Government is committed to make the State power surplus by adding 6000 MW by the year 2012.

Member Parliament, Naveen Jindal, MLA Kaithal, Shamsher Singh Surjewala, Parliamentary Secretary & MLA Guhla - Cheeka, Dillu Ram,

MLA PAi Tejinder Pal Singh Mann, MLA Kalayat, Geeta Bukkal, MLA Pundri Dinesh Kaushik, Haryana Power Utilities, Chairman, O.S.Lohchab, Managing Director, UHBVN, Vijayendra Kumar, Deputy Commissioner, Amneet P Kumar and senior officers were present.

