



Visit of CERC delegation to China

A delegation of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission of India led by Mr. A.K. Basu, Chairman visited China from 24.8.2005 to 28.8.2005 on the invitation of Mr. Chai Songyue, Chairman, State Electricity Regulatory Commission of China. The other members of the delegation were Mr. A.K. Sachan, Secretary and Mr. S.C. Anand, Joint Chief (Engg.) of the Commission.

The Indian delegation had wide ranging discussions with Mr. Chai Songyue, Chairman, SERC, China on the issues related to cooperation between two sides in the electricity sector.

The delegation also visited and had discussions with senior officers of the following :-

- i) Waigaoquo Thermal Power Stations (4 x 300 MW + 2 x 900 MW), Shanghai
- ii) Shanghai Electric Power Company
- iii) East China Electricity Regulatory Bureau, Shanghai
- iv) East China Grid Company and its load dispatch centre, Shanghai
- v) North China Grid Company and its load dispatch centre, Beijing

It was felt that India and China are two of the fastest growing economies in the world and there is considerable scope for mutual cooperation in the electricity sector. It was also felt that the regular interaction between the regulatory mechanism in both the countries would be beneficial for both sides for considering and adopting the best practices in the electricity sector.

Earlier, Mr. Chai Songyue, Chairman, SERC China and other members visited CERC on 11th October, 2004 on the invitation of Mr.A.K. Basu, Chairman, CERC. During the Delhi visit of Chinese delegation, the Indian side explained to them about reforms and restructuring in the Indian electricity sector. The important provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 as well as steps taken by the CERC in compliance with the Act, were placed before the Chinese delegation.