Union Minister for Coal and Mines Shri G. Kishan Reddy reviewed the Progress of NLCIL Projects at Chennai

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The Union Minister for Coal and Mines, Shri G. Kishan Reddy, held a review meeting of NLC India Limited (NLCIL) projects at Chennai today along with Smt. VismitaTej, Additional Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Coal. Shri Prasanna Kumar Motupalli, CMD, NLCIL, Functional Directors and Senior officials of NLC India Limited were present in the review meeting.

In his address Union Minister of Coal and Mines, Shri Kishan Reddy, highlighted the larger vision of the Prime Minister in creating a "Viksit Bharat" by 2047 as a part of which, reforms were being undertaken in the mining sector. He lauded NLCIL as one of the best performing Public Sector Companies in India. He appreciated the diversification of the company into renewable energy sector on a large scale, stating that it is the first PSU in the country to cross one(1) GW of renewable energy.

The Minister appreciated the NLCIL's foray into capacity addition in coal mining through its coal mines at Talabira, South Pachwara, North Dhadu, Machhakata and Patrapara. He also lauded NLCIL's efforts in constructing 3 x 800 MW Thermal Power Project at Talabira which was inaugurated by Prime Minister. Coal Minister has also expressed his appreciation on NLCIL's sincere efforts in Renewable Energy Capacity addition in large scale in states of Rajasthan, Assam and Andaman & Nicobar Islands and in other green initiatives.



The Minister pointed out that NLCIL was one of the oldest PSUs in the country, patronized and visited by several past National leaders including Presidents, Prime Ministers, VIPs, which continued even today. He

called upon NLCIL to explore avenues to boost tourism which had a lot of potential and scope for creating awareness among children and students.

The Union Minister of Coal & Mines further informed that NLCIL management has been asked to explore the possibilities for implementation of enhanced Accident Insurance Cover scheme for the workers and employees of NLC India Limited, in a period of two months. The Minister assured NLCIL of the fullest support and co-operation from the Coal Ministry and called upon the NLCIL family to continue its remarkable journey in its energy production, in line with vision of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Noting that NLCIL was a pioneer in several CSR activities, he said that, NLCIL had a big, sprawling township in Neyveli consisting of more than one lakh population and three crore trees.

On the occasion, the Minister for Coal & Mines, Shri G. Kishan Reddy, virtually inaugurated a museum, aptly named "Parampariyam", created at Neyveli by NLC India Limited. He also inaugurated a new Mobile App "NLCIL WINGS" and a new version of NLCIL Internet Website virtually.

In line with the Special Campaign 4.0's "Waste to Wealth" initiative by the Government of India, NLCIL had conceptualized, planned and created a Museum depicting the journey of NLCIL over the years since its inception in 1956. The museum, located in the heart of Neyveli Township, was created by transforming the erstwhile Doordarshan Kendra TV Relay Station building, constructed in the 1980s. The building, which was kept unused for years, was originally inaugurated by the legendary singer Bharat Ratna Late Smt. M.S.Subbulakshmi in 1984. The "Parampariyam" NLCIL Museum showcases vivid images, exhibits, photographs and artefacts chronicling the company's history - from the discovery of peat in 1828, to the formation of NLCIL in 1956, and its remarkable growth over the decades.

Speaking on the occasion, NLCIL CMD Shri Prasanna Kumar Motupalli said that the review of NLCIL's projects and future plans was comprehensive with valuable guidance and inputs offered by the Union Minister on behalf of the Ministry of Coal. The unwavering support from the Minister and the Ministry of Coal would help NLCIL in its future endeavours for a brighter, sustainable future.

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