

Leadership Transition at Power Sector Skill Council

Upon having successfully completed five years of its operations, Power Sector Skill Council, now undergoes leadership transition. Sri Vinod Behari erstwhile Chief Executive Officer hands over the baton to his successor.

The five years period during which Sri Vinod Behari has been at the helm of affairs had indeed been very tumultuous and challenging for Power Sector Skill Council. Faced with the twin challenge of putting in place and developing internal team and managing external business environment, he could steer this with dexterity. While his experience of handling mega capacity building initiatives while with Rural Electrification Corporation (REC Ltd) came in handy, his down to earth approach and an aggressive business development strategy worked well.

Apart from relying upon the government supported skill development initiatives such as PMKVY and its state counterparts, he could successfully win confidence of Power Sector majors such as NTPC, Tata Power, NEEPCO, Neyveli Lignite Corp. etc besides State Power Utilities such as Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Manipur, Assam etc. which ensured a significant level of operational and financial stability.

It has also bagged mega skilling project from Indian Railways etc.

During last five years of its operations PSSC has completed training and certification of approximately 1.6 lakhs participants across multiple job roles in power generation, transmission, distribution and downstream operations. It is an acknowledged fact that this critical mass of trained and certified workforce have been making a significant contribution to power sector. Power Sector Skill Council also during this period provided a critical enabling support to implementation of SAUBHAGYA. A game changing scheme of such a national importance and magnitude could be made possible in a fair measure through PSSC's skilling initiative.

35 QPs, 2800 strong cadre of certified Trainers, 900+ Assessors, 12 languages, nation-wide outreach and a robust pipeline of projects define the current level of preparedness of Power Sector Skill Council. Sri Vinod Behari will continue in a mentorship role for sometime now.

The incoming CEO Sri Ravi P Singh brings with him a rich and diverse experience spanning over three and half decades in power sector. A mechanical engineer with PGDM (Human Resource Management) he has worked with two power sector majors, NTPC and Power Grid Corporation handling various responsibilities in line and staff functions, the last assignment having been that of Director Personnel with Powergrid Corp. PSSC is sure to go from strength to strength with his leadership.

A strong legacy, bright future and great leadership are thus the highlights of the Power Sector Skill Council today.