

Profile of Shri B. N. Shukla

Shri B. N. Shukla (DIN 05131449), graduated in 1982 from I.T. BHU and did M. Tech in Opencast Mining from Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad in 1989. He is silver medalist at B. Tech and M. Tech level and was popular students' leader.

He joined SECL in 1982, where he was instrumental in deploying SDL and Chain Conveyor for depillaring in 1983. He experimented cast blasting in Jamuna Opencast mines and brought back Amalai opencast mines into production which was stopped by DGMS for last six months due to vertical faces merged with OB benches. He joined Churha East underground mine in 1999, where he experimented Hydrofracturing for hard roof management and constructed strata bunkers which reduced the breakdowns of belt conveyors and saving of power.

He joined as Sub-area Manager of Behraband U/G mine having modified continuous miner with LHD and the mine was adjudged the overall best mine in group 'A' of SECL alongwith 36% growth in production. He was posted as Project Officer, Balram OCP to sort out the R&R problem and poor geometry. The mine bagged 1st prize in overall annual safety week for successive two years. He was posted as General Manager, Bharatpur area in 2007, where he could sort out R&R problem and brought the mine into desired shape with sufficient land possession in hand. Then he was posted in most difficult area of MCL, i.e. Hingula area where the daily production was 21000 tpd, when he left the area, the daily production was 62000 tpd.

Considering his vision, knowledge, strategy he was posted as General Manager, Corporate Planning and Projects at MCL HQ, where he was instrumental in diversification of MCL into pit head Super critical thermal power projects (2 x 800 MW) for which MBPL company was formed and he was appointed Director w.e.f. 9.04.2012 to Sept.2015, other diversification were into solar, port and power transmission business.

He was key person in translating Jharsugda Barapalli rail link on paper to ground fighting tooth and nail to complete it by 2016 June, which is life line for growth of MCL. He got projects approved with total capacity of 322 MT (peak) from a level of 122 MT. He planned and monitored various infrastructural activities like road network, rail network, CHP, silo and was actively involved in meetings with MoC, state Govt. to sort out forest, R&R and law & order problems.

He was Director (Technical)/Coal Resource Development), CMPDIL w.e.f. 1.10.2015 to 16.08.2016. During his tenure departmental drilling saw highest ever growth in volume of about 52000m. He was instrumental in getting CMPDIL notified under section 4(1) of MMDR 1957 for prospecting any mineral which is a landmark in the history of CMPDIL.

He visited China and presented many technical papers in seminars. He attended world mining congress at Rio-de-janerio in 2016. He was a very good sportsman and was captain of IT Boating club, BHU. He performed journey on cycle from BHU to Kathmandu, Nepal in 1981.

He was transferred to ECL as director (Technical) for 1 year w.e.f. 17.08.16 to 16.08.17. During his tenure, underground production increased to 10,89% & dispatch by 11.52% compared to last year. Now he has joined CMPDIL w.e.f. 17.08.17.