



Workshop on

REVAMPING GURGAON'S ELECTRICITY SECTOR

Towards Private Participation, Smart Grids and Solar

February 20, 2013, The Palms, Sushant Lok-I, Gurgaon



IMPROVING ELECTRICITY SCENARIO

Workshop Agenda

- Gurgaon's electricity standards by way of price, quality or reliability of supply are nowhere in comparison to adjacent Delhi where residents enjoy not only cheaper but also reliable power and better customer service.
- While Delhi has privatized its electricity distribution leading to wide-ranging reforms, Gurgaon is supplied electricity by Dakshin Haryana Bijli Vitran Nigam (DHBVN), a distribution company carved out of the erstwhile electricity board.
- DHBVN earns over twenty per cent of its revenues from Gurgaon. However, it has not invested commensurately in the transmission and distribution (T&D) infrastructure in the city. Its customer service has shown little improvement. Its staff's motivation levels seem low to bring in efficient practices and revamp the system. In contrast, Gurgaonites pay one of the highest rates for residential and industrial power.
- Ideally, Gurgaon should have been selected for privatizing options such as franchisee systems. Many cities in India are reaping benefits under the scheme. Atleast, to begin with, some of the functions such as billing etc. could be outsourced to private parties. However, lack of political willingness has kept such options at bay. Sadly, Gurgaon has also been left out of the "smart grid" scheme of the centre as well.
- It is indeed high time that right systems and technologies be introduced in Gurgaon in the electricity sector that help reduce electricity pilferage, improve efficiency, quality and reliability of supply.
- Lastly, solar has a great potential in Gurgaon. Despite being selected as one of the twenty solar cities for promotion of solar very little on the ground action has happened. Solar power can be used for traffic lights, street lights, blinkers on roads and parking lights. Part use of solar power should be encouraged in malls, housing societies and commercial and government buildings.

The mission of the workshop is to set priorities for Gurgaon to reform its electricity sector, encourage privatization or private options, promote use of better technologies as well as renewable power such as Solar. The workshop intends to bring together power generating companies, T&D companies, technology/IT companies, energy consultants, NGOs, RWAs of Gurgaon on a common platform to discuss and deliberate on these key issues.

Specifically, the workshop will address questions like:

- What are some of the areas in Gurgaon's electricity sector that need reforms?
- What are some of the ongoing initiatives by DHBVN for Gurgaon?
- What is the overall approach by the state government towards introducing private options?
- How can private companies help in improving the distribution function?
- What are some of the technologies/IT solutions that can make a difference?
- Why has Gurgaon not been selected under the smart grid programme of the centre?
- What is the potential of Solar in Gurgaon? What can be done to popularize solar in the city including bring in necessary legislation to make it mandatory?

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Target Audience

The workshop should interest:

- Integrated Power Companies
- Solution provider Companies
- Key officials from MoP, MNRE, HERC and Solar Centre in Gurgaon
- Solar Companies
- T&D Companies
- Technology/IT companies in Electricity Space
- Smart Grid Providers
- Power research Institutes
- RWAs of Gurgaon
- Civil society bodies/industrial associations and NGOs of Gurgaon

Workshop Structure and Speakers

The workshop will be a half-a-day event. It will have three sessions. Each session will have presentations followed by Q&A session. These are:

- I. **Session I – Gurgaon Electricity Reforms: Issues and Initiatives**
- II. **Session II – Use of Technologies/Smart Grids for Operational Turnaround**
- III. **Session III – Encouraging Solar: Potential, Policies and Action Plan**

Workshop Follow Through

The workshop will culminate into specific outcomes and recommendations that will be presented to key authorities as a “White Paper” for implementation. That will also be published and popularised through all possible mediums, including Gurgaon First's website, press and electronic media.

Workshop Fee

- The delegate fee for the workshop is Rs 3,000. (For two delegates, the fee is Rs 5,600 while for three delegates the fee is Rs 8,000).
- **Individuals registering before February 1, 2013 will get a discounted price of Rs 2,400. (For two delegates, the early bird fee is Rs 4,200 while for three delegates the fee is Rs 5,700).**
- Individuals from NGOs, resident welfare organizations, research bodies, academic institutions would be offered a special fee of Rs 1,500 and an early bird fee of Rs. 1,200.

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Registration Form

Please register me as a delegate for the "Revamping Gurgaon's Electricity Sector" workshop

Enclosed is Rs through cheque/demand draft no:
drawn on dated in favour of **Gurgaon First**.

Name:

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- A confirmation will be sent after receipt of payment.
- The delegates will be sent a detailed agenda and workshop structure a few days prior to the scheduled date of the workshop.



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