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Transmission and Distribution: AREVA consolidates its leadership in Extra High Voltage in India

AREVA's Transmission and Distribution (T&D) division has recently won four orders worth approximately €50 million to supply Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL), India's main transmission utility, with four extra high voltage (765 kV) substations.

AREVA will deliver these projects in Lucknow and Ballia (in Uttar Pradesh) and Bina and Satna (in Madhya Pradesh), in partnership with Larsen and Toubro Ltd. AREVA will manufacture a portion of the 765 kV equipment for these substations at its three recently inaugurated manufacturing sites in India dedicated to Extra High Voltage Transmission Products.

In 2007, the group had already supplied India's first substation of this kind for the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) at SIPAT, Chhattisgarh. Thanks to these recent orders, AREVA T&D India has now won six of twelve 765 kV substation projects so far awarded in India.

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"These substation projects further demonstrate AREVA's proven expertise and leading position in the 765 kV domain in India," commented Michel Augonnet, Executive Vice President for AREVA's Transmission and Distribution Systems business unit. "We will continue to be actively involved in Power Grid's plans to enhance its transmission capacities by developing its extra and ultra high voltage transmission networks", he added.

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Ranked first in the global nuclear power industry, AREVA's unique integrated offering covers every stage of the fuel cycle, reactor design and construction, and related services. In addition, the group is developing a portfolio of operations in renewable energies. AREVA is also a world leader in electricity transmission and distribution and offers its customers a complete range of solutions for greater grid stability and energy efficiency.

Sustainable development is a core component of the group's industrial strategy. Its 75,000 employees work every day to make AREVA a responsible industrial player that is helping to supply ever cleaner, safer and more economical energy to the greatest number of people.

AREVA T&D currently employs over 4,600 people in India. AREVA T&D India Ltd. currently has 14 manufacturing units and 22 sales offices. The company has been a trend-setter in the field of High-Voltage Switchgear; first to build the 765 kV substation in India with NTPC at SIPAT, Chhattisgarh. Around 70% of load flow in India is managed by AREVA T&D's Automation Solutions Division. The company has to its credit a complete range of T&D Products, Systems, Services and Automation solutions.