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**EXCELLENT
CONTRIBUTION AWARD**

Shri Sutirtha Bhattacharya, IAS

(CMD, Coal India Limited (CIL))

For outstanding contribution towards the growth of energy sector

A 1985-batch IAS officer of the Telangana cadre, Shri Sutirtha Bhattacharya did his graduation from Presidency College, Kolkata. His varied experience in different sectors of governance and unfaltering dedication has endowed vital impetus to public sector enterprises. A strong advocate of clean energy, he is credited for ushering in heightened social and environmental consciousness in the outlook of industry.

Shri Bhattacharya has been Managing Director of Nizam Sugar Factories, Commissioner of Industries, and Secretary in-charge of Irrigation Department, among other posts. As CMD, TRANSCO he was chairman of the Andhra Pradesh Coordination Committee and oversaw review all AP Discoms. As Principal Secretary (Energy) and Chairman, APGENCO, he vastly improved the quality of power supply. As Principal Secretary (Infrastructure & Investment), he successfully executed port, airport, natural gas and public private partnership projects. Prior to this, he was CMD of the Telangana-based Singareni Collieries Company Limited.

Shri Bhattacharya is currently the Chairman & Managing Director of Coal India Limited, the largest producer of coal in the country that is conferred Maharatna status by the Government of India. He has initiated the shift to Clean Coal technology to reduce environmental impact while concurrently seeking to double coal production to meet the energy needs of our growing economy. For this, he aligned critical components of the system such as acquisition, green clearance, evacuation, transport, technology upgrade and ICT integration unveiling the roadmap and strategies for achieving 1 Billion Tonnes in coal production by 2019-2020. He was instrumental in the creation of the Coal Projects Monitoring Group (CPMG) that monitors project related issues with various ministries and state authorities. The CMPG has made remarkable contributions towards enhancing project efficiency.

In recognition of his contributions, Shri Bhattacharya besides other commendations has received the Forbes Best CEO-PSU award and CIL has bagged the prestigious India Today award of Fastest Growing PSE as also Excellence in Coal Sector Award.



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