



# Chief Minister gave Instructions to Set up New Power Plants of 1320 MW

## Why In News?

- On August 25, 2022, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel gave instructions for setting up a new power plant of 1320 MW in the state. For the first time after the establishment of the state, a power plant of such capacity will be set up.

## Key Points

- This will be the largest and most modern plant of Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Company. With the establishment of this plant, the own power generation capacity of Chhattisgarh State Generation Company will increase to 4300 MW.
- The Chief Minister reviewed the availability of electricity required to supply the demand of power in future in a review meeting of power companies at his residence. New power plants will be required to supply the required power demand growth by 2030-31.
- The Chief Minister directed the State Power Generation Company to take appropriate action for setting up a 2×660 MW super critical new power generation plant on the available land in Korba West.
- NK Bijoura, managing director of the power generation company, said that this super critical plant will be set up with state-of-the-art technology. This will ensure availability of electricity on one hand, while employment opportunities will also increase.
- He informed that his own land is available for setting up a plant in Korba West. Also, conveyor belt facility is also available for the existing mobile production plants to ensure availability of coal at the required project site.
- The conveyor belt is expected to be cheaper at the rate of power generated from the newly proposed plant due to coal availability, own land availability and supercritical plant. The development of local employment will also be possible by setting up a new production plant.
- After the instructions of the Chief Minister, necessary approvals for the establishment of the plant, coal allocation, detailed DPR including water allocation. The work of preparing etc. will be done at an accelerated pace by the power generation company, so that the expected power supply can be made possible by the year 2030-31.