

Media Release:

Triumphant March towards Excellence in Resources Management continues -

**Dahanu Thermal Power Station Bags
CII National Awards for Excellence in Water Management - 2008.**

- **Power Station conferred on the Excellent Water Efficient Unit Award.**
- **Also adjudged best for the Excellent Water Management Initiative Beyond Fence (CSR Initiatives) Award.**
- **Power Station adjudged best for the Innovative Case Study Award.**
- **Third time winner of the prestigious CII Award after 2005 & 2006.**

Mumbai, December 31, 2008: Reliance Infrastructure Limited's Dahanu Thermal Power Station has been adjudged winner of the CII's (Confederation of Indian Industry) most prestigious National Award for Excellence in Water Management for the Year 2008.

With this achievement, the Company has triumphantly marched ahead towards its commitment in achieving excellence in the management of resources, since it has been adjudged the best water efficient unit, the best water management initiative beyond the fence, i.e., through CSR activity in water management and the best innovative case study.

This is third time that the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) is recognizing an excellence in water management by Indian industries by conferring on the National Award in Water Management. The power station has also won this prestigious Award in Year 2005 and 2006.

Dahanu Thermal Power Station, in last twelve years of its being operational in the Taluka of Dahanu, has remained instrumental in conservation of resources and their utilization in the most economical and efficient ways, within and outside the Organization. The power station has embedded resources management as a part of its operation system. As far as the water management is concern, some of the key initiatives, power station has taken are creation of an internal Water Management Group, system base approach for efficient water management, best O & M practices, use of quality tools like six sigma, use of latest and best technology, waste reductions, regular water audit and corrective actions for continual improvement.

As far as beyond the fence initiative is concerned, the power station has initiated effective community program under program “Water availability for all in Dahanu Taluka” project, which includes construction of Check Dams, Vanarai Bandharas, construction of Water Tanks and installation of Hand Pumps, where ever the need exists. Till now, the Power Station has built 5 Check Dams, 15 Vanarai Bandharas and has provided 427 hand pumps in the surrounding villages of Dahanu Taluka; thus, resolving the water problems of almost 100% in 90 villages covering population more than 1.5 lakhs.

The CII’s most prestigious National Award for Excellence in Water Management is being given to recognize and award ‘Excellence’ in the field by industries and with the aim facilitating sharing of information for the benefits of other industries so as to achieve overall efficiency, instill a sense of necessity of water management, and achieve excellence in the water management. The criteria set for the award is contribution in achieving excellence in reduction of specific water consumption, implementation of water conservation projects, wastewater discharge practices, implementation of rainwater harvesting and involvement of employees / community in the water conservation.

This year, the contest had an overwhelming response from around 65 contesting industries from various industrial sectors, like automobile, pharmaceuticals, engineering, textiles, power plant, refinery, fertilizer, steel, paper, beverages, etc. Irrespective of industrial sectors, in which 54 for within fence and 11 for beyond fence applied. CII short listed 28 organizations for final round presentations on within fence & 7 organizations for beyond fence. The six members CII Juries’ Panel headed by Shri. L. S. Ganpati, Chairman, National Award for Excellence in water management - 2008 selected the winner based on presentation followed by Question – Answer Session.

Reliance Infrastructure’s Dahanu Thermal Power Plant has won almost 40 prestigious National and International awards in the field of Operational Efficiency, Safety & Occupational Health, Environment Consciousness & Pollution Control, etc. The power plant had also a privilege of having recognized globally when it was conferred on the prestigious Platts Award in year 2004. The awards, achievements and recognitions gained by the plant in various fields have made plant a set marking role model for other power generation stations in India.

While commenting on the occasion, the Spokesperson for Reliance Infrastructure said, ***“Considering the scarcity of the basic resources all over, its management in right perspective is a cultivated culture at Reliance Infrastructure at all levels in the organization, irrespective of businesses and hierarchies. The Company strongly believes in the principle of resources conservation through the systematic approach towards resource management that includes advisory to its stakeholders and along with the strong internal processes.”*** He further added, ***“Our work on these fronts speaks well for us and therefore, we are hopeful to see recognition in more appropriate way by allowing us to expand to utilize resources***

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at optimum with higher efficiencies and contributing at large in making the State power surplus.”

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The Reliance Anil Dhirubhai Ambani Group currently has net worth in excess of Rs. 45,000 crores (US\$ 11.5 billion), cash flows of Rs. 11,000 crores (US\$ 2.8 billion), net profit of Rs. 7,000 crores (US\$ 1.7 billion) and zero net debt.

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