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Extraordinary General Meeting

Shareholders pass resolution to divest 49% of SSGC LPG shares

The Extraordinary General Meeting (EOGM) of the shareholders of SSGC was held under the Chairmanship of Director, Sardar Rizwan Kehar, at a local hotel in Karachi on January 24, 2014. The shareholders

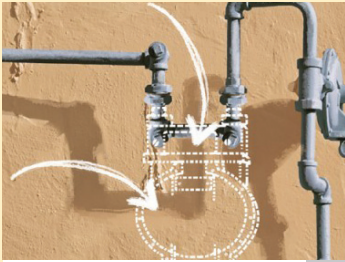
unanimously passed a resolution allowing SSGC to renounce the 96 million rights shares of Rs. 10/- each offered by SSGC LPG (Pvt.) Ltd., (SSL) hence paving the way for Sui Northern Gas Pipelines (SNGPL) to acquire 49% stake in SLL.

Directors of SSGC Board Saleem Zaminder, Aamir Amin and Alimuddin Billo, Zuhair Siddiqui, MD, SSGC and Faiza Kapadia Raffay, Company Secretary participated in the proceedings. Besides a large number of



SSGC directors conducting the proceedings of EOGM

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UFG goes down

Since the last several years, SSGC has been living with a menace of Unaccounted-for-Gas or UFG. This phenomenon of UFG that causes disturbingly high line losses is not only hurting the Company's ability to ensure uninterrupted gas supply but is also putting the its profitability under severe strain.

Despite the enormity of the task in front of it, the management has remained steadfast in countering UFG through a number of measures. The effort seems to be working, since for the first time in five years, UFG has come down appreciably. On the other hand, there are some vested interests that have unleashed a negative propaganda against SSGC and its management. SSGC is working dedicatedly towards serving all its stakeholders but some elements are pushing its management into baseless controversies. This stance however will not deter Team SSGC from pursuing its objectives and overcoming grave issues such as UFG. Ed ■



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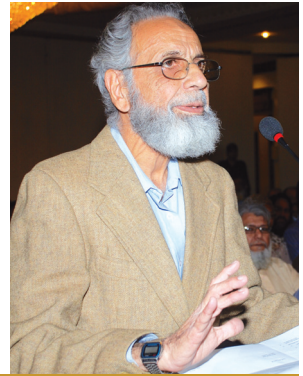
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Shareholders expressing their views to the Board as the audience intently listens



shareholders, SSGC's management and executives from the concerned departments also attended the EOGM.

The Meeting also resolved that as a result of SNGPL's acquisition of 49% stake in SLL, SSGC's shareholding would be revised to 51%, ultimately leading to a creation

of a single company by the name of LPG Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd.

SNGPL was invited to participate in SLL's equity since the business plan for LPG covered all four provinces of the country and it was considered economically feasible that both the Sui companies pool their resources to ensure the

success of LPG business nationwide.

The shareholders were informed that besides creating shareholders' value, LPG Pakistan (Pvt.) Ltd. would help to expand the working capital, facilitate in reducing SSGC's debts and place the LPG business on the road to profitability.



The acquisition of the shares has already been approved by both gas distribution companies and the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources.

It must be mentioned here that SLL successfully acquired the assets of Progas Pakistan Ltd. in October 2011 against Rs. 2.3 billion which were financed through Rs. 1 billion equity and Rs. 1.3 billion loan from SSGC. ■

SSGC has taken a major stride forward in curbing Unaccounted-for-Gas (UFG) levels, despite adverse conditions prevailing in its operational areas of Sindh and Balochistan. For the first time in five years, SSGC has succeeded in reducing UFG from 8.68% in 2011-12 to 6.88% in 2012-13.

Even though the SSGC management has channelized its energies in reducing UFG on war footing, some elements have launched a smear campaign to discredit the SSGC Managing Director and the Company management through baseless allegations. However, the SSGC management with full support from the Board of Directors has remained laser focused in controlling this menace to put the Company back on the road to profitability.

A number of factors have contributed to rising UFG levels in the recent years. These include massive population shift to urban centers leading to a phenomenal growth in non-customers, underground and overhead gas leakages, measurement errors, shift of sale from Bulk to Retail customers, gas theft, third-party damages and volatile law and order situation.

In order to reverse the UFG trend, SSGC has been pursuing an ambitious program of segregating its distribution network into manageable units to ensure greater efficiency, transparency in operational activities and accountability.

In addition, SSGC has been regularly conducting raids with FIA in colonies where non-consumers found using gas in bulk had their illegal connections disconnected. In fact, the Company has brought a number of illegal connections in its ambit thus generating revenues from the previous non-consumers.

The Company has also kept a tight leash on theft cases by regular



customers by identifying and disconnecting 632 gas theft cases in 2012-13 resulting in recovering 108 mmcf as against 339 cases that helped to recover 99 mmcf in volume in 2011-12.

For reducing UFG, the Company has also been engaged in meter change activity to replace meters found defective or passing unregistered gas (PUG). In 2012-13, the Company was able to claim a PUG volume of 8,827 mmcf (through a survey of 159,573 customers) against a volume recovery of 6,164 mmcf (through a survey of 71,908 customers) in 2011-12.

Moreover, in the no-go areas, the Company has intensified, with impressive results, the installation of bulk meters to identify non-customers involved in theft cases to ensure proper recording and calculation of lost volume. In 2011-12, against 756 theft cases, volume of theft cases recorded were 2,185 mmcf while in 2012-13, against 17,248 non-customers, volume recorded was 6,387. In fact, the Company has gone one step ahead in its war against UFG by sacking those officials who were involved in abetting gas theft.

Besides the above measures that have produced tangible results, technology innovation including installation of smart meters especially for industrial and commercial customers, laser leak detection devices and cyber locks along with investment in human capital on a war footing are some of the other solutions identified by the Company management for reducing UFG.

SSGC has also recently launched a Remote Monitoring and Data Acquisition System project to closely monitor the daily gas volume from Point of Delivery and simultaneously monitoring volume consumed by the Company's bulk and large industrial customers.

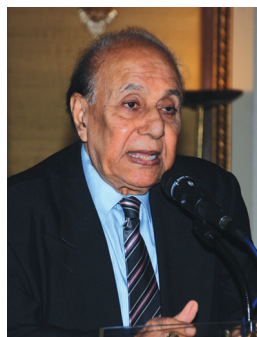
This System helps SSGC in reconciling daily gas Sale-Purchase figures while promptly identifying incidents of gas theft and meter tampering by detecting abnormalities inside Customer Meter Stations. The Company's Geographic Information System (GIS) which was developed in-house for better pipeline management and maintenance has been equipped with new features including addition of gas leakage layer. ■

Review of Estimated Revenue Requirement OGRA holds public hearing



The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) held a public hearing in Karachi on January 22, 2014 following a petition filed by SSGC for review of its estimated Revenue Requirement/Prescribed Prices for FY 2013-14.

The Company filed a petition on October 14, 2013, before the Authority under Section 8(2) of OGRA in which it had projected a shortfall in revenue requirement for FY 2013-14 at Rs. 14,443 million. It therefore sought increase in average prescribed price by Rs. 41.26 per MMBTU effective July 1, 2013 to compensate for rise in cost of gas and other components.



Zuhair Siddiqui, MD, SSGC, Fasihuddin Fawad, GM (RA) and Legal Counsel Mirza Mahmood Ahmad furnished their comments in favour of the petition. Heads of CNG associations and other trade bodies presented their viewpoints

as interveners. Office bearers of Peoples' Labour Union (CBA) also spoke in favour of the petition.

SSGC's senior management and concerned departmental heads also attended the Hearing. ■

State Minister visits Larkana office; meets Union Members

Jam Kamal Khan, State Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources visited SSGC's Regional Office Larkana on December 16, 2013. Besides meeting the executives, the Minister also paid a visit to the Union Office and met with the local Office Bearers. ■

Courtesy: Shaukat Ali Memon, Manager (Distribution) Larkana



P&C team inspects ongoing Zarghun-Quetta project



Abdul Majid Malik, GM (Projects and Construction) visited the under construction 12" dia Zarghun-Quetta Pipeline project on January 20, 2014. He was accompanied by Tariq Mohammad, DGM (P&C) and Lt. Col. (R) Mohammad Ayaz, CM (Security Services - Balochistan Region).

The team inspected various jobs in progress including excavation and backfilling for laying down the pipeline. They were briefed about the status of the pipeline laying work

and the welding job.

Once completed and fully connected to the Quetta transmission, the 64-kilometre long pipeline will add 25 mmcf/d gas to the system from Zarghun Gas Field which is operated by Mari

Petroleum Company Ltd. The project is seen as a major step forward in bridging the widening demand and supply gap of natural gas in Balochistan. ■

Courtesy: Shahzad Alam, DCE (HSEQA) R.O. Quetta



CRD undertakes major raid against direct gas use

As part of its continuous drive against Unaccounted-for-Gas (UFG), SSGC conducted a major raid against direct use of gas on January 21, 2014 in Surjani Town, Karachi.

Working on a tip-off provided by a reliable source, CRD's Task Force, led by Nawab Ali Shah, Deputy Manager, Customer Relations Department (CRD) disconnected more than 200 illegal connections. These illegal connections were resulting in a loss of 11,288 million cubic feet of gas which translates to Rs. 1.8 million per annum in monetary terms. The team discovered that the miscreants had set up an intricate network of rubber pipes through which they were illegally distributing gas from SSGC's supply main to various residents in the area.

Although the Task Force met with some resistance, they went about their job of dismantling the illegal connections. Apart from the immediate task, the team also heard some of the complaints of the

residents related to billing which they solved on the spot. The residents who were found using gas directly were asked to settle their arrears with SSGC immediately to avoid future disconnections.

team during the raid.

UFG has severely dented the Company's profits in recent times. The Company has, however, refused to get bogged down by



Since Surjani Town is a sensitive area often confronted with law and order situation, SSGC's Security Services Department provided security to the Task Force. Media contingent also accompanied the

rising UFG as its CRD and Surveillance and Monitoring Departments regularly conducts major raids in the franchise areas of Sindh and Balochistan in order to reverse the trend. ■

Distribution Department unearths underground theft cases

As part of the Company's ongoing initiative against UFG, the anti-gas theft team from Karachi Distribution (Western Region) led by Ali Hussain Jamali, Dy. Manager (DSM-West) and Team Leader Bashir K. K. unearthed gas

theft cases in Hub area on December 16 and 18, 2013.

More than 100 houses in Hub area were found using unmetered gas through underground theft clamps from 2" and 4" dia main pipelines, with total disregard for law. During the raid, several underground theft clamps were detected and dismantled.

Another raid was undertaken on January 8 and 10, 2014, in Hub/Baldia Town and Jangi Kot. 100 houses were found to be using unmetered gas through underground theft clamps from ¾", 1" and 2" dia main pipelines. The team summarily dismantled several underground theft clamps. ■

Courtesy: Mushtaq Siddiqui, GM (Distribution-West)



Shahdadt team cracks down on major theft act



Every regional and zonal office in SSGC's franchise areas is fighting a war against UFG. On November 29, 2013, in an ongoing effort against gas theft, Shahdadt's sub-zonal office team comprising of Engineer Yousuf Ali Magsi and Rustom Ali Jamali (Billing Department), Abdul Haq Malgani

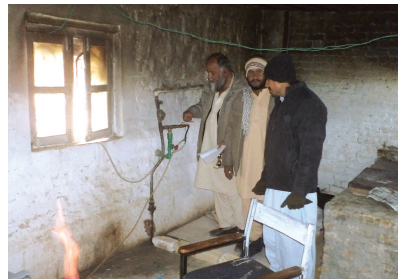
(CRD) and Abdul Karim Chandio (Sales) jointly terminated seven illegal gas connections which were illegally connected to the 2" dia distribution main line.

This blatant act of theft was causing losses worth millions of rupees to the company. The concerted effort

was covered in local dailies including *Yaadgar* and *Kaleema*. Talking to the media, SDO-Shahdadt said that FIR will be lodged and the perpetrators will be brought to justice. ■

Courtesy: Yousuf Ali Magsi, Sub-Zonal Manager, Shahdadt

Quetta team raids overhead theft cases



As part of SSGC's ongoing initiative against UFG, Quetta's Cantt Zone Maintenance team carried out a raid against three overhead gas theft cases in Cantonment Zone jurisdiction of the Quetta Region. The raid was carried out on December 19, 2013.

Customers in Killi Umar were found using unmetered gas through rubber pipes from a supply valve. Acting instantly, the team removed the illegal rubber pipes.

In January 2014, the same team conducted several more raids in the jurisdiction of Cantonment

Zone in Killi Ismail and Police lines where the customers were involved in using unmetered gas through rubber pipes from a supply valve. ■

Courtesy: Liaquat Ali, DCE/Incharge, Cantonment Zone, Quetta

MD inaugurates new Medical Centre in Karachi Terminal



SSGC's Medical Services Department has always endeavored to restructure itself on modern lines through continuous improvement in its operations as well as by creating awareness among the employees about various medical conditions and ailments. The Department added another feather to its cap with the inauguration of a newly constructed Medical Centre at the Company's Karachi Terminal (KT) facility on January 20, 2014.

Zuhair Siddiqui, MD, SSGC inaugurated the new facility by unveiling the plaque and cutting the ribbon. Yusuf J. Ansari, DMD (Corporate Services), Dr. Shehla Naqvi, SGM (Management Services), Dr. Munawar Hyat, DGM (Medical Services) and Dr. Gul

Hassan along with a large number of executives and staff from the Medical Services and other departments witnessed the inauguration. Office bearers of Sui Southern Gas Officers' Association (SSGOA) and Peoples' Labour Union (CBA) were also present on the occasion.

In his speech, the MD congratulated Dr. Naqvi and her team for adding yet another facility to cater to the employees' needs. The MD hoped that besides providing top quality diagnosis, the new medical centre will also focus on helping many patients manage their chronic diseases through result-oriented disease management and expert patient programs.

On the occasion, Dr. Naqvi briefed

the MD and other members of the management about the new Medical Centre and various facilities it offers.

The new Medical Centre extends over 4,800 sq. feet and has 16 rooms including clinics, emergency room, record room, a pharmacy and a sprawling reception area. It will provide Primary Care Services and emergency resuscitation to very critical patients. The new building has the provision to extend up to two more stories to accommodate Billing and IT sections in future.

The Civil Works team comprising Azeem Akhtar, ADGM and Engineers Nazir Ahmed Sangrasi and Ghansham Das K. K. played a pivotal role in the construction of the KT Medical Centre. ■



SGM (D-North) shares perspective on pipeline integrity

Mustafa Abdulla, SGM (Distribution-North) represented SSGC as one of the leading speakers at the Asset Integrity Management Summit held on November 26-27, 2013 in Karachi. The Conference was hosted by SGS Pakistan.

In his address, the SGM stated that SSGC operates 3,500 km of

transmission pipelines, the replacement cost of which is US\$ 4.0 billion. The Summit addressed the crucial subject of industrial asset longevity and served as a useful platform for industry experts such as Mr. Abdulla to network with professional colleagues and reflect upon recent developments and experiences.

Local and international speakers presented research papers, case studies and offered solutions for business-specific queries related to how to best enhance safety, maximize production and implement integrity.

The US Consul General also addressed the seminar and called upon the delegates to pay highest priority towards maintaining their existing assets. He stated that 50% of the USA's 300,000 miles of oil and gas pipelines are more than 40 years old and yet they are still operating efficiently and safely due to continuous 'Integrity Management' being ensured for these pipelines.

Mr. Abdulla was presented with a memento by Mazhar Iqbal Shaikh, Director Operations, SGS Pakistan.

SSGC's Chairman Mr. Miftah Ismail, Company engineers and executives also participated in the 2-day moot. ■



SSGC, Samba Bank enter e-bill payment agreement

SSGC has recently entered into an agreement with Samba Bank Limited for online bill payment solution at branch level through Utility Bill Control Switch (UBCS).

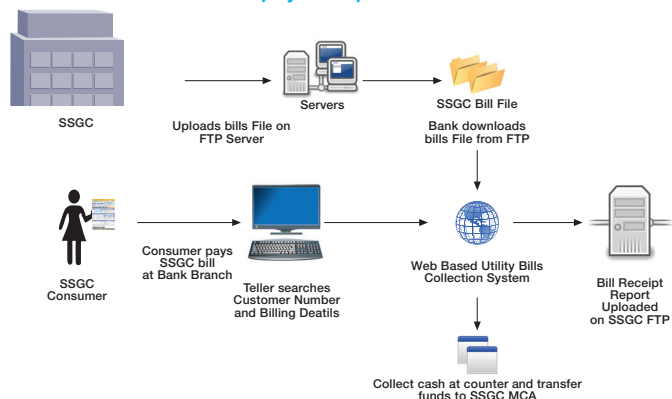
The agreement makes Samba the fifteenth bank to provide similar e-Bill Payment facilitation through UBCS for the convenience of its consumers.

SSGC has always aspired to create bill payment solutions while keeping prudent supervisory oversight. It is admirable that since the automation drive was originated by all leading banks including ABL, HBL, UBL and NIB, volumes have drastically shifted from manual processing to online processing with huge savings

seen in fund retention and processing costs. The resulting convenience and low transaction costs are additional key elements.

Value Added team members

e-bill payment process



Mazhar Usman, ACM and Tayyaba Manzir, DM played admirable roles in materializing this agreement. Irfan Zafar, SGM (Incharge/Ops) aptly guided them during project implementation. ■

HSE monitors compliance of segregation project

In an exercise undertaken on January 19, 2014, HSEQA Department monitored the compliance of HSE procedures during the live line cold cutting and welding activity for the installation of new metering setup on 16" dia Distribution Main line. The compliance was ensured on January 19, 2014. The welding activity was carried out at Essa Nagri, Karachi as part of the segregation of Karachi West and Central zones of the overall distribution network.

Khalil Khwaja and Dr. Sameer Younus were present on the site during the welding activity to ensure that safety measures were implemented. The nature of this job was highly critical as cold cutting and hot welding work was carried out on the 16" dia distribution main line. All concerned departments were present and work progressed smoothly keeping in view all the safety measures. ■

Courtesy: Dr. Sameer Younus, Executive (HSEQA)



Stores team studies warehousing system of top companies

In order to study their systems, the Stores Department came up with an idea of visiting inventory and warehousing departments of various organizations in Karachi. On December 23, 2013 the team visited the Aga Khan University Hospital Warehouse for comparison of their handling of warehouse activities including stacking and indexing.

The Stores Department team included Turab Akbar Baloch, Hakim Ali, Mir Afzal Khan, Nadeem-uz-Zaman, Azmat Wahaj, Pershotam Kumar, Rafique Tunio and Ali Akbar Bhayo. They were taken on a guided tour of the warehouse by the Aga Khan officials.

The Department also visited the Gulshan-e-Iqbal branch of Metro Cash and Carry, a leading international player in the self-service wholesale sector on



January 3, 2014. The visiting team was given a comprehensive presentation on the functions of the Warehouse by Floor Manager, Sajid Ali, which was based on SCM (SAP) Application.

The Stores team included Shafqat Hussain (Team Leader), Abdul Sattar, Maqbool Ahmed, Tariq Aziz Khan, Sharafat Ali, Wajid Ali Brohi, Agha Fasahat Mirza and Abid Sherazi. The briefing stressed on

outsourcing, supplier relationships, purchasing strategy and inventory control system. The team gathered all the requisite knowledge of ERP system and asked relevant questions that can help in improving the productivity. After each visit, the teams shared their observations with the rest of the Department through presentations. ■

Courtesy: Turab A. Baloch (Stores Department)

Going an extra mile!



The bitterly cold December 2013 was a taxing month for SSGC departments involved in ensuring uninterrupted gas supply to its customers.

Since the demand and supply gap has aggravated in recent years, it is not common for the customers to complain about less than usual supply, and if there are chilly winter days, the situation becomes difficult for many customers who complain of low gas pressure. In such situations, SSGC's management does not believe in mere rhetoric. It listens to the customers' grievances, provides them logical explanations, dispatches dedicated teams to those areas where the frequency of complaints are largest and tries its best to resolve the issue.

Last December, when the mercury dropped substantially, some irate residents of Landhi, Baldia Town

and old city areas visited the Head Office complaining of low gas pressure in their areas. Understandably so, the residents were disgruntled. However, the concerned divisional head, Mr. Aminullah Khan (SGM-Distribution South), in the capacity of the Company's acting spokesman, patiently heard the grievances of the representatives of the residents.

Mr. Khan explained that the cold weather in Sindh and Balochistan has increased the customer demand much beyond the pipeline capacity, a contributory factor for the drastic shortfall in gas pressure.

He gave on the spot instructions to the dedicated teams to rush to the areas faced with low gas pressure, solve the issue of low pressure on top priority and report to him about the progress of the tasks within 24 hours. The SGM gave personal numbers to the residents for them

to revert if their complaint was not met. During the meeting, Mujtaba Ahmed, CTIO and GM (CRD) and officials from Customer Relations and Recovery Departments, were also present.

The CCD officials took the lead in appeasing the residents by arranging the meeting with the SGM. During December and January, CCD arranged one-on-one interviews of Mr. Khan with the media so that he could share official perspective about reasons for low gas pressure and other related matters.

This example of on the spot customer contact is an SSGC tradition. From a customer relations officer in our CFC to 1199 Contact Centre agent to a senior executive, there is a commitment in the Company's ranks to give utmost priority to our customers, even if it means going an extra mile. ■



CSR Initiative 2013-14

Major renovation work undertaken in a Karachi college

Dr. Shehla Naqvi, SGM (Management Services) inaugurated the SSGC-supervised renovation and construction work of Government College for Women, Shahra-e-Liaquat, Karachi on January 28, 2014. The project was jointly undertaken by the CSR unit of Corporate Communications and the Civil Works Departments. Inam Ahmed, Director Colleges (Karachi Region) was also invited as one of the main invitees.

Salman A. Siddiqui, CM/Incharge (CCD) led his Department at the inauguration. The scope of SSGC's renovation work, carried out for a total cost of Rs. 2.5 million, out of



CSR initiative for 2013-14, included repair and renovation of 3 toilet blocks and 6 science laboratories as well as installation of fencing and roof sheets for the canteen. The Company also provided mosaic benches and water coolers for the benefit of school children and faculty. SGM (MS) unveiled the plaque to inaugurate the renovated facility. She was then taken on a guided tour of the renovated laboratories by the CCD team.

In her address, SGM (MS) reiterated that being a corporate citizen, SSGC provides not just monetary but brick and mortar support to educational institutions requiring much needed assistance. She gave an inspiring speech quoting some of the works of her father Sehbah Akhtar, one of Pakistan's prominent poets. She said that times were tough yet one must never lose hope and strive to move forward.

Principal Professor Ms. Safia Musavi



thanked the SSGC management, CCD and CW Departments for providing assistance to the College. A faculty member Ms. Tanveer Fatima presented her vote of thanks. Earlier, college students Shazmeen Gul and Umm-e-Kulsoom gave haunting recitation of Quran and *naat* while another student Paras Memon in her address profusely thanked SSGC for its support.

The ceremony was efficiently managed by Muhammad Ali Gohar, DCM (CCD/CSR) who was not just the master of ceremony but also worked dedicatedly in ensuring the timely completion of the project. At the same time, the vital role played by the CW Department led by Kamran Nagi, GM and comprising Azeem Akhtar, ADGM, Syed Feroz Akhtar, DCE and Ashar Ghafoor, Engineer must be acknowledged. ■

Questions stakeholders commonly ask!

Q. What is the natural gas demand and supply position in winters in the franchise areas of Sindh and Balochistan?

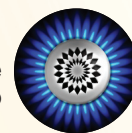
- A. Supply and demand gap widens with the advent of every winter season. Total overall average demand in winters is around 1,430 mmcf whereas total supplies revolve around 1,180 mmcf.



In Sindh, on average, in winters gas demand is 1,100 mmcf while the supply is 880. In Balochistan, and especially Quetta, on average, the demand shoots up from 45 mmcf (in summers) to 180 mmcf in winters, while the pipeline capacity is around 145 mmcf.

Q. Is low pressure situation in winters due to gas load shedding?

- A. This is a misconception. It is never in SSGC's interest to resort to gas load shedding since the Company believes in uninterrupted gas supply. Low pressure issues arise due to a drop in temperatures, line leakages, rising trend in gas theft and worn-out pipelines.



Q. What is a line pack?

- A. SSGC's main product is natural gas. The stock maintained by SSGC in reserve is known as line pack which the Company stores after it acquires gas from the fields. In order to maintain the desired pressure a certain amount must be ensured in SSGC line pack, which gets reduced for reasons such as maintenance issues from gas supply fields, gas theft and sudden increase in demand (especially in winters).



Q. Gas Security Deposit is a term that is appearing in many customers' gas bills. Is it a gimmick to fleece the customers?

- A. GSD is a security deposit amount domestic, commercial and industrial customers have to pay on execution of contract of gas supply with SSGC. The amount is equivalent to 3 months of billing amount providing a security cushion to company in case of any default. GSD is fixed by the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) and not the gas utilities. The current revision, the first in 17 years, was approved by OGRA on July 5, 2013. In order to lessen the burden on the customers, the newly revised amount will be recovered in six monthly installments along with their routine bills. GSD is a refundable amount that the Company will return to the customer upon disconnection of gas supply, as per the terms and conditions of gas supply contract. It is wrong to assert that GSD is a money minting tactic since the Company does not believe in fleecing its customers but in serving its customers in the best possible manner.

METER INFORMATION			
METER NO	CURRENT READING	PREVIOUS READING	MEASURED QTY
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ACTUAL BILL CONSUMPTIVE			
Total GSD Rs. 7700 recover in 6 installments Rs. 1283 included			

Q. What is the current (2013) and previous slab structure (1996)?

#	Sale Price (Flat Rate)	2013 (Rs. /mmbtu)	1996 (Rs./mmbtu)
1	Upto 100 million cubic meter	Rs. 106.14	Rs. 40.56
2	Upto 300 million cubic meters	Rs. 212.28	Rs. 48.22
3	Over 300 million cubic meters	Rs. 530	Rs. 79.00



The minimum charges are Rs. 149 per month.

Q. What does the term provisional bill printed on a bill mean?

- A. Many customers ignore system generated information related to Provisional Bill in the gas bill. There are reasons for incurring Provisional Bill which may be due to several reasons. They include failure of the meter reader to record the reading or meter malfunctioning, giving too high or too low a reading. The average bill is calculated on the basis of previous year's bill of the same month or prior month's data and if no information is available then area trend is considered. In case the customer notices a provisional billing, it is suggested that he visits the SSGC's Customer Facilitation Center in his area so that the problem can be rectified within proper time.



Q. What is a Gas Load Management Plan? Is it an SSGC-devised plan.

- A.** In the current situation marked by a widening gap in demand and supply of natural gas, the Government of Pakistan is implementing Gas Load Management Plan, a resource rationalization policy that helps to manage load to all sectors in the best possible manner. The Plan is approved by the ECC and not devised by SSGC as is the general perception. Priority-wise distribution of gas to different sectors is as follows:

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| 1. Domestic and Commercial sectors | 2. Power | 3. General Industries |
| 4. Cement | 5. CNG | |

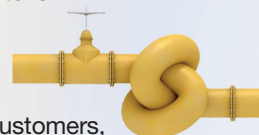
To reiterate, SSGC believes in uninterrupted gas supply to its customers. However, the Company is compelled to release a schedule in advance for closure of gas supply to both CNG stations and industries by keeping the relevant stakeholders in confidence. The Company makes it known to its stakeholders that once the line pack improves as a result of closures, it will resume the normal supplies.

Q. Should SSGC be blamed for the widening demand and supply gap?

- A.** It is not fair to blame SSGC for the widening demand and supply gap. SSGC is basically a downstream company that purchases gas from the exploration and production companies and distributes them to its domestic, commercial and industrial customers. Gas supply has not risen to match the demand in the domestic, power, industrial and CNG sectors. Depleting gas fields and fewer discoveries have all contributed to this demand and supply gap. SSGC on the other hand, has continued to undertake pipeline integration projects in Sindh and Balochistan to augment supplies and is exploring other options such as Synthetic Natural Gas.

Q. Are there alternatives available to natural gas?

- A.** An alternative such as liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) is more viable since it is affordable for the domestic and commercial sector. A wholly-owned LPG subsidiary (SSGC-LPG Pvt. Ltd.) recently formed to provide alternate energy resource and to augment current supply, will eventually morph into a company catering nationwide customer base. SLL has only recently entered into agreement with PSO to set up a number of LPG outlets. We are also exploring the possibility of installing solar geysers in households that will eventually lead to reduced gas bills.

Q. Unaccounted-for-Gas or UFG has been a major issue for SSGC. What factors contribute to UFG?

- A.** UFG occurs when gas sales are less than gas purchases. A number of factors have contributed to rising UFG levels in the recent years. Gas theft, underground and overhead gas leakages, measurement errors, shift of sale from Bulk-to-Retail customers, third-party damages, volatile law and order situation and major population shift to urban centers leading to a phenomenal growth in non-customers have further deteriorated the UFG situation.

Q. Gas theft is seen as one of the prime reasons for rising UFG levels. What is the component of theft in UFG? How will you answer a general perception that SSGC is doing little to curb gas theft?

- A.** Gas theft contributes to around 30% of overall UFG. It is not fair to blame the gas companies for not limiting the losses incurred because of UFG as there are severe law and order issues in many areas where even the writ of the Government is compromised. For instance, Balochistan consumes just 9% of the total gas supply by SSGC and is yet responsible for 33% of the company's total UFG. On its part SSGC is doing the best it can to arrest the trend. Moreover, crackdowns on theft cases have intensified especially since the promulgation of Criminal Law. ■



CSR Environmental Initiative FY 2012-13

Five dug wells inaugurated

Water is one of the basic needs of life. Those who have access to abundant water take its availability for granted. But what about those communities who do not have access to clean, drinking water and have to travel miles to fetch it to meet their needs? In these modern times, when clean, drinking water should be every citizen's right, its unavailability is a major concern.



There are many areas in Sindh that suffer from major shortage of water and the livelihood of the population is dependent on water extraction resources like rain water, hand-pumps or sub-standard, locally dug wells. Digging of water wells is an extremely painstaking job, more so in the villages located far and away from major towns and cities since it is a difficult exercise transporting equipments required to construct these wells. In these rural areas, local communities and NGOs work in tandem but due to lack of resources and capital, progress is very sluggish.

SSGC signed an MoU with a reputed NGO Thardeep Rural Development Program last year for the digging of water wells in five remote areas of Dadu. In every stage, right from the start till the finish, CCD's CSR unit coordinated with SSGC's Dadu Headquarters and TRDP to set up dug wells in Goth Raju Ghandi, Goth Bhawal Babar, Goth Drig Bala, Goth Shah Kalani Lund and Goth Kati Wassan.

For these remote areas which lack basic amenities, to acquire an essential necessity like water, the

locals had to travel to far flung areas to fetch water. With the construction of these water wells, the availability of water in these areas will help to meet the needs of not just the locals but adjoining communities as well.

On December 26, 2013, a simple yet colourful inauguration ceremony of the five dug wells took place in Goth Drig Bala which was organized by the benefitting communities. On the direction of SGM (Management Services) Dr. Shehla Naqvi, CCD's Muhammad Ali Gohar, DCM (CSR) and Saud Ul Hassan, DM (Accounts) along with Manzoor Hussain Khoso, Incharge (Dadu HQ), Syed Sajjad Ali Shah, GM TRDP (Sindh Region) and other officials attended this event. They

jointly cut the ribbon on the occasion and in a symbolic gesture drew the fresh water from the well by rotating the wheel manually.

The representatives of local communities and residents praised the initiative taken by the CSR unit while the TRDP officials termed SSGC its trusted partner for a good cause. Commenting on the occasion, DCM (CSR) congratulated TRDP and the villagers for the provision of the dug wells and reiterated that it was now the residents' responsibility to maintain these wells. ■

Courtesy: Saud Ul Hasan, Deputy Manager, Accounts (CCD)



Movement of new office blocks - Services' role

In order to meet the demands of the rising customer base, SSGC management envisioned that the next challenge was to deliver superior working conditions with state-of-the-art facilities for the

progress and once the job is completed, a new Customer Facilitation Centre, Billing, Sales, Measurement and Karachi Distribution Central will move in the new facility.

The project was led by Karim Baloch, DGM(ES) for the Electrical works and Ghulam Abbas Mangi, DGM (T&S) for the Telecommunication (PABX, Cabling and Microwave) related works.



efficient customer relation management and effective operations along with mitigating overall security risk to the Head Office building.

The Company was looking for a solution to increase control over sales and operations while at the same time refining its delivery capabilities to improve customer experience. To drive greater efficiency and unlock profitable business growth, the management has decided to set up new SSGC offices at Azad Trade Center (Azad Papers Pvt. Ltd.) being acquired on rental basis. The 7 storey property is situated in the city center and only a few furlongs away from the main Head Office building.

The prospect of moving offices may seem daunting. However with the collaborative and tireless efforts of Administration, Security Services, Civil Works and Services Departments, the work is in



Services Department, being one of the main stakeholders, has been assigned to deliver a number of jobs including electrical systems (Main Power) with uninterruptable (UPS) and stand-by (Gas Generator) supply and related electrical cabling works, PABX and Microwave Exchanges with end user interfaces and desired cabling and illumination and air conditioning of whole building.

The Department floated tenders for the Electrical works, Air Conditioning, Telephone cabling/PABX which have been awarded to the lowest commercial/technically compliant bidder. In this regard, Muhammad Ali Soomro, DCE (Electrical) and Salim Baloch, DCE (SCADA) have played key role. Muhammad Ali Soomro, DCE (E) is supervising all the Electrical works whereas Azimullah Lassi, DCE (SCADA) is looking after the Telecom-related work.

Irfan Zafar, SGM/In-charge (Operations) took personal interest in the project and arranged the finances and stressed on completing the task within the allocated budget. Zuhair Siddiqui, MD, SSGC provided the team strategic vision that enabled it to meet the challenges of the new era. ■

Courtesy: Services Department

Get a grip on your cholesterol levels

Medical Services hold seminar on dyslipidemia



Dr. Irfan Pathan



A health awareness program on Dyslipidemia was held on January 17, 2014 at the Head office auditorium. Dr. Asad Pathan, renowned cardiologist from The Aga Khan University Hospital and Tabba Heart Centre addressed the audience. Dr. Pathan emphasized on the need for healthy lifestyle to control high cholesterol levels.

Before his presentation, Dr. Shehla Naqvi, SGM (MS) shared national and international statistics about Dyslipidemia with the audience.



Dr. Shehla Naqvi

Dr. Pathan's presentation was followed by question and answer session. Lucky draw and quiz were based on the learned doctor's presentation and SMS alerts sent to the registered patients of Dyslipidemia. Yusuf J. Ansari, DMD (Corporate Services) gave away prizes to the winners.

The program, ably organized by Dr. Areeba Ahmed and her team, also provided a chance for the participants to have their cholesterol levels checked. ■



Hypertension EPP stresses on major lifestyle changes

The Medical Services Department arranged an Expert Patient Program (EPP) on Hypertension on January 15, 2014. The session was part of the Department's initiative to create awareness amongst the participants based on the concept of preventive care. The program specifically

targeted patients suffering from hypertension and stressed on attendees to pursue a healthy lifestyle to avoid health issues regarding high blood pressure. SSGC doctors including Dr. Quratul-Ain and Dr. Adnan who spoke on the occasion laid immense stress on the fact that patients need to go

the extra mile by avoiding alcohol, smoking and high salt intake.

The session was very interactive and the participants took keen interest in Q&A sessions. This program was the 3rd such edition on hypertension out of four chalked out for the Company audience. ■



Programs on Hepatitis Control

'Delay your treatment and increase risk of dying'



Hyderabad's Medical Services Department has started a campaign to create awareness about hepatitis among upcountry employees. A series of seminars have been planned in this regard.

The first program of this series was conducted at the Hyderabad Medical Centre on November 18, 2013 followed by second and third such events in Hala and Mirpurkhas on November 20 and 21, 2013, respectively.

SSGC doctors underscored the point that if one was at risk, delay in treatment increases one's chances of getting a highly contagious liver disease.

Dr. Mamoon Hashmi, Incharge RO Hyderabad's Medical Centre gave awareness lectures for executives and employees at these locations. Consultant Physician Dr. Aftab Sheikh gave an informative lecture on prevention, risk factors and mode of transmission of chronic hepatitis B and C.

Dr. Hashmi emphasized on the fact that hepatitis B was a serious liver disease, and once infected there was approximately 1 in 10 chances that body would not be able to get rid of the virus.

Hence prevention against this virus is crucial, she stressed. She added that fortunately there are effective vaccines available against hepatitis

B which can provide protection in over 95% of healthy persons. The vaccine can be given safely to infants, children and adults in three doses over a period of 03 months, Dr. Hashmi informed.

As there is still no vaccine available for hepatitis C, prevention, by strictly avoiding risk factors responsible for spread of this disease is the best option available against this disease, Dr. Hashmi further stressed.

Give your future a shot in the arm and get vaccinated, was the underlying message of this drive against hepatitis. ■

Courtesy: Medical Services Department-Hyderabad

Workshop provides useful pointers for managing success

An active member of Team SSGC, Ms. Asma Butt, Manager (MD's Secretariat) conducted a 2-day workshop entitled "Managing yourself for success" from January 9 to 10, 2014 at GTI Karachi for the Company executives.

This office management and professional skills course was designed for executive secretaries and managers in quest of success in their professional careers.

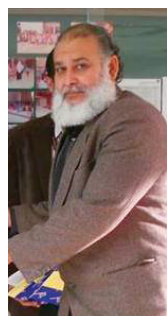
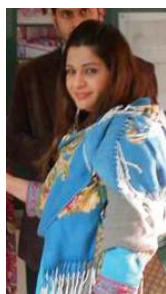
The course material focused on basic managerial skills, managing stress and conflict, increasing personal and professional productivity and decreasing stress through more effective self and time management.



Positive Feedback

The course garnered positive feedback from the participants. They appreciated the trainer for dwelling on many important concepts and lauded her training skills. While some participants noted that the training program re-shaped their perspective towards professional and personal lives, others noted that it made them more aware of their strengths and more importantly their weaknesses.

Ms. Butt, who is also Vice President, SSGCWA is a certified HR Professional with certifications in different management and IT programs. She had previously conducted GTI trainings in managerial and secretarial courses and has also represented She recently represented SSGC globally



by delivering a comprehensive presentation on: "The IT Innovation Benchmark at SSGC" in the 22nd ASA Congress, Bangladesh.

Ms. Butt has trained more than 50 secretaries and also conducts mentoring and counselling sessions. She is also the Organizing Committee Member (Projects) of Distinguished Secretaries Society of Pakistan. ■

GTI holds sessions on GIS for Interior Sindh managers



Zonal and Sub-zonal heads of Hyderabad Region at GTI Hyderabad



Zonal and Sub-zonal heads of Nawabshah Region at GTI Hyderabad



Zonal and Sub-zonal heads of Sukkur Region



Zonal and Sub-zonal heads of Larkana Region

The GIS section of the IT Department recently conducted GIS training for the executives of Interior Sindh Region. The training served as a refresher course for more than 160 employees including zonal and sub-zonal heads of all four regions including Hyderabad, Nawabshah,

Sukkur and Larkana.

The training was conducted in two sessions by Zaheer Haider, DM (GIS) Head Office along with Hyderabad Region's Mujeeb Ahmed, AM-GIS and Sajjad Hussain, GIS Developer, from December 9, 2013 to January 3,

2014. The first phase of classes were arranged at GTI, Hyderabad for the executives of Hyderabad and Nawabshah regions while the second phase was conducted at Regional Office, Sukkur for the executives of Sukkur and Larkana regions. The participants found the training material very useful. ■

In-house training conducted for HSE focal persons



Since 2004, HSE Management System has been implemented successfully in SSGC for which it has been regularly rewarded with ISO-14001 and OHSAS-18001 certifications.

On the directives of Dr. Shehla Naqvi, SGM (MS), Ms. Sarwat Abbas, Executive, HSE&QA and Certified Lead Auditor, conducted two-day training sessions for HSE



focal persons on January 15 and 17, 2004 at the Head Office. The

objective of the training was to reiterate proper compliance of ISO Standards to HSE focal persons so as to ensure better HSE implementation on different company projects. The focal persons benefitted greatly from the training by becoming even more aware of mechanism involved in achieving 3rd party HSE surveillance audit of the company, which is conducted biannually. ■

First batch of SCM trainees learn some fresh concepts



The first batch of SSGC participants of 'SCM implementation with Six Sigma' training program completed its 50 hours' training session at the Stores Department in Karachi Terminal on November 16, 2013. Turab Baloch, Training Coordinator, Stores Department conducted the sessions. This was the first time a training program of such kind was launched by the Stores Department at Karachi in the area of Supply Chain Management. This Training was attended by more than 16 professionals.

Guest speaker Imran Qadri (Senior Consultant SCM, SDC Karachi) shared his experiences on the subject. He said that each link in a supply chain such as Procurement, Logistics, Material Management with Warehousing was important but not critical when the user practices Six Sigma Technology. He identified different critical functional areas for various types

of supply chain implementation especially the Material Assembling and Inventory Management. Mr. Qadri also emphasized on the importance of human resource for the success of the entire supply chain implementation.

The Training which was based on the previous Supply Chain Management module/ERP System was incorporated with elements of the previous SCM module with Six Sigma Technologies. The module, built on the understanding of core operational concepts, developed the participant's ability to place wider theoretical knowledge with the integral use of case-study methods. This training effectively applied operations and supply concepts to complex problem situations. The SCM course was primarily focused on the existing operations at the Stores Department. It also included a number of case studies for the participants to appreciate the wider

societal implications of SCM including public sector implementation, environmental impact, and globalization.

The Training involved study visits to the KT Stores for the participants to gain familiarity with businesses, chains and networks related to Supply Chain Management, value chain and performance objectives, demand, supply and management of inventory in supply networks, Six Sigma designing and managing logistics operations in product supply chains and MRP/ERP, JIT and Lean Supply.

At the end of the training session the participants said that this course had tremendously improved their understanding of SCM by virtue of which their on the job productivity will improve. ■

Courtesy: Turab A. Baloch, Engineer/Training Coordinator (Stores Department)



Executives - Superannuations

Name	Designation	Department	Place of Posting	Retired w.e.f
A. Hafeez Bhurgari	DCM	Customer Relations Department	Hyderabad	01/01/2014
S. Abdul Khalid	Manager	Transmission	Karachi Terminal (KT)	04/01/2014
Muhammad Tariq	DCE	Transmission	KT	10/01/2014
Muhammad Iqbal Batavia	DCM	Finance	Head Office	10/01/2014
Noor Muhammad	DCM	Admin. Services	Quetta	15/01/2014
Mir Muhammad Ansari	CM	Projects and Construction	KT	15/01/2014

Non-executives - Superannuations

Name	Designation	Department	Location	Date of Exit
Afzal Ghaffar	Supervisor (Machine Operator)	Meter Plant	Karachi-MP	25/12/2013
Munawwar Baig	Senior Head Attendant	Billing	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Verseen	Senior Head Attendant	Billing	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Mir Fazal Muhammad	Senior Helper	Billing	Shahpur Chakar	31/12/2013
Allah Warayo	Supervisor (Fitter)	Customer Relations	Kotri	31/12/2013
Abdul Razaq	Supervisor (Welding)	Distribution (Lower Sindh)	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Rehmat Sindho	Senior Head Helper (Welder)	Distribution (Lower Sindh)	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Aziz Ur Rehman	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution (Balochistan)	Quetta	31/12/2013
Ali Gohar Sandelo	Head Helper (Fitter)	Distribution (Upper Sindh)	Larkana	31/12/2013
Manzoor Hussain	Supervisor (Driving)	Distribution Karachi (Central Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Muhammad Sabir	Senior Fitter	Distribution Karachi (Central Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Peter	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution Karachi (Central Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Muhammad Jahangir Alam	Supervisor (Mechanic)	Distribution Karachi (Central Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Moula Bux Baloch	Head Coat & Wrapman	Distribution Karachi (Eastern Region)	Karachi-Landhi-Korangi Zone	31/12/2013
Noor Mohammad	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution Karachi (Eastern Region)	Karachi-Landhi-Korangi Zone	31/12/2013
Haji	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution Karachi (Western Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Muhammad Saeed	Senior Head Helper	Materials and Inventory Management	Karachi Terminal	31/12/2013
Abdul Ghani	Supervisor (Meter Repairing)	Measurement	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Abdul Karim Akhund	Supervisor (Meter Repairing)	Measurement	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Salman Ali	Supervisor (Fitter)	Meter Plant	Karachi-MP	31/12/2013
Deen Mohammad Janwari	Supervisor (Driving)	Projects & Construction	Khadeji	31/12/2013
Faqir Muhammad	Supervisor (Driving)	Projects & Construction	Khadeji	31/12/2013
Hussain Bux Keerio	Supervisor (Mobile Plant Operator)	Projects & Construction	Khadeji	31/12/2013
Taj Muhammad	Supervisor (Pipeline)	Projects & Construction	Khadeji	31/12/2013
Allah Warayo	Senior Hawaldar	Security Services	Kotri	31/12/2013
Khamiso Khan	Senior Hawaldar	Security Services	Dadu	31/12/2013
Muhammad Alam	Senior Hawaldar	Security Services	HQ-Nawabshah	31/12/2013
Muhammad Moosa Lund	Senior Hawaldar	Security Services	Dadu	31/12/2013
Nawab Gul	Supervisor (Driving)	Services	Karachi Terminal	31/12/2013
Liaquat Ali	Senior Electrician	Services	HQ-Nawabshah	31/12/2013
Muhammad Yunus	Supervisor Denter	Transmission	Karachi Terminal	31/12/2013
Muhammad Ismail Soomro	Supervisor (Drawing)	Administrative Services	Hyderabad	31/12/2013
Qaimuddin Nadwani	Superintendent	Billing	Gharo	31/12/2013
Wajid Ali Bhutto	Supervisor (Inspector Meter Reader)	Billing	Shikarpur	31/12/2013
Altaf Hussain	Supervisor (Welding)	Distribution (Lower Sindh)	Kotri	31/12/2013
Ghulam Sarwar Jamali	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution (Balochistan)	Usta Muhammad	31/12/2013
Muhammad Abbas	Supervisor (Fitter)	Distribution Karachi (Central Region)	Karachi-SITE	31/12/2013
Noorani Gul	Supervisor (Driving)	Distribution Karachi (Eastern Region)	Karachi-Landhi-Korangi Zone	31/12/2013
Ashiq Ali	Supervisor (Cathodic Plant Operator)	Distribution (Lower Sindh)	Nawabshah	02/01/2014
Muhammad Saleem	Supervisor (Fitter)	Customer Relations Department	Karachi Terminal	12/01/2014
Muhammad Rafique	Supervisor (Inspector Meter Reader)	Billing	Hyderabad	14/01/2014

Academic Achievements



Muhammad Shayan s/o Makhdoom-ur-Rehman, Executive, Quetta, secured A plus grade (98.7%) in his KG-B Class Final Examination and was promoted to Prep Class from Army Public School, Quetta.



Aamish Tarique s/o Tarique Aziz, Manager (Billing) Mirpurkhas secured A-1 Grade (93%) in his Class IV Final Examination from YK Academy Rashidabad School, Tando Allah Yar.



Huzaifa Tarique s/o Tarique Aziz, Manager (Billing) Mirpurkhas secured A-1 Grade (93.50%) in his Class VI Final Examination from YK Academy Rashidabad School, Tando Allah Yar.



M. Moin s/o Ifthikar Akhtar Abbasi, Asst. Manager (Finance) secured 88% in his Class Pre-Nursery from Abdulain Academy, Gulshan-e-Hadeed.



Aleena Qazi d/o Farhan Nisar Ahmed, Office Clerk (MT Shop-SITE) secured 98% marks in her half yearly Montessori Examination.

Transitions

- Parents of Mukhtar Hussain, Executive TF, Finance - January 21, 2014 in a terrorist attack on a bus in Mastung, Balochistan
- Mother of Rashid Mansoor, CM, Meter Plant - January 28, 2014
- Mother of Faiz Ahmed, Engineer, P&D - January 27, 2014
- Bhagwan Das, DCM, Rehabilitation Section (Karachi Distribution) - January 2, 2014
- Khadim Hussain, AM, CRD (Gharo) - December 22, 2013
- Zarif Kakar, AM, Billing (Quetta) - December 24, 2013
- Brother of Abdul Qadir, DM (Procurement) - January 14, 2014
- Brother of Eshwar Das, DM, Distribution (RO Nawabshah) - January 20, 2014
- Haji Punhoon, Sr. General Head (General Serviceman), Distribution (Gharo) - January 4, 2014
- Muhammad Ashraf Khan, Supervisor Welding, Distribution, Karachi SITE (Welding Region) - January 5, 2014

May the departed souls rest in peace. *Ameen.*

Media Interaction



Aminullah Khan, SGM (Distribution-South) explaining gas supply situation to Abdul Wahab (Jaag TV) in January 2014 for the channel's special report.

Company officials hear grievances of Hub residents



As per the directives of Jam Kamal Khan, Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Resources, a team from SSGC visited Hub CFC for a meeting with the local residents to listen to their gas related grievances. Aminullah Khan, SGM (Distribution-South), Shakir Aleem, GM (Sales), Mushtaq Siddiqui, GM, Distribution (West) SITE, Salman Siddiqui, Chief Manager / Incharge CCD and representatives of the Minister, Yousaf Baloch, Naseer Ronjo and Irshad Paras attended the meeting. A number of issues were discussed that included low gas pressure, issuance of new connections, meter reading problems, non-availability of emergency vehicles, problems in receiving commercial bills and theft cases. The SGM heard their grievances patiently and assured them of quickest possible redressal.

Courtesy: Noroze Khan Baloch, DM/Incharge CFC Hub Zone

Sharing SSGC's viewpoint



Dawn News' anchor Irtiza Ali interviewing Aminullah Khan, SGM (Distribution-South) for his program *Awam ki Awaz* in January 2014 at the SITE Association of Industry to get SSGC's perspective on gas supply issues during winter. Younus Bashir, Chairman, SITE Association and Salman Siddiqui, CM/Incharge (CCD) can also be seen in the picture.

Awarding Managerial Excellence



Zuhair Siddiqui, MD, SSGC was recently conferred with 4th Global CEO Excellence Award organized by Global Media Link in the category of Excellent Public Utility. Since Mr. Siddiqui was preoccupied with an official assignment in Islamabad, Salman Siddiqui, CM/Incharge (CCD) received

the Award on his behalf from Lt. General (R) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Federal Minister for States and Frontier Regions, at a ceremony held at a Karachi hotel on January 17, 2014. A Certificate of Excellence was also presented by the organizers to the MD.

Acknowledging Leadership



SSGC's CTIO and CFO were recently the recipients of 3rd CEO/CFO/CIO Corporate and Leadership Awards given to top business leaders during 2013. The Awards were organized by Mass Human Resource Services. Salman Siddiqui, CM/Incharge (CCD) and Syed Imran Ahmed, DCM (CCD) received the awards on behalf of then CTIO Mr. Irfan Zafar (now SGM/Incharge Operations) and CFO Abdul Malik, respectively.

Recruitment Drive

SSGC's HR and IT Department personnel represented their Company at a career fair held at the Bahria University, Karachi campus in January 2014. Young SSGC executives including HR's Jamshed Raza and Subhan Sahto and IT's Laraib Awan counseled the students about employment and internship opportunities available in SSGC especially for the fresh graduates.



Visit of SMSs



Habib Sheikh, Engineer (UFG) and Muhammad Altaf, DCE Operations/Incharge HQ Quetta inspected Sales Meter Stations in Quetta to study the UFG trends in January 2014.

CNG Association meets Management



A delegation of All-Pakistan CNG Association held talks with the SSGC Management in January 2014 to discuss supply issues. Aminullah Khan, SGM (D-South) and Major (R) Mohammad Akhtar, SGM (Coordination) represented SSGC in the meeting.

Demonstration of CP equipments



Naik Muhammad Shaikh, DCE (CP) flanked by Engineers Sikandar Ali Samo, Ali Muhammad Memon, Jahangir Channa, Khair Muhammad Khaskheli and Noor Nabi Soomro during checking and demonstration of Cathodic Protection equipments in Hyderabad.

Champions!



SSGC won a tournament in January 2014 organized by Mazik Global that also featured SSGC and the host itself. In the final, SSGC won the title beating Mazik Global with 40 Runs. The SSGC team was led by Shafique Ahmed. Qazi Nasar was declared Man of the Match and Zeeshan Tanveer was adjudged Bowler of the Tournament.



CANVAS

When telecom meets energy

Constant innovation is driving the energy sector

By Farhan Badar, DCE (Services)
Karachi Terminal



In this fast moving "Data on Touch" age, Telecommunication lies at the very core of oil and gas industry. The old and out-dated Telecom modules with low speed data channels are being replaced by new digital systems with a payload capacity of 100 Mbps.

Oil and gas industry now-a-days is highly dependable on secure communications to produce and deliver energy. Wired and wireless telecommunication technologies are a key to support Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems.

Transporting energy via pipelines to end consumers require unique communication requirements which is a product of multi-spectrum two-way radios.

The WAN connectivity requirements between regional office and corporate head office with voice connectivity and video conference system are catered by modern day high bandwidth microwave radios.

By an order of magnitude, wireless solutions are simpler, faster, and less expensive to deploy in locations that do not already have wire lines installed.

Establishing new wire line services at a remote substation site, for example, could take weeks or even months, and cost thousands of dollars. With a wireless solution, connectivity is simply a matter of

switching on the device.

Traditionally, energy suppliers had two primary WAN/cellular technology options: second-generation (2G) and third-generation (3G). While many energy suppliers have used 2G services in the past, many organizations are now touting the advantages of higher-bandwidth 3G networks to support SCADA systems, especially in meter aggregation applications that transmit a large amount of data.

Suppliers have a choice of data services over 3G networks: Wideband Code Division Multiple

Access (W-CDMA) and High-Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA). Newer HSDPA technologies can now be acquired at comparable cost to W-CDMA and have become the preferred solution.

Looking forward, Long-Term Evolution (LTE), a fourth-generation (4G) cellular technology is also likely to play a role in power grid and SCADA communications, especially at meter aggregation points. As more utilities begin to connect hundreds or thousands of individual meters, the exponentially greater capacity and lower latency of 4G and LTE technologies will offer a compelling connectivity option.

Given the pace at which wireless technology can evolve, LTE technologies may also offer the greatest longevity for solutions that will continue to operate for many years.

SSGC has evolved itself as the most technology driven utility company. The Company's first 100 Mbps radio link between Head Office and Karachi Terminal has been established successfully with a future plan of connecting all stations up to Quetta with an increased payload capacity. ■



15 things that mentally strong people don't do

These actions are those that the mentally strong avoid, and we should consider as examples worth following:

1. Dwelling on the past

Mentally strong individuals focus on the present moment and on the near future. They understand that the past is out of our control and the far future is about as predictable as the weather this winter.

2. Remaining in their comfort zone

The comfort zone is a dangerous place, a dark abyss where anyone who remains there for too long loses his or herself entirely. Staying within your comfort zone is giving up on life.

3. Not listening to the opinions of others

Only the foolish believe themselves to be sufficient in all regards. When it comes to brainstorming, ideas can't so much be forced as they can be caught. A good idea is a good idea, regardless of whether or not you came up with it. Don't let your ego get the better of you; if someone has great advice to give, take it.

4. Avoiding change

What the mentally strong understand and the mentally weak do not is that change is unavoidable.

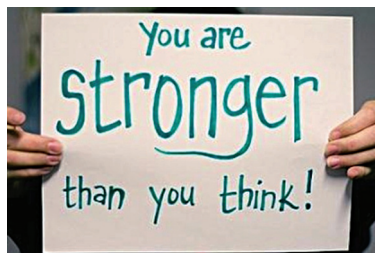
Trying to avoid the inevitable is pointless. Therefore, trying to avoid change is pointless; it's a mere waste of time and energy.

5. Keeping a closed mind

You don't know everything. Even the things you believe yourself to know are likely to be not entirely true. If you keep a closed mind, you are preventing yourself from learning new material. If you stop learning, you stop living.

6. Letting others make decisions for them

Only you should be making your own decisions; you can't allow others to make them for you. All this does is shift the responsibility from you to someone else, but the only person failing in the end is you. If you don't have the courage to fail, then you don't have the courage to succeed.



7. Getting jealous over the successes of others

When others succeed, you should be happy. If they can do it, so can you. The success of others does not, in any way, lessen the chances of you succeeding. If anything, it should motivate you to keep pushing forward.

8. Thinking about the high possibility of failure

Our thoughts control our perspective; our perspective controls our results. The mentally strong understand this and use this to their advantage. There's always the chance you may fail, but as long as there is the chance you may succeed, it's worth trying.

9. Feeling sorry for themselves

Life can be hard. People get hurt; others die. Life isn't all roses and butterflies. You will fall off that horse again and again and again. The question is, are you strong enough to keep getting back on it?

10. Focusing on their weaknesses

Although working on our weaknesses does have its benefits, it's more important to focus on

banking on our strengths. The most well-rounded person is not the person that gets the furthest in life. Being average in all regards makes you average. However, mastering a certain skill or trait will allow you to beat the competition with less effort.

11. Trying to please people

A job well done is a job well done, no matter who is judging the final product. You can't please everybody, but you can always manage to do your very best.

12. Blaming themselves for things outside their control

The mentally strong know the things they can control, understand the things they cannot control, and avoid even thinking about that which is completely out of their hands.

13. Being impatient

Patience isn't just a virtue; it is the virtue. Most people don't fail because they aren't good enough, or aren't capable of winning or succeeding. Most people fail because they are impatient and give up before their time has come.

14. Being misunderstood

Communication is the key in any properly functioning system. When it comes to people, things get a bit more complicated. Simply stating information is never enough; if the receiving party misunderstands you, your message is not being properly relayed. The mentally strong do their best to be understood and have the patience to clear up misunderstandings.

15. Feeling like you're owed

You aren't owed anything in life. You were born; the rest is up to you. Life doesn't owe you anything. Others don't owe you anything. If you want something in life, you only owe it to yourself to go out and get it. In life, there are no handouts. ■

شیئر ہولڈرز کا غیر معمولی اجلاس عام

شیئر ہولڈرز نے سوئی سدرن گیس ایل پی جی (پرائیوٹ) لمیٹڈ میں سوئی سدرن گیس کے 49 فیصد شیئرز ختم کرنے کی قرارداد منظور کر لی

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وسائل ایک جگہ اکٹھے کر لیں۔ شیئر ہولڈرز کو مطلع کیا گیا کہ شیئرز کی قدر کے تعین کے علاوہ، ایل پی جی پاکستان (پرائیویٹ) لمیٹڈ ورکنگ کپٹل کی توسیع، سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے قرضہ جات میں کمی لانے اور ایل پی جی برٹس کو منافع بخش بنانے میں بھی مدد فراہم کرے گی۔ ایکویٹی کے اس رد و بدل کو دونوں گیس ڈسٹری بیوشن کمپنیوں اور وزارت پیٹرولیم و قدرتی وسائل کی منظوری پہلے ہی حاصل ہے۔

یہاں یہ ذکر ضروری ہے کہ ایس ایل ایل نے اکتوبر 2011 میں پروگیس پاکستان لمیٹڈ کے اثاثے 2.3 بلین روپے کے عوض حاصل کر لئے تھے، جس کی فنانسنگ 1 بلین روپے ایکویٹی اور سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی سے لئے گئے 1.3 بلین روپے قرضے پر مشتمل تھی۔ ■

تعداد کے علاوہ سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کی منجمنٹ اور متعلقہ شعبہ جات کے ایگزیکٹوز نے بھی اس غیر معمولی اجلاس میں شرکت کی۔ غیر معمولی اجلاس میں یہ قرارداد بھی پیش کی گئی کہ ایس ایل ایل میں سوئی نادرن گیس پائپ لائنز کا حصہ 49 فیصد ہو جانے کے نتیجے میں سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کا حصہ 51 فیصد رہ جائے گا، جس سے بالآخر ایل پی جی پاکستان (پرائیویٹ) لمیٹڈ کے نام سے ایک واحد کمپنی کی تشکیل کی راہ ہموار ہو گئی۔

سوئی نادرن گیس پائپ لائنز کو ایس ایل ایل کی ایکویٹی میں شمولیت کی دعوت اس لئے دی گئی تھی کیونکہ ایل پی جی کا برٹس پلان پاکستان کے تمام صوبوں کا احاطہ کرتا ہے۔ لہذا معاشی آسانی بات میں ترقی کی ملک بھر میں ایل پی جی برٹس کے فروغ کے لئے دونوں گیس کمپنیاں اپنے

سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے شیئر ہولڈرز کا غیر معمولی اجلاس ڈائریکٹر سردار رضوان کبیر کی زیر صدارت 24 جنوری 2014 کو کراچی کے ایک مقامی ہوٹل میں منعقد ہوا۔ شیئر ہولڈرز نے متفقہ طور پر ایک قرارداد منظور کی جس کے تحت سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی نے سوئی سدرن گیس ایل پی جی (پرائیویٹ) لمیٹڈ میں اپنی 96 ملین رائٹ شیئرز کی سرمایہ کاری واپس لے لی۔ یہ شیئرز اب سوئی نادرن گیس پائپ لائنز لمیٹڈ حاصل کرے گی۔ اس طرح سوئی نادرن گیس پائپ لائنز کو ایس ایل ایل میں 49 فیصد شرکت حاصل ہو جائے گی۔

ایس ایل ایل جی سی بورڈ کے ڈائریکٹر سلیم زمیندار، عامر امین اور علیم الدین بلو، شیٹنگ ڈائریکٹر ایس ایل ایل جی سی زیر صدفی اور کھیتی بکری یٹری فائزہ کپاڈیا رافع نے اس کارروائی میں شرکت کی۔ شیئر ہولڈرز کی ایک بڑی

سوئی سدرن گیس کی جانب سے گورنمنٹ کالج برائے خواتین میں تعمیر و مرمت کے اہم کام مکمل کر لئے گئے

کمپنی کے سی ایس آئی آر پروگرام کے تحت طالبات کو مختلف سہولیات کی فراہمی



کرنے پر خزانہ خستین پیش کیا۔
اس تقریب کا بہترین اہتمام محمد علی گوہر، ڈپٹی چیف منیجر، (سی سی ڈی سی ایس ایس آر) نے کیا جو اس تقریب کے روح رواں ہی نہیں تھے بلکہ انہوں نے جافشانی سے کام کرتے ہوئے اس منصوبے کی بروقت تکمیل کو بھی یقینی بنایا۔ اس موقع پر سول ورکس ڈپارٹمنٹ کے جنرل منیجر کا مران ناگی، عظیم اختر، ایکٹنگ ڈپٹی جنرل منیجر، سید فیروز اختر، ڈپٹی چیف انجینئر، اور اشرف غفور انجینئر پر مشتمل اکی ٹیم کی جانب سے کیا گیا اہم ترین کام بھی قابل ستائش ہے۔

موزانک شیخ اور واٹر کورز بھی فراہم کئے ہیں۔ سینئر جنرل منیجر (منیجمنٹ سروسز) نے تفتی کی نقاب کشائی کر کے اس ترقیاتی منصوبے کی تکمیل کا رسمی اعلان کیا۔ بعد ازاں سی سی ڈی ٹیم نے انہیں مرمت شدہ لیبارٹریوں کا دورہ بھی کروایا۔

اس موقع پر کالج کے آئیو ریم میں ایک پروکار تقریب منعقد ہوئی۔ سینئر جنرل منیجر (منیجمنٹ سروسز) نے یہ بات زور دے کر کہی کہ کارپوریشن شہری ہونے کے ناطے، سوئی سدرن گیس ضرورت مند تعلیمی اداروں کو مالی معاونت کے علاوہ تعمیراتی سامان اور تعمیر و مرمت کے کاموں میں مدد بھی فراہم کرتی ہے۔ انہوں نے اپنی متاثر کن تقریر میں اپنے والد، پاکستان کے مشہور شاعر، صہبا اختر کے کارناموں کا ذکر بھی کیا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ مشکل حالات میں بھی انسان کو امید کا دامن ہاتھ سے نہیں چھوڑنا چاہیئے اور آگے بڑھنے کی کوشش کرنا چاہیئے۔

کالج کی پرنسپل محترمہ صفیہ موسوی نے سوئی سدرن گیس کی انتظامیہ، کارپوریشن کی کمیونیکیشن ڈپارٹمنٹ اور سول ورکس ڈپارٹمنٹ کا کالج کو مدد فراہم کرنے پر شکریہ ادا کیا۔ اس سے قبل کالج کی طالبات، شاز مین گل اور ام کلثوم نے تلاوت کلام پاک اور بارگاہ رسالت ﷺ میں بدینہ نعت پیش کیا۔ جبکہ ایک طالبہ پارس مین نے اپنے خطاب میں سوئی سدرن گیس کو کالج میں ترقیاتی کام کر کے طالبات کو بہترین سہولیات فراہم

28 جنوری 2014 کو کراچی کے گورنمنٹ کالج برائے خواتین، شاہراہ لیاقت میں سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کی زیر نگرانی ہونے والے تعمیر و مرمت کے کام کی تکمیل کے بعد ایک پروکار تقریب کا انعقاد کیا گیا، جس کی مہمان خصوصی ڈاکٹر شہلا لٹوی، سینئر جنرل منیجر منیجمنٹ سروسز تھیں۔ تعمیر و مرمت کے اس کام کو کارپوریشن کی کمیونیکیشن کے سی ایس آئی آر پونٹ اور سول ورکس ڈپارٹمنٹ نے مشترکہ طور پر سرانجام دیا۔ جناب انعام احمد، ڈائریکٹر کالج (کراچی ریجن) کو اس موقع پر خصوصی طور پر مدعو کیا گیا تھا۔ سلمان اے صلیبی، چیف منیجر/انچارج، (سی سی ڈی) نے افتتاح کے اس موقع پر اپنے ڈپارٹمنٹ کی ٹیم کی قیادت کی۔

سوئی سدرن گیس کے سی ایس آئی آر ڈپارٹمنٹ کے 14-2013 کے پروگرام کے تحت اس مرتبہ کام کا مجموعی تخمینہ 2.5 ملین روپے تھا، جس میں ٹو بکس اور سائنس لیبارٹریوں کی مرمت، کینٹین کی باڑھ اور چھت پر شیش کی تنصیب شامل تھی۔ کمپنی نے فٹکٹی اور لڑکیوں کی فلاح کے لئے

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ہیجنگ ڈائریکٹر، سوئی سدرن گیس نے کراچی ٹرینل پر نئے میڈیکل ڈیپارٹمنٹ کا افتتاح کر دیا



سروسز) کے علاوہ کینی کے ایگزیکٹوز، میڈیکل سروسز اور دوسرے ڈیپارٹمنٹس کے اسٹاف کی بڑی تعداد نے اس افتتاحی تقریب میں شرکت کی۔ اس موقع پر سوئی سدرن گیس آفیسر زائوسو ایٹن اور ہینچل لیبر یونین (سی بی اے) کے عہدیداران بھی موجود تھے۔

اپنے خطاب میں ہیجنگ ڈائریکٹر نے ڈاکٹر شہلا نقوی اور ان کی ٹیم کو کینی ملازمین کی طبی ضرورتوں کو پورا کرنے کیلئے ایک اور اضافی سہولت مہیا کرنے پر مبارک باد پیش کی۔ انہوں نے امید ظاہر کی کہ نو تعمیر شدہ میڈیکل سینٹر مرض کی بہترین تشخیص کے ساتھ ساتھ مریضوں کو ان کی دیرینہ بیماریوں پر قابو پانے کے سلسلے میں اپنے ماہرانہ پروگراموں کے ذریعے بہترین آگاہی فراہم کرے گا۔

اس موقع پر ڈاکٹر شہلا نقوی نے ہیجنگ ڈائریکٹر اور سوئی سدرن گیس انتظامیہ کے دیگر ممبران کو نو تعمیر شدہ میڈیکل سینٹر اور یہاں پیش کی جانے والی سہولتوں سے آگاہ کیا۔

نو تعمیر شدہ میڈیکل سینٹر کینی کے ملازمین کو بنیادی طبی سہولیات فراہم کریگا۔ یہ میڈیکل سینٹر وسیع و عریض رجسٹریشن ایریا، ایک ایمرجنسی روم اور ایک فارمیسی پر مشتمل ہے۔

ایک اور اضافہ ہوا ہے۔ زہیر صدیقی، ہیجنگ ڈائریکٹر، سوئی سدرن گیس کینی نے تحقیق کی نقاب کشائی اور فیتہ کاٹ کر اس سہولت کا افتتاح کیا۔ یوسف بے انصاری، ڈپٹی ہیجنگ ڈائریکٹر (کارپوریٹ سروسز)، ڈاکٹر شہلا نقوی سینئر جنرل منیجر (ہیجنگ سروسز)، ڈاکٹر منور حیات، ڈپٹی جنرل منیجر (میڈیکل

سوئی سدرن گیس کینی نے اپنے میڈیکل سروسز ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے ذریعے آپریشنز میں مسلسل بہتری اور ملازمین میں مختلف طبی صورتحال اور بیماریوں کے بارے میں آگاہی پیدا کر کے جدید خطوط پر استوار کرنے کی کوشش کی ہے۔ 20 جنوری 2014 کو کراچی ٹرینل پر ایک نو تعمیر شدہ میڈیکل سینٹر کے افتتاح سے کینی کے میڈیکل سروسز ڈیپارٹمنٹ کی افادیت میں



کسٹمر ریلیشنز ڈپارٹمنٹ کا گیس کے براہ راست استعمال کے خلاف چھاپہ



تھے، انہیں مزید کسی ڈسکشن سے بچنے کے لئے سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے واجبات ادا کرنے کا مشورہ دیا گیا۔

سرجانی ٹاؤن چونکہ ایک حساس علاقہ ہے جہاں امن و امان کا مسئلہ رہتا ہے، اس لئے سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے سیکورٹی سروسز ڈپارٹمنٹ نے ٹاسک فورس کو تحفظ فراہم کیا۔ میڈیا کا ایک وفد بھی چھاپے کے دوران ٹیم کے ساتھ تھا۔

یو ایف جی نے موجودہ حالات میں کمپنی کے منافع کو کافی نقصان پہنچایا ہے۔ اس رجحان کے آگے نہ بڑھنے کا فیصلہ کرتے ہوئے کمپنی کی سی آر ڈی اور سروسٹیس اینڈ مینٹننس نے سندھ اور بلوچستان کے فرنیچر علائقوں میں باقاعدگی سے چھاپے مارے ہیں تاکہ اس بڑھتی ہوئی بے قاعدگی کو روکا جاسکے۔ ■

ٹاسک فورس کو کچھ مزاحمت کا بھی سامنا کرنا پڑا لیکن اس نے غیر قانونی کنکشنز منقطع کرنے کا مکمل کر لیا۔ اس فوری نوعیت کی کارروائی کے علاوہ ٹیم نے علاقہ کینوں کی بلیک سے متعلق شکایت بھی سنی اور اسی وقت ان کا حل بھی پیش کیا۔ جو رہائشی براہ راست گیس استعمال کر رہے تھے، انہیں مزید کسی ڈسکشن سے بچنے کے لئے سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے واجبات ادا کرنے کا مشورہ دیا گیا۔

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وقت ان کا حل بھی پیش کیا۔ جو رہائشی براہ راست گیس استعمال کر رہے

یو ایف جی (Unaccounted-for-Gas) یعنی گیس کے ناجائز اور غیر قانونی حصول کیخلاف اپنی مسلسل جاری مہم کے تحت سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی نے 21 جنوری 2014 کو سرجانی ٹاؤن، کراچی میں گیس کا براہ راست استعمال روکنے کیلئے بڑے پیمانے پر ایک چھاپہ مارا۔ مصدق ذرائع سے اطلاع ملنے پر نواب علی شاہ، ڈپٹی منیجر، (سی آر ڈی) نے 200 سے زائد غیر قانونی کنکشنز منقطع کر دیئے۔ ان غیر قانونی کنکشنز کی وجہ سے 11,288 ملین کیوبک فٹ گیس کا نقصان ہو رہا تھا جس کی مالی قیمت 1.8 ملین روپے سالانہ بنتی ہے۔ ٹیم کو چاہیے تھا کہ شریںد عناصر برپائیس کے ایک پیچیدہ نیٹ ورک کے ذریعے سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کی مین سپلائی سے علاقے کے مختلف لوگوں تک گیس غیر قانونی طور پر فراہم کر رہے تھے۔



ضلع دادو کے پسماندہ علاقوں میں میٹھے پانی کی فراہمی سوئی سدرن کے سی ایس آر پروگرام کے تحت پانچ کنوؤں کا تحفہ



پانی قدرت کی وہ نعمت ہے جو انسانی زندگی کیلئے انتہائی اہم ضرورت ہوتی ہے۔ دنیا کا تین چوتھائی حصہ پانی پر مشتمل ہے مگر عجیب بات ہے کہ کہیں تو یہ وافر مقدار میں دستیاب ہے اور کہیں اسکی ایک بوند بھی میسر نہیں۔ صوبہ سندھ کے کئی علاقے ایسے ہیں جہاں پانی بالکل دستیاب نہیں ہے۔ وہاں کے باشندوں کا گزارا بارش کے پانی، پینڈ پیوں یا کنوئیں کے پانی ہی پر ہوتا ہے۔ کنوئیں کی کھدائی کا مرحلہ بہت کٹھن اور دشوار ہوتا ہے، کیونکہ اس کام میں استعمال ہونیوالی اشیاء شہر سے دیہاتوں (گوٹھوں) تک پہنچانا کافی مشکل ہوتا ہے۔ دیہاتوں میں قائم علاقائی امداد باہمی کی غیر سرکاری تنظیمیں، باہمی تعاون کے ذریعے اس کام میں مدد دیتی ہیں لیکن مالی وسائل کی کمی کی وجہ سے اس کام کی رفتار بہت کم ہے۔

سوئی سدرن گیس نے اپنے سی ایس آر پروگرام کے تحت معروف این جی او تھر ڈیپ رول ڈیولپمنٹ پروگرام کے ساتھ باہمی اشتراک سے دادو ضلع کے دور دراز پانچ دیہاتوں میں کنوئیں کھودنے اور ان کی تعمیر کیلئے یادداشت پر دستخط کئے تھے۔ کارپوریٹ کیونٹیشن ڈیپارٹمنٹ کے سی ایس آر سیکشن نے اس پروجیکٹ کے آغاز سے متحمل کے مرحلے تک کمپنی کے راولپنڈی کوارٹرز اور ٹی آر ڈی پی سے مستقل رابطہ قائم رکھا وہ دیہات جو سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے اس پروجیکٹ سے استفادہ کر سکیں گے وہ درج ذیل ہیں۔

۱۔ گوٹھ راجو گھانڈر ۲۔ گوٹھ بہاول ہر ۳۔ گوٹھ ڈگ بالا ۴۔ گوٹھ شاکانی لٹڈ ۵۔ گوٹھ کئی وسان

پانی جیسی اہم ضرورت کے حصول کیلئے ان غیر سہولت یافتہ دیہاتوں کے لوگ بہت پریشان رہتے تھے اور دور دراز مقامات سے اپنی گزر بسر کیلئے پانی لاتے تھے۔ ان کنوئیں کی تعمیر اور ان سے دستیاب پانی سے نہ صرف ان دیہاتوں کے گھرانوں کی بلکہ قرب وجوار میں آباد لوگوں کی ضرورت بھی پوری ہوگی۔

سی ایس آر پروگرام کے تحت ۲۶ نومبر ۲۰۱۳ کو گوٹھ ڈگ بالا میں پانچوں کنوؤں کی تعمیر مکمل ہونے کے حوالے سے ایک سادہ مگر پروقار افتتاحی تقریب منعقد کی گئی جس کا اہتمام پانچوں گوٹھوں کی علاقائی تنظیموں نے باہمی تعاون کے تحت کیا تھا۔ ایس جی ایم (میٹمنٹ سروسز) ڈاکٹر شہلا نقوی کی ہدایت پر محمد علی گوہر ڈپٹی چیف منیجر (سی ایس آر) اور سجاد الحسن صدیقی ڈپٹی منیجر (اکاؤنٹس) سی ڈی نے منظور حسین کھوسو اور ایڈووکیٹ راجو گھانڈر، ٹی آر ڈی پی کے سید سجاد علی شاہ جنرل منیجر (آپریٹیشنز)، مندر جوہر (ٹی آر ڈی پی) اور دیگر افسران کے ہمراہ اس تقریب میں خصوصی طور پر شرکت کی۔ اس موقع پر ڈگ بالا تحصیل کے لوگوں کے چہرے خوشی سے دمک رہے تھے۔ کنوئیں پر دیدہ زیب رنگ و روغن کیا گیا تھا اور اسے خوبصورتی سے

سجا یا گیا تھا۔ محمد علی گوہر، منظور حسین کھوسو اور سید سجاد شاہ نے اجتماعی طور پر فیتہ کاٹ کر اس کنوئیں کا افتتاح کیا اور بعد ازاں چمچی گھا کر کنوئیں سے پانی کی باٹلی بھر کر نکالی۔ خوش آئند بات یہ رہی کہ اس پروجیکٹ کے پانچوں کنوؤں کا پانی میٹھا نکلا۔ اس رسم سے فارغ ہو کر ایک بڑی اوطاق میں تقریب کا انعقاد کیا گیا۔ جس میں علاقائی تنظیموں کے نمائندوں اور عوامین علاقہ نے اپنے خیالات کا اظہار کرتے ہوئے سوئی سدرن گیس کمپنی کے سی ایس آر کے تحت اس اقدام کو بے حد سراہا اور کمپنی انتظامیہ کا شکریہ ادا کیا۔ ٹی آر ڈی پی کے نمائندگان نے بھی سوئی سدرن کے ساتھ اپنے پہلے اشتراکی تجربے کو بے حد کارآمد اور خوشگوار قرار دیا اور اس کے سی ایس آر پروگرام کی بے حد تعریف کی۔ آخر میں محمد علی گوہر



■ خصوصی دعا کا اہتمام بھی کیا گیا۔
رپورٹ: سعود الحسن
ڈپٹی منیجر اکاؤنٹس (سی ڈی)

زور دیتے ہوئے کہا کہ سوئی سدرن نے اپنی کارپوریٹ ذمہ داری کا حصہ ادا کرنے کی بھرپور کوشش کی ہے تاہم ان کنوؤں کی آئندہ مینٹیننس کی ذمہ داری اب مقامی لوگوں کی ہی ہوگی۔ اس موقع پر ہدیہ تفکر کیلئے

نے ٹی آر ڈی پی، انچارج ہیڈ کوارٹرز دادو، علاقائی تنظیموں کے تمام عہدیداران کو اس پروجیکٹ کی کامیابی اور پانچوں کنوؤں میں میٹھا پانی نکلنے پر مبارکباد دی۔ انہوں نے تمام گوشوں کے نمائندوں اور کیمپوں پر

6- اک اڑن کھٹولا آئے گا ک لال پری کولائے گا

7- چاند کی سیج پہ سجا کے لائے ہیں سہرا

انکے شعری مجموعوں میں، اقراء، خزینہ، مشعل، سرکشیدہ اور سمندر شامل ہیں۔ 1968 میں پاکستان کے مقبول پرکشش اداکار و فلمساز وحید مراد نے اپنے کیریئر کی سب سے خوب صورت فلم ”سمندر“ بنائی تھی جس کے گیت صہبا اختر نے لکھے تھے۔ انہوں نے اس فلم کے لئے ایک ایسا زبر دست گیت بھی تحریر کیا جو تمام پاکستانیوں کے امید، ولولہ، اخوت و بھائی چارے، ایثار و قربانی اور طاقت و ہمت جیسے پاکیزہ جذبات کی بھرپور عکاسی کرتا ہے۔ اس گیت کے بول یہ ہیں۔

ساتھی تیرا میرا ساتھی ہے، اہل راتا سمندر۔۔۔

ان کی کہی ہوئی مشہور نعت

طلع المہر علینا طلع المہر علینا۔۔۔

آئے سرکار مدینہ آئے

کو اکثر محافل نعت میں نعت خواں حضرات پیش کیا کرتے ہیں۔

1995 میں وہ لندن میں بہت علیل ہو گئے تھے۔ انہوں نے پاکستان واپسی پر بہت اصرار کیا تا کہ وہ اپنے شعری مجموعے ”مشعل“ کی رونمائی (اجراء) کر سکیں۔ پاکستان میں اس مجموعے کے اجراء کے چند دن بعد ہی وہ 19 فروری 1996 میں 29 رمضان کو اس دنیائے فانی سے کوچ کر گئے۔

صہبا اختر کی خدمات کے صلے میں انہیں اس وقت کے صدر پاکستان نے پرائڈ آف پرفارمنس (تمغہ برائے حسن کارکردگی) سے بھی نوازا۔ کراچی کے گلشن اقبال ناؤن میں ایک سڑک کا نام ان کے نام پر صہبا اختر روڈ رکھا گیا۔ انہیں آدم جی ادبی ایوارڈ اور ڈاکٹر زنگلا ایوارڈ سے بھی نوازا گیا۔ اگرچہ ایسی ہمہ گیر شخصیت پر یہ تحریر ناکافی و نامکمل ہے، البتہ آخر میں مجھے بلا مبالغہ یہ ضرور کہنے دیجئے کہ ”شیریں بخٹی، حب الوطنی، جوش و جذبہ، اور اخوت و محبت جب پیکر انسانی میں ڈھیلیں تو صہبا اختر ہے۔“

آخر میں ریٹس فروغ کے اس شعر پر اختتام کرتے ہیں۔

لوگ اچھے ہیں بہت دل میں اتر جاتے ہیں

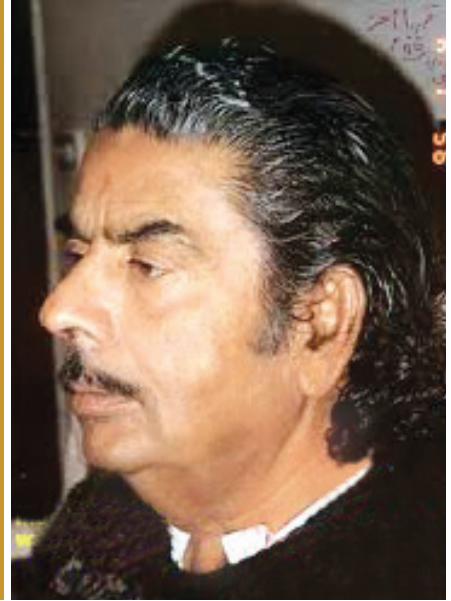
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تحریر: محمد علی گوہر

ڈپٹی چیف منیجر (سی ایس آر)

کارپوریٹ کمیونیکیشنز

شاعر پاکستان صہبا اختر



بھی پاکستان ہوں تو بھی پاکستان ہے، کو بہت ہی زیادہ شہرت اور پذیرائی ملی اس کے علاوہ ”طن کو ہم عظیم سے عظیم تر بنائیں گے“ بھی مشہور ہوا۔ 1965 کی جنگ کے دوران پاک افواج کی حوصلہ افزائی کیلئے ایک مشہور منظوم لوری بھی لکھی تھی جبکہ ان کی نظم ”محبت محبت کرو“ کو بھی خوب پذیرائی ملی۔ ان ملی نغموں کو قومی و صوبائی سطح پر اور تمام یادگار قومی مواقع پر گایا جاتا ہے اور یہ نغے جشن آزادی پاکستان یعنی 14 اگست کے دن تو ہر جگہ گونجتے ہیں۔ ان کی شاعری کا ایک ایک لفظ ان کے پاکیزہ خیالات، حب الوطنی، عقیدت و محبت، جوش و جذبہ، ترنم موسیقیت اور عنایت کا عکاس ہے۔ صہبا اختر کا مشاہدہ بہت گہرا ہے۔ وہ عمیق نگاہوں سے فطرت کے حسن کا مطالعہ کرتے تھے اور اپنی قوت مشاہدہ کی بدولت مناظر قدرت کی منظر کشی کیا کرتے تھے۔ وہ جس منظر کو بیان کرنا چاہتے اس میں ایک ماہر نقاش کی طرح اپنے قلم کے جوہر دکھاتے اور ایسے رنگ بھرتے کہ حقیقت کا لگان ہونے لگتا۔

ان کے چند مشہور نعتوں کے بول یہ ہیں۔

1- کارے بدر آئے چھائی اداسی

2- مجھے بھلانے والے تجھے بھی چین نہ آئے

3- آج جانے کی ضد نہ کرو، یونہی پہلو میں بیٹھے رہو

4- تنہا تھی ہمیشہ سے تنہا ہے زندگی

5- تیری جن میں سے روشنی کا چاند جھانکتا رہے

مشاعروں کو لٹ لینے والے منفرد مزاج کے شاعر صہبا اختر کو اس دنیائے فانی سے کوچ کے 18 برس بیت چکے ہیں لیکن ان کی زندگی سے بھرپور شاعری سے شائقین سخن آج بھی خوب محظوظ اور فیضیاب ہوتے ہیں۔ انہوں نے ہر طرح کی صنف سخن میں طبع آزمائی کی لیکن ان کی منظوم شاعری کا وہ حصہ جس میں حب الوطنی کے جذبات کا اظہار کیا گیا ہے وہ ہمیشہ خصوصی توجہ کا مرکز رہا ہے۔

صہبا اختر 23 ستمبر 1930 میں پیدا ہوئے آپ کے والد رحمت علی رحمت جو خود بھی ایک معروف ڈرامہ نویس اور شاعر تھے۔ آغا شکر کشمیر کی کے ہم عصر تھے۔ ان کا اصل تعلق بریلی سے تھا۔ انہوں نے بچپن ہی سے اشعار کہنا شروع کر دیے تھے۔ ہائی اسکول بریلی سے پاس کیا، بعد ازاں علیگڑھ یونیورسٹی میں بھی تعلیم حاصل کی۔

1947 میں قیام پاکستان سے پہلے انہوں نے قائد اعظم محمد علی جناح کے ہمراہ کراچی کے طالب علموں کی جانب سے منعقد کئے گئے ایک عوامی جلسے میں بھی شرکت کی تھی۔ آزادی کے فوری بعد وہ پاکستان منتقل ہو گئے تھے اور انہوں نے نظمیں اور گیت پاکستانی فلموں اور پاکستانی عوام کیلئے لکھنے شروع کر دیے تھے۔ آزادی کے بعد ان کی شادی سعید اختر سے ہوئی۔ ان کے 6 بیٹے اور بیٹیاں ہیں۔ انہوں نے پاکستانی عوام کیلئے کئی مشہور نظمیں اور گیت لکھے اور 1994 میں فلموں کیلئے نغے لکھنے میں مصروف ہو گئے۔ ان کے قومی نغے عظیم الشان جن میں خاص طور پر ”میں

شيئر هولڊرز جو غير معمولي اجلاسِ عام شيئر هولڊرن سُئي سدرن گيس ايل پي جي (پرائيوٽ) لميتيڊ ۾ سُئي سدرن گيس جي 49 سيڪڙو شيئرز ختم ڪرڻ جي قرار داد منظور ڪري ورتي

ڪئي وئي ته ايس ايل ايل ۾ سُئي ناردن گيس پائپ لائينز جو پاڻو 49 سيڪڙو تي وڃڻ جي نتيجي ۾ سُئي سدرن گيس جو پاڻو 51 سيڪڙو رهجي ويندو، جنهن سان آخرڪار ايل پي جي پاڪستان (پرائيوٽ) لميتيڊ جي نالي سان هڪ



سُئي سدرن گيس ڪمپنيءَ جي شيئر هولڊرن جو غير معمولي اجلاسِ عام ڊائريڪٽر سردار رضوان ڪيهر جي صدارت هيٺ 24 جنوري 2014 تي ڪراچي جي هڪ مڪاني هٽل ۾ منعقد ٿيو. شيئر هولڊرن گڏيل طور تي هڪ



واحد ڪمپني جي تشڪيل جي راه هموار ٿي ويندي. سُئي ناردن گيس پائپ لائينز کي ايس ايل ايل جي ايڪويٽي ۾ گڏجڻ جي دعوت انهيءَ لاءِ ڏني وئي هئي چو ته ايل پي جيءَ جو بزنس پلان پاڪستان جي سڀني صوبن ۾ پکڙيل آهي. انهيءَ ڪري معاشي سولائي ان ڳالهه ۾ هئي ته سڄي ملڪ ۾ ايل پي جي بزنس جي فروغ جي لاءِ ٻئي گيس ڪمپنيون پنهنجا وسيل هڪ

سليم زميندار، عامر امين ۽ علیم الدين بلو، مئنيجنگ ڊائريڪٽر ايس ايس جي سي زهير صديقي ۽ ڪمپني سيڪريٽري فائزہ ڪپاديا رافع هن ڪاروائي ۾ شرڪت ڪئي. شيئر هولڊرن جي هڪ وڏي تعداد کان علاوه سُئي سدرن گيس ڪمپني جي مئنيجمينٽ ۽ لاڳاپيل شعبن جي ايگزيڪيٽوز به هن غير معمولي اجلاس ۾ شرڪت ڪئي. غير معمولي اجلاس ۾ اها قرار داد به پيش

قرارداد منظور ڪئي، جنهن تحت سُئي سدرن گيس ڪمپني، سُئي سدرن گيس ايل پي جي (پرائيوٽ) لميتيڊ ۾ 96 ملين رائيٽ شيئرز جي سيڙپڪاري واپس ڪئي ورتي. اهي شيئرز هاڻي سُئي ناردن گيس پائپ لائينز لميتيڊ حاصل ڪندي. اهڙيءَ طرح سُئي ناردن گيس پائپ لائينز کي ايس ايل ايل ۾ 49 سيڪڙو شراڪت حاصل ٿي ويندي. ايس ايس جي سي بورڊ جي ڊائريڪٽر

جڳهه تي گڏ ڪري وٺڻ - شيئر هولڊرن کي اهو ٻڌايو ويو ته شيئرز جي قدر جي تعين کان علاوه ، ايل پي جي پاڪستان (پرائيوٽ) لميٽيڊ ورڪنگ ڪيپيٽل جي توسيع ، سٽي سڌرن گيس ڪمپني جي قرضن ۾ گهٽتائي آڻڻ ۽ ايل پي جي بزنس کي منفعي بخش بنائڻ ۾ به مدد فراهم ڪندي - ايڪويٽي جي هن ردوبدل کي ٻنهي گيس ڊسٽري بيوشن ڪمپنين ۽ وزارت پيٽروليئم ۽ قدرتي وسائل جي منظوري پهرين ئي حاصل آهي - هتي اهو ذڪر ڪرڻ ضروري آهي ته ايس ايل ايل ، آڪٽوبر 2011 ۾ پروگيس پاڪستان لميٽيڊ جا اثاڻا 2.3 بلين روپين جي عيوض حاصل ڪيا هئا ، جنهن جي فائنانسنگ 1 بلين روپيا ايڪويٽي ۽ سٽي سڌرن گيس ڪمپني ۽ کان ورتل 1.3 بلين روپيا قرض تي مشتمل هئي. ■

داد و ضلعي جي پڻي پيل علائقن ۾ مٺي پاڻي جي فراهمي سٽي سڌرن جي سي ايس آر پروگرام جي تحت پنج ڪوهن جو تحفو



پاڻي قدرت جي اها نعمت آهي جيڪا انسانن جي لاءِ انتهائي اهم ضرورت هوندي آهي - دنيا جو ٽيون چوٿائي حصو پاڻي تي مشتمل آهي پر عجيب ڳالهه اها آهي ته ڪنهن هنڌ تي اهو وڏي مقدار ۾ دستياب آهي ته ڪنهن هنڌ هن جو هڪ ڦڙو به نه ملندو آهي - سنڌ صوبي جا گهڻائي وارا علائقا اهڙا آهن، جتي پاڻي بلڪل دستياب ناهي - اهڙن علائقن جي رهاڪن جو گذارو مينهن جي پاڻي ، هيٺ ڀرين يا ڪوهن جي پاڻي تي ئي هوندو آهي - ڪوهن جي کوٽائي جو مرحلو ڏاڍو ڏکيو ۽ دشوار هوندو آهي ، ڇو ته انهيءَ ڪم ۾ استعمال ٿيندڙ شيون شهر کان ٻهراڙين (ڳوٺن) تائين پهچائڻ وڏو مشڪل ڪم آهي - ٻهراڙين ۾ قائم علائقائي امداد باهمي جون غير سرڪاري تنظيمون ، باهمي تعاون جي ذريعي هن ڪم ۾ مدد ڪنديون آهن پر مالي وسيلن جي گهٽتائي جي ڪري هن ڪم جي رفتار ڏاڍي سُست آهي - سٽي سڌرن گيس ، پنهنجي سي ايس آر پروگرام تحت معروف اين جي او ٽريڊپ رورل ڊيوپلمينٽ پروگرام سان گڏ باهمي



اشتراڪ ذريعي دادو ضلعي جي ڏورانهن پنج بهراڙين ۾ ڪوهن ڪوٺڻ ۽ انهن جي تعمير جي لاءِ بادداشت تي صحيحون ڪيون هيون۔ ڪارپوريت ڪميونڪيشن ڊيپارٽمينٽ جي سي ايس آر سيڪشن هن پروجيڪٽ جي شروعات کان مڪمل ٿيڻ جي مرحلي تائين ڪمپني جي دادو هيڊ ڪوارٽرز ۽ ٽي آر ڊي پي سان لاڳيتو رابطو قائم رکيو۔ اُهي بهراڙيون جيڪي سُئي

سدرن گيس ڪمپني جي هن پروجيڪٽ مان فائدو وٺي سگهندا، هيٺ ڏنل آهن :

- ۱۔ ڳوٺ راجو گهاندڙ ۲۔ ڳوٺ بهاول ڀر
- ۳۔ ڳوٺ ڊرگهه بالا ۴۔ ڳوٺ شاڪلاڻي لُنب
- ۵۔ ڳوٺ ڪيٽي وساڻ

پاڻي جهڙي اهم ضرورت جي حصول جي لاءِ اهي غير سهولت يافتہ بهراڙين جا ماڻهو ڏاڍا پريشان رهندا هئا ۽ ڏورانهن هندن مان پنهنجي گذاري لاءِ پاڻي آڻيندا هئا۔ انهن ڪوهن جي تعمير ۽ ان مان دستياب پاڻي سان نه رڳو انهن بهراڙين جي گهراڻن جي بلڪ آسپاس جي رهاڪن جي به ضرورت پوري ٿيندي۔

26 ڊسمبر 2013 تي ڳوٺ ڊرگهه بالا

۾ پنجن ڪوهن جي تعمير مڪمل ٿيڻ جي حوالي سان هڪ سادي ۽ پُروڦار افتتاحي تقريب منعقد ڪئي وئي، جنهن جو اهم ٻن پنجن ڳوٺن جي علائقائي تنظيم باهمي تعاون جي تحت ڪيو هو۔ ايس جي ايم (مئنيجمينٽ سروسز) ڊاڪٽر شهلا نقوي جي هدايت تي محمد علي گوهر ڊپٽي چيف مئنيجر (سي ايس آر) ۽ سعود الحسن

صديقي ڊپٽي مئنيجر (اڪائونٽس) سي سي ڊي ۽ جي منظور حسين ڪوسو دادو هيڊ ڪوارٽرز انچارج، ٽي آر ڊي پي ۽ جي سيد سجاد علي شاھ جنرل مئنيجر (آپريشنز)، نذر جوڻيو (ٽي آر ڊي پي) ۽ ٻين آفيسرن هن تقريب ۾ خاص طور تي شرڪت ڪئي۔

هن موقعي تي ڊرگهه بالا تعلقي جا ماڻهو ڏاڍا خوش هئا۔ ڪوهن تي دل کي وڻندڙ رنگ ۽ روغن ڪيو ويو هو ۽ هنن کي ڏاڍي خوبصورتي سان سجايو ويو هو۔ محمد علي گوهر، منظور حسين ڪوسو ۽ سيد سجاد شاھ اجتماعي طور تي فيٽو ڪٽي هنن ڪوهن جو افتتاح ڪيو ۽ انڪانپوءِ

چرخي گهمائي ڪوه مان پاڻي جي بالٽي ڀري ڪڍي۔ خوشي ۽ جي ڳالهه اها آهي ته هن پروجيڪٽ جي پنجن ٽي ڪوهن جو پاڻي منو نڪتو۔ هن رسم جي فارغ ٿيڻ کان پوءِ هڪ وڏي اوطاق ۾ تقريب جو

انعقاد ڪيو ويو۔ جنهن ۾ علائقائي تنظيم جي نمائندن ۽ علائقي جي معزز ماڻهن پنهنجي خيالن جو اظهار ڪندي سُئي

سدرن گيس ڪمپني ۽ جي سي ايس آر تحت هن قدم کي ڏاڍو ساراهيو ۽ ڪمپني انتظاميا جو ٿورو مڃيو۔ ٽي آر ڊي پي جي نمائندن به سُئي سدرن گيس سان ۾ پنهنجي پهرين گڏيل تجربي کي ڏاڍو ڪارائتو ۽ خوشگوار قرار ڏنو ۽ هن جي سي ايس آر پروگرام جي ڏاڍي تعريف ڪئي۔ آخر ۾ محمد علي گوهر، ٽي آر ڊي پي، انچارج هيڊ ڪوارٽرز دادو، علائقائي تنظيم جي سڀني عهديدارن کي هن پروجيڪٽ جي ڪاميابي ۽ پنجن ٽي ڪوهن ۾ مٺي پاڻي نڪرڻ تي مبارڪباد ڏني۔ انهن سڀني ڳوٺن جي نمائندن ۽ هتي جي رهاڪن کي

چيو ته سُئي سدرن گيس پنهنجي ڪارپوريت ذميواري جو حصو ادا ڪرڻ جي پَرپور ڪوشش ڪئي آهي، پر انهن ڪوهن جي ايندڙ مينيننس جي ذميواري هاڻي مڪاني ماڻهن جي ئي هوندي۔ هن موقعي تي هديئ تشڪر جي لاءِ خصوصي دُعا جو

اهتمام به ڪيو ويو۔ ■

رپورٽ: سعود الحسن صديقي

ڊپٽي مئنيجر اڪائونٽس (سي سي ڊي)