

### **Seminar on Mitigation of Load Shedding through Power Exchange**

Power Exchange India Limited (PXIL) organized a seminar on “Mitigation of load shedding through Power Exchange” at Gobindgarh Club Limited, Mandi Gobindgarh on 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2010. Mandi Gobindgarh, a city in Punjab, is sometimes referred to as Steel city owing to a large number of steel mills and factories.

In wake of Open Access regime in Punjab, purpose of this initiative was to bring various stakeholders together to share how power exchange, as a transparent and easily accessible platform, can help them meet their electricity requirements. The industries in the region owing to huge power requirements and rotational load shedding are looking for newer avenues for procurement of Power. The seminar witnessed tremendous response from the furnace & rolling mill industries of the area, Power Traders and experts on Open Access operations & procedures in Punjab.

Mr Aveek Banerjee, PXIL, commenced the seminar by presenting the Power sector scenario in the country and the need of the hour to take advantage of Open Access regime in Punjab. Topics like Power Trading, Products on PXIL and Exchange Operations were covered in the seminar. The industry players participated actively during the course of the presentation. The event facilitated discussions pertaining to their concerns on mitigation of Load Shedding, addressing their queries on effectiveness on trading through the exchange, information on solutions as available with PXIL and technical and procedural requirements for obtaining Open Access in the state.

The seminar concluded successfully with a promise to aid industries in Mandi Gobindgarh in furtherance of PXIL’s vision of providing India with a competitive power market.

