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## **India Power Corporation Limited**

Leave Benefit Scheme

Reporting under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19

Actuarial Valuation for Year ended 31 March 2019

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### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report is provided subject to the terms set out herein and in the Engagement Letter dated 3 October 2018 and the accompanying General Terms and Conditions of Business.
- 1.2 We have been requested by India Power Corporation Limited (the "Company") to report on the financial position of its Leave Benefit Scheme (the "Plan") liabilities for the Year ending 31 March 2019 and to calculate the accounting expenses associated with the Scheme for the Year ending 31 March 2019 as per the norms of Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 issued by The Ministry of Corporate Affairs of the Central Government of India in consultation with the National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards.
- 1.3 The results set out in this report are based on my understanding of Ind AS 19 and its application to the Plan. They have been prepared for the specific requirements of Ind AS 19 and should not be used for any other purpose. In particular this report does not constitute a formal funding actuarial valuation of the Plan and does not present any recommendation of contributions or funding levels.
- 1.4 This report complies with Actuarial Practice Standard 27 (APS 27) as published by the Institute of Actuaries of India (IAI), which came into effect from 1 January 2018.
- 1.5 This report is provided solely for the Company's use and for the specific purposes indicated above. Except where we expressly agree in writing, it should not be disclosed or provided to any third party, other than as provided below. In the absence of such consent and an express assumption of responsibility, no responsibility whatsoever is accepted by us for any consequences arising from any third party relying on this report or any advice relating to its contents. The Company may make a copy of this report available to its auditors, but we make no representation as to the suitability of this report for any purpose other than that for which it was originally provided and accept no responsibility or liability to the Company's auditors in this regard. The Company should draw the provisions of this paragraph to the attention of its auditors when passing this Report to them.





## 2 Summary of Results

2.1 The table below shows a summary of the key results for the Year ended 31 March 2019.

Assets / Liabilities	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
	INR	INR
1. Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)*	32,221,000.00	34,724,000.00
2. Fair Value of Plan Assets (FVA)	0.00	0.00
3. Funded Status (Surplus/(Deficit))	(32,221,000.00)	(34,724,000.00)

Defined Benefit Cost	Year ended 31 March 2019
	INR
1. Service Cost	6,541,000.00
2. Defined Benefit Cost recognised in P&L	16,345,363.00
3. Remeasurements recognised in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) Loss/(Gains)	0.00

Key Assumptions used	31 March 2019
1. Discount Rate	7.50%
2. Rate of Salary increases	5.00%

- 2.2 Service cost represents the Current Service cost which is the cost associated with the Current period benefit accruals and the Past Service Cost which is the change in the DBO resulting from changes in the benefit plan provisions for employee Service in prior periods. Total Employer expense is the expense under Ind AS 19; inclusive of Service Cost and Net Interest.
- 2.3 Table 1 shows the Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.4 Table 2 shows the Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019
- 2.5 Table 3 shows the Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.6 Table 4 shows the Additional Disclosure Information
- 2.7 Table 5 shows the Sensitivity Analysis





### 3 Information Sources

- 3.1 The actuarial valuation as at 31 March 2019 has been carried out on the basis of the membership data provided by the company as at 31 March 2019.
- 3.2 The principal rules of the Leave Benefit Scheme as at 31 March 2019 are as provided by the company. A summary of the plan provisions has been mentioned in Appendix E.
- 3.3 In preparing this Report, there has been a reliance on the completeness and accuracy of all the data and information, including Plan provisions, membership data and asset information provided orally and in writing by or on behalf of the Company and its advisers. No detailed validation checks have been performed on the information provided. However, broad consistency checks have been carried out.
- 3.4 According to Ind AS 19 the discount rate should be based upon the market yields available on government bonds at the accounting date, corresponding to a estimated term that matches that of the obligations. The other assumptions should be chosen to reflect a best estimate of the future long-term experience.

The Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019 is based on the government bond yields as at 29 March 2019.

- 3.5 The Leave Benefit Scheme is treated as a other long term benefit under Ind AS 19 and the actuarial gains/losses are recognised immediately through the P&L Account.
- 3.6 The benefit payouts made and expected to be paid during the period 31 March 2018 to 31 March 2019 have taken to be as provided by the company.





## 4 Conclusion

- 4.1 The assumptions and methodology used in compiling this report are consistent with our understanding of Ind AS 19,
- 4.2 The summary of the membership data used (including details of any modifications applied) in the calculations is set out in Appendix B.
- 4.3 The key assumptions used in the calculations are set out in Appendix C.
- 4.4 The results are particularly sensitive to some assumptions, such as the discount rate, level of salary increase and level of employee turnover. A decrease in the discount rate assumed or an increase in salary inflation will lead to an increase in reported cost.
- 4.5 The methodology used in the calculations is set out in Appendix D.
- 4.6 The benefits valued (including any discretionary benefits) in this Report are summarised in Appendix E.
- 4.7 Full actuarial valuations as at the start and end of the accounting period have been performed, based on member data and plan information provided at these dates.
- 4.8 The full results of our calculations are set out in Tables 1 to 5
- 4.9 We would be pleased to discuss this Report with you.
- 4.10 The below signing actuary has signed the Report in his/her professional capacity as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, India as required by the relevant accounting standards and report is submitted in his/her independent professional capacity.

Yours faithfully

Ritobrata Sarkar (Memb no - 5394) Fellow, Institute of Actuaries of India

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# India Power Corporation Limited Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Profit & Loss (P&L)	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Current service cost	5,412,000.00	6,541,000.00
2 Past service cost - plan amendements	0.00	0.00
3 Curtailment cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
4 Settlement cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
5 Service cost	5,412,000.00	6,541,000.00
6 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset)	1,586,000.00	1,923,000.00
7 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses - other long term employee bene	efit p 7,797,368.00	7,881,363.00
8 Cost recognised in P&L	14,795,368.00	16,345,363.00
B Other Comprehensive Income ( OCI )		<b>生物的数数数数</b>
1 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO experience	5,176,368.00	7,623,363.00
2 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO assumption changes	2,621,000.00	258,000.00
3 Actuarial (gain)/loss arising during period	7,797,368.00	7,881,363.00
4 Return on plan assets (greater)/less than discount rate	0.00	0.00
5 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	0.00	0.00
6 Adjustment for limit on net asset	0.00	0.00
C Defined Benefit Cost		
1 Service cost	5,412,000.00	6,541,000.00
2 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset)	1,586,000.00	1,923,000.00
3 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	0.00	0.00
4 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses - other long term employee bene	fit r 7,797,368.00	7,881,363.00
5 Defined Benefit Cost	14,795,368.00	16,345,363.00
D Assumptions as at	31 March 2017	31 March 2018
1 Discount Rate	7.18%	7.60%
2 Rate of salary increase	3.50%	5.00%



# India Power Corporation Limited Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Development of Net Balance Sheet Position	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Defined benefit obligation (DBO)	(32,221,000.00)	(34,724,000.00)
2 Fair value of plan assets (FVA)	0.00	0.00
3 Funded status [surplus/(deficit)]	(32,221,000.00)	(34,724,000.00)
4 Effect of Asset ceiling	0.00	0.00
5 Net defined benefit asset/ (liability)	(32,221,000.00)	(34,724,000.00)
B Reconciliation of Net Balance Sheet Position		
1 Net defined benefit asset/ (liablity) at end of prior period	(26,761,761.00)	(32,221,000.00)
2 Service cost	(5,412,000.00)	(6,541,000.00)
3 Net interest on net defined benefit liabilty/ (asset)	(1,586,000.00)	(1,923,000.00)
4 Actuarial (losses)/ gains	(7,797,368.00)	(7,881,363.00)
5 Employer contributions	0.00	0.00
6 Benefit paid directly by the Company	9,336,129.00	13,842,363.00
7 Acquisitions credit/ (cost)	0.00	0.00
8 Divestitures	0.00	0.00
9 Cost of termination benefits	0.00	0.00
Net defined benefit asset/ (liablity) at end of current period	(32,221,000.00)	(34,724,000.00)
C Assumptions as at	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
2 Rate of salary increase	5.00%	5.00%





# India Power Corporation Limited Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Change in Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 DBO at end of prior period	26,761,761.00	32,221,000.00
2 Current service cost	5,412,000.00	6,541,000.00
3 Interest cost on the DBO	1,586,000.00	1,923,000.00
4 Curtailment (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
5 Settlement (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
6 Past service cost - plan amendements	0.00	0.00
7 Acquisitions (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
8 Actuarial (gain)/loss - experience	5,176,368.00	7,623,363.00
9 Actuarial (gain)/loss - demographic assumptions	0.00	0.00
10 Actuarial (gain)/loss - financial assumptions	2,621,000.00	258,000.00
11 Benefits paid directly by the Company	(9,336,129.00)	(13,842,363.00
12 Benefits paid from plan assets	0.00	0.00
13 DBO at end of current period	32,221,000.00	34,724,000.00
B Change in Fair Value of Assets		
1 Fair value of assets at end of prior period	0.00	0.00
2 Acquisition adjustment	0.00	0.00
3 Interest income on plan assets	0.00	0.00
4 Employer contributions	0.00	0.00
5 Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate	0.00	0.00
6 Benefits paid	0.00	0.00
7 Fair Value of assets at the end of current period	0.00	0.00





#### **India Power Corporation Limited** Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Additional Disclosure Information Local currency - INR

A Expected benefit payments for the year ending	<b>在我们是是一个人的</b>	
1 March 31, 2020		5,282,000
2 March 31, 2021		4,672,000
3 March 31, 2022		3,186,000
4 March 31, 2023		3,364,000
5 March 31, 2024		3,360,000
6 March 31, 2025 to March 31, 2029		27,517,000
B Expected employer contributions for the period ending 31 March 20.  C Weighted average duration of defined benefit obligation		Not Applicable 8 Years
D Accrued Benefit Obligation at 31 March 2019		24,858,000
E Current and Non Current Liability Breakup as at	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Current Liability	(1,337,000)	(5,094,000)
2 Non Current Asset/ (Liability)	(30,884,000)	(29,630,000)
3 Net Asset/(Liability) as at 31 March 2019	(32,221,000)	(34,724,000)

The liability for an underfunded plan has been classified as a current liability, a non-current liability, or a combination of both, based on

The current portion (determined on a plan-by-plan basis) is the amount by which the actuarial present value of benefits included in the benefit obligation payable in the next 12 months, or operating cycle if longer, exceeds the fair value of plan assets. The assets for an overfunded plan shall be classified as a non-current asset in a classified statement of financial position.



## India Power Corporation Limited Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Additional Disclosure Information (Continued)

#### Description of Plan Characteristics and Associated Risks

The Leave scheme is a final salary Defined Benefit Plan that provides for a lump sum payment made on exit either by way of retirement, death, disability or voluntary withdrawal. The benefits are defined on the basis of final salary and the accumulated leave balances and paid as lump sum at exit. The Plan design means the risks commonly affecting the liabilities and the financial results are expected to be:

- 1 Interest rate risk: The defined benefit obligation calculated uses a discount rate based on government bonds. If bond yields fall, the defined benefit obligation will tend to increase
- 2 Salary Inflation risk: Higher than expected increases in salary will increase the defined benefit obligation
- 3 Demographic risk: This is the risk of variability of results due to unsystematic nature of decrements that include mortality, withdrawal, disability and retirement. The effect of these decrements on the defined benefit obligation is not straight forward and depends upon the combination of salary increase, discount rate and vesting criteria. It is important not to overstate withdrawals because in the financial analysis the retirement benefit of a short career employee typically costs less per year as compared to a long service employee.
- 4 Change in Leave Balances: This is the risk of variability of results due to a significant variation from expected accumulation of leave balances. All other aspects remaining same, higher than expected increase in the leave balances will increase the defined benefit obligation.



# India Power Corporation Limited Leave Benefit Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 <u>Sensitivity Analysis</u> Local currency - INR

DBO on base assumptions as at 31 March 2019	34,724,000
These assumptions are summarised in Appendix C of the report.	
A Discount Rate	
Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019	7.50%
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Discount Rate	(2,415,000.00)
Percentage Impact	-7%
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Discount Rate	2,798,000.00
Percentage Impact	8%
B Salary Escalation Rate	
Salary Escalation Rate as at 31 March 2019	5.00%
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Salary Escalation Rate	2,841,000.00
Percentage Impact	8%
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Salary Escalation Rate	(2,491,000.00)
Percentage Impact	-7%
C Withdrawal Rate	Apina tahan bila kecamatan bahasa yang
Withdrawal Rate as at 31 March 2019	Less than 40 - 4.2%40 and above - Nil
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Withdrawal Rate	1,086,000.00
Percentage Impact	3.10%
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Withdrawal Rate	(244,000.00)
Percentage Impact	-0.70%
D Mortality Rate	
Mortality Rate as at 31 March 2019	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult
1 Effect on DBO due to 10% increase in Mortality Rate	0.00
Percentage Impact	0.00%
2 Effect on DBO due to 10% decrease in Mortality Rate	0.00
Percentage Impact	0.00%

Method used for sensitivity analysis: The sensitivity results above determine their individual impact on the Plan's end of year Defined Benefit Obligation. In reality, the Plan is subject to multiple external experience items which may move the Defined Benefit Obligation in similar or opposite directions, while the Plan's sensitivity to such changes can vary over time.



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#### Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

#### A 1.1 Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

#### Possible reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses on Plan Liabilities

- If the actual attrition, retirement or mortality experience turns out to be higher or lower than expected based on the assumptions made at the start of the accounting period, it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- If the salary increases are higher or lower than expected based on the assumption made at the start of the accounting period, it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- If the actuarial assumptions of salary increase, attrition rate and discount rate change from one valuation year to another, it may lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- Any significant changes in the demographic profile may also lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities such as a large growth of the employee count from new joinees.
- If the actual leave availment from the current year entitlement is different than the Availment Pattern assumed at the start of the accounting period, it may leave to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.

#### Possible reasons for experience Gains or Losses on Plan Assets:

Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate. For example, if the discount rate was 8% and the fund actually earned 7%, it would result in an actuarial loss on assets.

The reasons explained above aim at helping to understand the possible reasons for the occurrence of Actuarial Gains or Losses in an intervaluation period. Specific reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses as entailed in Table 3 would require a more detailed investigation.



## B Summary of Membership Data

#### B 1.1 Below is a summary of the active members of the plan:

	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Number of employees	537	529
Total monthly salary (INR)	17,454,592	18,424,574
Total annual Salary (INR)	209,455,104	221,094,888
Average annual Salary (INR)	390,047	417,949
Average attained age (years)	47.11	47.12
Total Capped Leave Balance (days)	35,664.29	34,678.08

Data Observations: None

#### B 1.2 Spilit of Liability

Branch	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Wind Division	141,000	264,000
Power Division	32,080,000	34,460,000
Total	32,221,000	34,724,000

#### B 1.3 Key Mangerial Liability

Employee Id	Company	31 March 2018 (INR)	31 March 2019 (INR)
300739	India Power Corporation Limited	298,200	828,000
300541	India Power Corporation Limited	259,200	430,500
300448	India Power Corporation Limited	165,200	311,700
300211	India Power Corporation Limited	214,000	328,800





### Assumptions

- C1.1 The valuation summarised in this report involves actuarial calculations that require assumptions about future events. India Power Corporation Limited is responsible for the selection of the assumptions.
- C1.2 I have not carried out a formal experience analysis within the last 3 years for the salary escalation and withdrawal rate in the process of advising on material actuarial assumptions. The importance, implication and broad guidelines for future salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption have been discussed with the Company. The Company feels that the salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption used in this report best represent their long term perspective. I believe that the assumptions used in this report are reasonable for the purpose for which they have been used. However I recommend an experience analysis be carried out once every three years for the purpose of validating the assumptions.
- C1.3 The actuarial assumptions (demographic & financial) employed for the calculations as at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019 are as follows.

Financial & Demographic Assumptions	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
Salary Escalation Rate	5.00%	5.00%
Mortality Rate	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult
Withdrawal Rate	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil

#### Specimen Mortality rates

Age	Rates	Age	Rates
20	0.000888	45	0.002874
25	0.000984	50	0.004946
30	0.001056	55	0.007888
35	0.001282	60	0.011534
40	0.001803	65	0.017009

#### C1.4 Notes:

- 1 The effects of Mortality and Withdrawal have been factored by constructing a Multiple Decrement Table taking into account the above Mortality table.
- 2 Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as:
  - a. Plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions
  - b. Changes in economic or demographic assumptions
  - c. Changes in plan provisions or applicable law
  - d. Significant events since last actuarial valuation





## Methodology

- D 1.1 The Projected Unit Credit (PUC) actuarial method has been used to assess the Plan's liabilities, including those related to death-inservice and incapacity benefits.
- D 1.2 Under the PUC method a "projected accrued benefit" is calculated at the beginning of the year and again at the end of the year for each benefit that will accrue for all active members of the Plan. The "projected accrued benefit" is based on the Plan's accrual formula and upon service as of the beginning or end of the year, but using a member's final compensation, projected to the age at which the employee is assumed to leave active service. The Plan liability is the actuarial present value of the "projected accrued benefits" as of the beginning of the year for active members.
- D 1.3 The liability for an underfunded plan has been classified as a current liability, a non-current liability, or a combination of both, based on guidelines issued under the Schedule III to the companies Act, 2013.
  The current portion (determined on a plan-by-plan basis) is the amount by which the actuarial present value of benefits included in

the benefit obligation payable in the next 12 months, or operating cycle if longer, exceeds the fair value of plan assets. The assets for an overfunded plan shall be classified as a non-current asset in a classified statement of financial position.



## Principal Plan Provisions

#### A summary of the understanding of principal rules of the Plan

#### Leave Benefit Scheme

Salary Definition Last drawn Basic Salary + DA (if any)

Annual leave entitlement 30 days

Maximum accumulation of leaves 150 days for Officers and Assistants 240 days for the Staff and Workers allowed

60 Years for Officers and Assistants; 58 years for the Staff and Workers Retirement Age

(Monthly Salary\*Leave Balance) / 30 Leave encashment formula

Encashment on separation Accumulated leave balance to the employee's credit

Form of Payment Lump sum Discretionary Benefits No allowance





### Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1 What is the meaning of "Expected Term of Defined Benefit Obligation"?

The expected term of the defined benefit obligation is the weighted Average Future Working Lifetime (AFWL) which depends upon the estimated time and amount of benefits payments for the given set of members.

Based on the membership data and key assumptions such as mortality, withdrawal rate and salary increases, a spread of expected future benefit payments is determined. This in turn enables the estimation of a single weighted average which reflects an expected timing of the entire obligation. This estimate also represents a rough 'duration' of the liabilities

#### 2 How is discount rate determined?

As per the guidance provided by AS15 and IND AS19 accounting standards, the discount rate needs to be determined by using an appropriate yield from government bonds at the valuation date taking into account the currency and expected term of the defined benefit obligations.

For International standards such as US GAAP and IFRS, it is recommended that the corresponding yields on high quality corporate bonds should be considered. However, due to the absence of a deep market of corporate bonds in India, the yield from government bonds is considered (similar to the approach adopted for AS15 and IND AS19).

#### 3 Why is the discount rate used at beginning of the year reflected under current year expense table?

The current year expense reflects the cost of the liabilities increasing due to unwinding and the cost of additional benefits accruing over a year. In determining these additional accrual costs over the period like service cost and interest cost, the assumptions at the beginning of the year need to be adopted.

#### 4 Why is the accrued benefit different from Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)?

Accrued benefit for a scheme is the total benefit all employees have accrued since their joining date till the valuation date. It reflects the total benefit that the member will be entitled to if he / she were to claim these immediately.

Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO) is the expected present value of the projected accrued benefit of the members till retirement age or earlier exit. The calculation of the DBO, therefore, involves use of certain financial and demographic assumptions such as discount rate, salary increases, withdrawal rate, mortality etc.

#### 6 How are the expected benefit payments determined?

The undiscounted benefit payouts which are expected to be paid to the employees in the coming years if they leave the organization due to any reason such as retirement, death, disability or withdrawal.

#### 7 Why do Actuarial Gains and Losses occur?

From one plan year to the next, we expect the liability at the beginning of the year to increase due to an additional year of accrual which is termed as service cost and due to interest (unwinding) which is termed as interest cost. Also the liability is expected to decrease by the benefit payments made by the company during the year.

However, in reality, the assumptions made at the start of the year are not always borne out – for example we may have expected salaries to increase by 10% but they actually increased by 12% or 14%. This impact which is included within the renewed data can impact the liabilities and is called an experience gain or loss.

Further, assumptions made at the end of the year may no longer be the same as those made at the start of the year – for example government bond yields could have gone up or come down.

The difference between assumptions at start and end has an impact on liabilities and is called a gain or loss due to changes in assumptions.

#### 8 What is the difference between financial and demographic assumptions?

Financial assumptions generally affect the amount of future expected benefit payments whereas demographic assumptions generally affect the timing and number of the benefit payments. The discount rate is also a financial assumption which we use to discount the expected benefit payments and is linked to yields on government bonds.

#### 9 Under what circumstances can the current liability be zero for a funded scheme?

Current liability represents the discounted value of the expected payments for the coming year. For a funded scheme if the assets are greater than the expected payouts to be made for the coming year, the current liability is zero as the expected benefit payments will be made from the fund.

#### 10 What is Actuarial Practice Standard 27?

It is the latest Actuarial practice standard (APS) issued by Institute of Actuaries of India effective 1 January 2018, which superceeds all previous APSs and Guidance notes issued in the area of employee benefits. Whenever a member performs actuarial work related to pensions or other employee benefits in the specific areas covered in this standard, this standard will apply and the Fellow Member certifying must ensure compliance with the requirements of this Standard.

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## **G** Glossary

Service Cost

Service cost comprises:

(a) current service cost, which is the increase in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from employee service in the current period;

(b) past service cost, which is the change in the present value of the defined benefit obligation for employee service in prior periods, resulting from a plan amendment (the introduction or withdrawal of, or changes to, a defined benefit plan) or a curtailment (a significant reduction by the entity in the number of employees covered by a plan); and

(c) any gain or loss on settlement.

Net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset) Net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset) is the change during the period in the net defined benefit liability (asset) that arises from the passage of time.

Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability (asset) Remeasurements of the net defined benefit liability (asset) comprise:

(a) actuarial gains and losses;

(b) the return on plan assets, excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset); and

(c) any change in the effect of the asset ceiling, excluding amounts included in net interest on the net defined benefit liability (asset).

Actuarial gains and losses

Actuarial gains and losses are changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligation resulting from: (a) experience adjustments (the effects of differences between the previous actuarial assumptions and what has actually occurred);

(b) the effects of changes in actuarial assumptions.

Return on plan assets The return on plan assets is interest, dividends and other income derived from the plan assets, together with realised and unrealised gains or losses on the plan assets, less:

(a) any costs of managing plan assets; and

(b) any tax payable by the plan itself, other than tax included in the actuarial assumptions used to measure the present value of the defined benefit obligation.

Settlement

A settlement is a transaction that eliminates all further legal or constructive obligations for part or all of the benefits provided under a defined benefit plan, other than a payment of benefits to, or on behalf of, employees that is set out in the terms of the plan and included in the actuarial assumptions.

Accrued Benefit Obligation This is the present value of liability owed to employees under a scheme's benefit formula without any projected salary increases and discounted at a nominal rate of interest.

Vested Benefit Obligation This is the present value of liability owed to employees under a scheme's benefit formula who are vested as of the valuation date.



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## **India Power Corporation Limited**

**Gratuity Scheme** 

Reporting under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19

Actuarial Valuation for Year ended 31 March 2019

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#### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 This report is provided subject to the terms set out herein and in the Engagement Letter dated 3 October 2018 and the accompanying General Terms and Conditions of Business.
- 1.2 We have been requested by India Power Corporation Limited (the "Company") to report on the financial position of its Gratuity Scheme (the "Plan") liabilities for the Year ending 31 March 2019 and to calculate the accounting expenses associated with the Scheme for the Year ending 31 March 2019 as per the norms of Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 issued by The Ministry of Corporate Affairs of the Central Government of India in consultation with the National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards.
- 1.3 The results set out in this report are based on my understanding of Ind AS 19 and its application to the Plan. They have been prepared for the specific requirements of Ind AS 19 and should not be used for any other purpose. In particular this report does not constitute a formal funding actuarial valuation of the Plan and does not present any recommendation of contributions or funding levels.
- 1.4 This report complies with Actuarial Practice Standard 27 (APS 27) as published by the Institute of Actuaries of India (IAI), which came into effect from 1 January 2018.
- 1.5 This report is provided solely for the Company's use and for the specific purposes indicated above. Except where we expressly agree in writing, it should not be disclosed or provided to any third party, other than as provided below. In the absence of such consent and an express assumption of responsibility, no responsibility whatsoever is accepted by us for any consequences arising from any third party relying on this report or any advice relating to its contents. The Company may make a copy of this report available to its auditors, but we make no representation as to the suitability of this report for any purpose other than that for which it was originally provided and accept no responsibility or liability to the Company's auditors in this regard. The Company should draw the provisions of this paragraph to the attention of its auditors when passing this Report to them.



## 2 Summary of Results

2.1 The table below shows a summary of the key results for the Year ended 31 March 2019.

Assets / Liabilities	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
	INR	INR
1. Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)*	146,948,000.00	158,047,000.00
2. Fair Value of Plan Assets (FVA)	4,417,435.00	3,180,259.00
3. Funded Status (Surplus/(Deficit))	(142,530,565.00)	(154,866,741.00)

Defined Benefit Cost	Year ended 31 March 2019
	INR
1. Service Cost	7,857,000.00
2. Defined Benefit Cost recognised in P&L	17,813,000.00
3. Remeasurements recognised in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) Loss/(Gains)	17,600,782.00

Key Assumptions used	31 March 2019
1. Discount Rate	7.50%
2. Rate of Salary increases	5.00%

- 2.2 Service cost represents the Current Service cost which is the cost associated with the Current period benefit accruals and the Past Service Cost which is the change in the DBO resulting from changes in the benefit plan provisions for employee Service in prior periods. Total Employer expense is the expense under Ind AS 19; inclusive of Service Cost and Net Interest.
- 2.3 Table 1 shows the Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.4 Table 2 shows the Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019
- 2.5 Table 3 shows the Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.6 Table 4 shows the Additional Disclosure Information
- 2.7 Table 5 shows the Sensitivity Analysis





### 3 Information Sources

- 3.1 The actuarial valuation as at 31 March 2019 has been carried out on the basis of the membership data provided by the company as at 31 March 2019.
- 3.2 The principal rules of the Gratuity Scheme as at 31 March 2019 are as provided by the company. A summary of the plan provisions has been mentioned in Appendix E.
- 3.3 In preparing this Report, there has been a reliance on the completeness and accuracy of all the data and information, including Plan provisions, membership data and asset information provided orally and in writing by or on behalf of the Company and its advisers. No detailed validation checks have been performed on the information provided. However, broad consistency checks have been carried out.
- 3.4 According to Ind AS 19 the discount rate should be based upon the market yields available on government bonds at the accounting date, corresponding to a estimated term that matches that of the obligations. The other assumptions should be chosen to reflect a best estimate of the future long-term experience.

The Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019 is based on the government bond yields as at 29 March 2019 .

3.5 The Gratuity Scheme is treated as a post-employment benefit under Ind AS 19 and the actuarial gains/losses are recognised immediately through the Other Comprehensive Income via retained earnings.

No



## 4 Conclusion

- 4.1 The assumptions and methodology used in compiling this report are consistent with our understanding of Ind AS 19.
- 4.2 The summary of the membership data used (including details of any modifications applied) in the calculations is set out in Appendix B.
- 4.3 The key assumptions used in the calculations are set out in Appendix C.
- 4.4 The results are particularly sensitive to some assumptions, such as the discount rate, level of salary increase and level of employee turnover. A decrease in the discount rate assumed or an increase in salary inflation will lead to an increase in reported cost.
- 4.5 The methodology used in the calculations is set out in Appendix D.
- 4.6 The benefits valued (including any discretionary benefits) in this Report are summarised in Appendix E.
- 4.7 Full actuarial valuations as at the start and end of the accounting period have been performed, based on member data and plan information provided at these dates.
- 4.8 The full results of our calculations are set out in Tables 1 to 5
- 4.9 We would be pleased to discuss this Report with you.
- 4.10 The below signing actuary has signed the Report in his/her professional capacity as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, India as required by the relevant accounting standards and report is submitted in his/her independent professional capacity.

Yours faithfully

Ritobrata Sarkar (Memb no - 5394) Fellow, Institute of Actuaries of India

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India Power Corporation Limited
Gratuity Scheme
Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19
Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019
Local currency - INR

A Profit & Loss (P&L)	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Current service cost	6,969,000.00	7,857,000.00
2 Past service cost - plan amendements	3,083,000.00	0.00
3 Curtailment cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
4 Settlement cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
5 Service cost	10,052,000.00	7,857,000.00
6 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset) 7 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses – other long term employee benefit	8,053,499.00 c 0.00	9,956,000.00
8 Cost recognised in P&L	18,105,499.00	17,813,000.00
B Other Comprehensive Income ( OCI )		
1 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO experience	9,327,464.00	16,804,782.00
2 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO assumption changes	7,698,000.00	796,000.00
3 Actuarial (gain)/loss arising during period	17,025,464.00	17,600,782.00
4 Return on plan assets (greater)/less than discount rate	(810,514.00)	0.00
5 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	16,214,950.00	17,600,782.00
6 Adjustment for limit on net asset	0.00	0.00
C Defined Benefit Cost		
1 Service cost	10,052,000.00	7,857,000.00
2 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset)	8,053,499.00	9,956,000.00
3 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	16,214,950.00	17,600,782.00
4 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses - other long term employee benefit	¢ 0.00	0.00
5 Defined Benefit Cost	34,320,449.00	35,413,782.00
D Assumptions as at	31 March 2017	31 March 2018
1 Discount Rate	6.93%	7.60%
2 Rate of salary increase	3.50%	5.00%





# India Power Corporation Limited Gratuity Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Development of Net Balance Sheet Position	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Defined benefit obligation (DBO)	(146,948,000.00)	(158,047,000.00)
2 Fair value of plan assets (FVA)	4,417,435.00	3,180,259.00
3 Funded status [surplus/(deficit)]	(142,530,565.00)	(154,866,741.00)
4 Effect of Asset ceiling	0.00	0.00
5 Net defined benefit asset/ (liability)	(142,530,565.00)	(154,866,741.00)
B Reconciliation of Net Balance Sheet Position		etherin astrona
1 Net defined benefit asset/ (liablity) at end of prior period	(124,212,820.00)	(142,530,565.00)
2 Service cost	(10,052,000.00)	(7,857,000.00)
3 Net interest on net defined benefit liability/ (asset)	(8,053,499.00)	(9,956,000.00)
4 Amount recognised in OCI	(16,214,950.00)	(17,600,782.00)
5 Employer contributions	16,002,704.00	23,077,606.00
6 Benefit paid directly by the Company	0.00	0.00
7 Acquisitions credit/ (cost)	0.00	0.00
8 Divestitures	0.00	0.00
9 Cost of termination benefits	0.00	0.00
Net defined benefit asset/ (liablity) at end of current period	(142,530,565.00)	(154,866,741.00)
C Assumptions as at	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
2 Rate of salary increase	5.00%	5.00%





# India Power Corporation Limited Gratulty Scheme Actuarlal Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Change in Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)	One Year Period Ending	One Year Period Ending
	31 March 2018	31 March 201
1 DBO at end of prior period	131161453.00	146,948,000.00
2 Current service cost	6,969,000.00	7,857,000.00
3 Interest cost on the DBO	8,407,000.00	10,234,000.00
4 Curtailment (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
5 Settlement (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
6 Past service cost - plan amendements	3,083,000.00	0.00
7 Acquisitions (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
8 Actuarial (gain)/loss - experience	9,327,464.00	16,804,782.00
9 Actuarial (gain)/loss - demographic assumptions	0.00	0.00
10 Actuarial (gain)/loss - financial assumptions	7,698,000.00	796,000.00
11 Benefits paid directly by the Company	0.00	0.00
12 Benefits paid from plan assets	(19,697,917.00)	(24,592,782.00
13 DBO at end of current period	146,948,000.00	158,047,000.00
B Change in Fair Value of Assets		
1 Fair value of assets at end of prior period	6,948,633.00	4,417,435.00
2 Acquisition adjustment	0.00	0.00
3 Interest income on plan assets	353,501.00	278,000.00
4 Employer contributions	16,002,704.00	23,077,606.00
5 Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate	810,514.00	0.00
6 Benefits paid	(19,697,917.00)	(24,592,782.00)
7 Fair Value of assets at the end of current period	4,417,435.00	3,180,259.00



#### India Power Corporation Limited **Gratuity Scheme** Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Additional Disclosure Information Local currency - INR

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Note: This report provides basic information in relation to plan assets. Additional input may be required by the Company in relation to the plan asset disclosures specified in paragraphs 142, 143 of Ind AS 19

F Current and Non Current Liability Breakup as at	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Current Liability	(2,688,000)	(36,449,000)
2 Non Current Asset/ (Liability)	(139,842,565)	(118,417,741)
3 Net Asset/(Liability) as at 31 March 2019	(142,530,565)	(154,866,741)

The liability for an underfunded plan has been classified as a current liability, a non-current liability, or a combination of both, based on guidelines issued under Schedule III to the Companies Act,2013.

The current portion (determined on a plan-by-plan basis) is the amount by which the actuarial present value of benefits included in the benefit obligation payable in the next 12 months, or operating cycle if longer, exceeds the fair value of plan assets. The assets for an overfunded plan shall be classified as a non-current asset in a classified statement of financial position.



## India Power Corporation Limited Gratulty Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Additional Disclosure Information (Continued)

#### Description of Plan Characteristics and Associated Risks

The Gratuity scheme is a final salary Defined Benefit Plan that provides for a lump sum payment made on exit either by way of retirement, death, disability or voluntary withdrawal. The benefits are defined on the basis of final salary and the period of service and paid as lump sum at exit. The Plan design means the risks commonly affecting the liabilities and the financial results are expected to be:

- 1 Interest rate risk: The defined benefit obligation calculated uses a discount rate based on government bonds. If bond yields fall, the defined benefit obligation will tend to increase
- 2 Salary Inflation risk: Higher than expected increases in salary will increase the defined benefit obligation
- Demographic risk: This is the risk of variability of results due to unsystematic nature of decrements that include mortality, withdrawal, disability and retirement. The effect of these decrements on the defined benefit obligation is not straight forward and depends upon the combination of salary increase, discount rate and vesting criteria. It is important not to overstate withdrawals because in the financial analysis the retirement benefit of a short career employee typically costs less per year as compared to a long service employee.

#### Description of Funding Arrangements and Policies

There are no Statutory minimum funding requirements for such plans mandated in India. However a company can fund the benefits by way of a separate irrevocable Trust to take advantage of tax exemptions and also to ensure security of benefits.

The scheme is funded by way of a separate irrevocable Trust and the company is expected to make regular contributions to the Trust. The fund is managed internally by the company and the assets are invested as per the pattern prescribed under Rule 101 of the IT Rules.

The Trustees are responsible for the investment of the assets of the Trust as well as the day to day administration of the scheme. The asset allocation of the Trust is set by the Trustees from time to time, taking into account the membership profile, the liquidity requirements of the Plan and risk appetite of the Plan sponsor as per the investment norms. Administrative expenses of the trust are met by the company. The Trustees are required to conduct necessary business e.g. Approval of Trust's Financial Statements, Review Investment performance.





# India Power Corporation Limited Gratuity Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Sensitivity Analysis Local currency - INR

DBO on base assumptions as at 31 March 2019  These assumptions are summarised in Appendix C of the report.	158,047,000	
A Discount Rate		
Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019	7.50%	
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Discount Rate	(7,555,000.00)	
Percentage Impact	-5%	
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Discount Rate	8,521,000.00	
Percentage Impact	5%	
B Salary Escalation Rate		
Salary Escalation Rate as at 31 March 2019	5.00%	
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Salary Escalation Rate	8,522,000.00	
Percentage Impact	5%	
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Salary Escalation Rate	(7,716,000.00)	
Percentage Impact	-5%	
C Withdrawal Rate	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Withdrawal Rate as at 31 March 2019	Less than 40 - 4.2%40 and above - h	
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Withdrawal Rate	2,516,800.00	
Percentage Impact	1.60%	
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Withdrawal Rate	(242,000.00)	
Percentage Impact	-0.20%	
D Mortality Rate		
Mortality Rate as at 31 March 2019	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult	
1 Effect on DBO due to 10% increase in Mortality Rate	0.00	
Percentage Impact	0.00%	
2 Effect on DBO due to 10% decrease in Mortality Rate	0.00	
Percentage Impact	0.00%	

Method used for sensitivity analysis: The sensitivity results above determine their individual impact on the Plan's end of year Defined Benefit Obligation. In reality, the Plan is subject to multiple external experience items which may move the Defined Benefit Obligation in similar or opposite directions, while the Plan's sensitivity to such changes can vary over time.



## A Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

#### A 1.1 Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

#### Possible reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses on Plan Liabilities

- If the actual attrition, retirement or mortality experience turns out to be higher or lower than expected based on the assumptions made at the start of the accounting period, it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- 2 If the salary increases are higher or lower than expected based on the assumption made at the start of the accounting period , it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- If the actuarial assumptions of salary increase, attrition rate and discount rate change from one valuation year to another, it may lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- Any significant changes in the demographic profile may also lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities such as a large growth of the employee count from new joinees.
- f the actual leave availment from the current year entitlement is different than the Availment Pattern assumed at the start of the accounting period, it may leave to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.

#### Possible reasons for experience Gains or Losses on Plan Assets:

Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate. For example, if the discount rate was 8% and the fund actually earned 7%, it would result in an actuarial loss on assets.

The reasons explained above aim at helping to understand the possible reasons for the occurrence of Actuarial Gains or Losses in an intervaluation period. Specific reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses as entailed in Table 3 would require a more detailed investigation.



## R Summary of Membership Data

#### B 1.1 Below is a summary of the active members of the plan:

Service of the Servic	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Number of employees	537	529
Total monthly salary (INR)	17,454,592	18,424,574
Total annual Salary (INR)	209,455,104	221,094,888
Average annual Salary (INR)	390,047	417,949
Average attained age (years)	47.11	47.12
Average past service (years)	18.54	18.41

Data Observations: None

#### B 1.2 Spilit of Liability

Branch	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19	
Wind Division	129,000	335,000	
Power Division	146,819,000	157,712,000	
Total	146,948,000	158,047,000	

#### B 1.3 Key Mangerial Liability

Employee Id	Company	31 March 2018 (INR)	31 March 2019 (INR)
300739	India Powor Corporation Limited	147,500	364,700
300541	India Power Corporation Limited	203,900	366,400
300448	India Power Corporation Limited	105,900	194,400
300211	India Power Corporation Limited	148,000	265,600





## C Assumptions

- C1.1 The valuation summarised in this report involves actuarial calculations that require assumptions about future events, India Power Corporation Limited is responsible for the selection of the assumptions.
- C1.2 I have not carried out a formal experience analysis within the last 3 years for the salary escalation and withdrawal rate in the process of advising on material actuarial assumptions. The importance, implication and broad guidelines for future salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption have been discussed with the Company. The Company feels that the salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption used in this report best represent their long term perspective. I believe that the assumptions used in this report are reasonable for the purpose for which they have been used. However I recommend an experience analysis be carried out once every three years for the purpose of validating the assumptions.
- C1.3 The actuarial assumptions (demographic & financial) employed for the calculations as at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019 are as follows:

Financial & Demographic Assumptions	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
Salary Escalation Rate	5.00%	5.00%
Mortality Rate	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) (modified) Ult
Withdrawal Rate	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The assumptions as at 31 March 2018 are as certified by the previous actuary.

#### Specimen Mortality rates

Age	Rates	Age	Rates
20	0.000888	45	0.002874
25	0.000984	50	0.004946
30	0.001056	55	0.007888
35	0.001282	60	0.011534
40	0.001803	65	0.017009

#### C1.4 Notes:

- 1 The effects of Mortality and Withdrawal have been factored by constructing a Multiple Decrement Table taking into account the above Mortality table.
- 2 Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as:
  - a. Plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions
  - b. Changes in economic or demographic assumptions
  - c. Changes in plan provisions or applicable law
  - d. Significant events since last actuarial valuation

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## Methodology

- D 1.1 The Projected Unit Credit (PUC) actuarial method has been used to assess the Plan's liabilities, including those related to death-inservice and incapacity benefits.
- D 1.2 Under the PUC method a "projected accrued benefit" is calculated at the beginning of the year and again at the end of the year for each benefit that will accrue for all active members of the Plan. The "projected accrued benefit" is based on the Plan's accrual formula and upon service as of the beginning or end of the year, but using a member's final compensation, projected to the age at which the employee is assumed to leave active service. The Plan liability is the actuarial present value of the "projected accrued benefits" as of the beginning of the year for active members.
- D 1.3 The liability for an underfunded plan has been classified as a current liability, a non-current liability, or a combination of both, based on guidelines issued under the Schedule III to the companies Act, 2013.
  - The current portion (determined on a plan-by-plan basis) is the amount by which the actuarial present value of benefits included in the benefit obligation payable in the next 12 months, or operating cycle if longer, exceeds the fair value of plan assets. The assets for an overfunded plan shall be classified as a non-current asset in a classified statement of financial position.





# Principal Plan Provisions

### A summary of the understanding of principal rules of the Plan

### **Gratuity Scheme**

#### Benefits as per the Payment of Gratuity Act, 1972

Plan Service Definition Number of Years of Service rounded to the nearest integer

Salary Definition Last drawn Basic Salary + DA (if any)

Vesting Schedule 5 years; not applicable in case of death or disability, while in service.

Maximum Limit Rs 20,00,000

Retirement Age 60 Years for Officers and Staff;

58 years for Workers

Form of Payment Lump sum

#### Benefit Payable upon:

Retirement 15/26\*Salary\*Service

Death 15/26\*Salary\*Service; Vesting does not apply
Disability 15/26\*Salary\*Service; Vesting does not apply

Withdrawal 15/26\*Salary\*Service



## Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1 What is the meaning of "Expected Term of Defined Benefit Obligation"?

The expected term of the defined benefit obligation is the weighted Average Future Working Lifetime (AFWL) which depends upon the estimated time and amount of benefits payments for the given set of members.

Based on the membership data and key assumptions such as mortality, withdrawal rate and salary increases, a spread of expected future benefit payments is determined. This in turn enables the estimation of a single weighted average which reflects an expected timing of the entire obligation. This estimate also represents a rough 'duration' of the liabilities

#### 2 How Is discount rate determined?

As per the guidance provided by AS15 and IND AS19 accounting standards, the discount rate needs to be determined by using an appropriate yield from government bonds at the valuation date taking into account the currency and expected term of the defined benefit obligations.

For International standards such as US GAAP and IFRS, it is recommended that the corresponding yields on high quality corporate bonds should be considered. However, due to the absence of a deep market of corporate bonds in India, the yield from government bonds is considered (similar to the approach adopted for AS15 and IND AS19).

#### 3 Why is the discount rate used at beginning of the year reflected under current year expense table?

The current year expense reflects the cost of the liabilities increasing due to unwinding and the cost of additional benefits accruing over a year. In determining these additional accrual costs over the period like service cost and interest cost, the assumptions at the beginning of the year need to be adopted.

#### 4 Why is the accrued benefit different from Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)?

Accrued benefit for a scheme is the total benefit all employees have accrued since their joining date till the valuation date. It reflects the total benefit that the member will be entitled to if he / she were to claim these immediately.

Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO) is the expected present value of the projected accrued benefit of the members till retirement age or earlier exit. The calculation of the DBO, therefore, involves use of certain financial and demographic assumptions such as discount rate, salary increases, withdrawal rate, mortality etc.

#### 6 How are the expected benefit payments determined?

The undiscounted benefit payouts which are expected to be paid to the employees in the coming years if they leave the organization due to any reason such as retirement, death, disability or withdrawal.

#### 7 Why do Actuarial Gains and Losses occur?

From one plan year to the next, we expect the liability at the beginning of the year to increase due to an additional year of accrual which is termed as service cost and due to interest (unwinding) which is termed as interest cost. Also the liability is expected to decrease by the benefit payments made by the company during the year.

However, in reality, the assumptions made at the start of the year are not always borne out – for example we may have expected salaries to increase by 10% but they actually increased by 12% or 14%. This impact which is included within the renewed data can impact the liabilities and is called an experience gain or loss.

Further, assumptions made at the end of the year may no longer be the same as those made at the start of the year – for example government bond yields could have gone up or come down.

The difference between assumptions at start and end has an impact on liabilities and is called a gain or loss due to changes in assumptions.

#### 8 What is the difference between financial and demographic assumptions?

Financial assumptions generally affect the amount of future expected benefit payments whereas demographic assumptions generally affect the timing and number of the benefit payments. The discount rate is also a financial assumption which we use to discount the expected benefit payments and is linked to yields on government bonds.

#### 9 Under what circumstances can the current liability be zero for a funded scheme?

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Ex Gratia Scheme (in lieu of Monthly Pension)

Reporting under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19

Actuarial Valuation for Year ended 31 March 2019

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#### Introduction

- 1.1 This report is provided subject to the terms set out herein and in the Engagement Letter dated 3 October 2018 and the accompanying General Terms and Conditions of Business.
- 1.2 We have been requested by India Power Corporation Limited (the "Company") to report on the financial position of its Ex Gratia Scheme (the "Plan") liabilities for the Year ending 31 March 2019 and to calculate the accounting expenses associated with the Scheme for the Year ending 31 March 2019 as per the norms of Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 issued by The Ministry of Corporate Affairs of the Central Government of India in consultation with the National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards.
- 1.3 The results set out in this report are based on my understanding of Ind AS 19 and its application to the Plan. They have been prepared for the specific requirements of Ind AS 19 and should not be used for any other purpose. In particular this report does not constitute a formal funding actuarial valuation of the Plan and does not present any recommendation of contributions or funding levels.
- 1.4 This report complies with Actuarial Practice Standard 27 (APS 27) as published by the Institute of Actuaries of India (IAI), which came into effect from 1 January 2018.
- 1.5 This report is provided solely for the Company's use and for the specific purposes indicated above. Except where we expressly agree in writing, it should not be disclosed or provided to any third party, other than as provided below. In the absence of such consent and an express assumption of responsibility, no responsibility whatsoever is accepted by us for any consequences arising from any third party relying on this report or any advice relating to its contents. The Company may make a copy of this report available to its auditors, but we make no representation as to the suitability of this report for any purpose other than that for which it was originally provided and accept no responsibility or liability to the Company's auditors in this regard. The Company should draw the provisions of this paragraph to the attention of its auditors when passing this Report to them.



# 2 Summary of Results

2.1 The table below shows a summary of the key results for the Year ended 31 March 2019.

Assets / Liabilities	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Marie a Militar and Architecture and Arc	INR	INR
1. Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)*	5,414,000.00	5,333,000.00
2. Fair Value of Plan Assets (FVA)	0.00	0.00
3. Funded Status (Surplus/(Deficit))	(5,414,000.00)	(5,333,000.00)

Defined Benefit Cost	Year ended 31 March 2019
	INR
1. Service Cost	198,000.00
Defined Benefit Cost recognised in P&L	581,000.00
3. Remeasurements recognised in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) Loss/(Gains)	86,000.00

Key Assumptions used	31 March 2019
1. Discount Rate	7.50%
2. Rate of Salary increases	Not Applicable

- 2.2 Service cost represents the Current Service cost which is the cost associated with the Current period benefit accruals and the Past Service cost which is the change in the DBO resulting from changes in the benefit plan provisions for employee Service in prior periods. Total Employer expense is the expense under Ind AS 19; inclusive of Service Cost and Net Interest.
- 2.3 Table 1 shows the Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.4 Table 2 shows the Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019
- 2.5 Table 3 shows the Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019
- 2.6 Table 4 shows the Additional Disclosure Information
- 2.7 Table 5 shows the Sensitivity Analysis





## 3 Information Sources

- 3.1 The actuarial valuation as at 31 March 2019 is done on the basis of the membership information provided by the company as at 31 March 2019.
- 3.2 The benefit payouts made during the period 31 March 2018 to 31 March 2019 have taken to be as provided by the company.
- 3.3 In preparing this Report, there has been a reliance on the completeness and accuracy of all the data and information, including Plan provisions, membership data and asset information provided orally and in writing by or on behalf of the Company by it's asset managers, plan administrators and other third parties. No detailed validation checks have been performed on the information provided. However, broad consistency checks have been carried out.
- 3.4 According to Ind AS 19 the discount rate should be based upon the market yields available on government bonds at the accounting date, corresponding to a estimated term that matches that of the obligations. The other assumptions should be chosen to reflect a best estimate of the future long-term experience.

The Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019 is based on the government bond yields as at 29 March 2019.

3.5 The Ex Gratia Scheme is treated as a post-employment benefit under Ind AS 19 and the actuarial gains/losses are recognised immediately through the Other Comprehensive Income via retained earnings.





## 4 Conclusion

- 4.1 The assumptions and methodology used in compiling this report are consistent with our understanding of Ind AS 19.
- 4.2 The summary of the membership data used (including details of any modifications applied) in the calculations is set out in Appendix B.
- 4.3 The key assumptions used in the calculations are set out in Appendix C.
- 4.4 The results are particularly sensitive to some assumptions, such as the discount rate, level of salary increase and level of employee turnover. A decrease in the discount rate assumed or an increase in salary inflation will lead to an increase in reported cost.
- 4.5 The methodology used in the calculations is set out in Appendix D.
- 4.6 The benefits valued (including any discretionary benefits) in this Report are summarised in Appendix E.
- 4.7 Full actuarial valuations as at the start and end of the accounting period have been performed, based on member data and plan information provided at these dates.
- 4.8 The full results of our calculations are set out in Tables 1 to 7
- 4.9 We would be pleased to discuss this Report with you.
- 4.10 The below signing actuary has signed the Report in his/her professional capacity as a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, India as required by the relevant accounting standards and report is submitted in his/her independent professional capacity.

Yours faithfully

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India Power Corporation Limited
Ex Gratia Scheme
Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19
Disclosure of Defined Benefit Cost for the Year ending 31 March 2019
Local currency - INR

A Profit & Loss (P&L)	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2018	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2019
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1 Current service cost	184,000.00	198,000.00
2 Past service cost - plan amendments	0.00	0.00
3 Curtailment cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
4 Settlement cost / (credit)	0.00	0.00
5 Service cost	184,000.00	198,000.00
6 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset)	245,000.00	383,000.00
7 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses - other long term employee benefit plans	0.00	. 0.00
8 Cost recognised in P&L	429,000.00	581,000.00
B Other Comprehensive Income ( OCI )		
1 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO experience	2,129,777.00	63,000.00
2 Actuarial (gain)/loss due to DBO assumption changes	(125,000.00)	23,000.00
3 Actuarial (gain)/loss arising during period	2,004,777.00	86,000.00
4 Return on plan assets (greater)/less than discount rate	0.00	0.00
5 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	2,004,777.00	86,000.00
6 Adjustment for limit on net asset	0.00	0.00
C Defined Benefit Cost		
1 Service cost	184,000.00	198,000.00
2 Net interest on net defined benefit liability / (asset)	245,000.00	383,000.00
3 Actuarial (gains)/ losses recognized in OCI	2,004,777.00	86,000.00
4 Immediate recognition of (gains)/losses - other long term employee benefit plans	0.00	0.00
5 Defined Benefit Cost	2,433,777.00	667,000.00
D Assumptions as at 31 March 2018	31 March 2017	31 March 2018
1 Discount Rate	7.12%	7.60%
2 Rate of salary increase	Not Applicable	Not Applicable



# India Power Corporation Limited Ex Gratia Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Net Balance Sheet position as at 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Development of Net Balance Sheet Position	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2018	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2015
1 Defined benefit obligation (DBO)	(5,414,000.00)	(5,333,000.00)
2 Fair value of plan assets (FVA)	0.00	0.00
3 Funded status [surplus/(deficit)]	(5,414,000.00)	(5,333,000.00)
4 Effect of Asset ceiling	0.00	0.00
5 Net defined benefit asset/ (liability)	(5,414,000.00)	(5,333,000.00)
B Reconciliation of Net Balance Sheet Position		
1 Net defined benefit asset/ (liability) at end of prior period	(3,892,223.00)	(5,414,000.00)
2 Service cost	(184,000.00)	(198,000.00)
3 Net interest on net defined benefit (liability)/ asset	(245,000.00)	(383,000.00)
4 Amount recognised in OCI	(2,004,777.00)	(86,000.00)
5 Employer contributions	0.00	0.00
6 Benefit paid directly by the Company	912,000.00	748,000.00
7 Acquisitions credit/ (cost)	0.00	0.00
8 Divestitures	0.00	0.00
9 Cost of termination benefits	0.00	0.00
Net defined benefit asset/ (liability) at end of current period	(5,414,000.00)	(5,333,000.00)
C Assumptions as at 31 March 2019	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
2 Rate of salary increase	Not Applicable	Not Applicable



# India Power Corporation Limited Ex Gratia Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Changes in Benefit Obligations and Assets over the Year ending 31 March 2019 Local currency - INR

A Change in Defined Benefit Obligation (DBO)	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2018	One Year Period Ending 31 March 2019
1 DBO at end of prior period	3,892,223.00	5,414,000.00
2 Current service cost	184,000.00	198,000.00
3 Interest cost on the DBO	245,000.00	383,000.00
4 Curtailment (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
5 Settlement (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
6 Past service cost - plan amendments	0.00	0.00
7 Acquisitions (credit)/ cost	0.00	0.00
8 Actuarial (gain)/loss - experience	2,129,777.00	63,000.00
9 Actuarial (gain)/loss - demographic assumptions	0.00	0.00
10 Actuarial (gain)/loss - financial assumptions	(125,000.00)	23,000.00
11 Benefits paid directly by the Company	(912,000.00)	(748,000.00)
12 Benefits paid from plan assets	0.00	0.00
13 DBO at end of current period	5,414,000.00	5,333,000.00
B Change in Fair Value of Assets	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Fair value of assets at end of prior period	0.00	0.00
2 Acquisition adjustment	0.00	0.00
3 Interest income on plan assets	0.00	0.00
4 Employer contributions	0.00	0.00
5 Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate	0.00	0.00
6 Benefits paid	0.00	0.00
7 Fair Value of assets at the end of current period	0.00	0.00





# India Power Corporation Limited Ex Gratia Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Additional Disclosure Information Local currency - INR

A Expected benefit payments for the year ending		NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.
1 March 31, 2020		594,255.00
2 March 31, 2021		913,000.00
3 March 31, 2022		1,052,000.00
4 March 31, 2023		894,000.00
5 March 31, 2024		642,000.00
6 March 31, 2025 to March 31, 2029		2,348,000.00
B Expected employer contributions for the period ending 31 March 2020 C Weighted average duration of defined benefit obligation		Not Applicable 5 Years
D Accrued Benefit Obligation at 31 March 2019		5,333,000.00
E Current and Non Current Liability Breakup as at	31 March 2018	31 March 2019
1 Current Liability	(345,000.00)	(573,000.00
	(5,069,000.00)	(4,760,000.00
2 Non Current Asset/ (Liability)		



# India Power Corporation Limited Ex Gratia Scheme Actuarial Calculations under Indian Accounting Standard (Ind AS) 19 Sensitivity Analysis Local currency - INR

DBO on base assumptions as at 31 March 2019 These assumptions are summarised in Appendix C of the report.	5,333,000
A Discount Rate	
Discount Rate as at 31 March 2019	7.50%
1 Effect on DBO due to 1% increase in Discount Rate	(226,000.00)
Percentage Change	-4%
2 Effect on DBO due to 1% decrease in Discount Rate	249,000.00
Percentage Change	5%

Method used for sensitivity analysis: The sensitivity results above determine their individual impact on the Plan's end of year Defined Benefit Obligation. In reality, the Plan is subject to multiple external experience items which may move the Defined Benefit Obligation in similar or opposite directions, while the Plan's sensitivity to such changes can vary over time.





# A Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

A 1.1 Understanding Actuarial Gains and Losses

#### Possible reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses on Plan Liabilities

- If the actual attrition, retirement or mortality experience turns out to be higher or lower than expected based on the assumptions made at the start of the accounting period, it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- If the salary increases are higher or lower than expected based on the assumption made at the start of the accounting period , it would lead to an Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- 3 If the actuarial assumptions of salary increase, attrition rate and discount rate change from one valuation year to another, it may lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities.
- Any significant changes in the demographic profile may also lead to Actuarial Gain or Loss on Plan Liabilities such as a large growth of the employee count from new joinees.

#### Possible reasons for experience Gains or Losses on Plan Assets:

Return on plan assets greater/(lesser) than discount rate. For example, if the discount rate was 8% and the fund actually earned 7%, it would result in an actuarial loss on assets.

The reasons explained above aim at helping to understand the possible reasons for the occurrence of Actuarial Gains or Losses in an intervaluation period. Specific reasons for Actuarial Gains or Losses as entailed in Table 3 would require a more detailed investigation.





# R Summary of Membership Data and Analysis

### B 1.1 Below is a summary of the active members of the plan:

	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Number of employees	303	286
Average attained age (years)	50.53	50.95
Average past service (years)	24.74	25.30

Major Data Observations: None



No

# Assumptions

- C1.1 The valuation summarised in this report involves actuarial calculations that require assumptions about future events. India Power Corporation Limited is responsible for the selection of the assumptions.
- C1.2 We have not carried out a formal experience analysis within the last 3 years for the salary escalation and withdrawal rate in the process of advising on material actuarial assumptions. The importance, implication and broad guidelines for future salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption have been discussed with the Company. The Company feels that the salary increase assumption and withdrawal rate assumption used in this report best represent their long term perspective. We believe that the assumptions used in this report are reasonable for the purpose for which they have been used. However we recommend an experience analysis be carried out once every three years for the purpose of validating the assumptions.
- C1.3 The actuarial assumptions (demographic & financial) employed for the calculations as at 31 March 2018 and 31 March 2019 are as follows

Financial & Demographic Assumptions	31-Mar-18	31-Mar-19
Discount Rate	7.60%	7.50%
Salary Escalation Rate	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Mortality Rate	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) Ult.	Indian Assured Lives Mortality (2006-08) Ult.
Withdrawal Rate	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil	Less than 40 - 4.2% 40 and above - Nil

#### Specimen Mortality rates

Age	Rates	Age	Rates
20	0.000888	45	0.002874
25	0.000984	50	0.004946
30	0.001056	55	0.007888
35	0.001282	60	0.011534
40	0.001803	65	0.017009

#### C1.4 Notes:

- 1 The effects of Morbidity and Withdrawal have been factored by constructing a Multiple Decrement Table taking into account the above Mortality table.
- 2 Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as:
- a. Plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions
- b. Changes in economic or demographic assumptions
- c. Changes in plan provisions or applicable law
- d. Significant events since last actuarial valuation

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# Methodology

- D 1.1 The Projected Unit Credit (PUC) actuarial method has been used to assess the Plan's liabilities, including those related to death-inservice and incapacity benefits.
- D 1.2 Under the PUC method a "projected accrued benefit" is calculated at the beginning of the year and again at the end of the year for each benefit that will accrue for all active members of the Plan. The "projected accrued benefit" is based on the Plan's accrual formula and upon service as of the beginning or end of the year, but using a member's final compensation, projected to the age at which the employee is assumed to leave active service. The Plan liability is the actuarial present value of the "projected accrued benefits" as of the beginning of the year for active members.
- D 1.3 The liability for an underfunded plan has been classified as a current liability, a non-current liability, or a combination of both, based on guidelines issued under the Schedule III to the companies Act, 2013.

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# Principal Plan Provisions

### A summary of the understanding of principal rules of the Plan

#### Ex Gratia Scheme

One time retirement benefit in lieu of monthly pension by paying a lump sum amount in the manner detailed below to Workmen

Completed years of Service between 20 years - 25 years

INR 24,000

Completed years of Service between 26 years - 30 years

INR 30,000

Completed years of Service between 31 years - 35 years

INR 36,000

Completed years of Service 36 years

INR 47,000

For any fraction period service will be rounded to the nearest year

I am not aware of any discretionary practices and benefits which may have been provided in the past and/or have become an obligation for the company





# Frequently Asked Questions

#### 1 What is the meaning of "Expected Term of Defined Benefit Obligation"?

The expected term of the defined benefit obligation is the weighted Average Future Working Lifetime (AFWL) which depends upon the estimated time and amount of benefits payments for the given set of members.

Based on the membership data and key assumptions such as mortality, withdrawal rate and salary increases, a spread of expected future benefit payments is determined. This in turn enables the estimation of a single weighted average which reflects an expected timing of the entire obligation. This estimate also represents a rough 'duration' of the liabilities

#### 2 How is discount rate determined?

As per the guidance provided by AS15 and IND AS19 accounting standards, the discount rate needs to be determined by using an appropriate yield from government bonds at the valuation date taking into account the currency and expected term of the defined benefit obligations.

For International standards such as US GAAP and IFRS, it is recommended that the corresponding yields on high quality corporate bonds should be considered. However, due to the absence of a deep market of corporate bonds in India, the yield from government bonds is considered (similar to the approach adopted for AS15 and IND AS19).

#### 3 Why is the discount rate used at beginning of the year reflected under current year expense table?

The current year expense reflects the cost of the liabilities increasing due to unwinding and the cost of additional benefits accruing over a year. In determining these additional accrual costs over the period like service cost and interest cost, the assumptions at the beginning of the year need to be adopted.

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Accrued benefit for a scheme is the total benefit all employees have accrued since their joining date till the valuation date. It reflects the total benefit that the member will be entitled to if he / she were to claim these immediately.

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The undiscounted benefit payouts which are expected to be paid to the employees in the coming years if they leave the organization due to any reason such as retirement, death, disability or withdrawal.

#### 7 Why do Actuarial Gains and Losses occur?

From one plan year to the next, we expect the liability at the beginning of the year to increase due to an additional year of accrual which is termed as service cost and due to interest (unwinding) which is termed as interest cost. Also the liability is expected to decrease by the benefit payments made by the company during the year.

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