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PRESS RELEASE

Subject: **NEPRA's Webinar and Award Ceremony**

National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) today in a graceful ceremony honored the winners of the first-ever NEPRA's Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Performance Evaluation Awards that took place at the NEPRA Tower, Islamabad in an HSE related webinar on "Electrical Circuits and Apparatus". The awards were given to the top HSE performers of Power Industry for the year 2020.



2. The webinar and award ceremony was chaired by Chairman NEPRA, Mr. Tauseef H. Farooqi along-with Member NEPRA, Mr. Rehmatullah Baloch. It was attended by thousands of professionals, field staff and contractors from Public and Private Sector's Generation, Transmission and Distribution companies of Pakistan including Chairman, Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC) and Member, Pakistan Nuclear Regulatory Authority (PNRA). The main objective of the Performance Evaluation initiative is to create an HSE baseline for the power sector entities, identify top HSE performers for benchmarking and provide an opportunity for improvement in the safety standards.

3. Chairman NEPRA, Mr. Farooqi in his opening remarks highlighted the significance of NEPRA's drive of "Power with Safety" and stressed that HSE issues are at the forefront of his priorities and therefore, the power sector companies must strive hard in improving their performance in the areas of Occupational Health, Safety and Environment. He elaborated that NEPRA being the sole regulator will continue to apply and promote the best HSE practices in the industry and will continue to respond to all potential challenges so as to prevent the fatal accidents and any potential risks. He reiterated that NEPRA will never compromise on safety as death of an individual matters a lot and that everyone who reports for duty deserves to go back to their families safe and healthy.

4. NEPRA also recognized the winners for their outstanding performance in the field of HSE for the year 2020 wherein Foundation Power Company (Daharki) Limited was declared as the top performer and awarded Gold medal. Whereas, Pakistan Atomic Energy Commission (PAEC) and UCH Power (Private) Limited stood 2nd and 3rd earning Silver and Bronze medals respectively. Special Recognition awards were also given to Hub Power Company, Fauji Fertilizer Bin Qasim and Sapphire Electric Company Limited. Similarly, sixteen employees from different companies were also recognized by NEPRA on the basis of the best HSE practices in their respective fields.

5. Mr. Farooqi concluded the ceremony by thanking the participants for their presence and also congratulated the winners for their outstanding performance in the HSE field.

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