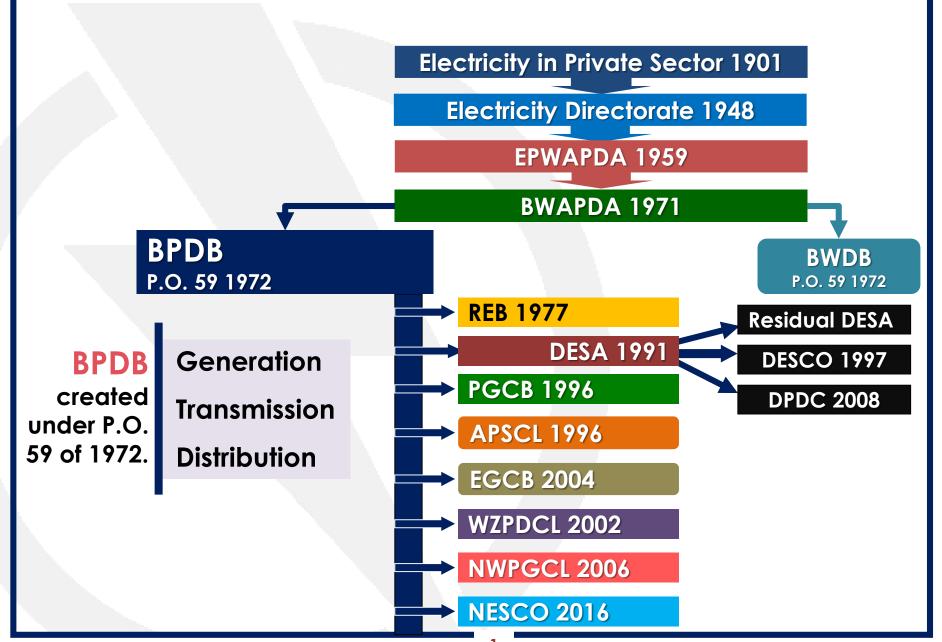
Historical Background of Power Sector



Women in Power Sector Professional Network in South Asia (WePOWER) BPDB Activities (2019-2020)

Pillar 1: STEM Education

- Continuously facilitating female engineering students to visit BPDB's power plants (80 students in 2020)
- Hosts industrial trainees (interns) from female engineering students upon request received from key engineering universities/institutions (at least 20 interns in a year)

Pillar 2: Recruitment

- Encourages female engineering students to apply for BPDB positions upon request from key universities in:
 - Seminars/workshops
 - Career Opportunity Sessions
 - Job Placement Network
- Provide assistance by female senior engineers acting as role models for female engineering students (fresh graduates) (at least 20 in a year)

BPDB Activities (2019-2020) (contd.) • Pillar 3: Development for Female professionals

- Mentorship program for fresh female recruits by delegating mentors from senior female engineers (at least 3 mentors and 2 events in a year)
- Female engineers as participants / expert speakers in national / international events/workshop & seminars (10 to 15 female engineers participate in at least 3 international and 5 national events in 2020)

• Pillar 4: Retention (including Facilities and Returning Mothers)

- Ensures *no less than 15%* female engineers/officers' participation in all capacity development initiatives.
- Starts Day Care facility for taking care of kids of BPDB employees (at least 20 female engineers)

• Pillar 5: Policy as cross-cutting

- Recruitment committee with at least one female representative.
- At least one female engineer representative for In house Committees: (i) Internal committees (ii) workshop organizing team (iii) BPDB delegation for external meetings and (iv) feasibility study teams.
- Formed Sexual Harassment Complaint Committee with 3 female members