

Protocol

**Protocol to the 2006 Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Royal Government of Bhutan concerning cooperation in the field of hydroelectric power**

The Government of India (GoI) and the Royal Government of Bhutan (RGoB) (hereinafter referred to as Parties),

**PURSUANT TO** the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Royal Government of Bhutan concerning cooperation in the field of hydroelectric power signed on 28 July 2006;

**BEARING IN MIND** the friendly relations existing between the two countries and their peoples and the mutual trust, understanding and cooperation shown in the development of the hydro-electric resources of Bhutan;

**NOTING THE** successful completion of the Chhukha Hydro-electric, the Kurichhu Hydro-electric and the Tala Hydro-electric Projects and the successful commencement of the Punatsangchhu-I Hydroelectric Project which are all milestones in India-Bhutan cooperation in the field of hydropower; and

**NOTING FURTHER** the desire of the Royal Government of Bhutan to accelerate the development of additional hydropower potential in the Kingdom, and the Government of India's willingness to cooperate with and assist the Royal Government of Bhutan in attaining this objective,

Have agreed as follows:

