

PRIME MINISTER AT THE TVS MOTOR PAVILION, COMPANY SHOWCASES ITS GLOBAL FORAY IN FUTURE MOBILITY

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: TVS Motor Company (TVSM) - a leading global automaker that operates in the two and three-wheeler segments - showcased a suite of its made in India, made for the world mobility solutions to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India at the Bharat Mobility Global Expo 2024. The Company exports close to \$1 billion, 30% of its annual volume, and has a presence in 80 countries - a testimony to India's engineering and technological prowess, a celebration of Atmanirbhar Bharat. The company's focus on clean, connected, and technologically advanced mobility solutions will further support Atmanirbhar Bharat and take its exports share to 50% in the next few years.

Sudarshan Venu, Managing Director, TVS Motor Company thanked the Prime

Minister for his visionary leadership and making India the fastest growing large economy. He reiterated the company's commitment to invest INR 5,000 crores (USD 600 MN) towards the design, development and deployment of future technologies, products, and digital capabilities. TVSM is the only OEM in India to have end-to-end inhouse EV and connected capabilities including battery manufacturing, battery management system, vehicle control unit and infotainment systems. It has more than 650 EV related patents, with 2,000+ engineers working on advanced technologies such as material science, electric powertrain, and data science. Its leading edge smart connectivity and digital technologies. The company recently launched TVS X - the world's most advanced connected, electric



scooter is a demonstration of its research and engineering capability. TVS iQube - its flagship electric scooter, already has 250,000 customers.

Sudarshan Venu, who spent the day at the Expo, said, "We are honoured and very energised by the Prime Minister's interest in our company's roadmap. Thanks to the Prime Minister's leadership and the supportive policy environment created by the Government, India has become a hotbed for innovation and a

global manufacturing base. TVS Motor is excited to be playing its part in this journey. Our core is engineering and R&D, and this is driven by 2,000+ passionate engineers backed by solid design and development capability. Our vision is to transform the quality of life of our customers, and redefine the future of mobility with technology, connectivity, and cutting edge design."

TVSM at the Bharat Mobility Expo has for the first time put on display, Norton motorcycle. Norton is



an iconic 125 year old motorcycle brand, acquired by TVS Motor and under its leadership is being transformed for a global play. The Company is investing in global talent and a range of new products which will be ready by 2025.

Visitors also get a chance to see the company's other product ranges, its focus on empowering women and youth both within and outside its factories, its global outlook and its community work. Among the attractions is a chance to see

footage of flora and fauna from the world's first and only bio-reserve within an automotive company campus. Visitors may also chance upon and meet Aishwarya Pissay a part of the TVS Racing team and a women biker of international repute.

DETAILS OF THE COMPANY SHOWCASE AT BHARAT MOBILITY EXPO 2024

1. TVS X - the world's most advanced connected, electric scooter proudly made in India. This revolutionary machine

sets a new benchmark in the global electric mobility industry with its stunning design, unmatched performance, and cutting-edge tech features, carving out a new category in the electric mobility segment.

2. TVS iQube: TVSM's flagship electric two-wheeler launched in 2020. It has led the mass adoption of EV mobility in India.

3. Participation of women in value creation - EV Battery Assembly lines led by a team that has 65% women, 150+ women engineers in R&D, pioneering women racing with the first and only women factory racing team.

4. TVS Apache 310 Series - a result of the symbiotic partnership with BMW, stands as a testament to international collaboration.

5. Norton Motorcycles - an iconic brand that is being

transformed for a global play with a dedicated engineering and technology development centre set up in Hosur, Tamil Nadu.

6. TVS Connected Services - transforms daily commutes by elevating rider experience through seamless integration of smart watch, mobile phone, vehicle and at-home devices by offering convenience, safety and personalised solutions.

7. Sustainable Manufacturing practices - 88% energy needs met through renewable sources, 8 MW solar power, 35 MW wind power, 22 MN litres of rainwater harvesting capacity.

8. A display of community interventions by Srinivasan Service Trust - which has served 1.6 MN people in 2,500 villages, so far.

9. E-bikes from EGO Movement.

Ayodhya shines brighter with Signify's solar city lighting project

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Signify, the world leader in lighting, announces the benchmarking Ayodhya Solar City lighting Project, a significant initiative aimed at transforming

Ayodhya into a beacon of smart solar lighting city. The project aims to set a record by installing 600+ Smart Solar Integrated Vertical Pole streetlights in Ayodhya Solar City the sacred City of Lord

Ram and temples, expecting millions of pilgrims in 2024.

Executed in line with UTTAR PRADESH NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT

AGENCY, Department of Additional Source of ENERGY, GoUP (UPNEDA) - the nodal agency of Renewable Energy of UP, this is the world's largest execution of 600+ units done in record time, using Philips' Solar Smart Pole Street light with integrated Vertical panel technology and Lithium-ion battery (6-meter pole, 400Wp solar panel & 100Ah LiFePO4 battery, 44 watt Solar streetlight) across Ayodhya.

Commenting on the project Sumit Joshi, CEO, Signify Greater India said, "Signify is proud to have played a pivotal role in illuminating Ayodhya with our state-of-the-art smart solar lighting solutions setting a record across the world. The Ayodhya Solar City lighting project is a testament to our commitment to sustainability,



innovation, and creating vibrant urban environments. This project enhances city's aesthetics and lighting solutions for a

greener tomorrow. This remarkable milestone reinforces our position as an industry leader, emphasizing our commitment to

pushing the boundaries of innovation and sustainable urban development."

As a part of the monumental project,

Signify has lit up significant locations across the holy city, including Ram Katha Park, Bati Baba, Siya Ram Park, Guptar Ghat, Jamthara Ghat, Gonda Pul, Maharana Pratap Park, Meri Mata Mandir, Ram Paudi, Laxman Fort, Surya Kund, Ayodhya Airport, and Sultanpur Road. As the world looks on, Ayodhya emerges as a shining example of how solar innovation can redefine urban landscapes and set new standards across the nation.

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Frontier Lifeline Hospital organizes a Pioneering Paediatric Cardiology conference; Valuable insights and innovative advancements discussed



Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Frontier Lifeline Hospital, reaffirmed its commitment to medical excellence with a ground-breaking Paediatric Cardiology conference held recently in Chennai. The esteemed tertiary care cardiac specialty hospital situated in heart of Chennai, welcomed Dr Shelby Kutty, a distinguished Paediatric Cardiologist from John Hopkins, as the keynote speaker. Dr Shelby's enlightening discourse centered on the transformative impact of machine learning in paediatric cardiology, captivating the audience of paediatric cardiologists from all corners of

Chennai.

Beyond its distinguished guest, the conference served as an academic haven, proving especially useful for postgraduates. Several lively discussions and expert opinions were exchanged, providing attending doctors with a platform to deepen their understanding of the latest advancements in medicine cardiology. Dr KS Moorthy, a senior Paediatric Cardiologist, shared invaluable insights from his vast experience in complex surgeries, enriching the discourse with practical knowledge.

Dr Jebaraj, another esteemed participant, underscored the

significance of MRI in cardiology, shedding light on its pivotal role in diagnosis and treatment planning. Dr Shanthi delivered an excellent lecture on foetal echocardiography, highlighting its crucial role in prenatal diagnosis and intervention planning.

Dr Ajeet Arulkumar, senior Cardiologist at Frontier, emphasized the hospital's dedication to conducting numerous academic sessions aimed at enhancing cardiology care in Chennai, further solidifying Frontier Lifeline Hospital's role as a pioneer in the field.

Frontier Lifeline Hospital, under the

visionary leadership, Dr K.M. Cherian, continues to be at the forefront of medical innovation. The hospital's dedication to delivering world-class care extends not only to paediatric cardiology but also encompasses interventional cardiology. Dr K.M. Cherian's legacy includes training numerous surgeons, leaving an indelible mark on the field. As Frontier Lifeline Hospital remains unwavering in its pursuit of excellence, the recent conference stands as a testament to its commitment to advancing medical knowledge and providing exceptional patient care.

RANGE ROVER EVOQUE - NEW DESIGN AND SOPHISTICATED TECHNOLOGIES AMPLIFY TRUE MODERN LUXURY

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: JLR India has officially launched the new and enhanced Range Rover Evoque in India. The New Range Rover Evoque has a charismatic, sophisticated character, with its reductive design now enhanced with the latest technologies and luxurious material choices for modern luxury clients.

The New Range Rover Evoque is available in Dynamic SE with two powertrain options - the 2.0 l petrol engine delivering a power of 184 kW and 365 Nm torque and a 2.0 l Ingenium diesel engine delivering a power of 150 kW and 430 Nm torque.

Rajan Amba, Managing Director, JLR India, said: "With its reductive interiors, serene cabin ambiance, and the latest advancements in infotainment systems, the New Range Rover Evoque offers an unparalleled experience for our discerning clientele. The fusion of captivating design elements, cleaner air technologies, and effortless control exemplifies the pinnacle of automotive elegance. We're thrilled to introduce this refined evolution, ensuring that every journey is not just a drive, but an exquisite journey in luxury and innovation."

Captivating design



New Range Rover Evoque features a subtle evolution of its reductive exterior design, with unmistakable hallmarks including its coupe-like silhouette, floating roof, continuous waistline and flush deployable door handles. The latest family grille design now provides a unified look across the Range Rover brand.

The exterior design is accentuated by new super-slim headlamps complemented by chiseled new daytime running light graphics.

Design sophistication and innovation work in harmony with a redesigned interior. A clean centre console design features a tactile new gear shifter, while Pivi Pro infotainment is accessed via a crisp new 28.95 cm (11.4) curved glass touchscreen, from

which clients can seamlessly control key vehicle functions. Now situated higher and closer to the driver, it also liberates more stowage space and features standard Wireless Device Charging.

The cabin is made even more inviting with a panoramic roof which bathes the cabin in natural light.

In addition to traditional leathers, sophisticated new detailing including Moonlight Chrome found on the steering wheel, centre console trim and air vents provides a new air of refinement. Moonlight Chrome complements new trim finishers, which include Shadow Grey Ash Veneer providing an elegant finish on Range Rover Evoque.

The Range Rover Evoque's colour palette now features Tribeca Blue and Corinthian Bronze, while contrast roof options enable clients to express their individuality, with Narvik Black and Corinthian Bronze to choose from. Its exterior character is enhanced further with new wheel design with diamond-turned finish.

Connected technology

The Range Rover Evoque now features the latest generation Pivi Pro infotainment technology. Controlled via an elegant new 28.96 cm (11.4) curved glass touchscreen, all major vehicle functions are incorporated into the new display, which appears to float seamlessly within the centre console.

Vocational Service Project (Rotary Club Of Nanganallur Elite)



Chennai, Feb 03 2024: On account of Vocational Service month January, Rotary Club Of Nanganallur Elite conducted a session on Emotional Intelligence How to Handle Academic Expectations.

The two Consultant Psychiatrist Dr. Karthikeyan and Dr. Ramya Sampath delivered a fabulous session to 10th and 12th Grade of Jaigopal Garodia Govt Girls Higher Secondary School at Nanganallur on 30th January at 10am. This is a combined project by Rotary Club Of Nanganallur Elite and Inner Wheel Chennai Unique... The Rotary Club President Rtn Sivakumar and their members were present at this event... The Inner Wheel Chennai Unique President Meena Sathish and Anu Sabarish also attended the session. They also donated two books for the school library. This is a grand success and most beneficial program for school students.

2026 Fulbright-Nehru and other Fulbright Fellowships

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: The United States - India Educational Foundation (USIEF) announces the opening of its annual competition for Fulbright-Nehru and other Fulbright fellowships. Funded by the U.S. Department of State and the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, such exchanges have helped bring the people of India and the United States closer together through opportunities that enrich fellows' academic, research, teaching, and professional capacities. Alumni of such exchange and scholarship programs have demonstrated strong leadership in their academic disciplines and professions. Outstanding Indian students, scholars, teachers, artists, and professionals of diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

"The Fulbright-Nehru scholarship has significantly transformed both my personal and professional life. This prestigious opportunity broadened my perspective from a regional focus to an international level, providing ample networking and knowledge-sharing avenues. Today, I proudly serve as the President of the Asia Pacific Public Health Network at Bloomberg School, a position I attribute to the profound impact Fulbright has had on my life and professional journey." (Naveen Anaswara, 2023-2024 Fulbright-Nehru Master's fellow at Johns Hopkins University)

"The Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Research Fellowship significantly transformed my academic and personal journey. On the professional side, it

opened doors to diverse research skills, perspectives, and valuable collaborative opportunities. Personally, the fellowship provided a unique space to delve into self-discovery, allowing me to reflect on my identity and values. This immersive experience left a profound and lasting impact on my overall personality and well-being." (Sana Imtiazbhai Jindani, 2023 Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Research fellow at the University of California-Davis)

"My Fulbright journey at the University of Washington, Seattle has been truly transformative. The time spent here has not only refined my research questions but has also profoundly influenced the way I approach finding answers. Interacting with distinguished experts in climate

change and freshwater ecology has been a pivotal experience, marking a significant milestone in my academic and professional growth." (Aashna Sharma, 2023-2024 Fulbright-Kalam Climate fellow for Postdoctoral Research at the University of Washington-Seattle)

Over past 78 years, the U.S. government's worldwide Fulbright program has forged lasting connections, countered misunderstandings, and helped people and nations work together toward common goals.

USIEF is now accepting applications from Indian citizens for the 2025-2026 academic year. Consider whether you or someone you know would be a good candidate to represent your country as a cultural ambassador in the United States and experience this opportunity firsthand.

Jaipur Music Stage showcases some amazing performances on Day 1

Chennai Feb 03 2024: The 2024 edition of the Jaipur Music Stage commenced with grandeur on February 1st at Hotel Clarks Amer, Jaipur. Running from February 1st to 3rd, the 3-day music Festival runs concurrently with the iconic Samsung Galaxy Tab S9 Series Jaipur Literature Festival, offering a harmonious blend of books, literature, and music from India and across the world.

On the Festival's inaugural day, The Tapi Project, amalgamating folk, jazz, and rock influences, provided a continuous revival of stories and themes, showcasing a rich tapestry of diverse musical styles; and the Mohammad Muneem fronted band Alif, skilled in poetry, singing, songwriting, filmmaking, and scriptwriting, seamlessly integrated



music across various themes and genres, contributing to the Festival's cultural vibrancy.

Maintaining its legacy, the Festival remains dedicated to presenting a diverse array of musical genres, featuring both established and emerging talents. The eagerly awaited Day 1 performances reintroduced the enchantment of live music to the stage, rekindling the magic

that has defined this platform and highlighting some of the most exceptional musical expressions from India and across the globe in previous editions.

Expressing their feeling, members from Tapi Project said, "Jaipur Music Stage is prestigious and provides an excellent platform for us to present our performance, which revolves around the dissolution of boundaries, the inward-

looking and transcendental nature of music, and the paradoxical nature of life, with literature reflecting the same paradox. This is our first time at the Festival, and with poetry being an integral part of our performance, we are excited to present it to the special audience of Jaipur Literature Festival. Yes, there will be a new song, and we are thrilled to debut it at the Jaipur Music Stage."

Agratas partners with Tata Technologies to fast-track the development and industrialisation of best-in-class battery solutions for mobility and energy sector

Chennai Feb 03 2024: Agratas, Tata Group's global battery business, and Tata Technologies, a global product engineering and digital services company, have announced their collaboration to scale Agratas' product development and enterprise systems, supporting the design, development and manufacturing of best-in-class battery solutions.

Leveraging Tata Technologies' over 25 years of expertise in product development, digital engineering, digital manufacturing and product supply chain, Agratas will accelerate its product development timelines, including integrating battery cells into modules and packs across multiple applications to match customer requirements.

The two companies are maximising Tata Group's comprehensive #OneTata approach, with Tata Technologies also developing the digital business architectures to support the production of best-in-class battery solutions at Agratas' gigafactories in India and the UK. This new alliance embodies the cross-Tata Group mission to develop a holistic eMobility ecosystem that will



advance the production and adoption of Electric Vehicles in India and worldwide. With battery cell production due to commence in 2026, the collaboration is helping to propel Agratas' anchor customers, Tata Motors and JLR, towards a fully electrified future.

Commenting on the collaboration, Tom Flack, CEO, Agratas, said: "We are fully committed towards delivering best-in-class battery solutions to our customers and helping to supercharge the global transition to electric mobility and clean energy storage. Teaming up with Tata Technologies strengthens our pursuit of this mission, helping us to leverage its expertise in Electric Vehicle engineering, including competitive design, packaging and integration of battery packs that are critical for the performance of our customers' products,

from next generation Electric Vehicles to energy-dense storage solutions. Our collaboration with Tata Technologies also maximises inter-Group synergies and business excellence, showcasing the strategic benefits of being part of the Tata Group."

Reinforcing the collaboration with Agratas, Warren Harris, CEO & Managing Director, Tata Technologies, said: "Tata Technologies' vision of engineering a better world embodies a commitment to innovating sustainable solutions across the eMobility value chain that helps manufacturing companies accelerate their transition towards net zero. The trust awarded by Agratas reaffirms our long-standing expertise in Electric Vehicle engineering and digital transformation solutions for sustainable products.

We believe this collaboration will help us strengthen our capabilities around the design and integration of battery pack solutions into battery electric vehicles and also help Agratas accelerate the industrialisation of its gigafactories in the UK and India, enabling it to deliver competitive battery solutions to its customers."

As Agratas scales up its operations, Tata Technologies is also helping Agratas to mobilise resources by facilitating recruitment of highly skilled individuals, enabling onboarding and supporting employee lifecycle activities during this critical growth phase. These resources span roles across the battery solution value chain, including corporate, operational and research functions, reaffirming the depth and breadth of the collaborative engagement.

Yamaha Powers into Inaugural Bharat Mobility Expo with Exciting Product Range and Interactive Pavilion

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: India Yamaha Motor (IYM) Pvt Ltd announced its participation in the inaugural edition of Bharat Mobility, the first-of-its-kind global mobility show hosted in India. It is a pioneering event that unites the entire mobility value chain in a single venue. More than just an exhibition, it serves as a preview for the future of mobility.

The Yamaha Pavilion, spanning 400 sq meter, promises to captivate visitors with an exclusive display of its exciting motorcycle & scooter range, attractive apparels, & accessories and innovative technology, at this groundbreaking event, showcasing its commitment to innovation and passion for two-wheeled freedom. Yamaha stands at the forefront of developing products that incorporate advanced technologies, revolutionizing modern motorcycling. At the heart of Yamaha's commitment lies a dedication to pushing the boundaries of mobility, bringing forth solutions that align with the evolving needs of today's dynamic and young generation.

Embracing #TheCallOfTheBlue at Bharat Mobility

To meet the aspirations of young customers in India, Yamaha is wholeheartedly embracing the #TheCallOfTheBlue at the Bharat Mobility Show. The concept of this exclusive brand campaign revolves around cultivating the spirit of racing and offering enriching experiences to Yamaha fans through Exciting, Stylish & Sporty product range and excellent services. With a strategic focus on the premium segment space, Yamaha's offerings not only embody cutting-edge technology and design excellence but also resonate with the dynamic lifestyle choices of the youth. 'The Call of the Blue' goes beyond being a mere product showcase; it becomes a symbol of excitement and innovation. Through this initiative, Yamaha not only introduces superior mobility solutions but also creates engaging experiences, reflecting the brand's dedication to

shaping the future of mobility in India.

The strategically designed Yamaha Pavilion is a testament to the brand's commitment to innovation and excellence. The heart of the exhibit will pulsate with the adrenaline of its diverse portfolio.

The R-World Legacy

The Pavilion stands out with its impressive display of exciting models from the R-World. From showcasing the R15 V4 series (155cc) in four dynamic colors: Racing Blue, Intensity White, Dark Knight, and Metallic Red, the R-World is all set to impress the biking enthusiasts with the display of iconic models in the R-Series family including the R1 (1000cc), R7 (700cc), R3 (321cc), and R15M (155cc) models. R-World embodies high-performance sportbikes, delivering cutting-edge engineering and track-worthy thrills. Each machine is a testament to Yamaha's engineering excellence, offering unparalleled performance, handling, and design.

AEROX Adrenaline

Another major attraction of Yamaha Pavilion is the display of the India's renowned Maxi-Sports scooter, AEROX 155cc in three attractive colors: Racing Blue, Metallic Black, and Grey Vermillion. This scooter redefines urban mobility with its sporty design, advanced features, and efficient performance, making it a perfect choice for city dwellers seeking style and substance in their daily commute. The AEROX 155cc is a sporty scooter that packs a punch with its 155cc Liquid cooled engine and advanced features like TCS, VVA, Smart Motor Generator System (SMG) and Automatic Stop Start System, ensuring a smooth and efficient ride.

The MT Series Pedigree

The center stage of the Pavilion provides a glimpse into the Dark Side of Japan and in the exciting world of MT-series family, showcasing the versatile MT-07 (700cc), MT-03 (300cc), and MT-15 (155cc). MT-World focuses on offering dynamic, torque-driven motorcycles, designed for urban agility and a muscular aesthetic.

Global Grandeur

Revered across continents, Yamaha N-Max (155cc) and Grand

These models define distinct motorcycling realms for diverse enthusiasts.

Streetfighter FZ

From the FZ-Series family, the popular street fighter, FZS FI V4 Deluxe (149cc) is displayed in the Ice Fluo-Vermillion and Sparkle Green colours, showcasing power with sophistication and magnificent shades. Along with it, the Matte Titan variant of FZ-X (149cc) exudes a rugged charm with its robust design and touring capabilities. Also, FZ-X has been introduced in the all-new Chrome & Metallic Black colors, adding a touch of elegance to the entire FZ-X lineup. The FZ series boasts advanced features, including a high-performance engine, state-of-the-art suspension, and cutting-edge safety technologies, ensuring an exhilarating riding experience.

Scooter Symphony

Yamaha urges visitors to take a spin through the world of Yamaha scooters with the RAY ZR 125 Hybrid and Fascino 125 FI Hybrid, renowned for their agility and style. The company showcases its commitment to ease urban mobility with these models highlighting key features like 125cc Fi Hybrid Power Assist Engine, Automatic Stop & Start system, Smart Motor Generator (SMG), Y-connect application, and available in unique and vibrant colors. With a distinct emphasis on cutting-edge hybrid technology, these scooters are engineered for efficiency and seamless urban rides. These scooters seamlessly blend electric and conventional power, providing an eco-friendly and economical ride. The scooter display area takes it a step further by featuring a complete 125cc scooter engine, accompanied by an LED screen highlighting the key features such as Hybrid technology, SMG, Stop Start System, Y-connect app, and more. Yamaha invites visitors to delve into the intricate details of their scooter lineup, including the innovative TCS.

Global Grandeur

Revered across continents, Yamaha N-Max (155cc) and Grand

Filano (125cc) are two iconic models that showcase Yamaha's commitment to delivering excellence on a global scale. The resounding fame of both these vehicles is a testament to their exceptional features and performance. From the Grand Filano's sleek design to the N-Max's powerful performance, these scooters embody Yamaha's pursuit of perfection. Their acclaim worldwide attests to Yamaha's prowess in crafting outstanding two-wheelers that captivate riders on a global stage.

Beyond Two-Wheelers

The Yamaha Pavilion goes beyond the thrill of bikes and scooters. Yamaha caters to every rider's passion by helping them gear up in style with the Yamaha-branded apparel and accessories section, featuring jackets, T-shirts, helmets, and gloves. Additionally, the pavilion features an exciting gaming zone for enthusiasts to indulge their passion for virtual adventures. Furthermore, Yamaha has curated a selfie zone that provides the perfect backdrop for visitors to capture memories with the R15V4 Monster Energy Edition. Also, the exclusive Monster Energy stall in the Pavilion is all set to add further excitement and provide an incredible experience to all Yamaha fans.

Commenting on the participation, Mr. Eishin Chihana, Chairman, Yamaha Motor India Group of Companies, said, "We are thrilled to be a part of this landmark event and showcase the best of Yamaha to the Indian audience. With unparalleled performance, sleek design, and innovative technology, our bikes and scooters are built to fuel the passion of every rider. We remain steadfast in our commitment to the Indian market, actively contributing to shaping the future of this dynamic and evolving landscape. We would like to congratulate Bharat Mobility Expo for establishing this pivotal platform that fosters collaboration among OEMs, with a shared vision of cultivating a sustainable mobility ecosystem in harmony with the environment."

MSDE hosts 'India - Germany Dialogue on Avenues for Future Collaboration'

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) hosted a dialogue with the delegation from Germany visiting India, led by State Secretary, German Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (BMAS), Ms. Leonie Gebers. The objective of the dialogue was to extend further co-operation between the two countries in the areas of skill development and pave pathways for mobility of skilled workforce from India to Germany.

Led by Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, MSDE, the Indian delegation constituted of Ms. Trishaljit Sethi, Additional Secretary, Director General, Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ms. Sonal Mishra, Joint Secretary, MSDE, Shri Ved Mani Tiwari, Officiating CEO, NSDC and Ms. Vinita Aggarwal, Executive Member, NCVET, among other officials. The State Secretary was accompanied by Ms. Viktoria Holm, Personal Assistant to State Secretary Leonie Gebers, BMAS, Ms. Gunilla Fincke, Director-General, Skills, Vocational



Training and Securing a Skilled Labour Force, BMAS, Ms. Katrin Holländer, Head of the Unit, Law on Employment of Foreign Workers, BMAS, Ms. Vanessa Margarete Elisabeth Ahuja, Executive Director of Benefits and International Affairs, Federal Employment Agency (BA), Mr. Steffen Sottung, Managing Director International Affairs, BA, and Mr. Stefan Baraniak, Head of Office of Executive Director of Benefits and International Affairs, BA.

The dialogue centered the discussion on harnessing India's skilled workforce to address workforce shortages in Germany. It also made way for valuable insights on the new immigration law adopted by German Bundestag in June, last year and that which is planned to be in force this year. This new immigration law lays three clear pathways, a path laid by

qualifications, a path laid by experience and a path laid by potential of the workforce. The pathways are formalised through the EU Blue Card, Experience Card, and the Opportunity Card respectively.

Commending the efforts of BMAS in the formulation of the new migration law, the Indian delegation put forward suggestions that would further enhance the mechanism of mobility of skilled Indian workforce to Germany through mapping of sectors with high employment or apprenticeship potential, mutual recognition of qualifications, formulation of a Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) or an implementation framework for Migration and Mobility Partnership Agreement (MMPA), establishment of a Skill India International centre that

would singularly

focus on workforce requirement for Germany, collaborative projects for women in new age job roles and mentorship support for entrepreneurs, amongst others.

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) said, "The India-Germany partnership,

which is marked by mutual respect and strong cultural ties, has evolved into a vibrant strategic partnership with flourishing collaborations in areas ranging from renewable energy to education and vocational training. We are actively preparing Indian candidates for global mobility and Germany is a country of focus for us. I am confident that this dialogue with the German delegation will pave new pathways and strengthen our partnership ever more".

Both countries have been working closely through Indo German Joint Working Group Meetings and today's dialogue lays a strong foundation and action points for future engagements, leading to fruitful outcomes.

Lupin Digital Health introduces Digital Therapeutics Certificate for Cardiologists in India in collaboration with the American College of Cardiology

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Lupin Digital Health, India's first evidence-based cardiology Digital Therapeutics (DTx) platform and the American College of Cardiology (ACC), the global scientific leader in the practice of Cardiology, have announced the introduction of the world's first-ever Digital Therapeutics Certificate for Cardiologists. This unveiling took place during the Platinum Jubilee celebration event of the Cardiology Society of India (CSI) in Kolkata.

Dr. Edward Fry, the Past President of ACC, attended the event, emphasizing the global significance of this collaboration in advancing cardiovascular patient care. In a bid to encourage the integration of cutting-edge digital solutions in Cardiology, ACC will grant 'Digital Pioneer' certificates to

cardiologists who adopt Remote Cardiac Rehab and Digital Heart Failure clinic solutions, acknowledging their commitment to innovation and patient-centered healthcare. This collaboration is crucial in ensuring top-notch care and enhancing outcomes, all from the convenience of patients' homes.

Expressing enthusiasm about this initiative, Rajeev Sibal, President - India Region Formulations, Lupin stated, "Lupin is proud to support cardiologists with our patient-centric solutions. As a pioneer in the DTx space, we are delighted to play a pivotal role in bringing this important ACC certificate to cardiologists and setting new standards in digital therapeutics."

Sidharth Srinivasan, CEO, Lupin Digital Health added, "The

collaboration with the American College of Cardiology marks a transformative milestone in remote cardiac rehabilitation. A growing number of doctors and cardiac institutes are acknowledging Remote Cardiac Rehab as a foundational pillar in making cardiac care more accessible. We are sure that this initiative will further encourage the healthcare fraternity to better understand and utilize technology-led Cardiac Rehab."

Ami Bhatt, MD, ACC Chief Innovation Officer, highlighted the broader impact, "The ACC is proud to recognize cardiologists who are pioneering digital therapeutics adaptation in India through Lupin Digital Health's Lyfe platform. This recognition underscores our commitment to advancing digital

solutions that improve patient outcomes globally."

Lyfe, developed by Lupin Digital Health, is India's first clinically proven remote cardiac rehabilitation program. Addressing the underutilization of cardiac rehabilitation, Lyfe is trusted by over 450 cardiologists with patients across 250 towns and cities in India. The program has demonstrated its effectiveness in enhancing heart health and improving the quality of life for cardiovascular patients.

This collaboration is a significant step forward in global healthcare, aligning with the mission of both Lupin Digital Health and the American College of Cardiology to revolutionize cardiovascular patient care through innovative digital solutions.

WITH OVER 560 OPEN HOTELS & RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS IN ASIA PACIFIC EXCLUDING CHINA, MARRIOTT INTERNATIONAL SAW RECORD YEAR OF GROWTH IN THE REGION

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Following the recent announcement by Marriott International, Inc. (Nasdaq: MAR) of its strong global net rooms growth and record year of organic signings in 2023, the company highlighted the remarkable surge in hotel and residences openings and signings in the Asia Pacific excluding China (APEC) region, particularly in key travel markets such as Japan, India, and Vietnam. At the close of 2023, Marriott set a milestone in APEC with over 60 properties added to its portfolio during the year, bringing the company's presence in the APEC region to more than 560 operating hotels and residences, and exceeding 10 percent net rooms growth compared to 2022. The company also sealed a record of over 80 deals signed across 13 markets, representing approximately 18,000 rooms.

As tourism recovers in APEC and the travel landscape evolves, Marriott has continued to focus on strategically



providing the best-in-class offerings to owners, franchisees, and guests. At the end of 2023, Marriott's APEC development pipeline stood at over 320 hotels with over 69,000 rooms, The Singapore showcasing the company's dedication to providing world renowned brands and diverse experiences, aligning with the evolving preferences of travelers across the region.

Luxury continues to play a pivotal role in the growth of Marriott, and 25 percent of Marriott's global luxury rooms pipeline is represented in APEC. In 2023, 15 percent of the deals signed in APEC were in the luxury segment. A record nine luxury hotels were opened in the region in 2023 including The Ritz-Carlton, Melbourne

Marriott's 1,000th hotel in the Asia Pacific region. The JW Marriott Goa debuted the brand in Goa and was the company's 150th hotel to open in South Asia, and added The Singapore EDITION, the first EDITION in Southeast Asia.

"With our record year of growth at Marriott International in APEC, we remain committed to meeting the demands of modern travelers underscored by our diverse portfolio of brands and strategic presence in new destinations," said Rajeev Menon, President, Marriott International, APEC. "2023 has positioned us as a thriving and desirable region in the global landscape. I am excited about our momentum as we focus on being where our

and connecting people through the power of travel."

Marriott Bonvoy Marriott's award-winning travel program has helped fuel interest in the company's regional portfolio. In APEC, the Marriott Bonvoy membership base has surged by 50 percent since 2019. This momentum is attributed to the unique and unforgettable experiences the program offers, including exclusive access to prestigious events like the Australian Open and Formula 1. Beyond hotel stays, Marriott Bonvoy continues to redefine the regional travel landscape with strategic partnerships with Singapore Airlines, Rakuten and co-branded credit cards in Japan, Korea, and India. The company's commitment to delivering exceptional experiences, coupled with the strength of Marriott Bonvoy, positions Marriott as a leader in shaping the future of travel and hospitality across the APEC region.

Profile of Amit Mohan, President - Logistics & Infrastructure, Kotak Mahindra Bank

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: President and Head Logistics, Infra, Commercial Vehicles & Construction Equipment Retail Loans, and Working Capital at Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited

Director, Kotak Mahindra Prime Limited Member, Kotak Leadership team

Amit Mohan heads Commercial Vehicles, Construction Equipment, Dealer Finance and Working Capital businesses for Infrastructure, Logistics and Warehousing segments at the bank. He also heads customer service function for the Commercial Bank.

Amit is a senior banking professional



with over 30 years of experience in Retail and Working Capital lending.

Amit joined Kotak in 1995 with Kotak Mahindra Prime Limited (KMPL), a

wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank.

Kotak Mahindra Prime Ltd, Amit is a member of three board-level committees.

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GMM Pfaudler shares Annual Earnings release for Q3 FY 24

Chennai, Feb 03 2024: Management Comment: Commenting on the Company's Q3 FY24 results, Mr. Tarak Patel, Managing Director said, "We are happy to report a strong performance this quarter. The business environment continues to remain challenging,

Financial Performance							
Consolidated							
	Revenue	EBITDA	EBITDA Margin	PAT	PAT Margin	EPS	Order Intake
Q3 FY24	₹96 Crore	₹18 Crore	13.3%	₹3 Crore	3.4%	₹7.1	₹756 Crore
Q3 FY23	₹95 Crore	₹14 Crore	14.7%	₹2 Crore	2.1%	₹5.1	₹625 Crore

driven primarily by a weakness in the chemical sector.

Our product diversification strategy

and subsequent entry into adjacent industries have resulted in improved order intake this quarter. With the

current opportunity pipeline and the expected closing of several large deals in the coming months, we expect the order intake trend to continue to improve."

He added, "We continue to focus on reducing costs and improving efficiencies."