

EDITORIAL

NQUERING A NEW PEAK

Excellence in IREP TA and Petrochemicals

We are delighted to bring you the last edition of JwalaDhwani for the year 2022. Each of the 12 issues were special, as we packed them with care and delight and in this jubilant issue we bring you stories of unique successes.

The first of its kind shutdown of the IREP was celebrated by the team in a befitting ceremony where we were fortunate to have the gracious presence of our Director (Refineries) with us. Teams received special awards and there was jubilation all around for the safe and successful mission accomplished.

It was another exciting moment for Kochi Refinery to receive the FICCI award for our Petrochemicals. A special award from the jury that was received by our Executive Director in Delhi.

We are also celebrating the spectacular wins in the sporting arena, with the laurels brought in by the Volleyball team and Badminton team at the PSPB tournament. All this and more in this special edition of JwalaDhwani as we bid adieu to 2022.

Have a happy year end and a happy read!

Warmly, **Editor**

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Kochi Refinery has successfully completed the biggest turnaround in Indian PSU Refineries. The shutdown of the six integrated units has been a project in itself by virtue of the size, cost and the multitude of activities for 30 continuous days. On peak days there were over 12000 people working on ground for this mammoth turnaround. Team KR celebrated the successful completion of IREP TA at the special review called on 12 November 2022.

Mr. Ajith Kumar, Executive Director (Refineries) congratulated each and every member of the team and expressed his confidence in Team KR. Director (Refineries) Mr. Sanjay Khanna also congratulated the team and stressed on reliability and measures to improve reliability. Others who spoke on the special occasion include Mr. PS Ravi, ED(Retail) I/c and Mr. Peethambaran T, ED(IS & Digital). Earlier Mr. Chacko M Jose, CGM(Operations) welcomed the gathering and Mr. Sathyan V, GM(IREP-TA) proposed the vote of thanks.

The highlight of the meet was the special awards presented to teams for the exemplary contributions for the first of its kind turnaround in India. The category and winners include Performance of Pre-Turnaround (CDU-3), Effective completion of DECON (DCU), Safety (SRU), Best and Efficient House Keeping (VGOHDT), Fastest Overall Completion (PFCCU), Smooth Start-Up (SRU) and Maximum Capacity (DHDT).





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A special documentary on CONQUERING A NEW PEAK was also released at the celebrations. Follow the link given below to hear from the experts.

















Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals
Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers



BPCL KOCHI REFINERY RECOGNIZED AT FICCI CHEMICALS AND PETROCHEMICALS AWARDS 2022

FICCI Chemicals & Petrochemicals Award presented to Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Kochi Refinery for promoting "Make in India". This award was specially nominated by the jury for 'Introduction of Propylene Derivatives (Oxo Alcohols, etc.) for the first time in India'.

Mr. Ajith Kumar, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) received the award from Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Hon'ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare and Chemicals and Fertilizers, Government of India at a function in New Delhi on 2nd November 2022. Mr. Suresh John, Chief General Manager (Refinery Projects Organisation) and Mr. A Mahendiran, General Manager (PETCHEM) were also present from Kochi Refinery.

The award was presented at the 12th Biennial International Exhibition & Conference - India Chem 2022 under the aegis of the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Govt of India. As many as 48 companies have been awarded for their contribution to the growth of the Indian chemicals and petrochemicals industry. BPCL's success and achievements were highlighted and the award speaks for the work that BPCL has done around sustainability across our pan India facilities, making a positive impact on the environment.

The Propylene Derivative Petrochemical Complex at Kochi Refinery, which was dedicated to the nation by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 14th February 2021, was built at the cost of Rs 6,000 crore. The complex has an Acrylic Acid Unit, Acrylates Unit & Oxo-Alcohol Unit of world scale size and capacity and will save approximately Rs 4,000 crore annualy, in foreign exchange due to import substitution.

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) organizes the Chemicals and Petrochemicals Awards with the objective to recognize individuals and companies for their commendable work and remarkable contributions in Chemical and Petrochemical Industry. The award that reflects the determination and contributions of individuals and companies was presented in the presence of senior officials from the Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals , Government of India Industry captains and other stakeholders of the sector.

Established in 1927, FICCI is the largest and oldest apex business organisation in India. A non-government, not-for-profit organisation, FICCI is the voice of India's business and industry.



Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), Mr. Ajith Kumar K presented the BPCL dividend of Rs.11.20 Crores to Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala, Pinarayi Vijayan. This is the final one for 2021-22, for the 1,86,66,666 nos. of shares held by the Government of Kerala. BPCL had earlier paid Rs.18.66 Crores as interim dividend to GOK.

The total dividend for the financial year 2021-22 is Rs.29.86 Crores and the final one was presented at a meeting with the Hon'ble CM in Thiruvananthapuram on 10 November 2022. Also present from BPCL were M/s George Thomas, GM (PR & Admin), Kochi Refinery, B. Senthil Kumar, State Head (LPG)-Kerala, Vishnuraj, TM (LPG)-Trivandrum, Rajat Bansal, TM (LPG)-Kochi and Vinod T Mathew, Manager (Admin), Kochi Refinery.

BPCL H1 FY23 PERFORMANCE





18.73%

Growth in Market Sales in H1 FY23 vs H1 FY22



388

New Fuel Stations added in H1 FY23, taking network strength to 20,443



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Gross Refining Margins (GRM) for the period H1 FY23 Vs \$5.23/bbl in H1 FY22



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Revenue from Operations in H1 FY23 vs ₹1,91,578 Cr for H1 FY22

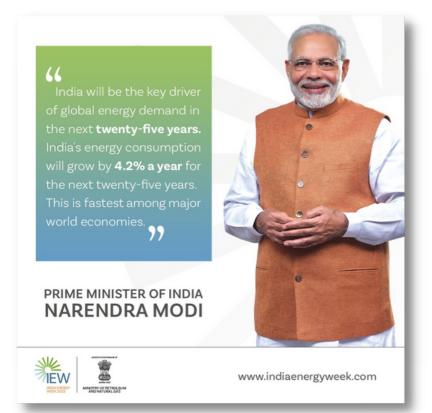
Growth, Collaboration, Transition.

6-8 February 2023, Bengaluru, India









Achieving India's target of Net Zero emissions by 2070 will need to be weighed against the country's growing economy, increasing energy requirements, and the cost/implementation of reliable energy sources, and will require a transformation of future energy systems. The India Energy Week will play a critical role in transforming to a global powerhouse for energy transition.

India Energy Week where all of India's energy stakeholders meet with international counterparts at the BIEC in Bengaluru is just two months way.

Know more:

https://www.indiaenergyweek.co m/about/



30,000+

Energy professionals

650+

Exhibiting companies

8,000+

Conference delegates

500+

International speakers

80+

Educational sessions



ROUND UP OF VIGILANCE AWARENESS WEEK

"If we are aware of the Code of Conduct, we can get rid of all kinds of corruption in any organisation. It is important to go back time and again to the organisational conduct rules for a clear conscience at work," said Mr. CH Nagaraju IPS, IG and Commissioner of Police, Kochi City in the Valedictory Address of the Vigilance Awareness Week in Kochi Refinery on 7 November 2022.

"When ignored, a ficus seed that sprouts in the wall can grow into a big tree." The Commissioner drew this analogy to show that small deviations if not checked at the start will have big ramifications over a long period of time. "The Vigilance team can help in nipping such deviations in the bud, with timely alarm mechanisms, which is important both for safety and vigilance," he added.

Mr. Nagaraju IPS, who also served as SP in the CBI Anti-Corruption Branch and DIG Banking Fraud Investigation Branch in Mumbai, warned that a fair amount of caution has to be taken when sharing personal details including passwords while delegating digital responsibilities. "It is no secret that some of the biggest financial frauds are due to sharing of digital signatures and passwords," he reminded. Mr. Nagaraju joined the Indian Police Service in the Kerala cadre in 2003 and has worked in various districts in Kerala.

Mr. Nagaraju, presented the prizes to winners of various competitions organised for employees and children at the Valedictory Ceremony that was presided over by Mr. Ajith Kumar K, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery). Mr. Ajith Kumar earlier welcomed the chief guest and gave a brief introduction about Bharat Petroleum and Kochi Refinery where various in-built mechanisms are in place to ensure ethical integrity in all our business processes. Shri Himanshu Shah, DGM (Vigilance) i/c delivered the welcome address. Shri Ramesh K, DGM (Vigilance) also spoke. The meeting was attended by the Management Council members of Kochi Refinery. Post the ceremony, Mr. Nagaraju was also given a tour of the Refinery and he also planted a sapling at the Kochi Refinery eco-park.





Vigilance Study Circle - Kerala organised a Walkathon at Kochi, on Sunday, 30th October 2022, as a curtain raiser to the Vigilance Awareness Week 2022 (VAW 2022). PSU firms, in Ernakulam, including BPCL, along with public at large participated in the walkathon to express solidarity for the Fight against Corruption. The walk was flagged off from High Court Junction at 7am by Mr. MGA Raman, IPS (Retd.) and concluded with Stage Plays. Refreshments were provided by BPCL at Rajendra Maidan.

District Collector, Ernakulam Dr. Renu Raj IAS administered the Integrity Pledge at Kochi Refinery and inaugurated the Vigilance Awareness Week observance at Kochi Refinery on 31 October 2022. The Collector was given a warm welcome by Mr. Chacko M Jose, Chief General Manager (Operations). The Collector also had a brief meeting with the Refinery Council Members and also visited the Refinery. She was keen on understanding the Safety protocols at the Refinery and was given a thorough overview of the Fire & Safety protocols and management at the largest PSU Refinery in India.

The integrity pledge was taken at department level meetings across the Refinery, BPCL City Office and the Shore Tank Farm, Puthuvypeen. Various contests were organised for employees, children and schools in the district. As the precursor to the observance, enterprise wide clean-up, records review, and website review and updates were carried out as part of official cleansing of process and protocols.











73RD CONSTITUTION DAY OF OUR NATION

On the 73rd Constitution Day, we all take pride in our constitution and commit ourselves to the fundamental values of our democratic nation and honor the principles of Justice, Liberty, Equality & Fraternity enshrined in our Constitution. At Kochi Refinery, as part of the observance, the Preamble of our Constitution was read at Dept level meetings. We are pleased that the team of IPS Officer Trainees of 74 RR Batch, visiting Kochi Refinery as part of their Maritime Security study visit to coastal cities, also joined us and read the Preamble of the Constitution of India along with Mr. Senthil Kumar GR, Chief General Manager (Technology) on the Constitution Day, 26 Nov 2022. The IPS officer trainees from Sardar Vallabhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad was given a tour of the Refinery after a brief presentation. This day, also called the Samvidhan Diwas, is celebrated to promote the values upheld by our Nation.













As part of our CSR initiatives, Kochi Refinery organised a mega medical camp at Adlux center, the largest convention center in Kerala. The camp was inaugurated by leading cardiologist Padmasree Dr. Jose Chacko Periappuram and Hon MP Benny Behanan, (Chalakudy), in the presence of CGM (HR) Ms. Sarah Thomas and Mr.. George Thomas, GM (PR & Admn), Kochi Refinery. Over 100 doctors from Govt and Private hospitals rendered their services at the camp coordinated by Indian Medical Association. Around 5000 people were examined at the camp and BPCL is supporting the follow-up treatment as well.



Hon'ble Minister of State for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma inaugurated the National Vendor Development Programme in Kochi. The aim of the program was to create awareness of the Public Procurement Policy 2012 for MSE's and to develop vendor base for various CPSU's. BPCL was specially invited and participated in a big way at the NVDP 2022.

Mr. Prakash G S, Joint Dir. and Head of office, MSME DFO, Thrissur welcomed the participants. The Hon Minister interacted with all participating organisations. Mr. Sriram S, CGM (E&AS) with additional charge of CPO(R) congratulated MSME DFO, Thrissur on organising the programme for vendor development. He conveyed that BPCL offers tremendous opportunity to business with MSMEs at the national level and is opening its wide spectrum of requirements in its various SBU's across the country. He urged various MSE vendors to utilize the opportunity positively.

BPCL made their representation in the two-day program to promote MSE vendor development and presented initiatives taken under public procurement policy during the B2B event. Mr. Manesh D, Procurement Manager, CPO-KR made a presentation on the prospects available for MSE vendors in BPCL. Mr. Vinodkumar PU, Procurement Manager and CPO-KR team, gave detailed information related to Vendor Registration Process, Categories for registration and MSE initiatives of BPCL. At the BPCL stall, more than 130 vendors approached BPCL expressing their special interest to do business with BPCL and the Refinery team helped them with the procedures for vendor registrations.

The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) -Development and Facilitation Office Thrissur organised the National Vendor Development Programme on 17,18 November 2022 at Gokulam Park Convention Centre, Kochi. MSME arranged this program in association with M/s. Cochin Shipyard Ltd, Kochi.





SAFETY EXHIBITION AT KR



A two day Safety Exhibition was organised to enhance Safety awareness among employees in various aspects of personal safety at work. The HSE team displayed the different kinds of personal protective equipment's and safety gadgets and also demonstrated the same at the exhibition.



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RAMALINGAM V Petchem





PRABHUL P Maintenance



RENJIT J P&U



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HEARTY CONGRATS



HARISH R CHANDRAN

(Manager - Maint) who is pursuing Executive MBA from IIM Kozhikode on being awarded a merit scholarship for securing the top 3 CGPA (out of 90 students) in first 4 quarters (total 8) amounting to Rs. 1 lakh. Harish is also supported by BPCL through Educational Assistance scheme- B.



ARCHANA AV

Procurement Manager on being crowned second runner up of Mrs Kerala Global 2022 at a glittering ceremony in Kochi. The pageant is a pathway to other leading pageants in South India.



MEHRISHI S

SUPERANNUATION

BEST WISHES TO OUR COLLEAGUES

SUPERANNUATING THIS MONTH

joined the organization in the P&A Department, Mumbai Refinery in 1987 and is retiring from the IS department this month.



MURALEEDHARAN N

joined the organization in the P&A Department of Kochi Refinery in 1986 and is retiring from the Maintenance department this month.





BPCL has clinched the 42nd PSPB Volleyball championship in a classic demonstration of super-power with comfortable wins right through the tournament. BPCL took on ONGC in 3 straight sets in the semi finals and went on to defeat Oil India also in straight sets in the finals in Guwahati. This is the 5th consecutive year that

BPCL team was represented by Akhin G S (Captain), Jerome Vinith C, Muthusamy A, Rohit P, Jithin N, Ajithlal C, Vibin M George, Kiran Philip, Kishor Kumar E K and Ismail A. Tom Joseph, Asst Manager (Admn) is the Team Coach and Emile Toppo, DGM (Admn) is the Manager. The 42nd Petroleum Sports Promotion Board (PSPB)

GOK FELICITATES BPCL PLAYERS

The Sports Council of Kerala felicitated athletes and players in Olympics, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games and National Games at a ceremony in Thiruvananthapuram on 29 November 2022. Mr. V Abdurahiman, Minister for Sports and Mr. G R Anil, Minister for Food & Civil Supplies felicitated around 400 sports personalities of Kerala. The Kerala Volleyball Team which bagged the Gold in the National Games 2022 was also felicitated. BPCL players who were part of the winning Kerala Volleyball team are Muthusamy A (Captain), Akhin G S, Jerome Vinith C and Jithin N and Tom Joseph (Coach).

PSPB BADMINTON



BPCL Badminton team participated in two Team events i.e. Veteran & Men of the 41st PSPB Inter - Unit Badminton tournament held at Guwahati from 16th to 20th November 2022.

Our veteran badminton players proved that age is just a number and performed exceptionally well in the tournament wherein they bagged 2nd place in veteran's team event. M/s P.V. Ravitej ED(Refineries Projects) I/C, Manoj Heda ED (Corporate Finance), R Krishnaprasad (National Channel Manager Direct) Lubes, George Thomas, GM (PR & Admn) KR and P A Shanware (GM Process) BR) were the members of the runners up team in the Veteran Team event.

Further, our international players, M/s R.M.V. Gurusaidutt, Sameer Verma and Aditya Joshi bagged 3rd place in the Men team event.





Sagar House has emerged Sports Champions for this academic year. The totally eventful Annual Sports Meet of CR School, gifted students thrilling moments to cherish a lifetime.

The 56th Annual Sports Meet was held during 3 to 5 November 2022. Day 1 witnessed the thrill and excitement of the little ones of the Primary school as they celebrated their Sports Day after a span of two years. CRS Vice Principal, Premlata Shaji declared the Primary Meet open.

The Secondary Sports meet on 4 & 5 November 2022, was declared open by Head of the Department of Mathematics, Anice George.

The Sports Captain led the oath to the House Captains and the torch was lit by the Vice Principal and handed over to the School Captains Adithyan K Abhilash and Neha S Paul who then passed it on to the stellar performers of all the houses before it was finally lit in the cauldron. A spectacular Flash Mob with a message against *Drug Abuse was* was presented by the CRS NCC Cadet of 22 (K) BN Eloor at the inaugural ceremony.

Individual Champions were honoured at the closing ceremony. Sagar House emerged the Champions for the year 2022. In the inter House matches, Sagar House won the Football match and Agni House were winners in Volleyball.

At the end of two sportive days, the flags lowered to mark the close of the Sports Meet. The Flag was lowered and handed over to the Physical Education Department. Shiba Fathima, proposed the Vote of thanks.







The exhibition was inaugurated by President,Thiruvaniyoor Panchayat Prakashan C R; and the cycle rally from CRS campus to Vandipetta was flagged off by CRS Vice Principal Premlatha Shaji. Preventive Officer Excise Range Office Mamala, Nagaraj S and CRS PTA-Vice President, Ramesan K K were also present. Feba Maria Reji, Student Council member, CRS spoke on the urgent need for eradicating the deadly substance from the society and Adithyan K Abhilash, School Captain, administered oath on 'No to Drugs'. CRS students also presented a flash mob while residents of Thiruvaniyur formed a Human chain to support the campaign. The programme was a collaborative initiative of Malayala Manorama' Nalla Padam', Milma, Integrity Club and NCC of CR School.



Students of CR School celebrated the 66th Kerala Piravi Day with a rendition of 'Akshara Slokam', the poetic entertainment developed in the Malayalam language. The Malayalam Department led the celebrations on 1 November 2022. The guests of honour for the day were Mr. Kiran, Malayalam Teacher, NSS School and Mr. Biju from BPCL who spoke about Akshara Shloka and the folk art Padayani respectively. Akash Tiny of Std 8 delivered an impressive speech on the importance of tke language of Kerala, Malayalam. Dressed in traditional attire, children spent a day in complete unity with Kerala, God's own country and their motherland.





Children's Day was celebrated with super zeal at CR School, by children and teachers alike! CRS teachers made the occasion memorable with a special assembly where they were treated to a melodious medley of songs followed by a colourful dance performance by teachers. Chacha Nehru was the chief guest. Shriss Chakraborty of class 5, delivered the address as Chachu Nehru. Tiny tots of KG presented a cultural dance-drama fiesta which was the show-stopper of the day!



