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**EDITORIAL** 

### INTO THE YEAR OF HOPE 2021, collaborate with care

In 2021, we are looking at possibilities and opportunities unexplored. From the learnings thrown open to us in the epic year of 2020, we have much with us to prepare for a future unlike what we have seen earlier or planned before.

This New Year edition of *JwalaDhwani*, we sincerely salute the spirit of unity and resolve, the binding force of Kochi Refinery with which alone we could let a very difficult year pass by.

We bring you a quick round up of the National highlights under our Ministry of P&NG, corporate highlights from across BPCL Business Units and the Refinery highlights that will fill us with pride to rededicate ourselves as committed PSU members.

As promised by the Government of India, the vaccinations have arrived. Unfortunately the number mindful everyday of the need to sanitize, maintain interacting with others for our personal safety and of family, friends and colleagues.

Wishing all of you a safe and healthy 2021 and everything that's right for peaceful collaborations.

Warmly, **Editor** 

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**NEW YEAR GREETINGS** FROM KOCHI REFINERY

















12 MMSCMD Capacity

₹3000 Crore Cost



The pipeline passes through Ernakulam, Thrissur, Palakkad, Malappuram, Kozhikode, Kannur, Kasaragod and Mangaluru.



It will supply environment-friendly and affordable PNG to households, commercial units and CNG for transportation sector across the 10 districts of different GAs along the pipeline.



The project created over 12 lakh man-days of employment during construction.

GAs-Geographical Areas PNG-Piped Natural Gas CNG-Compressed Natural Gas

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### **DEDICATED TO** THE NATION BY **HON'BLE PM**

Hon'ble Prime Minister dedicated the Kochi - Mangaluru Natural Gas pipeline on 5 January 2021 ensuring uninterrupted availability of piped natural gas and compressed natural gas to people of Karnataka & Kerala.

The 450 Km Kochi- Mangaluru natural gas pipeline will provide clean and environment-friendly fuel to homes, industries and transportation in Kerala and Karnataka and give a thrust to a gas-based economy

#### **'SAKSHAM 2021' FOR GREEN & CLEAN ENERGY**

Natural Gas, Government of India inaugurated the PCRA -Petroleum Conservation Research Association annual fuel conservation campaign Saksham 2021. The launch of

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#### **45 YEARS OF BHARAT PETROLEUM**

What does it take for a brand to build 45 years of trust? It's the drive to serve the nation, the passion to excel at it and above all, the collective ambition of its people to achieve and sustain excellence. On the Foundation Day, of BPCL on 27 January 2021, we take a look at what it means to be a part of Bharat Petroleum. Click the play button to watch video









#### **UPGRADING JETTY FACILITIES IN MUMBAI**

Mr. Rajesh Aggarwal, IAS, Additional Secretary & Financial Advisor, MOP&NG visited BPCL Marine Oil Terminal on the Butcher Island, off the east coast of Mumbai, where bunkering facility was upgraded with five jetties. Mr. Aggarwal was taken around the facilities by Mr. Arun Singh, Director (Marketing) & Director (Refineries), Mr. P. V. Ravitej, Executive Director (Refineries) i/c and other senior officials on 10 January 2021.

Earlier BPCL commissioned the Fifth Oil Berth Jetty (JD5) at Jawahar Dweep port in Mumbai harbour, which is the second such jetty to import the crude by both BPCL and HPCL refineries in Mumbai. This jetty overcomes several limitations of draft and displacement and is connected with Mumbai Refinery by a submarine pipeline. So far, entire crude import was through more than 35 years old jetty JD4 only, with Aframax vessel of maximum 90 TMT load. With this new JD5 we can receive crude oil in larger vessels up to 135 TMT (Suexzmax). On 30 December 2020, a Suexzmax vessel, loaded with 115 TMT crude, berthed to test the newly commissioned jetty.

## YEAR 2020 THE TRIUMPH OF RESILIENCE



For BPCL, the year 2020 has been a solemn journey of resilience, commitment, care, and going beyond the call of duty. No matter how tough things were, we reached out to make a difference in the lives of our fellow citizens – which is our core purpose and perpetual mission.

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# YEAR 2021 YEAR OF POSSIBILITIES

As the nation enters 2021, we hope the challenges of the past year are left behind. And the new year fills your life with positivity, possibilities, and opportunities. Bharat Petroleum wishes you a Happy New Year.

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#### WHATS NEW FOR CUSTOMERS

BPCL expects to expand customer base 10-fold under new customer loyalty programme.

Read more

#### **BHARATGAS PAY & WIN**



Pay for your Bharatgas refills through BPCL SBI Credit card and get rewarded. To apply for BPCL SBI Credit card, click here <a href="https://bit.ly/3s79zzq">https://bit.ly/3s79zzq</a>. For your next 5 refills, pay by BPCL SBI Credit card on the Bharatgas website or mobile app during the period 21 December 2020 to 20 June 2021 and get 2000 reward points worth Rs.500/-

#### **BHARATGAS USE IT RIGHT**

Taking care of your loved ones includes following a few crucial safety measures while using LPG. Watch this video to know all the precautions you must take before, after, and while cooking with an LPG cylinder. **Watch Facebook video >>** 



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## A WELL MANAGED REFINERY AT KOCHI SAYS PETROLEUM SECRETARY

A company like Bharat Petroleum is in a position to think ahead and identify solutions as the challenges seen are not new and they are bound to continue. The team should focus on understanding the paradigm shifts in demand of fuels and changing patterns of crude sourcing to come up with suitable plans to overcome them. Demand for fuel is here to stay for the next 20 years and more," shared Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas.

Mr. Tarun Kapoor, IAS in his special address on his visit to Kochi Refinery. In the first leg of his three day visit to Kochi, he visited Kochi Refinery on 18 January 2021 where he was cordially welcomed by Mr. Arun Kumar Singh, Director (Marketing & Refineries), Bharat Petroleum. In the hour long discussion with the senior leadership of the Refinery led by Mr. PV Ravitej, Executive Director i/c (Refineries), BPCL and Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), the Secretary evinced interest in the ongoing projects and Refinery operations. Mr. Chacko M Jose, Chief General Manager (Operations), gave a brief overview of the Refinery detailing on the genesis, growth and ongoing projects of the Refinery.

Secretary (MoP&NG) later visited the Plant and Project sites. At the Main Control Room (MCR) of KR, the refinery operations and state-of-the-art systems were detailed by Mr. R Sreekumar, Chief General Manager (Manufacturing). At the Main Fire Station, the Petroleum Secretary also experienced the Aerial Hydraulic Platform, one of its only kind in Kerala, used for firefighting at high altitudes. The Rs. 8 Crores skylift that can be raised up to 44 Meters was added recently to KR equipping the Refinery Fire Services to support the State & District administration during extreme exigencies. Secretary (MoP&NG) also planted a sapling at the Kochi Refinery Ecopark which is by now home to several rare species of herbs, plants and full grown trees.

"The visit to the Refinery was very educative for me. The refinery is well managed. The management and the entire team are competent and managing the work in a professional manner. There are new projects under execution which will add more value. This is the largest PSU Refinery and the biggest investment in this part of the country. A pride for the Nation. My good wishes to all the team members," wrote Mr. Tarun Kapoor in the visitor's book on concluding his visit to Kochi Refinery. VIEW FACEBOOK ALBUM





### PETROLEUM SECRETARY **APPRECIATES EFFORTS** OF SDI, KOCHI



The Petroleum Secretary was given a warm welcome by Mr. Arun S, Principal, SDI along with Mr. Arun Kumar Singh, Director (Marketing & Refineries), BPCL, Mr. PV Ravitej, Executive Director (I/c) BPCL Refineries, Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), Mr. Kurian P Alapatt, Chief General Manager i/c (HR) and Ms. Sarah Thomas, Chief General Manager (Employee Relations), Kochi Refinery.

The SDI under the aegis of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd, and supported by 7 companies under Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas namely, IOCL, ONGC, HPCL, OIL, GAIL, Balmer Lawrie & Co. and EIL conducts residential technical training programmes at INKEL Business Park, Angamaly, Kerala with training partner Nettur Technical Training Foundation (NTTF), Bengaluru.

In a walk-through presentation for the Petroleum Secretary, the Principal explained how the SDI provides vocational training to a large section of youth to enhance their skills in various fields to increase the employability in the Oil & Gas Industry and other industries. The SDI (Kochi), conducts full time 6-months residential course in Industrial Electrician (Oil & Gas), Industrial Fitter Fabrication, Industrial Welding (Oil & Gas) and Instrumentation Technician trades. In addition to the specific skill centric courses, the SDI also provides training on personality development and English language proficiency skills in a holistic approach to enhancing employability.

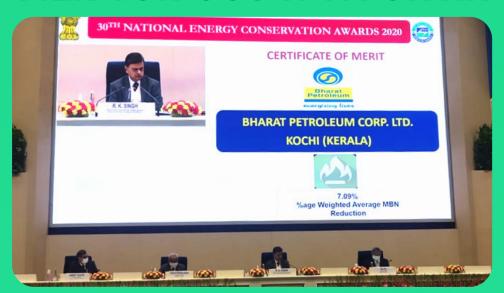
Currently the courses are being delivered online further to COVID restrictions. The Principal also updated the Petroleum Secretary that 756 trainees including 27 females have successfully completed the courses so far through 6 batches and 90% of them were placed in various industrial organisations across the country with good salary packages.

The Petroleum Secretary interacted with the faculty of SDI and was very impressed with the quality of the programmes being offered, the training facility and the cleanliness maintained at SDI and expressed his appreciations in the visitor's book. "The institute is very well planned with good systems and faculty. The premises are well kept. Skilling common citizens is a great service. My good wishes to the Principal and his team," he wrote.

## FOUNDATION DAY **CELEBRATIONS**

**KochiRefinery city office at Kundannur, the Refinery Office HQ** at Ambalamugal and the Club house & Transit Flats at Marine Drive, were decked in lights as part of the 45th Foundation Day celebrations of BPCL. View Facebook album

### **MERITORIOUS WIN FOR KR**





At the 30th National Energy Conservation Award (NECA), Bharat Petroleum's Kochi Refinery has been commended for its meritorious performance in Energy Conservation. In the assessment by Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Kochi Refinery received the certificate of merit, in Appreciation of the efforts in Energy Conservation in Petroleum Refinery Sector for the year 2020.

Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) and Mr. Chacko M Jose, Chief General Manager (Operations) received the award on behalf of Bharat Petroleum from Mr. RK Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State for Power & Renewable Energy and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship at a virtual ceremony in December 2020



#### REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATIONS **AT KOCHI REFINERY**

Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director(Kochi Refinery) unfurled the National Flag at the Republic Day celebrations at Kochi Refinery.

"As the Nation looks to bounce back to a brighter and more energetic year 2021 after the lull of the pandemic stricken 2020, let us also buckle up to bounce back for scripting a brighter future for the Refinery," he said.

Thanking KR team and all customers, vendors and associates who have partnered in the progress of Kochi Refinery as the largest PSU Refinery in India, Mr. Khanna closed his message with "Together, let us take this unique Refinery of BharatPetroleum to greater heights. Together let's passionately deliver our promise to Energising Lives." **VIEW FACEBOOK ALBUM** 



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#### ADIEU & BEST WISHES



MR. JAYESH SHAH started his journey with the company in 1984 and in these 36 years he guided the people with his exemplary leadership skills. His efforts towards adopting new policies and helping us embrace the new normal have proven to be invaluable. He superannuates this month as the Executive Director (Human Resources Services), BPCL HQ. We wish former Executive Director (HR) of Kochi Refinery & Editor (JwalaDhwani) all the very best in his future endeavours

Happy Birthday



VIEW AND WISH KOCHIREFINERS CELEBRATING THEIR SPECIAL DAY IN JANUARY 2021. CLICK ON CAKE T O WISH THEM WELL. LOGON TO KR SOCIAL MEDIA TO WISH OUR TEAM MATES DAILY ON FACEBOOK AND <u>TWITTER</u>

#### BEST WISHES DEAR COLLEAGUES SUPERANNUATING IN JANUARY



Mukundan M O joined P&A in 1984 and is retiring from P&U Department this



Puaazhendhi V joined the Projects Department in 1985 and is retiring from HR-L&D Department



Paulose N K joined the QC Department in 1985 and is retiring Departmen**t** 



Ranjith V joined the S&OM Department in 1987 and is retiring from CPO (KR) <u>Department</u>



**PEOPLE** 

Narayanan M N the Manufacturing Department in 1996 and is retiring from Manufacturing II

HSE— **NEAR MISS AWARDS 2021** 



## Hearty Congratulations Near Miss Award Winners

as on Jan 2021



**Binu Varghese** MFG-2/VGO-HDT



Sunimon S, MFG-1 / CDU-2



**Byjumon V J** 



Varughese MK OM&S/TF-1



Sundara Raj R OM&S/TF-1

"Thank You for your alertness and intervention to identify and inform the incident. Your timely involvement has helped in avoiding a major Process Safety Event" "As always Safety is the top priority"

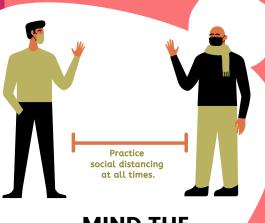




#### REPUBLIC DAY AT CRS

Cochin Refineries School focused on revisiting the Indian Constitution with a nationalistic fervour at the Republic Day celerations this year. Principal Mrs. Mala B Menon, hoisted the National flag. This was followed by Prayer by the School choir. Principal urged students to take pride in being an Indian and become responsible citizens of this great country. Passionate speeches by the students drove home the significance of this day. . The rendition of the patriotic songs and the dance infused the spirit of patriotism and a short film captured the greatness of our motherland reflecting the strength of our military and the richness of our Constitution. 26th January also a date to remember our national heroes and freedom fighters who fought to help us achieve a republic country, Vice Principal Premlatha Shaji, shared. Aniketh R Menon expressed gratitude.

#### **STAY SAFE**



**MIND THE** 2-METER RULE

#### **GYAAN 2021 ESCAPE THE ORDINARY**



## **CONGRATS TOM JOSEPH**

International volleyball player, long time Indian captain, BPCL Volleyball team coach and Arjuna Awardee Tom Joseph was declared winner of the Pravasi Bharat Award. He received the prestigious award from former Chief Minister of Kerala Mr. Oommen Chandy.



Cochin Refineries School conducted the annual inter-school competition Gyaan 2021 in memory of late Shri PVV Namboothiri, Former Head of Maths dept. Every year, Gyaan is organised with an objective of developing the mathematical aptitude and skills of students. This year the contest was on T-Shirt designing with mathematical concepts. Father George Kurien, Former Head of Math Department, CRS, Mr. Satyan V, School Board Member, GM, Advisory Services, BPCL KR, Mr.Happy and Ms. Mini Namboothiri ,PTA president Mr. Ajithkumar graced the occasion.

The competition was conducted on a virtual platform on 23 January 2021 with 79 teams , 158 participants from classes 6-8 competing with each other from 29 schools. The ever-rolling trophy of Gyan 2021 was lifted by DIPAYAN DAS and CHOPHEL SHERPA of Navy children's School. The Second Position was bagged by JOSHNA M J and ABHINAV RAJIV PANICKER of Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Tripunithra and the third Position went to J JOANNA SHARON and SANJANA MENON of Greets Public School, Kaloor. DIPAYAN DAS and CHOPHEL SHERPA of Navy children's School bagged the first prize for the T-Shirt they designed.

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