

EDITORIAL

JOINING A NEW LEAGUE

With Petrochemicals at Kochi Refinery

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This is indeed a historic leap for BPCL to be in a brand new league and a triumphant moment for team Kochi Refinery as we cross one milestone after the other for the prestigious *Aatmanirbhar Project* including the 1000th consignment of niche petrochemicals this month.

September has been a month of many such pivotal moments and we are proud to chronicle them here in *JwalaDhwani mini* for you. We also urge you to follow the the real time updates on social media and other digital platforms.

Let us remember that social distancing is still mandatory and staying connected and up-to-date on digital and social media continues as the norm for active participation as informed members of the team.

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Warmly
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BPCL ACCELERATES TO ENERGY COMPANY

Our temple of aspirations is proposed on 5 pillars, **Petrochemicals, Gas, Mobility, Consumer Retailing and Renewables & Biofuels**, which will contribute to our glorious future. While they prime up, these would be bolstered by the core business of Refining and Marketing, said Mr. Arun Kumar Singh, Chairman & Managing Director at the 68th AGM of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd in Mumbai on 27 September 2021. Mr. K. Padmakar, Director (HR), Mr. VRK Gupta, Director (Finance) and Ms. V Kala, Company Secretary were present along with the Chairman & Managing Director.

Mr. Singh shared that with the commissioning of the **Propylene Derivative Petrochemical Project at Kochi Refinery**, BPCL has joined the leaders in production of niche petrochemicals. We will increase our presence in petrochemicals space, integrating with our refining activity to diversify. BPCL will convert around 7000 conventional **Fuel Stations into Energy Stations** in medium to long term providing multiple fuelling options like petrol, diesel, flexi fuels, electric vehicle charging facility, CNG and eventually hydrogen. To participate in growing natural gas business our presence in **CNG stations** is going to grow manifold in the next few years. We also have extensive plans to **scale up LNG business** and set up requisite infrastructure and fueling stations.

With Indian retail market poised for exponential growth, BPCL is fully geared up to enhance footprints in **non-fuel business** that offers consumables, durables, and services by leveraging its assets, nationwide network of 19000+ Fuel Stations and 6100+ LPG Distributorships and relationships. BPCL has embarked upon a comprehensive digitalisation journey through its **Project Anubhav** initiative which enhances business process efficiencies, improves supply chain transparency, draws market intelligence, bolsters BPCL's marketing skills, provides unified view of customer to BPCL and vice-versa and takes customer engagement to the next level.

C&MD Mr. Arun Kumar Singh, C&MD along with Mr. K Padmakar, Mr. VRK Gupta and Mr. S. Abbas Akhtar, Chief General Manager (PR & Brand) interacted with the media in the virtual post AGM Press Conference where they detailed on how BPCL is accelerating its transformation from an Oil & Gas company to an **Energy Company** with increased contribution from Petchem, Natural Gas, Electric Mobility, Consumer Retailing and Renewables & Bio Fuels.



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Arun Kumar Singh
Chairman and Managing Director
at 68th Annual General Meeting

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BPCL TO CONTRIBUTE ₹ 2 CRORE FOR KERALA VACCINATION DRIVE

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited has committed a contribution of ₹ 2 Crore for the vaccination drive of Government of Kerala. The commitment letter was presented to Mr. Pinarayi Vijayan, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Kerala by Shri Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (BPCL- Kochi Refinery) on 24 September 2021 in Thiruvananthapuram.

Dr K Elangovan, Principal Secretary (Industry), Mr. D Bhalamurali, Managing Director, Kerala Medical Service Corporation Limited (KMSCL), Mr. Kurian P Alapatt, Chief General Manager (HR), Mr. A N Sreeram, CGM (PETCHEM), Mr. George Thomas, GM (PR), Mr. D Kannabiran, State Head (Retail) and Mr. Vinod T Mathew, Manager (PR), were also present.

The support for vaccination drive is part of BPCL's ongoing initiatives to counter COVID 19 Pandemic in Kerala. Earlier during the onset of second COVID wave, BPCL had developed a plant to patient oxygen supply system by laying approx. 1 Km length SS pipeline from the plant to 1500-bed makeshift COVID treatment Centre. This facility was developed at the old campus of Cochin Refineries School, adjacent to the Refinery premises and was coordinated by the local administration. This is the first of its kind in the industry.

To support Government hospitals in combating COVID-19, liquid oxygen is being supplied from Kochi Refinery at no cost. In August 2021, BPCL commissioned three 500 LPM PSA Oxygen plants at Government General Hospitals in Thiruvananthapuram, Kozhikode and Kannur. To reach out far off regions in the event of the next wave, Oxygen bottling facility has been set up with a capacity of approx. 700 cylinders per day.

BPCL had also supported Government of Kerala in setting up ventilators in Ernakulam Medical College and Kannur Medical College and had enhanced medical facilities for COVID wards at various Government hospitals. During the lockdown, BPCL had directly reached out to the needy in the neighbourhood and tribal areas by providing food and hygiene kits and support to community kitchens. Extensive support was also extended in online education for school children.



KINFRA AND BPCL SIGN MOU FOR PETROCHEMICAL PARK AT KOCHI

Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA) and Bharat Petroleum have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to co-operate in the Petrochemical Park project to be set up by KINFRA in Ambalamugal, Kochi. The MoU was signed between Mr. Santosh Koshy Thomas, Managing Director (KINFRA) and Mr. S Jena, Executive Director (Industrial & Commercial), BPCL in the presence of Shri P Rajeev, Hon'ble Industries Minister, Govt. of Kerala in Thiruvananthapuram on 24 September 2021. The target is to complete the project by 2024.

Targeting the industrial and economic growth of Kerala and job creation in the state, the Petrochemical park will be set up on 481 acres of land at Ambalamugal, Kochi. BPCL, a leading company in the petrochemical industry, has been allotted 171 acres of land under the scheme. Around 250 acres of land will also be allotted for petrochemical industrial units that operate on petroleum products and raw materials supplied by BPCL. BPCL will also provide support to industrial units arriving at the park. KINFRA and BPCL have decided to work together to establish and develop the park.

Principal Secretary (Industries Department, GoK) & Director(BPCL), Dr. K. Elangovan, Director Mr. S Harikishore, Executive Director (KochiRefinery) Mr. Sanjay Khanna, BPCL Chief General Managers Mr. A.N. Sriram, Mr. Kurian P Alapatt, Mr. S. Srinivasan, and General Manager Mr. George Thomas and State Head Mr. D Kannabiran were present on the occasion.





CELEBRATING THE 1000TH TRUCK OF NICHE PETROCHEMICALS

The 1000th truck carrying niche Petrochemicals was flagged off from BPCL Kochi Refinery by Mr. Sanjay Mehrishi, Chief General Manager (Information Systems) and Mr. Teekam Singh, Territory Manager (Industrial & Commercial) Kochi in the presence of Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) on 23 September 2021. The day was most auspicious for Kochi Refinery, as we turned 55 years on this day after the Refinery was inaugurated in 1966 by then Prime Minister of India Indira Gandhi.

The 1000th Petchem moment marks a milestone in the *Atmanirbhar* destiny of the country since niche petrochemicals are being produced and marketed in world scale economic size capacity for the first time in the country from Bharat Petroleum's Propylene Derivatives Petrochemical Complex at Kochi Refinery.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi had dedicated the complex on February 14, 2021. The cost of setting up the complex was ₹6,000 crore approximately. The complex uses 250,000 tonnes of propylene a year and produces Niche Petrochemicals as butyl acrylate, ethyl hexyl acrylate, acrylic acid, ethyl hexanol and normal butanol. The acrylic acid unit is the largest single train unit in the world (160,000 tonnes a year). Both acrylic acid and acrylates units are the first in the country. The first parcel of Niche Petrochemical from Kochi Refinery was flagged off on 14 April 2021. Since then 20,000 MT of products have been sold to various ancillary industries as paints and adhesives.

The billing invoice of the 1000th truck of PDPP was handed over to the customer representative by Mr. S Sriram, Chief General Manager (Engineering & Advisory Services). The 1000th truck dispatch of 2 Ethyl Hexanol consisted of conventional truck with a total quantity of 26.97 Metric Ton and was transported to the customer M/s.Payal Polyplast Pvt Ltd, Vagra, Gujarat.

"This is a proud moment for all of us in Bharat Petroleum. Niche petrochemical sector is a new area for us. However, we are learning the nuances of this complex sector and progressing towards fully energizing this petrochemical area, wishing many more 1000th soon," said Shri Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery). Chief General Managers, Shri Suresh John, Shri Ajith Kumar K, Shri Kurian P Alapatt, Shri A N Sreeram, Shri S Sriram, Smt Sarah Thomas, Shri G R Senthilkumar and KR team were also present at the flag-off function.





KOCHI REFINERY TEAM GREETES KERALA INDUSTRIES MINISTER

Kochi Refinery team led by Executive Director Mr. Sanjay Khanna greets Hon'ble Minister for Law, Industries and Coir, Govt of Kerala Mr. P Rajeev on taking office in the new Cabinet recently. The Hon'ble Minister, who has been closely following the growth and contribution of Kochi Refinery as the largest PSU Refinery, was totally receptive and could easily connect with the senior team from Kochi Refinery who briefly updated about the Refinery projects-in-progress and also the high and low points in the Refining sector.

Dr. K Ellangovan IAS, Principal Secretary (Industries) & Director, BPCL and Mr. Santhosh Koshy Thomas, Managing Director, Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA), were also present.

In pic: Seen with Hon'ble Minister (on his right) are Dr. K Ellangovan IAS, Principal Secretary (Industries) & BPCL Director and Mr. Santhosh Koshy Thomas, MD, Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA), and (on the left), Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), Mr. Kurian P Alapatt, Chief General Manager (HR) and Mr. George Thomas, General Manager (PR & Admin).

Hearty Congrats



Team Kochi Refinery

PSU Champions

47TH NATIONAL COMPETITION FOR YOUNG MANAGERS ALL INDIA MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION (AIMA)

Hearty Congrats to Team Kochi Refinery – Pooja Baliga (Tech- Production Planning), Harsh Lathiya (Mfg-II) and Pratik Bhatt (Mfg) on winning the 'Champions of PSU' award in the 47th National Competition for Young Managers organised by All India Management Association (AIMA), virtually on 17th September, 2021. The theme for this year was 'Transformation for continuity: Innovative practices for resilient organizations'. Pooja Baliga, has also won 'Best Young Manager' of the year 2021 award in the PSU category among more than 130 participants.

The All India Management Association (AIMA) has been organizing the National Competition for Young Managers (NCYM) annually since 1974, with a view to recognize competitive excellence among young managers and by providing them an unparalleled opportunity to hone their analytical, critical thinking, strategic thinking, team working and leadership skills in a national-level competitive setting. A total of 6 teams made the cut to represent BPCL in regional rounds of the competition under the PSU category and 3 out of these 6 teams qualified for the finals of the National Competition for Young Managers.

Congrats to team Kochi Refinery for the superlative performance in the Young Managers Contest!





NEW RESIDENTIAL TOWER AT VANDIPETTA FOR NON-MANAGEMENT STAFF

The new residential tower for Non-Management staff at Vandipetta was inaugurated by Mr. Sanjay Khanna, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) in the presence of Mr. Kurian P Alapatt, CGM (HR)/c, Ms. Sarah Thomas, CGM (HR-ER) and Mr. George Thomas, GM (PR & Admin) along with the HR Estates commissioning team on 16 September 2021.

The residential tower has Ground +10 stories with a total plinth area of 9363 m². There are 72 2 BHK flats of 835 sqft each with all amenities for modern living. Recreation spaces are provided in the first and second floors which includes Library, Yoga, Gym, and Indoor games. Spaces for social activities such as conference hall, dining hall, kitchen facilities, clinic have also been accommodated in the tower.

Four lifts and four staircases satisfying all safety parameters have been provided to cater vertical movement of the inmates. Fire fighting installations and STP are also provided. The landscape of the three hillocks has been preserved while developing the area and the building has been designed to blend naturally with the lush green serene environment. The flats have been allocated and staff have also occupied many of the flats.



TRENDING ONLINE IN SEPTEMBER 2021

Posted on Engineers Day by Hon'ble Petroleum Minister

Hardeep Singh Puri
15 September · 🌐

Combining efforts with efficiency!

Engineers are indeed the architects of the modern era. Their contribution towards nation building is exemplary. On #EngineersDay, I would like to laud all the engineers of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) Kochi Refinery for tirelessly working to achieve the dream of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji of making India, a Self-Reliant nation. Their sheer hard work is reflected through a Rs 6000 crore Propylene Derivative Petrochemical Project at Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) Kochi Refinery. The propylene derivatives petrochemical complex project will help generate 5,00,000 Metric Tonnes Per Annum (MTPA) of Propylene. Propylene is one of the main feed-stocks of petrochemicals. Using this capacity, BPCL is strategically entering the petrochemical sector to reduce the dependence of the country on imports of petrochemicals. Kochi Refinery is the first Indian refinery to produce niche petrochemicals. It was commissioned in 1966 with crude oil processing capacity of 2.5 Million Metric Tons per Annum (MMTPA). Through progressive revamps and addition of process units, the refining capacity has been augmented to present level of 15.5 MMTPA.

#EngineersEmpoweringIndia #MoPNG #EngineersDay Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India



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#BPCL is committed to protect the environment and have planted 79,000 trees during the year 2020-21, consequently increasing CO2 sink by sequestering 9,650 MTCO2e. Let us protect the one that protect us. #SaveOzone #OzoneDay2021 #OzoneLayer #EnergisingLives



Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
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Congratulations Kochi Refinery, the largest amongst the PSU refineries and the first one to produce niche petchem products, on completing 55 years of its dedication to the nation today.

Happy Birthday KOCHI REFINERY

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Kochi Refinery
23 September · 🌐

Happy Birthday Kochi Refinery. The largest PSU Refinery turns 55 today. Our thanks to all stake-holders for the love and support in making this Refinery so unique and beloved. Happy Birthday #BPCL #KochiRefinery.

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15 years

Happy Birthday

WISH KOCHIREFINERS CELEBRATING THEIR SPECIAL DAY IN SEPTEMBER 2021. CLICK ON THE CAKE TO WISH THEM WELL .

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PAUL SAYS BYE

Paul AA bids farewell to BPCL-Kochi Refinery, after his over two decades of services in the largest PSU Oil Refinery. Paul started his career with the Army and had worked there for more than 17 years in the Corps of Military Police. He joined the Corporation in Security Department, from where he retires. He has also worked in CPO (Kochi Refinery) for about 3 years.

His wife Raimol Paul is a home maker. They are blessed with 2 children. Their elder son Emil Paul, after completing B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering and PG from Centennial College, Canada is working in Toronto, Canada. His wife Ninnu is a Dentist. Their daughter Nimmy, after completing B.Tech in Civil Engineering and PG from Lambton College, Canada is working in British Columbia. She is married to Jinu, an Instrumentation Engineer and he is working in Yokogawa.

Post retirement, Paul wants to spend more time in farming and and horticulture. *Jwaladhwani* wishes Paul and his family healthy and peaceful days ahead!

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SUPERANNUATION

BEST WISHES TO OUR COLLEAGUE SUPERANNUATING THIS MONTH



Suba George joined the organization in the P&A Department in 1988 and is retiring from the HR Department this month



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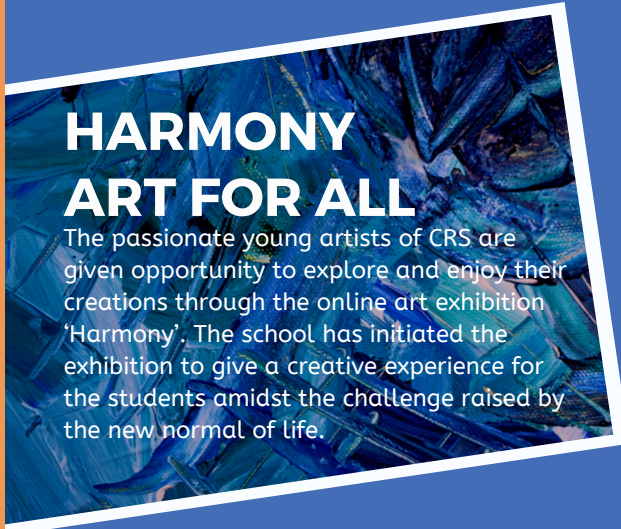
ACTIVE RADIO AT CRS

CRS launched the novel initiative 'Radio Active: The Voice of CRS', a fortnightly Podcasting programme run by the Student Council. RJ Karthik Suresh of Radio Mango inaugurated the first episode through a live YouTube streaming. The CRS RJs; CRJ Amal, CRJ Neha, CRJ Adithyan and CRJ Lavanya hosted the event



HARMONY ART FOR ALL

The passionate young artists of CRS are given opportunity to explore and enjoy their creations through the online art exhibition 'Harmony'. The school has initiated the exhibition to give a creative experience for the students amidst the challenge raised by the new normal of life.



HEARTY CONGRATS



Navami S Kumar of class 7B won second prize in 'SURTARANG', National Singing Talent Hunt music competition organised by Sangam Kala Group.



Preethi Rajeev, Teacher in English, CRS, bagged the prize for Best Online Teaching Lesson (CBSE Senior Secondary Section) in the competition 'Guruvandanam' organised by Manorama Horizon

HINDI DIWAS

Hindi department of CRS virtually celebrated Hindi Divas to pay tribute to the official language of India. A special assembly marked the occasion. Students of various classes participated in the making of the video highlighting the significance of the language in the history of India and its contribution in the field of literature.



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IGNITE YOUR SPIRITS

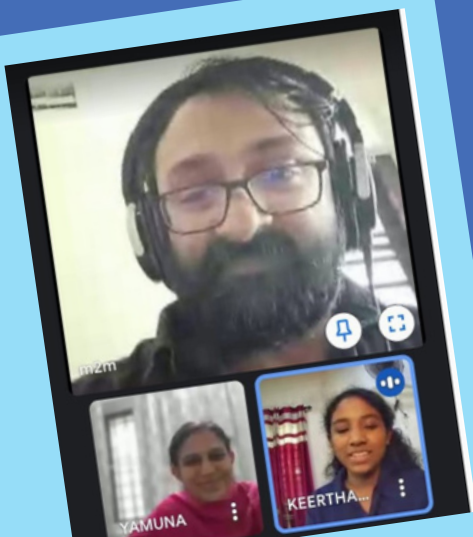
CRS aims at a comprehensive education system. In this regard, the Integrity Club of CRS launched two new initiatives, Thuna: Kootukaarkku Oru Kaithangu and Unarv: Moolyangale Unarthan. The two projects help the students in nurturing the moral values. The Indian - International Arm Wrestler, Shri. Joby Mathew was the Chief Guest for the launching ceremony which was held online. The former Principal of CRS, Dr.K B Sujatha graced the occasion with her presence. Ms Kavya, the first beneficiary of the Snehamritham project of Integrity Club interacted with the members of the club.

MINDROID

CRS hosted 'MINDROID' the Interschool competition for students in and across the city of Ernakulam. Mrs Muthumani, Cine Artist, inaugurated 'Mindroid' that had 64 students from 12 schools participating in three different competitions, 'FAIT DE COLLAR- COLLAGE MAKING', 'INDIA @75- POWERPOINT PRESENTATION', 'ENCUESTA - QUIZ.'

IN TUNE WITH THE MAESTRO

The Symphony Music Club of CRS organised a meet wherein the members of the club got opportunity to converse with the guest Mr Mejo Joseph, Singer, Music Director, Actor





THROWBALL CHAMPIONS

CRS bagged Gold in the 8th Ernakulam District Junior Throwball Championship which was held in Sri Gujarati Vidhyalaya, Mattencherry. Sreelakshmi V, (Front row : second from left) bagged the Best Player title.

THANKYOU TEACHERS

Class 12 students organised a virtual get together for teachers as part of the Teachers' Day celebration. They also presented a special video in the morning assembly as a tribute to the teachers. Classes were taken by the student teachers of class 12.

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VIBES

The Primary Cultural Fest 'Vibes 2021' went online and witnessed vibrant participation of students of classes 1 to 5 in various competitions. Celebrity artists Maneesh Mohanan, Surjith Gopinath and playback singer Sreenath wished the children on their big day virtually.

WINGS : KG CULTURAL FEST

KG Cultural fest displayed a marvellous participation of the tiny tots in different competitions. The inaugural video included greetings from Cine Actor- Meenakshi and Top Singer Season 1 fame - Ananya Dinesh.

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SHORT FILM

'ARAKSHITA', a short film was made by 11 students of class XI as a part of short film making competition 'TRUCE' organised by ASSISSI VIDYANIKETHAN. The film promotes the message of Peace and Harmony.



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#GREEN STORIES KOCHI REFINERY

Kochi Refinery is one of the greenest Refineries in India as also the largest PSU Refinery. As a conscious measure to boost positive conversations about our Refinery on social media, we are pleased to initiate **#GreenStories**, an exclusive media campaign to talk about the environment care initiatives that we have been investing on year after year. We request all members of Kochi Refinery to share it widely through your social media handles.

Please take this opportunity to open personal handles on Facebook and Twitter and share more about our company and daily stories of Kochi Refinery

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