**BPCL and UPSRTC Sign MoU to Install Water Coolers at UPSRTC Bus Stands across Uttar Pradesh**

**Mumbai, June 28, 2024:** Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), a ‘Maharatna’ and a Fortune Global 500 Company, and Uttar Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation (UPSRTC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to install water coolers at UPSRTC bus stands, providing clean and cold drinking water for bus passengers and the general public. The signing ceremony took place today in Lucknow, with top officials from both organizations.

This initiative, part of BPCL's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) program, aims to enhance public amenities and ensure the well-being of travelers and the community. The installation of water coolers at 100 UPSRTC bus stands in 87 cities will significantly improve the comfort and convenience of the 2 million passengers who use UPSRTC's services daily. The implementation of this project will be completed within 90 days.

*Speaking at the signing ceremony,* ***BPCL’s I&C Business Head, Mr. Rahul Tandon*** *stated, "We are proud to collaborate with UPSRTC in this meaningful initiative. Providing clean drinking water at bus stands is a vital public service, and through our efforts, we are committed to contributing to the health and welfare of the public. BPCL is fortunate to have associated with UPSRTC for this CSR project and we express our desire to partner with UPSRTC for other similar initiatives which touch the lives of people."*

***UPSRTC’s Managing Director, Mr. Masoom Ali Sarwar, added,*** *"Philanthropy is one of the key pillars of society. This CSR project will provide relief to 2 million passengers and will have a profound positive impact on society at large. The MoU with BPCL reflects our shared commitment to enhancing passenger amenities and public services. The installation of water coolers at our bus stands will greatly benefit travelers, especially during the hot summer months."*

Senior executives from both BPCL and UPSRTC attended the ceremony, highlighting the significance of this partnership in enhancing public infrastructure and services.

As a leading organization, BPCL is committed to social responsibility and community betterment. This collaboration with UPSRTC highlights BPCL's dedication to maximizing positive impacts and promoting inclusive growth for the sustainability of its business.

**About Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL):**

Fortune Global 500 Company, Bharat Petroleum is the second largest Indian Oil Marketing Company and one of the integrated energy companies in India, engaged in refining of crude oil and marketing of petroleum products, with presence in the upstream and downstream sectors of the oil and gas industry. The company attained the coveted Maharatna status, joining the club of companies having greater operational & financial autonomy.

Bharat Petroleum’s Refineries at Mumbai, Kochi and Bina have a combined refining capacity of around 35.3 MMTPA. Its marketing infrastructure includes a network of installations, depots, energy stations, aviation service stations and LPG distributors. Its distribution network comprises over 21,800+ Energy Stations, over 6,200 LPG distributorships, 525 Lubes distributorships, and 123 POL storage locations, 53 LPG Bottling Plants, 70 Aviation Service Stations, 4 Lube blending plants and 4 cross-country pipelines as on 31.03.2024.

Bharat Petroleum is integrating its strategy, investments, environmental and social ambitions to move towards a sustainable planet. The company has chalked out the plan to offer electric vehicle charging stations at around 7000 energy stations over next 5 years.

With a focus on sustainable solutions, the company is developing an ecosystem and a road-map to become a Net Zero Energy Company by 2040, in Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Bharat Petroleum has been partnering communities by supporting several initiatives connected primarily in the areas of education, water conservation, skill development, health, community development, capacity building and employee volunteering. With ‘Energising Lives’ as its core purpose, Bharat Petroleum’s vision is to be an admired global energy company leveraging talent, innovation & technology.

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