

Katupalli Modular Fabrication Facility Crosses First Milestone

Sail-out of 2000 T platform within year of commencing operations puts L&T's newest facility on global map

On May 08, 2011, a felicitation function at L&T's sprawling Modular Fabrication Facility – Katupalli marked the sail-out of a 2000-tonne, 6-legged well-head platform for Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation (GSPC).

Mr. K. Venkataramanan (KV), President (Engineering & Construction Projects) & Member of the Board, described the achievement as a “360-degree success”, that highlighted the seamless integration of multiple units, across different ICs working towards a shared goal.



*Well-head platform for GSPC poised for sail-out.
Below: KV breaks a coconut on the auspicious occasion.*

Mr. U. Dasgupta, Senior Vice-President, listed out Katupalli's many benchmarks – all of them “achieved in one stroke”. It had built L&T's heaviest ever well-head platform, and in doing so within a year of commencing operations had virtually set a record on debut. Mr. P.R. Prabhu, Vice-President - Commercial Shipbuilding, Mr. M. Ramkumar, Vice-President – Hydrocarbon Construction & Pipelines and Mr. V.N. Desai, Vice-President – Hydrocarbon Upstream also congratulated Team Katupalli.

Equally effusive in their compliments were senior personnel from GSPC and Engineers India Limited who said that the execution of such a large platform on what was barren land until just a year ago, showed that L&T could make “the impossible possible”.

The event was a cherished occasion for a number of young GETs involved in the project who received mementos reading ‘Sail Out to Success’ – and a warm arm clasp from KV.

