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L&T Commissions State-Of-The-Art Casting Manufacturing Unit in Coimbatore

Coimbatore, December 2, 2009: Mr. A.M.Naik, Chairman & Managing Director, Larsen & Toubro, today inaugurated a state-of-the-art Casting Manufacturing Unit (CMU) as part of L&T's Coimbatore complex.

The CMU is a world class facility, and one of a few foundries in the world specializing in the manufacture of engineered large size castings. It will manufacture large size castings in SG and Grey Iron for critical applications in sunrise industries like Wind Power and other engineering sectors. The CMU is part of the Foundry Business Unit of L&T's Machinery & Industrial Products Division (MIPD), which already has another foundry at Kansbahal, Orissa.

The foundry will have a peak capacity of 30,000 tonnes per annum, and is benchmarked against the best in the world on productivity for mass production of large sized castings. It is capable of continuous production of castings in the weight range of 10 to 25 MT each.

With a covered area of 22,000 Sq Mts. on 15 acres of land (total land area 44 acres), the foundry has one of the best lay-outs, a unique Vibratory feeder charging system with 15 MT dual crucible, dual track furnace.

It has 11 heavy duty EOT cranes of capacities 25/5 MT to 75/15 MT supported by a 5 M x 5 M shakeout from General Kinematics, US. The sand system is a combination of Disa and IMF, Italy. Equipment for continuous mixers are from IMF and Sider Progetti of Italy, and the civil work has been executed by L&T-ECC.

The foundry has incorporated the latest state of the art pollution control, fire control, conservation of environment and natural resource measures for sustainable growth over several decades.

The commissioning of the CMU marks yet another step in L&T's commitment to set up world class operations at Coimbatore for Light and Precision Engineering.

The CMU is the sixth L&T facility to come up at Coimbatore. The others are a precision manufacturing facility for the company's Heavy Engineering Division, a precision manufacturing unit of the Electrical and Electronic Business group (EBG), a Valves facility for Audco India Limited, a switchgear design centre for EBG, and an electrical systems and equipment unit for EBG. In addition L&T also has a Product Development Centre of MIPD.

Background:

Larsen & Toubro is a USD 8.5 billion technology, engineering and construction group, with global operations. It is one of the largest and most respected companies in India's private sector.

A strong, customer-focused approach and the constant quest for top-class quality have enabled L&T to attain and sustain leadership in its major lines of business over seven decades.