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## Larsen & Toubro Launches 'Engineering Futures'

- To impart STEM education to 23,000 students of Govt. Schools in the country
- Focus on STEM to equip students to face the future job market
- STEM-specialist American India Foundation (AIF) partners with L&T's CSR wing

Chennai, October 19, 2019: Larsen & Toubro today launched its flagship CSR program for imparting STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education in 20 Tamil Nadu government-run schools in Chennai. Aptly titled as 'Engineering Futures,' the program will be extended to 83 government schools across five states of Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Haryana, Rajasthan and a Union Territory of Pondicherry in the current financial year.

The program, launched in collaboration with American India Foundation - an NGO specialised in imparting STEM education, will help close to 23,000 students of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> standard. This flagship program will deliver easy-to-understand, technology-driven, project-based learning by well-trained teachers.

Mr. M V Satish Whole-time Director and Senior Executive Vice President (Buildings, Minerals and Metals), Larsen & Toubro handed over specially designed school infrastructure to Dr. Kannappan, Director - School Education, Govt. of Tamil Nadu. Several dignitaries including Ms. Sanyukta Chaturvedi, Director- DE Program, American India Foundation graced the occasion.

Speaking on this occasion Mr. M V Satish said, ""We are now at a stage where jobs requiring STEM knowledge are growing at a fast pace. Despite having the top-quality talent in India, the examfocused education model has equipped limited number of students for innovation, problem-solving and creativity. L&T with its core competencies in the fields of technology, engineering and innovation, would like to fill this gap by 'Engineering Futures' project, launched in collaboration with AIF and Tamil Nadu government."

According to the National Science Foundation (2018), it is projected that 80% of the jobs created in the next decade will require skills related to mathematics, science and technology. Through this project, L&T plans to drive innovation by developing scalable STEM Education model that proves to be a catalyst in the education field. The 'Engineering Futures' aims to create and expand opportunities for all children to access the STEM education that will enable them to navigate the world in the 21st century.

L&T's CSR strategy emphasizes on harnessing innovation and technology driven solutions to address social needs. The company is leveraging its countrywide presence to reduce disparities through interventions in water and sanitation, healthcare, education and skill-building. The Construction

Skills Training Institute (CSTI) and Integrated Community Development (ICD) are other flagship programs run by the company under its CSR umbrella.

## Background:

Larsen & Toubro is an Indian multinational engaged in technology, engineering, construction, manufacturing and financial services with over USD 21 billion in revenue. It operates in over 30 countries worldwide. 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 for eight decades.

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