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LET`S DREAM AN ENTERPRISING **VIDARBHA**

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bout a thousand years ago, there was a playwright named Acharya Rajashekhar. In his drama named- Balramayana, he refers `Vidarbha' as Saarswati Janmabhoo! And the story does

not end here. There are references in the ancient scriptures that, Raja Dashrath's mother Indumati was Vidarbhakanya. This means Lord Rama's Grandma belongs to this land. I have also read that, Lopamudra, the philosopher according to ancient Vedic Indian literature and the wife of sage Agasti, was brought up by the King of Vidarbha. And scriptures also tell us that, Princess Rukmini, the first queen of Lord Krishna, was born to Bhishmaka- the king of Vidarbha kingdom. In the recent history, Maa Jijau, the great mother of iconic ruler Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, was also the daughter of Vidarbha. There are enough evidences to prove that Vidarbha was a land of intellectuals, great personalities and prosperity.

Vidarbha is a land of which the history dates back straight to the ages of Ramayana, Mahabharat and Shivaji Maharaj. It is a land of rich culture, fantastic cuisine, dense forests, rivers





and streams, wildlife and minerals. Whenever I think of development of this land, I am reminded of potential that this region boasts of and it makes me act to the best of my capacity and ability. I have been involved in the attempts to boost the development of Vidarbha since a long time. Right from the demand for the eradication of developmental backlog of the region and to the creation of a support system for rapid industrialization, I have been the part and parcel in numerous efforts so far. The scene has started changing since last couple of decades and Vidarbha, the historic and ancient land, has now started emerging as a destination for investment for industries and entrepreneurship. However, a lot is yet to be done and achieved to decorate our own Vidarbha with the glory it deserves.

I feel that, as compared to any destination being developed as an industrial hub in the country, Vidarbha's strategic geographical location is peerless and thus promising. It is a significant factor contributing to its industrial potential. Positioned in the central part of India, it serves as a crucial hub for connectivity. The region is wellconnected by road, rail, and air, providing seamless transportation infrastructure for the movement of goods and services across the nook and corner of the nation. With proximity to the rapidly developing city like Nagpur, Vidarbha can act as a logistics and distribution center, enhancing its attractiveness for industrial investments. Therefore- The Advantage Vidarbha Summit and Conclave is happening in Nagpur under the aegis of Association for Industrial Development (AID) and I welcome all the people to be a part of the same.

Advantage Vidarbha is an Industrial expo and Business Conclave to highlight the industrial achievements and modern infrastructure of Vidarbha and to invite and aid investments from sectors well suited for the region. This Conclave aims to showcase the Industrial Strength of the region and highlight exceptionally successful businesses. AID will facilitate discussions that deliberate industry challenges, advocate for growth-friendly policies, attract investments in Sectors well suited for the region, and fortify the business ecosystem beyond the Conclave.

Advantage Vidarbha is our effort to focus on Vidarbha as the premier business destination of our Nation and is our commitment to a brighter industrial future for the region. With this in mind, we have pitched for the participation of as much sectors as possible including Automobile Components, Defence, Agro-processing-Rice and Dal Mills / Poha/Murmura processing units, Bamboo and Bamboo Products, Software and IT Enabled Services, Components/ Tools and Hardware manufacturing, Cattle Feed and allied products, Coal-Coal Gasification and Coal Based Methane, Dairy and Dairy Products, Higher Education and Skill Development, Ethanol/ Methanol/Bio Fuels, Wildlife-Agro-Eco and Religious Tourism along with Entertainment & Adventure Sports, PEB: Pre-Engineered Building, Textile, Aviation, Real Estate, Plastic/Recycling, Fisheries, Hotels and Hospitality, Heavy Machinery for Mining/Construction, Health/ Health Tourism, Logistics and Transport Services, Minor Minerals and Mining, Iron Ore and Allied mining, Energy & Green Energy, Paper & Allied Industries, Pharma/ API, Powerloom / Handloom etc. The list does not end here.

One and all should note that, this developmental potential of Vidarbha stems from various factors including strategic geographical location. abundant natural resources, skilled labor force and supportive government policies in the recent past. In the last couple of decades, Vidarbha's industrial development has gained momentum. Not only Nagpur, but almost all the district headquarters and multiple smaller locations in Vidarbha too are witnessing good industrial growth. To make this growth phenomenal and exponential, we all have to join hands to find out what are our strengths, what Vidarbha has to offer and how can we bring about prosperity by igniting the new industrial revolution.

In this Coffee Table Book, being published during Advantage Vidarbha Conclave, we are presenting the glimpses of the lives and endeavors of successful business persons/entities from the region so that they become the source of inspiration for the new generation. We wish to sensitize one and all to be the stakeholders and beneficiaries in the process of industrial development of Vidarbha which we have decided to ignite with a renewed vigor. All that we need is the realization by each person who wishes to do his bit in the process, that, yes- a lot has happened...but this is not enough for the land of about 30 million people. That's what I and we all want...The Unity and The Vigor...The Dreams and Efforts!

Agriculture has an edge

I always feel that, although numerous sectors can



flourish in Vidarbha, Agriculture has its own edge. Region's fertile soil and favorable climate make it suitable for agro-based industries, including food processing and agribusiness in general. The fertile land in Vidarbha supports

the cultivation of various crops including paddy, cotton, oranges, soybean etc. and other vegetablesfruits too. This agricultural diversity serves as a foundation for agro-processing industries. The region's agri-based industries can leverage the availability of raw materials for the production of value-added products, fostering economic growth and employment generation. Food processing units, cold storage facilities, and packaging industries can capitalize on the abundance of raw materials. The government can play a crucial role in providing infrastructure support, ensuring a seamless supply chain from farm to market. We have already started guiding farmers on the latest trends through annual Agrovision Exhibition, since more than a decade, and now we are attempting to create Farmers Producer Companies/ Organisations (FPCs/FPOs) so that minimum land holding farmers can come together and bring about a transformation in their own lives by joining hands. Farmer's Producer Companies can work to make farmers prosperous, wealthy, debt-free, and happy. If it happens as planned, I am sure that a single farmer will not commit suicide in Vidarbha. FPO is a power of farmers. With the help of FPOs, farmers can sell their products without dependence on the government. FPO is the tool for socio-economic transformation of farmers and entire agrarian community. Farmers should get training in the formation of FPO and market their products. Farmers should find their own market. Five thousand FPOs should be formed in Vidarbha for the development of farmers. It will ultimately initiate the agro-industrial revolution and all the stakeholders will be benefitted.

Dairy Development



I had initiated establishment of Vidarbha-Marathwada Dairy Development Project (VMDDP) in 2016. National Dairy Development Board/ Mother Dairy and Government of Maharashtra joined hands and transformation has started to happen. As on date milk procurement by Mother Dairy has reached nearly 4.25 lakh Kg per day, covering 3000 villages and 30,000 dairy farmers. In last 6-7 years, VMDDP has benefitted immensely to the farmers of which the quantum is hundreds of crores of rupees. Now, Mother Dairy has invested about Rs 42 crores on procurement infrastructure and Rs 30 crores to refurbish erstwhile dairy facility in Nagpur. Recently Mother Dairy has taken up a mega project to set up a stateof-the-art manufacturing facility at Nagpur at a cost of about Rs 500 crores. We have a target to enhance collection of milk in near future upto 10 lakh kg per day. This is something historic which has happened due to collaboration and cooperation of multiple stakeholders. VMDDP stands as a promise to future entrepreneurs in the dairy sector.

Natural Resources

Apart from solid potential for agro-industrial



development including dairy, Vidarbha boasts of a wealth of natural resources, making it an ideal location for various industries. The region is rich in minerals including coal, manganese, limestone and iron ore etc.. These resources can fuel the growth of mineral-based

industries such as steel manufacturing, cement production, automobile components, industrial equipments, medicines etc. It is already a known region for power generation. Nagpur has also become hub for making Pre Engineered Buildings (PEB) steel structures. Blessed with abundant minerals like iron ore, coal, lime, and forests, the region provides a solid foundation for industrial growth in all such related sectors. The availability of these raw materials offers a strategic advantage, attracting investments in these sectors. Strategic partnerships with private enterprises and adherence to environmental sustainability can drive responsible industrial growth.

Bamboo: The Green Gold

One more promising economy for Vidarbha



could be of Bamboo. It is called Green Gold. Bamboo is an important agro-forestry resource in our socio-economic-culturalecological-climatic-functional context. It is a fast growing, wide

spread, renewable, versatile, low- or- no cost,

environment-enhancing resource with potential to offer livelihood security, economic security, food security & ecological security in the years to come, in both rural and urban areas. Apart from its traditional uses, bamboo has many possible new applications as an alternative to rapidly depleting wood resource and as more expensive materials including decorative pieces and utilities too. Bamboo Society of India's Maharashtra Chapter is already active in this field. Eco-friendly bamboo crash barriers are reality now.

Under my ministry (Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, Government of India) NHAI supports Bahu Balli as a Technologically Advanced & Innovated Product which is an alternative to GI Crash Barriers etc. Railways have also started using Bahu Balli technology based Railing/Cattle Fencing instead of Steel Railings. Govt. of Madhya Pradesh and Govt of Chhattisgarh have also accepted Bahu Balli Technology made Crash Barriers, Cattle Fencing. This initiative not only aims to reduce the number of fatalities resulting from accidents but also catalyzes technical innovations within the bamboo sector. Vidarbha should enhance cultivation of bamboo and initiate the transformation in this sector of rural and forest affinity.

Textile

The predominantly cotton belt, that Vidarbha



is, can also emerge as a hub for textile and apparel manufacturing. With a focus on value addition and quality, the region can attract investments in spinning mills, weaving units, and garment manufacturing. Skill development

initiatives can empower the local workforce, creating a competitive advantage in the textile industry. The Textile Park at Amravati is one such example. Some private players have also come up with their modern infrastructure to reform textile sector in Vidarbha. There is much to learn from them.

Tourism



In recent years, Nagpur has earned the moniker of the 'Tiger Capital' due to rich biodiversity and the presence of prominent tiger reserves like Tadoba, Navegoan-Nagzira,

Tipeshwar sanctuary, Melghat, Bor Reserves in Vidarbha. This environmental wealth positions the region as a potential tourism hub, offering a unique blend of industrial development and eco-tourism. The lush forests, diverse wildlife and historical landmarks in Vidarbha makes it a compelling destination for tourism. In addition to this Karhandala forest, Lonar Crater Lake, Chikhaldara and historical sites in Vidarbha attract nature lovers and history enthusiasts. The development of tourism infrastructure can unlock the untapped potential of this sector, contributing to the region's economic growth.

IT and BPO

Once upon a time, there was nothing like IT



sector in Vidarbha. Not even in Nagpur. Now, Nagpur and some centres like Amravati, Akola are marching ahead in this field. With a growing pool of educated and skilled

professionals, Vidarbha can tap into the IT/ITES and BPO sector. Creating IT parks, providing highspeed internet connectivity and fostering innovation can attract IT companies to set up operations in the region. This diversification can contribute to economic resilience and job creation. Vidarbha region is already supplying talent to IT hubs like Pune and Bengaluru.

Renewable Energy



Going forward on these lines and given the increasing global emphasis on sustainable development, Vidarbha can harness its renewable energy potential. Solar and wind energy projects can be promoted, leveraging the region's ample sunlight

and wind resources. Incentives for renewable energy investments, coupled with technological advancements, can position Vidarbha as a leader in clean and green energy production.

Pharmacy is the way

Many people may not know that, Vidarbha



has almost all segments of pharmaceuticals manufacturing units. They are related to API, Formulations, Excepients. Ayurvedic, Cosmosceuticals, Protein Extraction / Isolation & FSSAI etc. These companies have

state of the art production facilities, having almost all national / international certifications. It has Domestic as well as Export market shares. Vidarbha has a potential to grow phenomenally in the pharma sector.

Skill Development

Investing in education and skill development



programs is crucial to empower the local workforce. Collaboration between industries and educational institutions can create tailored training programs, ensuring that the workforce is equipped with the skills

demanded by emerging industries.

Research and Development

Encouraging research and innovation is essential



for the long-term sustainability of industries. Establishing R&D centers and promoting industry-academia collaborations can foster innovation, leading to the development of cutting-edge technologies and solutions.

Public-Private Partnerships



Collaborations between the government and private enterprises through PPPs can accelerate industrial development. Joint ventures can be established to leverage the strengths of both sectors, ensuring efficient utilization of resources and expertise.

Environment concerns



Industrial growth must be pursued with a commitment to environmental sustainability. Stringent environmental regulations and incentives for adopting eco-friendly practices can ensure that industrial development does not compromise the region's natural resources and biodiversity.

Vidarbha, with its strategic location, abundant resources, skilled workforce, and supportive government policies, stands at the cusp of transformative industrial development. The region has the potential to diversify its economy, create employment opportunities, and contribute significantly to the overall growth of Maharashtra and India. However, realizing this potential requires a concerted effort from all stakeholders. including the government, industries, educational institutions and the local community. Encouraging entrepreneurship can lead to the emergence of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in Vidarbha. Providing financial support, mentorship programs, and simplifying regulatory processes can stimulate the growth of a vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem.

I appeal that, visionary and enthusiastic people from every nook and corner of the region should come together to dream and work for the new enterprises. More we push with studious approach, better are the results. By adopting a holistic approach that prioritizes sustainability and inclusivity, Vidarbha can emerge as a model for balanced and resilient industrial growth. All that we need is Unity and Vigor to continuously push for the things till they happen. Let us not leave any stone unturned. The Real Advantage Vidarbha lies in its capacity to be advantageous to 3 million people in the region.

I wish the First Advantage Vidarbha Conclave a great success and look forward to witness its future editions organized parallel with the growth of numerous industries in Vidarbha...leading to The Enterprising, Happy, Prosperous, Smiling Vidarbha!



ADVANTAGE VIDARBHA



Ashish Kale President Association for Industrial Development

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dvantage Vidarbha' under the aegis of Khasdar Audyogik Mahotsav is an initiative taken up with sole purpose of fast-tracking industrial and economic growth of Vidarbha. This Mahotsav is conceptualized by our Chief Patron Hon'ble Union Minister Shri. Nitin Gadkari with an intention to provide a platform for showcasing Vidarbha's potential and attract investments as well as ignite the entrepreneurial spirit amongst our youth..

Vidarbha region is geographically located at a strategic point being in the centre of India and offers multiple advantages such as robust infrastructure, moderate climate and not prone to extreme weather conditions, availability of land, a huge and continuous source of talent pool with its very strong Educational ecosystem, a harmonious multireligious society and much more.

Apart from this Vidarbha region is rich in natural resources that forms the base of numerous industries. 70% of the mineral wealth of the state of Maharashtra is in Vidarbha. Through Advantage Vidarbha' our association has 3 Focus area:-

To ensure Industrial and Economic growth

of our region by helping our local industries accelerate their growth. The event will create a platform to showcase our regions industrial strength and variety and arrange collaboration and partnership opportunities. Thought sharing amongst industry, academia, policy makers, strategic thinkers and also learning and motivation session with industry leaders and other dignitaries as also showcasing success stories. It would also facilitate and present B2B, B2C, and B2G opportunities, providing vendor development opportunities, and also Introducing new technology.

To Attract Industries and investment which is best suited for our region. The business sessions planned and the deliberations during Advantage Vidarbha on the Focus sector identified by AID will set a foundation on future investment seminars and conclaves in Nagpur and other locations, nationally and internationally.

If there was a good time to attract investment in Nagpur it is now. With India's economy on a huge rise, Advantage Vidarbha will endure to get the focus of the business world on our region and its advantages and will be a support to the efforts of our regions Leaders who are striving 24/7 to attract investment to our region.

To ensure Local employment opportunities and also to create a Entrepreneurship spirit amongst our regions youth. We are often referred to a region with a laid back attitude. The variety of Industries present during the expo will break that myth about Vidarbha. Out of the current 100+ startups of Vidarbha, founders of which are from all across the region including Gadchiroli, Amravati, Akola and almost all districts, 15 of the top start ups will showcase their business to the thousands of student who will attend thereby inspiring young minds toward startups and entrepreneurship, Our Start Founders would also demonstrate their entrepreneurship spirit not just to the students, but to all attending from across the Nation.

31 renowned VC's and investors will attend Advantage Vidarbha and our regions startups would pitch their business to them during the event and for sure, some of them would get success in getting their 1st or next round of investment.

Advantage Vidarbha has been humbly associated with the Hon'ble member of parliaments and other leaders of our region to get their guidance and insights. Their contribution to this event is immense and we as an association are grateful for that.

We have also partnered with various associations who are doing exemplary work representing their respective sectors and all of us have come together to ensure complete coverage of our Economic landscape. All our Premier associations starting from VIA, BMA, MIA, VPIA, Electrical Association, FIA, VED, VDIH, VADA, Mihan Industries Association, TIE Nagpur, COSIA ,VCCI Akola, AIREA, MGiri, Laghu Udyog Bharti, AIA, COSIA, JJE, CA Association, SMA, Vidarbha Defense Industrial Association, VADA, MCDC, CREDAI are participating in the organization of Mahotsav. Extremely thankful to these premier associations for partnering with us in making this event a success.

Also, grateful for the tremendous support received from World Trade Centre our Prime Sponsor of 'Khasdar Ayudogik Mahotsav – Advantage Vidarbha' and to Rashtrasant Tukdoji Maharaj Nagpur University who is the knowledge partner and have also provided us the space to host the event. Gratitude to IIM Nagpur who is partnering us in shortlisting and mentoring Startups and to VNIT for their guidance. The department of MSME at the national level and our very own MIDC as well as MADC are supporting us and we are grateful for their immense support.

This coffee table book is an effort to showcases the stalwarts and startups that are contributing to the growth story of Vidarbha. This book gives a glimpse of the immense potential that industries and businesses in Vidarbha have. The next edition of book would comprise another set of Industries & businesses that are taking Vidarbha on path of progress. This legacy would continue to enlighten young minds.

Vidarbha has had a very strong industrial atmosphere and has always contributed significantly to our nation's industrial movement.

Starting with India's biggest industrialist of his times and founder of the TATA group Shri. JN Tata, who chose Nagpur to set up his 1st Industry. Empress Mill was started in 1871 by the TATA group and was the foundation in creating one of the largest industries in the world. Shri. Tata recognized the immense potential of the Nagpur Region way back in the 19th century and after him there were many Textile mills and other Business enterprises in the region in sectors like Coal, Manganese and Edible Oils setup by national and regional industry stalwarts business families like Birla, Daga, Mohota, Cassad and many more and it still continues with todays stalwart families like Nuwal, Jayaswal, Agrawal, Sharma, Pendharkar and many others who continue the Industrial revolution in the region started by Shri. JN Tata.

Somewhere along the way Vidarbha's industrial heritage and history have not got its due and we seem to have lost out on our industrial spirit to other regions, who were late starters but have forged ahead. Advantage Vidarbha will work at furthering the Industrial spirit to ensure restoration of Vidarbha as an important hub in our Nation's industrial and economic Progress.

It is a crusade and this event will lay the foundation for it and AID is blessed to have the blessing and support of all our leaders, especially Shri. Nitinji Gadkari and Shri. Devendraji Fadnavis in this effort as well as of our senior industry leaders and industry and trade associations and together we will ensure exponential growth of our region. I take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who helped organise this marque event and helped set the foundation for a path to growth for our region.

I also feel overwhelmed with kind of response we have received for this Coffee Table Book and would like to thank our editorial team led by Dr. Vijay Sharma for burning the midnight oil and getting together these amazing success stories of the 'Visionaries of Vidarbha' who forged success in their business in all kind of conditions. These Industry stalwarts of our region, in their success, ensured the continued Industrial progress of our region and also continued our heritage of Vidarbha being a significant contributor in India's industrial progress.









Dr. Vijay Sharma Secretary Association for Industrial Development

AID) is a registered trust formed with an objective to support overall industrial development of Vidarbha Region and work towards its Economic growth across various business sectors of the region The 4 major objectives of AID includes:

- Accelerating the growth of Industries in Vidarbha by providing a platform which would help collaborate,create partnership opportunities as well as growth and new business opportunities,
- Showcasing the strengths of Vidarbha on various platforms and attracting investments while also working on Clearing myths about backwardness of Vidarbha in terms of infrastructure, facilities and skilled human resources.
- Supporting local businesses, entrepreneurs, groups by providing guidance of industry experts and a

platform for government advocacy to ensure industry friendly policy.

Working towards employment opportunities for our youth along with igniting the entrepreneurial spirit within them.

The aims of AID are based on the detailed study of Vidarbha, which has the advantage of being located at the center of the country. The region is well connected by Air, Roads and Rail. Also, the rich forest reserves, ample quantity of iron ores, power generation projects, supportive climatic conditions, availability of Special Economic Zone at MIHAN are the key factors that add to feasibility of this region from industrial point of view. AID is working to showcase these strengths of Vidarbha to attract industries and make it an industrial hub of Central India.

While doing so, it is very important to remove the obstacles that are stopping Vidarbha to use its full potential. While the youth need to be made job-ready, skilled labour is also a major challenge. Similarly, there are few issues which needs to be addressed and resolved by creating a problem resolving mechanism by mutual dialogs between respective sectors and concerned authorities. AID has been formed to help industries overcome such challenges.

On this note, we wish to unveil this Coffee Table Book, which again is a brainchild of Hon'ble Shri Nitin Gadkari. This book can be considered a babystep in the same direction. This book showcases Vidarbha's strength, the Industrial Stalwarts who have marked their names on the local as well as global business scenario. Through this book we celebrate their struggles and success. This is also an effort to portray some key business and industries in Vidarbha that contributed immensely in economic prosperity and employment generation. AID feels honored by featuring them in this book, and hopes that their success stories will be an inspiration for others.

AID would continue participating in problem-solving of industrial issues, taking up various other issues of concern, making efforts to attract investments for Vidarbha and much more. AID has involved people's representatives, industry experts, opinion-makers to set deviation free trajectory of Vidarbha's overall growth and prepare it for greater leaps. It will strive for a coming together of all the various sectors and their representative association to ensure a unified voice of the region.

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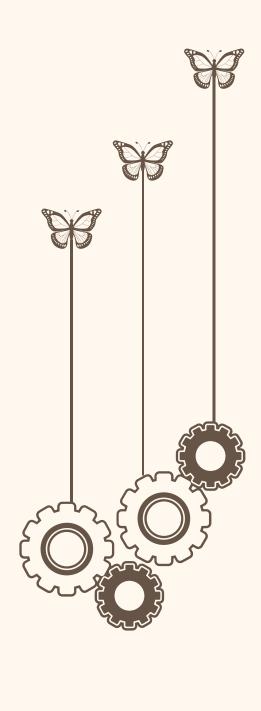
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This Coffee table book is a small tribute from Team AID to the Visionaries of Vidarbha for their immense contribution to the region. The upcoming/next edition of the Coffee Table Book will showcase a new collection of startups, industries, and businesses that are steering Vidarbha towards a path of progress. This enduring legacy is dedicated to enlightening and inspiring young minds for sure.

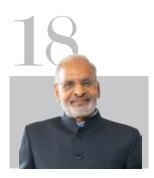








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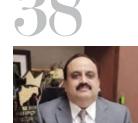
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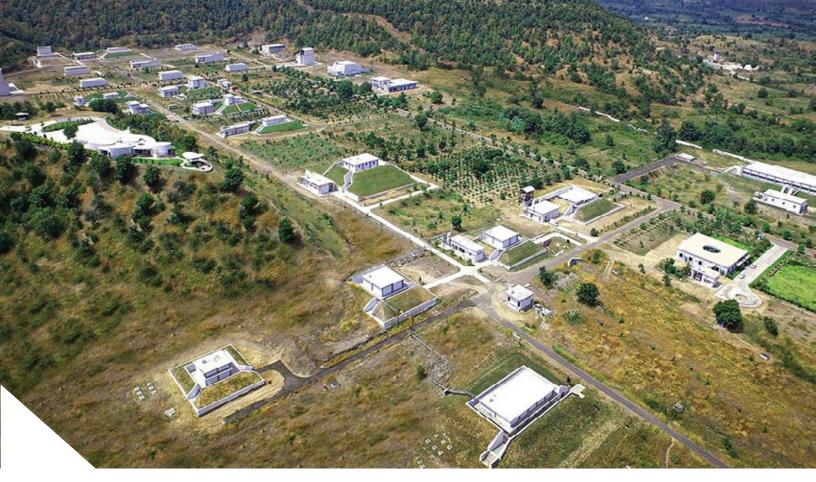


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Solar Group comprising of Solar Industries India Limited (SIIL) and its 100% owned SubsidiaryEconomicExplosivesLtdispresently committed to realize the Make in India goal of self-reliance in ammunition production. Rather than being limited to manufacturing alone, the group has ventured into R&D, technology refinement and management of high energy materials throughout its lifecycle. A Centre of Excellence has been established for Lifetime Assessment for ammunition and explosives. The group is continuously innovating to ensure environmentally sustainable manufacturing, and safety.



Innovation and Technological Advancements

Innovation is at the heart of Solar Group. A strategic fusion of skilled manpower and technological prowess has driven the commitment to creating sustainable value for stakeholders. The group's dedication to Research and Development (R&D) is evident through pioneering initiatives of introducing eco-friendly blasting initiating devices. Solar Industries the flagship company of Solar Group proudly hosts the world's largest cartridge manufacturing facility at a single location in Chakdoh, Nagpur, establishing itself as leading global manufacturer of Industrial Explosives and Initiating Systems. The commitment to quality is reflected in ISO 9001:2000 and ISO 14001:2004 certifications for manufacturing facilities.

Global Reach

With a workforce of 7500+ members, Solar

Industries' impact spans continents. The journey from a small-scale manufacturing entity in 1995 to one of the world's leading manufacturers in the explosives segment is a testament to the strategic acumen of Mr. Manish Nuwal, Managing Director and CEO. His leadership has transformed Solar Group's operations, with a customer base in more than 75 countries and manufacturing units in 10 countries.

Sustainability and Social Responsibility

Solar Group's commitment to environmental sustainability is reflected in its strict waste management/treatment policy across all manufacturing plants. The group's CSR initiatives, integrated into its DNA by Mr. Manish Nuwal, focus on year-round activities that touch the lives of beneficiaries through social initiatives and contribute to the holistic growth of local communities.







Inference

In conclusion, Solar Group's commitment to excellence, innovation, and global leadership in explosives and defence solutions is evident in its remarkable journey. The strategic vision of Mr. Satyanarayan Nandlalji Nuwal have propelled Solar Group into new frontiers, establishing it as an industry giant with a global footprint. From pioneering technologies to contributing significantly to the Defence sector, Solar Group stands as a beacon of innovation and commitment to nation-building and its security. As it continues to shape the explosives industry, Solar Group's legacy is not just in the products it manufactures but in the transformative impact it has on industries, communities, and the future of self-reliant India.







SMS LIMITED

THE TORCH-BEARERS OF EXCELLENCE IN NATION BUILDING



"SMS Limited's unblemished track record since 1967 for quality and technological engineering capability positions it as one of Central India's largest infrastructure companies. AT SMSL, our commitment to excellence, sustainability, and social responsibility positions it as a frontrunner in shaping not only India's infrastructure landscape but also contributing to global advancements. We remain steadfast in our pursuit of creating lasting value for stakeholders, adhering to the highest traditions of quality and ethics in the colossal task of nation-building," says Mr Anand Shaktikumar Sancheti, the Managing Director of SMS Limited.



n the vast tapestry of India's infrastructure sector, SMS Limited has been a mark of excellence, with a history that dates back to its founding by Late Shri. Shaktikumar M. Sancheti in 1963. This visionary enterprise, known formerly as SMS Infrastructure Limited, has evolved into one of the largest infrastructure companies in Central India under leading of Late Shri Abhay H. Sancheti. SMS Limited is not just big in its operations but also in its ideals, embodying a commitment to quality, ethics, and nation-building.

Proficient Diversification

SMS Limited's journey has been characterized by strategic diversification across key sectors crucial for nation-building. From its inception in 1963, the company has evolved to become a prominent player in roadways, irrigation, railways, toll management, mining, electrical, environmental energy, and emerging businesses. Each venture is a testament to the company's adaptability and foresight, reflecting an innate understanding of the varied facets of infrastructure development.

Clientele and Trust

A company's success is often measured by the trust it earns from its clients. SMS Limited takes pride in its extensive clientele, boasting relationships with over 53 major government entities and public sector undertakings (PSUs). Coal India, NHAI, UCIL, SAIL, SCCL, Bharat Electronics, RITES, IRCON International Limited, CPWD, ONGC, HCL, and Rail Vikas Nigam Limited are among the distinguished clients who have entrusted SMS Limited with critical projects, attesting to the company's reliability and capability.



Anand Shaktikumar Sancheti, Managing Director of SMS Limited.

Distinguished Leadership

At the helm of SMS Limited is a leadership team that combines experience, expertise, and a forward-looking vision. Led by Mr. Anand Shaktikumar Sancheti, the Managing Director, the Board of Directors includes individuals such as Mr. Dilip Surana, CA Ajay Lakhotiya, Mr. Ramendra Gupta, CA Hemant Lodha, Mr. Paramveer Sancheti, Mr. Nirbhay Sancheti, and Mr. Akshay Sancheti. This leadership ensemble ensures that the company navigates the complexities of the infrastructure sector with



precision, making informed decisions that align with both ethical standards and strategic goals.

Global Presence and Workforce

SMS Limited has expanded its influence globally, making significant strides in countries such as Ethiopia, Ghana and Indonesia. This global outlook is complemented by a dedicated and diverse workforce, with over 4500 employees and an additional contracted labor force exceeding 3000 persons. This workforce forms the backbone of SMS Limited, contributing to its expansive operations and diverse portfolio.

Awards and Accolades

SMS Limited's journey is adorned with

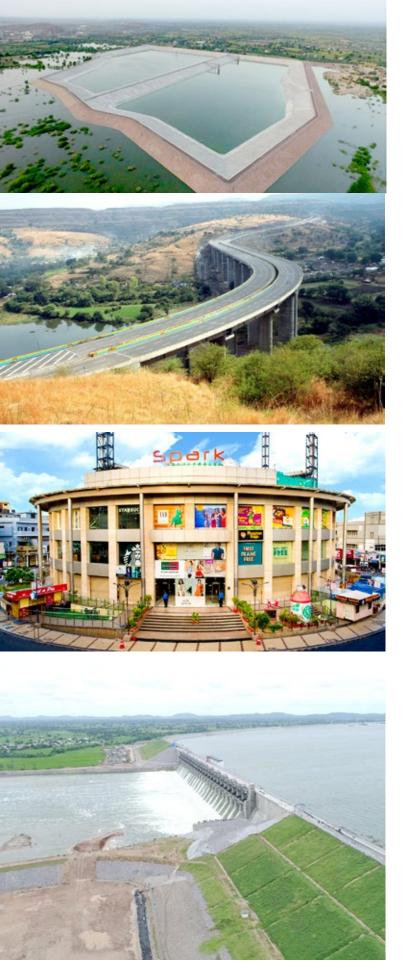


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numerous accolades and recognitions that underscore its commitment to excellence. From setting records in the Limca Book for toll collection to receiving awards from Builder Associations of India and prestigious environmental honors, the company has consistently demonstrated its prowess. Notable accolades include the UltraTech Award for Outstanding Concrete Structure of Vidarbha and the Vasundhara Puraskar, showcasing SMS Limited's dedication to quality and innovation. This was also showcased during our presence in MINCON 2022 (Mines/Minerals/Metals) with a presentation and exhibition stall.

People First Exemplified

SMS Limited acknowledges the profound impact it has on society and actively engages in corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives. The company's commitment extends beyond profit margins, encompassing its employees, local regions of its projects, and the broader society and nation. SMS Limited has proved itself to be an 'equal opportunities' employer and therefore employs local workforces around project sites, and invests in the education, healthcare, and capacity-building training of its employees. The company also contributes to wider medical facilities in villages, engages in extensive tree plantation initiatives, and promotes water and energy conservation rallies through programs like SAVE WE (Water & Energy). Furthermore, initiatives like Child



Adoption for Education (CAFE) and Child Adoption for Rehabilitation & Education (CARE) reflect SMS Limited's commitment to societal well-being.

Outstanding Milestones

SMS Limited has consistently garnered acclaim and recognition for its exemplary contributions in the infrastructure sector. Notably, the Limca Book honored the company for achieving the highest toll collection in a single day, a testament to its operational efficiency and scale. The Builder Associations of India acknowledged SMS Limited's excellence by commending the construction of the viaduct at Katraj Ghat, Jambhulwadi, Pune, highlighting the company's prowess in executing critical projects. Further attesting to its impact, SMS Limited has received prestigious awards from renowned organizations such as Metso Minerals, Paryavaran Gaurav Puraskar, and the Indian Concrete Institute, recognizing its significant contributions across diverse domains. Additionally, TATA Capital bestowed recognition on SMS Limited for a decade-long business association, further affirming the company's sustained excellence and trusted partnerships in the industry. SMSL first Mine Developer & Operator (MDO) for Underground (UG) Coal at Ketki UG Coal Mine, Bishrampur area, SECL using Continuous Miner (CM) packages blast free technology. SMSL pioneered hiring of Continuous Miner in CIL mines.

Eternal Industry Impact

The company's inclusion in the first 500 unlisted companies of India, the LIMCA Book of Records for the highest toll tax collection in a day, and several national awards in its work areas further highlight its industry impact and rare recognition. While the company commemorates its illustrious history, it also looks forward to a promising future. In essence, SMS Limited stands as a living testament to the enduring power of vision, commitment, and ethical practices in the realm of infrastructure development. As the company continues to innovate and lead, it sets the stage for a future where infrastructure development becomes synonymous with progress and sustainability.





BHUJIA BARONS OF MODERN INDIA

Shiv Kishan Agrawal

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"Over the course of eight decades, a lot has changed about us. We have relocated, undergone expansion, developed new product lines & added segments, opened retail chains & stores across India and embraced new markets overseas. One thing hasn't changed is our identity. We're still a tightknit family business, committed to serving the most authentic taste of India through our products. Our origins can be traced back to a small namkeen shop in Bikaner founded by my grandfather, Ganga Bishan Agarwal aka Haldiram Ji. And here I am, following his legacy to the core," smiles a seasoned Mr Shiv Kishan Agrawal, Chairman of Haldiram's Foods.

Ver wondered about the path your favorite Haldiram's food takes to reach you? It all begins with the finest raw ingredients ethically sourced through fair trade from local farms across the country. These ingredients undergo minimal processing, blending seamlessly with freshly ground spices and seasonings through advanced machinery. Rigorous testing ensures that each pack meets the high standard Haldiram's is known for. From farm to packet, your snacks and sweets undergo a meticulous journey, promising a taste that's good to the

last crumb. Haldiram's commitment to excellence doesn't stop with the creation of its signature snacks. The brand leverages its state-of-the-art infrastructure for continuous research and development.

Through this, Haldiram's pushes the boundaries of flavor and nutrition. The team experiments with recipes and formulations, aiming to refine flavors and enhance the nutritional content of all products. It's a journey of perpetual improvement, ensuring that Haldiram's remains at the forefront of taste innovation.

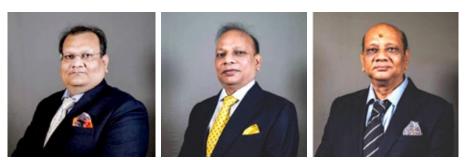


A Delicious Legacy Of Trust

Over the course of eight decades, Haldiram's has evolved into more than just a brand; it's a testament to the enduring spirit of a closely-bound family of restaurateurs and packaged food moguls. From its humble origins in a small namkeen shop in Bikaner, founded by the visionary Ganga Bishan Agarwal (Haldiram Ji), to the heights it has reached today under the guidance of his grandson, the pioneer Mr Shiv Kishan Agrawal, Haldiram's has become synonymous with unparalleled quality and innovation. Today, besides its worldwide circulation of packaged foods available across all continents, Haldiram's operates restaurants and food zones across 29 major Indian towns such as Indore, Raipur, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Delhi and a host of other cities. Of course, for people staying in Nagpur, their favourite Haldiram's products are available at 200+ locations across all major areas of this town.

For A Better World

"Haldiram's is not just about great taste, it's also about a greener, more sustainable future. The brand minimizes waste and energy consumption by utilizing renewable energy sources like solar power and biomass/biogas energy. LEED Platinum Certified buildings, annual Go Green drives, and the "Seed to Sapling Program" reflects the commitment



Kamal Agrawal

Sushil Agrawal

Rajendra Agrawal



to combating climate change and nurturing a healthier planet. Haldiram's also actively invests in clean farming practices, engaging with local farmers to create sustainable markets for their produce. Community outreach involves partnerships with NGOs, supporting causes such as education and Swacch Bharat Abhiyan. Haldiram's is more than 'just a brand', it's a force for positive change," says Mr Agrawal.

The Haldiram's family extends beyond its products to its workforce. Ensuring that its associates are happy, healthy, and treated with respect, Haldiram's fosters a familial work environment. Safety is paramount, with detailed protocols ensuring the well-being of employees and the quality of the food they produce.

Haldiram's stands proud as the recipient of prestigious awards, including the International Food Award from TROFEO International Alimentation

of Barcelona, Spain (1999). Chairman Shiv Kishanji Agrawal has been honored with the coveted 'Vidarbha Gaurav Puraskar'. The brand holds certifications such as BRC Global Standards, FSSAI, FSSC22000, and ISO 22000:2018, underscoring its unwavering commitment to quality.

For Haldiram's, success goes beyond product sales. The brand actively engages in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), striving for sustainability and positive impacts on communities. By promoting environmentally and socially responsible practices, Haldiram's aims to preserve resources, enforce transparency, and benefit its communities.









50 YEARS OF BUILDING A LEGACY OF TRUST

"In our Company, we remain committed to contributing to the growth and progress of the Nation. As we continue to be an integral part of India's Steel Industry, we embrace the opportunities and challenges ahead, driving innovation and excellence in our quest to support the Nation's remarkable journey of growth."

> Shri Basant Lall Shaw, Chairman Emeritus.

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1 Million Tonnes per ith annum Iron and Steel Capacity; 0.075 Million Tonnes Per Annum Castings capacity: 6,343 Crores Revenue from Operations in FY 22-23 and total Workforce of 8405 speaks success of the Jayaswal Neco Group.

With more than half a Century of dedication and hard work, we have established a Legacy of Trust by excelling in our endeavours. This commitment to excellence has earned us the valuable trust of our Stakeholders forging path of 100% self-sufficiency in Iron Ore from our captive Mine and setting a milestone that cements our status as one of the India's leading Alloy Steel Manufacturers.

Journey Par Excellence

The subsequent years witnessed significant milestones, reflecting NECO's commitment to growth, innovation, and sustainability. In 1985, the Engineering Castings Division was started in Nagpur, and the company transitioned to 'Nagpur Engineering Company Limited.' In 1986, the Construction Castings Division was established in Bhilai, Chhattisgarh, signalling an expansion beyond Nagpur. NECO's diversification continued in 1991 with the commencement of the Construction Castings Division in Anjora, Chhattisgarh, and the initiation of Automotive Castings Division-I in Butibori, Nagpur. The company went public in 1995, listing on both the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) and the National Stock Exchange (NSE).1985 marked starting of Engineering Castings Division in Nagpur. The Blast Furnace Facility was established in 1996 including Pig Casting Machine, Wagon



Tippler, 15.5 MW BF Gas based Power Plant at Siltara Raipur, Chhattisgarh. The growth continued with expansion and Steel Melt Shop capacity by 0.65 MnTPA and oxygen plant, 1.5 MnTPA Pellets Plant and new rolling mill of 0.55 MnTPA was installed in 2015.Bright bar making facility of 0.04 MnTPA marked 2016.Captive Iron ore mining production started from our Metabodeli Mine and in 2023 NECO achieved full self-sufficiency in iron ore requirement through captive mines.

Diversified Portfolio

The Jayaswal Neco Group is known for its wide range of manufacturing capabilities, including







large-scale iron and steel castings, specialty steel products and mining. Its mining division is engaged in the exploration, development and extraction of Iron Ore and Limestone. In addition to steel and mining, the Group has diversified into power generation sector with thermal and gas/waste heat recovery- based power plants at Siltara, Raipur. It has foundry division that produces castings for industries such as automotive, railway and construction. Rounding up, NECO's business has spread across Metallics and Alloy Steel Products, Ferrous Valves and Services, Iron & Steel Castings (Construction & Automotive) & Defence Equipment.

Small Beginning To Industry Titans

As the flagship company of the Jayaswal Neco Group, it was established as the premier producer of Iron and Steel Castings, Pipes and Fittings. From a small-scale Iron Foundry Unit at Nagpur in 1976, It has grown significantly to become industry leaders in Steel Production.

- 5 Manufacturing units
- 13 Offices
- 2 Major iron ore mines
- Domestic presence in 28 states and 8 UT
- Export Presence in 8 countries

Various Divisions:

Integrated Steel Plant (Steel Plant Division) caters to Industries that are Auto Component, Infrastructure, Defence, Oil & Gas etc, with key products likeAlloy Steel bars and wire rods (long products) of 200+ grades; Pellets, Billets; Pig Iron; Sponge Iron. The Key Performance Indicators show 92% contribution to the overall revenue.

- Backward Integrated Facilities: 54.5 MW Captive Power Plants; 1.5 MnTPA Pellet Plant; 410 TPD Oxygen Plants; 0.8 MnTPA Sinter Plant; 0.2 MnTPA Coke Oven Plant
- Iron Making Facilities: 0.75 MnTPA Blast Furnace; 0.255 MnTPA Sponge Iron;
- Forward Integration Steel Facilities0.75 MnTPA Blast Furnace: 0.983 MnTPA Steel Melt Shop; 0.954 MnTPA Rolling Mill

The Latest Achievements

The key achievements in FY 2022-23 included Highestever Annual production achieved in DRI (Sponge Iron), Highest-ever Annual Production achieved in Heavy Bar Mill, 16 Gold Level awards bagged in the chapter convention of Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI -2022), 5 stars Rating to captive mines for 4 consecutive years from FY 2018-19 to FY 2021-22 by Ministry of

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Mines and 7 Par-Excellence awards bagged in the 36th National Convention on Quality Concept (NCQC - 2022)

Foundry Division

This division has four segments. Automotive Castings Division have key products as Brake Drums, Clutch housing, Dead Axle, Cylinder Heads Blocks, Gear Box Hosing, Transmission Case, Cast Pipes, inserts etc. with Key performance indicator of 20,000 MTPA installed Capacity.

Engineering Castings Division

have key products as Valves, Inserts, Carrier Housing Axle End Cap and Backing Ring with Key performance indicator of 20,000 MTPA installed Capacity.

Construction Castings Division

have key products as Manhole Covers, Sand Cast Pipes and Centrifugal Cast Pipes with 15,000 MTPA installed Capacity. Other Castings for the P & T Department, Soil/Rainwater Pipes Fittings and Manhole Covers with Key performance indicator of 20,000 MTPA installed Capacity.

Supplied Products to Milestones Projects towards Nation Buildings like;

- New Parliament House;
- Ram Mandir at Ayodhya;
- Bharat Mandapam Convention Centre at Delhi;
- World's largest Diamond Centre at Surat;
- Renowned National Institutions such as AIIMS, IIT's, IIM's etc.

CSR -For All Round Development

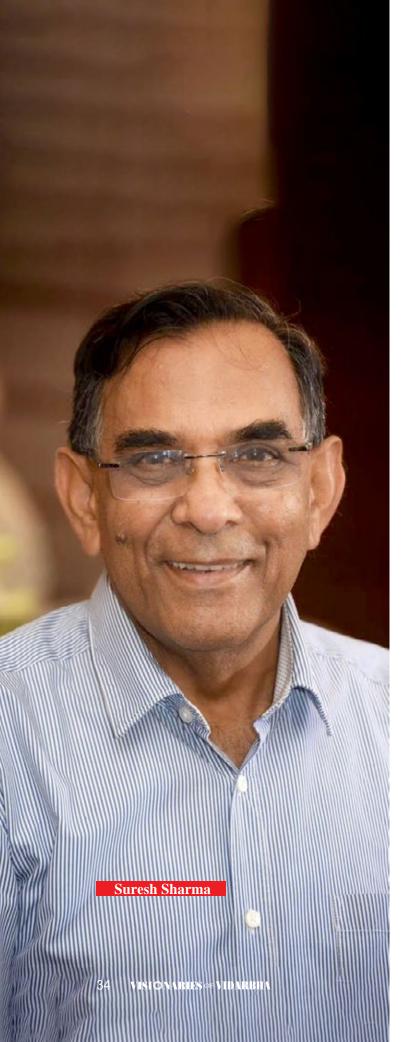
From comprehensive Projects in Captive Iron Ore Mines to initiatives like the Metabodeli Project, NECO actively contributes to enhancing the quality of life for the people in the Communities where It operate. NECO has more than 1.90 lakhs CSR Beneficiaries. During the last 05 Years, Rs. 14.56 Crores has been spent towards CSR activities and the Group is committed to spend Rs. 9 Crore Approx. in various CSR activities in F.Y 2023-24. It has won several prestigious awards for CSR activities including Odisha CSR Forum Awarded JNIL the prestigious CSR Excellence Award for Outstanding Contribution in the field of Health & Hygiene in January 2023 and much more











SHREE BAIDYANATH AYURVED BHAWAN A CENTURY OF WELLNESS, INNOVATION, & LEGACY

In the kaleidoscope of India's entrepreneurial history, Shree Baidyanath Ayurved Bhawan Private Limited emerges as a shining example of enduring legacy, visionary leadership, and holistic business practices. Established in 1917 by the venerable Late Pandit Ramnarayan Sharma ji, this institution has embarked on a journey which transformed it from a modest ayurvedic clinic to a diversified business conglomerate, leaving an indelible mark on the landscape of Ayurveda globally.





his modest beginning evolved into a Private Limited company in 1947, aptly named 'Shree Baidyanath Ayurved Bhawan Private Limited.' The reins of this legacy were later passed on to Mr. Suresh Kumar Sharma in the early 70s, who, as the Managing Director, has steered the Baidyanath Group through decades of diversified business activities. Under his able guidance, the group has burgeoned into a multifaceted business house, with each business unit charting its own course for independent growth.

At the core of Baidyanath's identity is its commitment to Ayurveda. Renowned for its ayurvedic medicines, health supplements, and classical Ayurvedic products, the company boasts production facilities at 11 locations, manufacturing over 700 Ayurvedic medicines, including patent and proprietary formulations. With a wide-reaching



Pt. Ram Narayan Sharma

network of 8 lakh retail outlets, 3,000 franchises. 10,000 distributors and worldwide, Baidyanath has become a trusted name in the domestic market and is present in over 25 countries internationally. The group introduces modern avurvedic formulations. aligning with the evolving needs of consumers. Brands Siddhayu, like Cureveda,

Shunya Beverages and Bleu Pharma (Europe) underscore its commitment to contemporary wellness solutions. Over the years, the Baidyanath Group has earned accolades and established trusts reflecting its commitment to Ayurveda and healthcare. Noteworthy is the Vaidya Ramnarayan Sharma Ayurved Research Trust, felicitating





Ayurvedic scholars annually at the hands of the Prime Minisiter or President of India, a testament to the institution's dedication to the field.

Mr. Suresh Sharma's reflections on the changing world underscore the opportune time for Ayurveda's growth. Inheriting the legacy from his visionary father, he emphasizes the values of simplicity and high thinking. The slogan "देश का पानी देश की हन, देश की मिट्टी देश की दना" resonates with patriotism and a commitment beyond business. His call to the youth to preserve Ayurveda's legacy with responsibility and courage echoes the principles that guided his generation.

As a passion for innovation in the field of Ayurveda, Mr. Suresh Sharma alongwith his sons Pranav and Siddhesh identified the changing needs of today's generations and started Siddhayu, a clinically backed brand which understands the rationale behind the formulations, and the standpoint of Ayurvedic ethology of disease and pathophysiology. Siddhayu promotes multi centric and multi dimensional research with new developments in the existing and future arena of herbal pharmaceuticals. It has a state of the art laboratory, located at Bahadura, Nagpur and Gopalganj Seoni (MP). With a view to garner international nutraceuticals and herbal supplements, Siddhayu has a set up a USA FDA compliant manufacturing unit at Borgaon, Chhindwara district. It currently exports to over 40 various countries around the world – making Ayurveda truly global.

Baidyanath has also invested in a research laboratory dedicated to Gau-vigyan, contributing to scientific research related to cow-centric sciences. His leadership extends beyond the corporate realm, with roles in prestigious organizations like SICOM, Bhartiya Vaidyak Samanway Samiti, and the Vidarbha Cricket Association, demonstrating a holistic approach to community development.

Mr. Suresh Kumar Sharma is also widely recognized for his philanthropic initiatives. From supporting cancer hospitals to offering various scholarships for education, promoting youth to take





up to sports and contributing to Gau-Vigyan research, his commitment to societal welfare is profound. The establishment of educational institutions and trusts, dating back to the establishment of the first school in 1928, showcases the institution's commitment to education and community welfare.

Baidyanath Group's operational statistics showcase its vast reach and commitment to sustainability through its various initiatives in nurturing green businesses i.e. renewables, bio ethanol, Liquefied natural gas, green resorts to green



healthcare products. Beyond healthcare, Baidyanath has embraced sustainable development across various sectors. It has invested in renewable energy through Wind and Solar projects, with an impressive capacity of over 120 MW spread across multiple states in India. In the hospitality sector, the group operates three luxurious resorts in Madhya Pradesh at Kanha, Bandhavgarh, and Khajuraho.

Baidyanath Group's recent forays into Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Ethanol manufacturing align with India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat initiative. The group's bio ethanol plant is leading to huge savings of India's precious foreign exchange under the Govt. of India's fuel blending program.

In the tapestry of India's industrial landscape, Shree Baidyanath Ayurved Bhawan Private Limited emerges as a tapestry woven with threads of tradition, innovation, and social responsibility. Its journey from a modest clinic to a global player reflects the timeless relevance of Ayurveda and the institution's unwavering commitment to holistic well-being. With Mr. Suresh Kumar Sharma alongwith his sons steering the ship, Baidyanath's legacy continues to flourish, inspiring the youth to embrace the timeless wisdom of Ayurveda and contribute to the rich fabric of India's cultural heritage.



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Sanjeev Gajanan Pendharkar

REVOLUTIONIZING AYURVEDA FOR A HEALTHIER WORLD



Founder KV Pendharkar

"In the bustling tapestry of consumer brands of today, Vicco stands a cut above as an epitome of holistic wellness. Vicco finds its roots in a noble mission: fostering a healthier India through the principles of Ayurveda. From its humble beginnings within household premises to becoming a global entity spanning more than 50 countries, Vicco's journey is nothing short of extraordinary," says Mr Amit Pendharkar, Director of Vicco Products Pvt Ltd.

stablished in 1952 by the visionary Late Shri Keshav Pendharkar. Vicco is not just an Ayurvedic medicine company; it is a legacy of trust and innovation. One of Vicco's pioneering achievements was introducing the very first Ayurvedic toothpaste—a testament to their foresight regarding the benefits of Ayurveda well ahead of their time. Two of its flagship products, the well-recognized Vicco Turmeric Cream and the widely known Vicco Vajradanti, have become household names over the years.

Visionary Foundations and Sustainable Growth

"Our visionary approach persists even today, as we march forward steadfast in our mission of fostering a healthier India through Ayurveda. Our reach extends beyond earlier milestones, and we are continually evolving to meet the diverse needs of our consumers. Today our product portfolio encompasses most of the fast-moving consumer goods segment, from hair care to pain relief, and from face washes to skin creams," says Mr Pendharkar.



Right from its inception the Vicco Group has been charting an unwavering course that has catapulted it into international limelight in dental and skin care category. Vicco Laboratories, which successfully formulated the first Ayurvedic toothpaste in the world with 20 rare medicinal herbs, is credited with upraising the Indian ayurveda. It has nurtured, protected and rejuvenated medicinal products and remedies from an earlier phase of neglect to their newfound leadership role in the world markets.

Thinking of Tomorrow, Forever

"Over the years, Vicco has nurtured its identity as an organization supporting sustainability through deep commitment to preserving resources. Water conservation, a cornerstone of their initiatives, includes practices like rainwater harvesting and efficient water recycling. This recycled water nurtures their gardens and various factory processes. Embracing eco-friendly measures, we have integrated solar plants to harness green energy, fortifying their dedication to a sustainable future," says a concerned Mr Pendharkar.

Technological Ingenuity: Pillars of Progress

A defining strength lies in Vicco's adept utilization of technology within their processes. From automated efficiency and integrated R&D to production, to sales-driven innovation through CRM applications and SAP, Vicco's commitment to excellence is evident. Their optimized operations, infused with technology, underscore their dedication to maximizing efficiency across every facet of the business.

Catching Them Young

Recognizing the need to resonate with younger audiences, Vicco has astutely collaborated with popular youth icons such as actors and cricketers to be their brand ambassadors. Their strategic marketing, inclusive of digital mediums, has successfully propelled Vicco's demand, ensuring relevance among the tech-savvy generations.

Society Over Success

Through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives, the company has positively impacted communities, demonstrating a commitment to giving back while growing responsibly. Notably, the Anti-Smoking, Anti-Tobacco, and Oral Hygiene Program conducted in Maharashtra Region targeted over 100 schools with the ambitious goal of reaching approximately 1,00,000 students. Additionally, Vicco has collaborated with organizations like Gorakshan Sabha for Animal Welfare, The Blind Relief Association for providing educational equipment to schools and hostels catering to blind



students, and the Institute for Psychological Health for a Rehabilitation Program for Mentally Depressed Persons. Vicco has further undertaken initiatives such as the Women Entrepreneurship Development Program, provision of medical equipment for eye treatment, donation of ambulances, installation of solar water heating systems in schools for tribal students, procurement of medical equipment for pathology tests (sickle cell anemia), and support for cancer patients.

Cherishing Partnerships

In its journey of growth, Vicco has always thought of its partners as its primary stakeholders. The impact of Vicco's success resonates across its network, benefiting vendors, ancillaries, and the farmers from whom the company sources raw materials. Vicco's profound journey ranges from a visionary's dream to a global exemplar of Ayurvedic wellness.

Appreciation and Rewards

Vicco Laboratories has garnered notable recognition through various awards. In 1980, the company received the esteemed "International Trade Trophy–Phoenicia" for its outstanding export promotional efforts, presented by the Honorable President of Malta. Vicco continued its success with the Second Best Export Performance Award in both 1992-93 and 2001-02. In February 1994, Vicco achieved a unique milestone by becoming the first Indian company to export its products to Iceland. The year 2017 marked another significant achievement, as Vicco secured the ABP Brand Excellence Award in the Marketing Campaign category on 27th November. Additionally, the company was honored with "The Greatest Marketing Influencers 2016" award by BBC Knowledge, endorsed by CMO Asia, emphasizing its status as a "Cult Brand" in the industry.

Vicco has been making continued progress among its rankings in the Brand Trust Reports. It has literally risen through the ranks from 28th place to reach the 17th place among India's most trusted brands. In view of the regular export by Vicco, the Government of India, Ministry of Commerce has accorded Vicco Laboratories the status of an export House. Vicco has several National and International awards in various fields like Advertising, Export, Quality and International Trade to its credit.



DINSHAW'S DAIRY FOODS PVT LTD

TASTE PAR EXCELLENCE TREATS BEYOND IMAGINATION

"Dinshaw's operates on certain core values that guide every decision pertaining to our products. We lay our emphasis on the feeling of happiness, joy, safety, and goodness of the products. The belief in personal and professional integrity, ethical conduct, respect for all, and a dedication to safety and environmental sustainability underscores every action thereof. All of these traits surely add that 'flavour' to our products," beams a happy Mr Jimmy Rana, Managing Director of Dinshaw's Dairy Foods Pvt Ltd. n the year 1932, two visionary brothers, Dinshaw and Erachshaw Rana, laid the foundation for what would become a flourishing food and beverages conglomerate – Dinshaw's Dairy Foods Pvt Ltd. What began as a humble dairy business in Gittikhadan, Nagpur, soon evolved into a realm of delightful experiences with the birth of Dinshaw's ice-cream.

A heritage of tasty treats

The legacy of Dinshaw's is a remarkable journey, characterized by pivotal milestones that have shaped its evolution into a distinguished entity within the food and beverages industry. In 1932, Dinshaw initiated the brand with the introduction of premium handcrafted ice cream, setting the foundation for excellence. The subsequent decades witnessed substantial growth, both in terms of shares and operational scope, leading to the commencement of single-store

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operations in 1972. A defining moment occurred in 1981 when Jimmy Rana assumed the role of Managing Director, a position he continues to hold with dedication.

The mid-fifties marked a significant turn for Dinshaw's as they sought to make ice cream a year-round indulgence. Hand-churners gave way to vertical freezers, and thus began the journey of crafting ice creams that were not just seasonal treats but a year-round joy. The enterprising spirit of the Rana brothers, coupled with an unwavering commitment to quality, innovation, and new flavors, led to the creation of ice creams that were truly delectable.

New Collaborations

The inclusion of the Bapuna family as equal stakeholders in 2002 further enriched the company's collaborative spirit. In 2012, a significant leap was made with the establishment of a 50,000-liter per day dairy plant, highlighting commitment Dinshaw's to technological Diversification reached new advancements. heights in 2014 with the launch of bakery products, expanding the portfolio to cater to diverse tastes. By 2019, Dinshaw's had ascended to become a leading ice cream brand, solidifying its presence in the market. The subsequent years witnessed strategic expansions, including the introduction of cow milk in 2021 and the foray into new culinary territories with the launch of snacks food in 2022, accompanied by the addition of namkeen products. This diverse product range, encompassing milk, milk products, ice cream, bakery items, and namkeen, stands as a testament to Dinshaw's unwavering commitment to delivering quality, fostering innovation, and ensuring customer satisfaction across every culinary experience.





Aspi Bapuna Chairman



Jimmy Rana Managing Director



Zervin Rana Director



Jamashp Bapune Joint Managing Director



Advantage Vidarbha 43



Jimmy Rana, the present-day Managing Director of Dinshaw's Dairy Foods Pvt Ltd, continues the inheritance envisioned by his predecessors. The company, headquartered in Nagpur has grown into a prominent food and beverages entity with several hundreds of dedicated employees, reflecting its commitment to excellence.

Persistent Pursuit of Performance & Perfection

Dinshaw's relentless pursuit of performance and perfection has transformed it into one of the fastestgrowing food-based conglomerates in India. The founders' dream of establishing an ethical and efficient company that produces the tastiest and purest products wrapped in love remains at the core of Dinshaw's values. The company's success in the ice cream segment paved the way for expansion into various product categories, shaping Dinshaw's into the multifaceted entity it is today. The commitment to quality, innovation, and wholesome goodness remains steadfast.

Present Everywhere, Including Your Heart

Dinshaw's products have transcended geographical boundaries and are now available across India, with a strong presence in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka, Goa, Uttar Pradesh, and Jharkhand. For decades, Dinshaw's has been adding the wholesome goodness of 'pure health & taste' to the lives of thousands.

Manufacturing Process

The backbone of Dinshaw's success lies in its competence during the product manufacturing process. A high-tech facility, a modern-age blend of latest machines and a historic touch of artisan skills enables the company to consistently deliver the taste and quality that customers have come to love over the decades.

Mission Health

Dinshaw's mission revolves around continuous





improvement in product quality, innovation, and presentation. A harmonious blend of artisan skills and modern technology is employed to provide wholesome products to all segments of society, contributing to general health and happiness.

Certified For Quality & Competence

Dinshaw's commitment to quality is underscored by rigorous testing in world-class NABL accredited laboratories, ensuring that products meet the strictest quality parameters. The company holds the Food Safety System Certificate (FSSC 22000) from Bureau Veritas Certifications Co., approved by the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories.

In conclusion, Dinshaw's Dairy Foods Pvt Ltd stands as an inspiration for other brands in the Indian food and beverages industry. The journey from a small dairy business to a dynamic conglomerate reflects the dedication, vision, and values instilled by its founders, shaping it into a brand that continues to bring joy to the hearts and taste buds of consumers across the nation.







PIONEERING EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION IN

ENGINEERING & COTTON PROCESSING

Rohit Bajaj

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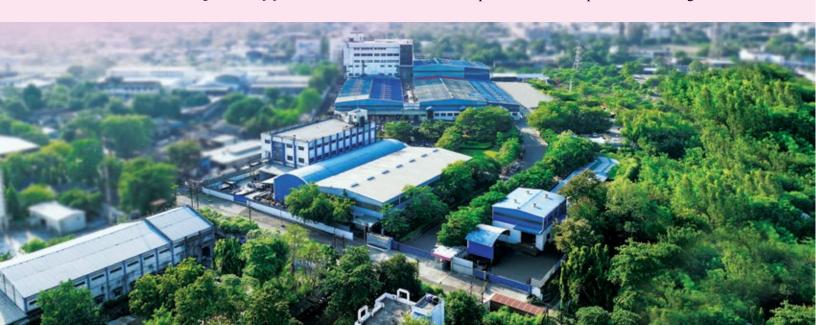


Late Hargovind Bajaj

"Bajaj Steel Industries Limited can be considered a trailblazer in the engineering sector. We have solidified our position as a global leader and turnkey solutions provider through relentless innovation. Our strategic partnerships with the Central Institute for Research on Cotton Technology ICAR, Govt of India (CIRCOT), and Continental Eagle Corporation USA have yielded far-reaching results. BSIL is constantly innovating towards spearheading development of worldclass machinery, not only in cotton-processing but newer arenas too," says Dr M K Sharma, CEO and Director – BSIL.

n the heart of Nagpur, India, Bajaj Steel Industries Limited (BSIL) stands tall as a testament to decades of innovation, engineering excellence, and a commitment to advancing the cotton processing industry. Established in 1961 by Late Mr Gangabisenji Bajaj, the company went on to grow into a public limited entity, got listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange under the capable guidance of his son, Late Mr Hargovind Bajaj. The third generation of this family of entrepreneurs, Mr Rohit Hargovind Bajaj now dons the role as a scion to this entrepreneurial legacy. The dayto-day operations of this gigantic company are looked after by Dr M K Sharma, a visionary leader par excellence is the CEO and Whole-time Director of this forward-looking organization.

BSIL's manufacturing capabilities transcend traditional boundaries, encompassing world-class delinting and decorticating machinery, precision machining of components, and the production of high-





quality structural fabrication for buildings and machinery applications. The IMPCO Delinting & Decorticating plant machinery manufactured by BSIL stands out as the best in the sector, known for robust construction and engineering excellence.

Spread over 55 acres land, BSIL stands tall as a beacon of manufacturing excellence. Renowned for pioneering double roller cotton ginning technology, the company holds the largest market share in its domain. The evolution from a single factory in Imambada Nagpur to nine major facilities underscores BSIL's commitment to growth and innovation.

A recent milestone is the strategic collaboration with Continental Eagle Corporation, USA, a testament to BSIL's unwavering dedication to cutting-edge technologies. Notably, BSIL is the only company globally producing machinery for all four cotton ginning technologies, including Double Roller, Saw Gin, Rotobar, and Pressing technologies—Down Packing, Up Packing, and Horizontal Packing. This extends to Seed Cleaning, Delinting & Decorticating, showcasing BSIL's diverse capabilities.

Expanding Horizons

Beyond its mastery in cotton ginning and pressing, BSIL has diversified into sectors such as Pre Engineered Steel Buildings / Infrastructure, Electrical Panels, Industrial Fans, Hydraulics, Speciality Conveyors, and Fire Fighting Systems. The company provides comprehensive turnkey solutions, exhibiting its versatility and commitment to meeting diverse industrial needs. Operating from extensive facilities that cover engineering designs, machining, fabrication, and assembly, BSIL



Dr M K Sharma, CEO







provides end-to-end solutions—from concept to manufacturing and final assembly. This commitment to comprehensive infrastructure reflects the company's dedication to ensuring excellence at every stage of its operations.

Growth Factor

BSIL's growth trajectory is characterized by continuous expansion, with a commitment to consistently add diverse items to its portfolio year after year. The company's influence extends to various sectors, including electrical panels, mechanical conveyors, elevators, pneumatic conveying systems, dust/waste handling systems, humidification systems, and engineering and construction projects. Bajaj's success is attributed to its professional team, boasting years of experience in automatic and semi-automatic cotton ginning and pressing plants. The company has provided products and services to over 4000 plants globally, with a workforce proficient in plant maintenance, turnkey equipment installations, and emergency shutdown responses.

Star Achievers

The achievements of Bajaj Steel Industries Ltd. have been recognized with the 'Star Export House' Certificate, acknowledging its status as the "Largest and Modern Cotton Ginning & Pressing Machinery Manufacturer in India." The company has also been honoured with the "Lalit Doshi Memorial Best Performer Award," further cementing its reputation as a leader in the industry. Bajaj Steel Industries Limited continues to be a driving force in the engineering and cotton processing landscape, combining a rich history with a forward-looking vision, innovation, and a commitment to excellence as a multi-product engineering company.





MEGHE GROUP OF INSTITUTIONS (MGI)



PIONEERING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

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Established in 1982 with a profound vision to uplift and empower the Vidarbha region, Meghe Group of Institutions (MGI) stands as an educational powerhouse, embodying the values of excellence, commitment, and transformative impact. **Under the visionary** leadership of Shri Dattaji Meghe, the group has evolved into a multifaceted entity, contributing not only to education but also to healthcare, infrastructure, information technology, banking, and textiles.

Datta Meghe

GI was founded with the singular purpose of providing quality education across various disciplines in the relatively underdeveloped Vidarbha region. Over the years, it has surpassed its own vision, setting benchmarks for educational institutions across the country. The group's strength lies in dedicated faculty, outstanding students, and a genuine commitment to nurturing talent for the nation's prosperity.

Holistic Learning Environment

MGI believes in imparting education that combines traditional wisdom with modern learning methods. The institution, from primary to postgraduation studies, emphasizes academic brilliance, cultural activities, sporting excellence, and spiritual evolution. This holistic approach is fostered under the guidance of entrusted facilitators and supported by excellent infrastructure.

Vision and Mission

Vision: To build benchmark technical institutions where learning is a joy, education is for tomorrow, Research and development is pace-setting, and everyone is committed to delivering competent human resources for the prosperity and well-being of industry, profession, and society.

Mission : To prepare competent, need-based



human resources and responsible citizens for the engineering profession through the dissemination of knowledge, development of technical skills, and the creation of an environment and commitment for continuous improvement in performance and quality.

Leadership Team

The leadership team at Meghe Group of Institutions (MGI) is marked by a rich tapestry of social and political contributions, with each member playing a pivotal role in shaping the institution's multifaceted impact.



Shri. Dattaji Meghe

As an esteemed Ex. Member of Parliament, having served in both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, Shri. Dattaji Meghe brings a wealth of legislative experience to the table. His leadership extends beyond the political realm, serving as the Chairman of Nagar Yuwak Shikshan Sanstha in Nagpur. Furthermore, as the Chancellor of Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, a deemed university in Nagpur, Shri. Dattaji Meghe has been instrumental in steering the institution towards academic excellence and societal well-being.

Shri Sagar Meghe

Shri Sagar Meghe, serving as the Secretary of Nagar Yuwak Shikshan Sanstha, has played a key role in the social and educational initiatives undertaken by the organization. Simultaneously holding the position of Treasurer at Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, he has contributed to the financial governance of the institution. His prior role as a Member of the Legislative Council (MLC) in Maharashtra State underscores his commitment to public service and legislative responsibilities.

Shri Sameer Meghe

Shri Sameer Meghe, in his role as the Secretary of Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, has been actively involved in steering the institution's academic and administrative affairs. Simultaneously holding the position of Treasurer at Nagar Yuwak Shikshan Sanstha, he brings a holistic approach to



the management of educational and social initiatives. His legislative role as a Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA) in Maharashtra State reflects a commitment to representing the public and contributing to the state's political landscape.

Together, the leadership team at MGI showcases a harmonious blend of political acumen and social commitment, exemplifying the institution's ethos of contributing not only to education but also to societal well-being and political representation.



Diverse Educational Endeavors

MGI boasts a spectrum of colleges, including Yeshwantrao Chavan College Of Engineering, Datta Meghe College Of Physiotherapy, Datta Meghe College Of Ayurveda Hospital And Research Center, Datta Meghe Institute Of Management Studies, Datta Meghe College Of Nursing, and Datta Meghe College Of Pharmacy. The group's commitment extends to providing accommodation through five hostels.

Future Endeavors

As of July 2021, MGI has positively impacted and transformed numerous lives through its commitment to quality education. Looking forward, the group aspires to continue this transformative journey, anticipating to impact and transform the lives of many more students in the coming years, aligning with its vision of prosperity and well-being for all.



NARAYANA VIDYALAYAM

LEADING YOUNG MINDS TOWARDS A BRIGHT FUTURE

"At Narayana Vidyalayam, the focus is not just on academic excellence but on nurturing talents to their fullest extent. The curriculum is thoughtfully crafted to accommodate various activities, moulding students into physically robust and mentally sharp individuals" – Mr Sachin Agnihotri, Secretary – Narayana Educational Society.





arayana Vidyalayam, an educational endeavor under esteemed the Narayana Educational Society, stands as а testament to the commitment to providing quality education to students across the nation. Established in the year 1995, the society has consistently thrived for delivering knowledge base education to its pupil at a very affordable cost. The society currently operates under the banner of Narayana Vidyalayam from 4 cities of Vidarbha- Nagpur, Koradi, Amravati and Chandrapur.

Education Beyond the Ordinary

Embark on a transformative educational journey with Narayana Vidyalayam, where distinctive campuses pave the way for holistic development. Our schools are not just institutions; they are hubs of excellence committed to shaping responsible and capable citizens. With a focus on personality development, we boast highly qualified teachers dedicated to honing every student's skills. Unlike conventional schools, we prioritize participation over competition, fostering healthy rivalries that build confidence and prepare students for a future of success. Our campuses are equipped with state-of-the-art infrastructure, fully equipped labs, expert faculty, and individualized learning. From digital classrooms to an Aerobay for critical thinking, we provide a comprehensive environment for your child's growth. Join us in nurturing well-rounded individuals through modern facilities, dedicated co-



Sachin Agnihotri Secretary





curricular activities, and seamless communication via our robust parental portal.

Earliest Advent

Narayana Vidyalayam, Nagpur, is renowned for its commitment to fostering academic excellence and holistic growth. Despite being well-within city limits, the school affords large campuses to help students indulge in various co-curricular activites as well. Chinchbhuwan which was established in 2002 is spread over 3.29 acre, while the Pre-primary Branch at Somalwada which was established in 2007, has a decent campus housed within 1 acre. The school is well-prepared for the paradigm shift in education, empowering teachers through professional development programs. Integration of Learning Management System (LMS) into the K-12 learning landscape ensures a well-rounded education with both scholastic and co-scholastic inputs. The institution's transformative educational experience and innovative learning environment contribute to its standing as a symbol of quality education in India. Another recently inaugurated branch at Sarkar Nagar, Nagpur is a similar Pre-Primary wing engaged in creating happy, social, and confident citizens for tomorrow.

Trailblazers in Overall Quality Education

Established in 2004, Narayana Vidyalayam, Chandrapur follows a co-educational senior secondary school model. The curriculum here aligns with CBSE standards. Pre-Primary Wing of Narayana Vidyalayam, Bhadrawati (Chandrapur) provides a nurturing environment where each child's uniqueness is celebrated. Spread across the city, this network of preschools focuses on playful learning, developing cognitive and fine motor skills. Trained teachers ensure a quality experience for children and their parents, promoting happiness, social skills, and confidence.

Newcomers

Amravati branch came up recently in 2016 with highly qualified teachers' staff and a friendly & safe learning environment. Both of the above branches conform to the general pattern of large-campus format, with 5 acre campuses at both these locations. Amravati Branch is dynamically moving towards becoming one of the best academic institutions in the region through its use of innovative methodologies to make learning fun and effective, emphasizing exploration and experimentation.

Koradi Road branch was also established in 2016, and it offers a unique global curriculum, stateof-the-art infrastructure, and competency-based education aligned with the NEP 2020. The focus is on nurturing well-rounded individuals equipped with 21st-century skills.

A Vision for the Future

The management council is committed to adding state-of-the-art knowledge facilities each year, thereby showcasing their dedication to ongoing improvement. An ambitious plan is underway to establish a world-class Knowledge City which will pave new paths for future. Expansion plans include the establishment of new Narayana Vidyalayam branches in Gadchiroli, Pune, Akola, and Wardha.

Angel Group of Schools, Pune: Expanding the Legacy to Newer Pastures

Founded in 1987, Angel Group of Schools, Pune, has been a beacon of excellence under visionary leadership. With multiple branches across Pune, the institution caters to around 7,000 students. The commitment to academic excellence, innovative teaching methodologies, and a focus on holistic development sets Angel Group apart. The rich alumni network showcases the institution's impact across diverse fields. Beyond academics, the school emphasizes cocurricular and extracurricular activities, fostering a culture of inclusivity and respect. The institution remains dedicated to community engagement, social outreach, and staying abreast of modern educational practices.

Jai Mahakali Shikshan

Established in 1985 with the vision of developing globally competent and efficient learners, Jai Mahakali Shikshan, Wardha, under the benevolent leadership of Chairman Pt. Shri Shankarprasadji Agnihotri and Secretary Shri Sachinji Agnihotri, has grown into a remarkable educational conglomerate comprising more than twenty institutions. The journey began with the establishment of Ranibai Agnihotri Sharirik Shikshan Mahavidyalaya in 1991, followed by Ranibai Agnihotri Institute of CS and IT in 1995. The group's dedication led to the inception of Gandhi City Public School, Wardha, and its Pulgaon counterpart in 2000, 2005, and 2006, respectively. Under the wings of JMSS, other notable institutes include Agnihotri College of Law, Mahila Bahuuddeshiya Shikshan Sanstha's Sikshan Mahavidyalay, The Agnihotri College of Pharmacy, Agnihotri School of Technology, Shri Shankaprasad Agnihotri College of Engineering, Agnihotri Polytechnic, and Pulgaon Polytechnic.









CONFIDENCE GROUP



FUELING THE PROGRESS IN LPG SECTOR



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"At our core, we are committed to revolutionizing the way individuals and businesses think about fuel. Our vision is to be a leading provider of clean and ecofriendly fuel solutions to individuals and commercial entities, while contributing to the development of a sustainable and energy-efficient future. We strive to be an industry leader, achieving excellence with financial soundness, generating value for stakeholders and championing innovative solutions for a cleaner and greener earth," Mr Nitin Khara, CMD – Confidence Group.

stablished in 1993, Confidence Petroleum has emerged as a cornerstone in India's domestic LPG industry, proudly standing as the largest private sector LPG bottling company in the country. Part of the esteemed Confidence Group, the company has not only left an indelible mark in the domestic LPG sector but has also extended its influence across various energy segments, creating a significant presence in industrial, automobile, and domestic retail spaces. With a remarkable network of 65+ operational bottling plants and 250 Auto LPG dispensing stations nationwide, Confidence Petroleum has become synonymous with reliability and accessibility, setting the benchmark in the gas distribution market.

Diversification and Market Leadership

Confidence Petroleum's commitment to innovation and market leadership is evident in its strategic move towards diversification. Confidence Petroleum India Limited (CPIL), a pivotal part of Confidence Group, is pioneering into the CNG business, establishing a firm presence with 33 CNG stations in Bangalore through a strategic partnership with GAIL. Complementing this expansion, CPIL owns three CNG cylinder manufacturing units through its subsidiary and manages a fleet of 600+ LPG vehicles dedicated to transportation across India.

Nitin Khara



The Visionary Mr. Nitin Khara

At the helm of this dynamic enterprise is the visionary founder of Confidence Group, Mr. Nitin Khara—an Indian Industrialist whose journey is nothing short of inspiring. Mr. Khara's narrative began as a small-town first-generation trader in 1985, when he founded a small business in Mahal, Nagpur, focusing on Stainless Steel Utensils under the name 'Steel Home.' The group's expansion trajectory began with the strategic acquisition of its first cylinder manufacturing unit in central India.

Mr. Nitin Khara's commitment to meeting market demands led to strategic acquisitions in including LPG various sectors. Cylinder Manufacturing, Packed Cylinder Distribution, LPG Bottling, Auto LPG Stations, CNG Stations, and High-pressure Cylinder Manufacturing. Under his visionary guidance, Confidence Petroleum India Limited continues to shape the industry with a strong commitment to quality, innovation, and company's sustainability. The extensive infrastructure, diversified operations, and unwavering dedication to customer satisfaction underscore its role in driving the nation towards a brighter, greener, and more prosperous future.

Varied Excellence in Energy Solutions

CPIL's commitment to excellence extends to its diverse product profile. In the domain of Cylinder Manufacturing, CPIL manages 15 nationwide units, emerging as a key supplier to prestigious Navratna oil companies such as IOCL, HPCL, and BPCL, meeting their diverse cylinder requirements with precision and reliability. The LPG Division of CPIL caters to various market segments. The Packed Cylinder Division focuses on LPG Retail, supplying an extensive network of 2000+ outlets. In the HoReCa (Hotels, Restaurants, Cafes) D2C Segment, CPIL employs a direct model, targeting a monthly sales volume of 25,000 MT by March 2025.

Auto LPG Dispensing Stations play a significant role in CPIL's contribution to accessible and environmentally friendly fuel. With 250 operational stations nationwide, the company promotes the cost-effectiveness of Auto LPG, resulting in substantial savings compared to carbon-emitting fuels. Additionally, CPIL initiated overseas LPG imports in May 2022, importing over 40,000+ MT per month, with ongoing expansion plans to meet growing demand in industrial, retail, and commercial sectors, ensuring a competitive blend of LPG.

The LPG Bottling business is a critical component of CPIL's operations, with 68 strategically located plants contributing to cost-effective LPG distribution and competitive prices in the Indian market. In collaboration with GAIL Gas India, CPIL has ventured into CNG Retailing, establishing 35 CNG stations and planning 65 more in the coming year.

The Logistics and Transportation arm of CPIL is a testament to its robust operational framework, managing a fleet of 620+ road vehicles and tankers







dedicated to LPG transportation. Furthermore, the operation of three high-pressure cylinder manufacturing units meets strong demand. These state-of-the-art facilities, unparalleled in both size and capabilities, are meticulously designed for the production of top-tier seamless cylinders, crafted to meet various industrial applications.

Values and Mission

At Confidence, the company's core values propel it towards unprecedented success, emphasizing innovativeness as the key to making a lasting difference in problem-solving. The organization understands the significance of timeliness, recognizing that being in the right place at the right time is indispensable; thus, it meticulously tracks schedules throughout its processes. Quality stands at the forefront of its commitments, where the company upholds the highest standards to deliver the best products and services to its customers. Consumer focus guides the approach to new energy market rules, prioritizing customer outcomes to ensure a superior experience. Embracing collaboration, Confidence believes in shared objectives that lead to enhanced efficiency, cost reduction, product innovation, and expanded market scalability. Looking towards the future, the commitment to long-term sustainability is evident through reinvesting profits-a proactive measure considered as "paying it forward."

The mission of Confidence is to deliver innovative, reliable, and high-quality products and services that have a positive impact on the environment and communities it serves. The company strives to establish lasting relationships with its customers and stakeholders based on trust, integrity, and mutual success.

Awards and Accreditations

In addition to his remarkable business achievements, Mr. Nitin Khara has received several prestigious accreditations and awards. He has been honored with the "Memento for Outstanding and Meritorious Contribution" by the Lions Club and the "Jay Maharashtra Smruti Chinha" for outstanding achievements in business. He has also been presented with the "Udyog Patra" by the Institute of Trade and Industrial Development and the "Rashtriya Udyog Ratan Award" by IOBRD, among other notable recognitions.





GIMATEX INDUSTRIES (P) LTD.



WEAVING 'TECHNOLOGY' AND 'SUSTAINABILITY' TOGETHER TO DELIVER THE BEST YARN WORLD-OVER

MANAGEMENT TEAM



Basant Kumar Mohota Chairman



Prashant Kumar Mohota Managing Director



Vineet Kumar Mohota Director (Finance)



Anurag Kumar Mohota Director (Works)

"Technology is a vital enabler of Sustainability. We have integrated both these essential elements to create a 'sustainable technology' and we would like to continue doing so in all our future endeavours. We are committed towards delivering best yarns to our global markets while ensuring sustenance for our organization", says Mr Prashant Mohota, Managing Director of Gimatex Industries.

The 1990s saw India inching towards modern technology, computing and its use in industries – The second Industrial Revolution of sorts. Technology was blending itself in the Indian industrial environs and its impact was to change the global scenario as we see it today in hindsight. Those were also the times when liberal economic reforms were being introduced by the government. India was just rising from an old, harried 'license raj', but not yet completely rid of it. Amid such

tumultuous times, Gimatex Industries (P) Ltd. started its operations in 1993 on a humble note but with a mission to be a leading provider of premium quality textile yarn to its clients. "Today, Gimatex Industries is a completely integrated textile manufacturing facility with much automated ginning, spinning, weaving, processing and garmenting units under its fold," informs Mr Mohota.

"Journey was never smooth for anybody who set out to travel off the beaten path, but challenges never deterred us. Rather we came





out stronger and learned" states a candid Mr Prashant. "The organization invested in advancement of technology, people and infrastructure alike during all of these years, and the result is for everyone to see," he adds. "The credit for our success goes to our unabated faith in growth values such as innovation, quality and ethical practices imbibed in us from our ancestors." The legacy was initiated by Late Shri Rekhchandji Mohota as patriarch of this lineage of entrepreneurs. Few generations later, the reins of this now-transformed organization are in seasoned hands of Mr Basant Kumar Mohota who is the Group Chairman. Besides Mr Prashant Mohota as the Managing Director, the new-gen members of this family-led business team are Mr Vineet Kumar Mohota who is Director (Finance), while the dayto-day operations are run by Mr Anurag Kumar Mohota as Director (Works). Together this winning team manages this outfit which provides employment to more than 5,000 skilled and semi-skilled workers.

With cotton as the key raw material for most of its products, Gimatex Industries found its foothold in the cotton-rich Vidarbha and has been an active part of the first integrated textile park project of Vidarbha under the centre's SITP scheme. Gimatex has further diversified into processing of scientific cotton seed by setting up a first-of-its-kind gossypolfree cotton seed protein meal plant along with an integrated cotton oil refinery. Recently, Gimatex



has added more to its product-range with GRS products in cotton, polyester, spandex yarns and fabrics, organic fabric and specialised finish in processed fabrics. The company has manufactured tencel, lycra and viscose lycra fabrics and successfully delivered bulk quantities to top brands.

Speaking of sustainability, Mr Mohota professes, "We believe sustainability is the key differentiator in business and clients prefer to deal with companies having great sustainability scores. We therefore leveraged the use of sustainable fibres for our yarn and fabric productions like organic cotton, GOTS, BCI Cotton, Ecovero Viscose, Liva Eco, FSC Viscose, GRS (recycled polyester), Tencel, Lyocell, bamboo and dyed yarns in Black or Melange."

"On technology front, all the new facilities being set up are of course machines with state-of-the-art technology which are mapped to certain computers and handheld devices for real-time monitoring. We have gone a step further to integrate the existing facilities with our ERP system which helps compile all relevant data and processes it for quality improvement. We have our own in-house apps to monitor this information for a better decision making. You can expect us to be using AI too, in times to come. It is due to this generous blend of Technology and Sustainability, that Gimatex is successfully exporting its products to more than 40 major countries across most of the continents and has become a strong player in the market with a name to reckon with."

As a way of 'giving back to the society', the Group has a set of on-going CSR initiatives which includes Shri Girdhardas Mohota Aushadhalaya, GBMM High School and Junior College, Shri Mathuradas Mohota Science College and Shrimati Sirekunwar Devi Mohota School, all of them in Hinghanghat. The Group has also taken up the cause of beautification and maintenance of Main Road at Hinghanghat which has added charm to this otherwise humble town situated around 70 kms from Nagpur. The Group cares for its employees equally well and has created a large facility for recreational activities within its campus and also sponsors local sporting events quite regularly.



Socio-economic UPLIFTMENT

In the heartland of Vidarbha, a visionary leader emerged, shaping the destiny of the region with unparalleled zeal. Born amidst the vibrant soil, Mr. Nitin Gadkari embarked on a mission to orchestrate an economic symphony that resonated with the hopes and aspirations of students, women, youth, unemployed, senior citizens, deprived and the aspiring farming community. Mr. Gadkari wove a tapestry of innovation and wonder. His canvas bore the strokes of transformation, each stroke an ode to the economic upliftment he envisioned for his people.



SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS



Nikhil Gadkari, Rutuja Gadkari, Madhura Gadkari & Sarang Gadkari

By combining social work with politics, he introduced wonderful and innovative concepts and initiated his efforts towards its completion. Apart from Sugar Factories, Purti Departmental Stores on cooperative basis, commercial companies like Cian, Manas were set up for the benefit of the farmers of Vidarbha, while Bhaurao Deoras Pratishthan, Laxmanrao Mankar Trust, Purti Jan Kalyankari Sanstha, AgroVision Foundation, Senior Citizen Foundation, Bhanutai Gadkari Rural Development Institute etc. were successfully formed for public welfare works.

In this 'sewayagya' of Nitinji, his better half Mrs. Kanchantai Gadkari has been closely working through different organisations to serve the society. They are- Matru Seva Sangh Mahal, Shriram Shikshan Sanstha Ramtek, Seva Sadan Shikshan Sanstha Nagpur, Gayatri Mahila Industrial Cooperative Society, Swayampoorna Multipurpose Society, Swayampoorna Manufacturing Women Welfare and Research Association etc. They are working in the field of health, employment, selfemployment, women development, education, training, social, cultural, environmental sector. Nitinji's able sons- Nikhil and Sarang have also become ray of hope for society. Not only the Gadkari family, but the youth and farmers of rural Vidarbha have now become parts of Nitinji's extended family. He is determined to keep the family's upliftment and economic progress the sole goal with a hoard of competent and dedicated colleagues in all the spheres of his endeavours.



Manas Agro Industries & Infrastructure Ltd (MAIIL)

First Sugar Factory was set up on a cooperative basis at Khursapar near Bela in Nagpur district with an aim to provide employment to the youth, to divert agriculturists from non-affordable traditional farming and cultivate cash crops. Emphasis was on procuring bye-products and not just sugar from the factory. Power generation started from sugarcane chips at Manas Unit No. 1 in Bela. A power plant with a capacity of 24.45 MW has been constructed. Present capacity of Distillery unit is 135 KLPD. Not only this, ethanol plant with a capacity of 1.20 lakh liters per day has also been started.

Organic manure is being made from the waste pressed head of sugarcane coming out of the sugar factory and fertilizer is being produced from it. Fertilizer production, which improves soil texture and quality, has now reached about 100,000 bags per annum. MAIIL has two more sugar factories of 2500 TCD at Village-Jamni, Dist.- Wardha(MS) and a 1500 TCD plant in Bhandara(MS). In addition to sugar factory at Wardha, MAIIL has a 15 MW Cogeneration based Power Plant. A power plant with a capacity of 8 MW has been commissioned in Unit 2 of Kolari and a 10 MW capacity at Savarkhanda. These initiatives have provided employment to about 5000 laborers.

Manas has also made its debut in the field of alternative fuel and gave the entrepreneurial youth the opportunity to become gas cylinder distributors through 'Purti Gas'. Now auto LPG Stations are being set up and operated at various places from Jammu and Kashmir to Gujarat and Tamil Nadu. The benefits include financial savings for consumers, pollution control and employment opportunities for locals. In collaboration with Naira Energy, 22 petrol pumps have been set up in Vidarbha where 10 percent ethanol blended petrol is sold. Using global technology, the production of EPS cement sandwich panels has been launched, which has revolutionized the construction sector.

Manas has ultramodern bottling bottling facility built in seven acres for Country Liquor and Indian Manufactured Foreign Liquor. The capacity of each plant is 150000 cases per month(1.0 million cases per year) in various pack size from 90ml to 10000ml. Manas is producing its Whisky under the brand name as Wolf Stone Whisky and Rum is branded as Kaptaan Rum..



Cian Agro Industries and Infrastructure Ltd(CAIIL)

The foundation stone for Cian Agro Industries and Infrastructure was laid keeping in mind the economic development of farmers producing traditional crops like cotton and soyabean. A soybean edible oil refinery with a capacity of 120 metric ton per day (Amrutdhara) brand was set up at Kolari village in Chimur taluka of Chandrapur district. It has a soya seed extraction capacity of 500 metric ton per day and produces 100% pure oil. Amrutdhara Ricebran, Sunflower, Ground Nut Oil are also manufactured here.

The factory at Dhapewada in Kalmeshwar taluka of Nagpur district, produces products like chilli, turmeric, coriander, cumin, degi chilli, amchur powders and the garam masala. Using sugar polymers, eco-friendly detergent powders, dish washes are manufactured under the brand name NEU, and hand washes are manufactured under the brand name OIR to use sugarcane extract and its properties from sugarcane.

Cian has a patent to make Amino Acids from human hair, under the name "Booster Amino" and other organic fertilizers such as KMB, PSB, NPK, PSFB, Acetobactor, and Azetobactor suitable for all types of crops. In order to provide a global market to the produce of the farmers of Vidarbha, IQFA technology-based project was launched. Under this, vegetables are purchased from local farmers, packed properly, frozen at minus 18 degree centigrade and exported to the international market. These products are currently exported to Canada, Qatar, Oman, UAE, Maldives, Russia and Saudi Arabia.

CIAN Aluminum unit has created niche for itself in metal processing industry with its diversified Aluminium product portfolio. CIAN has two Aluminium Processing & manufacturing facilities Located at Kalmeshwar MIDC, Nagpur & Mirjole MIDC,Ratnagiri in Maharashtra region.

Aluminium Manufacturing facility Nagpur (Unit 1) :

Plot No.: A-1/1, MIDC Kalmeshwar, Dist. Nagpur- 441501, Maharashtra, India. The unit has Aluminium Alloy manufacturing capacity of 550 MT/Month. The company is regular supplier of Aluminium Ingot ADC-12 to two-wheeler auto giant Sundaram Clayton Ltd (subsidiary of TVS Motors Ltd).



Aluminium Manufacturing Facility Ratnagiri (Unit 2): Plot No. D-68, Mirjole, MIDC Ratnagiri

Varron Aluminium Private Limited (VAPL) having a state-of-the-art production facility with a capacity of 2200MT/Month is engaged in manufacturing & supply of aluminium alloy, aluminium die casting, hot steel forging, also equipped with machining set up. The company is empanelled vendor of Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals Ltd, WEBCO, Jai Hind Group (Force Motors) etc. Company has also commenced activity of manufacturing hand tools like DOE, Ring, Combination, Angle, Handle, Pliers, L Spanner, Adjustable Spanner etc at a capacity of 15,00,000 pieces per month located at MIDC, Hingna of Nagpur, Maharashtra. The state-of-the-art Mango pulp processing facility situated at Devgad, Maharashtra has Production Capacity of around 5400 MT per annum. CIAN is operating the said unit since last 2 seasons where we have successfully made the production of 2.5 Lakhs units of Alphonso Mango Pulp per year.

Ideal Energy Projects Ltd (IEPL)

IEPL is active in the power generation sector and work on a coal-based thermal power plant started in 2008 at Bela village in Umred taluka of Nagpur district. Two 270 MW power plants with a capacity of 540 MW are operational and the project, set up on 235 acres near Manas Power and Sugar Limited, uses the best resources in the manufacturing sector and adopts BHEL's technology and modern technology. It provides the infrastructure required to generate additional power of 270 MW capacity. The power generated in this project is supplied from the 400 KV substation of the project to Maharashtra Grid. The environment is also taken care of by releasing this air into the atmosphere through a 220-meter-high chimney. The project has provided direct and indirect employment to 700 people.

Samruddhi Cooperative Bank Ltd

Since 2015-16, Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Kanchantai Gadkari, the bank is progressing successfully. During her tenure, the bank's turnover grew four-fold. In 2016-17, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) gave a license to the bank to launch its own mobile app. It became the first bank in Vidarbha to get such a license. In the last two years, the bank has given a loan of Rs 18 crore to 1,590 needy persons at the grassroots level for E-rickshaw. The bank is successfully operating in Nagpur through its four branches.

Ekalavya Ekal Vidyalaya

Ekalavya Ekal Vidyalayas are being run in tribal areas with the social awareness that children in tribal areas should not be deprived of education due to the situation. The schools are run by Laxmanrao Mankar Trust. A total of 871 Ekal schools are being run in Gondia, Gadchiroli, Chandrapur, Amravati, Akola, Buldana and other districts. About 23,315 tribal students are benefitted from these schools.

Jyeshtha Nagrik Pratishthan Swayamsevi Sanstha

Jyeshtha Nagrik Pratishthan Swayamsevi Sanstha works for senior citizens in old age homes as well as orphanage students. So far, 15,000 senior citizens have joined the foundation through 162 mandals. The foundation conducts various activities for senior citizens throughout the year.

Purti Sinchan Samruddhi Janakalyankari Sanstha

Through this organization, activities like construction of bridges, dams are carried out in small villages. This has solved the water problem of the locals. The project implemented by the institute named Tamaswada pattern is pioneering. The project provided water to the people of the area. The project received national and international attention. Purti Irrigation won a state-level, national award as well as a global award.

Late Bhanutai Gadkari Diagnostic Centre

Late Bhanutai Gadkari Gramin Vikas Sanstha is implementing many initiatives for the health of Nagpurians. The foundation stone of the institute's diagnostic centre was laid in Nagpur. On behalf of this diagnostic center, state-of-the-art diagnostic services like eye examination, blood test, X-ray examination, MRI, CT Scan, dialysis etc. will be provided to the poor, needy and destitute citizens of Nagpur at a nominal cost. An additional ambulance for eye and ear examination and a separate ambulance for dental examination and treatment were also inaugurated. More than 38,000 people underwent eye and ear examinations and many have availed free cataract surgery. Recently launched dental clinic provided free check-ups of 1,500 people. In the next four months, this diagnostic center will be available for healthcare of Nagpurians.

Agrovision

Agrovision, a national level agricultural exhibition, has been organized since 13 years through Agrovision Foundation with the aim of making farmers aware of the changing technology, using state-of-the-art technology in agriculture, and making them aware of the schemes of the central and state governments. The 25,000 sq. ft. dome, participation of 400 government, semi-government, private and farmer organisations, participation of lakhs of farmers, participation of commercial companies manufacturing farm-related equipment are the highlights of the exhibition. Today, the exhibition has become the signature event in Central India.

Bhaurao Deoras Pratishthan

Bhaurao Deoras Pratishthan, which has been functioning since 2001, works on human resource development and social work. The work done by Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Institute of Medical Science Research and Human Resources is remarkable. While the dream of cultural, industrial and sports development along with social, economic and material development is being realized, Nitinji Gadkari's passion is to create new leadership in all fields including professional, social sector. Under the guidance of Nitinji, with involvement of his family members and dynamism of their colleagues, we are confident that the dream of socio-cultural, economic and industrial development of Vidarbha will come true.





Innovation blended with a GLOBAL APPROACH

R C Plasto Tanks and Pipes Pvt Ltd

PLASTO प्लास्टो है तो <u>गॅरन्टी है।</u>

The dynamic leadership of R C Plasto is spearheaded by Mr Vishal R. Agrawal, Mr Neelesh R. Agrawal, and Mr Vaibhav R. Agrawal. Of these, Mr Vishal Agrawal, with over two decades of experience, has received numerous awards for his contributions to the plastic industry.

or us at R C Plasto, our customers and our team are the first order, everything comes later. That is the baseline for our code of conduct. We believe that such codes should be more than just great words. Our code is sacred to us, something that we like to live for and believe in. It has been our mantra for improving upon our business performance and building upon our brand's reputation in the marketplace." Says so a visionary Mr Vishal Agrawal, a business leader who has been instrumental in bringing laurels to Vidarbha's plastic industry.

According to him, "There was a time when

people were apprehensive about the use of plastic tanks, and they of course had their good reasons for that. There were a couple of brands from other parts of India which were busy establishing their brand through newspaper and TV commercials. We thought on other lines – Rather than just advertising, we innovated according to people's requirement of clean and fresh water. Recommendation from existing users is the best way to advertise!"

From its humble beginnings in 1986, R C Plasto has evolved into one of India's leading brands in the water storage and plumbing industry. With a remarkable turnover of more



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Vishal Agrawal



Vaibhav Agarwal, Neelesh Agarwal & Vishal Agarwal.

than Rs 1500 crore, the company boasts a network of 10,000 dealers and sub-dealers across India. The success story is characterized by a relentless pursuit of innovation and the incorporation of cutting-edge technologies. Mr Vishal further states, "We can proudly state that today, Plasto Tanks and Pipes are known as a mark of innovation and growth in the realm of plastic and plumbing products. We have been recognized for both these factors quite recently during the Financial Times' High-Growth Companies Asia-Pacific 2020." "Plasto Group is dedicated to providing a diverse range of topnotch solutions, including water storage tanks, pipes, PTMT, plumbing solutions, agriculture fittings, bathroom fittings, CPVC, and UPVC."

Innovation Is Main Focus

It is obvious that at the core of Plasto's operations is a commitment to the highest ethical standards. The company's Code of Business Ethics underscores its dedication to integrity and ethical conduct, fostering a culture where doing the right thing is ingrained in every aspect of its operations. Ever since its inception, the team here has been on a never-ending mission to deliver the highest quality water storage and plumbing solutions at affordable prices. To achieve these targets, there is a constant pursuit of innovation within the organization which aims to meet the nation's increasing water demands, ensuring clean water access from villages to metro cities. "We are blending innovative product designs, industry know-how, and the latest technology with constant focus on world-class quality standards. We offer the best end-to-end packaging solutions, all the while ensuring on-time deliveries to customers. On the home front, we place a strong emphasis on maintaining a safe working environment for our employees. Finally, it is the team together which would deliver it all," informs Mr Agrawal.

Dynamic Leadership

The dynamic leadership of R C Plasto is spearheaded by Mr Vishal R. Agrawal, Mr Neelesh R. Agrawal, and Mr Vaibhav R. Agrawal. Of these, Mr Vishal Agrawal, with over two decades of experience, has received numerous awards for his contributions to the plastic industry. Mr Neelesh Agrawal, an entrepreneur with over 26 years of experience, serves as the Chairman of the CSR Committee,



overseeing the overall working of the company. Mr Vaibhav Agrawal, with a Master's degree in Industrial Engineering, has played a pivotal role in the growth of R C Plasto Tanks & Pipes Pvt. Ltd.

CSR Initiatives

The leadership team at Plasto also acknowledges the responsibility that comes with success. The company has implemented several CSR policies, focusing on education, healthcare, and economic empowerment for underprivileged communities. The CSR Committee of the Board, led by Mr. Neelesh Agrawal, oversees these initiatives, including scholarships for underprivileged tribal children, school infrastructure improvement, cocurricular activities for underprivileged children, and healthcare facilities for those suffering from diseases like cancer. Plasto has been consistently recognized for its excellence, receiving honours such as the DIC Industries Award 2012, Entrepreneurial Excellence Award 2013, Rotary Club of Nagpur Vocational Excellence Award 2014-15, Vidarbha SME Business Excellence Award 2017, Nagpur's Best Brand Award 2018, Lokmat Maharashtrian of the Year 2019, and High Growth Companies Asia Pacific 2020. In essence, R C Plasto Tanks and Pipes Pvt Ltd stands tall as a symbol of excellence, innovation, and a commitment to making a positive impact on society. With a rich history, a dedication to ethical practices, and a vision for a sustainable future, the company continues to lead the way in the plastic product fabrication industry.







ASCENT HEALTH SOLUTIONS

POISED FOR 4X GROWTH AND DOMINATING THE HEALTHTECH INDUSTRY

THE JOURNEY OF TWO NAGPUR BROTHERS' VISION OVER CHAI TO BECOMING A GLOBAL INDUSTRY LEADER

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In the rapidly evolving landscape of healthcare, Ascent Health Solutions emerges not just as a company, but as a phenomenon. Twenty-five years ago, two visionary Nagpur brothers, Ajay and Rajat Kapoor, embarked on an audacious journey to redefine technology driven healthcare revenue operations and care delivery in the United States. Today, their vision has culminated into Ascent, a powerhouse at the cusp of a 4x growth trajectory, shaping the digital future of healthtech.

scent's solutions encompass revenue cycle management, patient experience management, extended operations office, and an AI-powered innovative platform and digital transformation solutions purpose-built for healthcare providers.

The Visionary Beginnings

The story of Ascent is one of passion and innovation. The Kapoor brothers envisioned a future where technology would be the cornerstone of healthcare advancement. With this in mind, the duo established Ascent Health Solutions, aiming to create cost-effective services and digital solutions to address the growing challenges and complexities faced by healthcare providers in a highly regulated industry. The vision laid the foundation for what would become Ascent Health Solutions.

Their vision was simple yet profound: to lead the digital future of healthcare by harnessing the potential of technology to empower providers and

improve patient care.

Nagpur: The Heart of Ascent's Success

One might wonder why Nagpur, India, was chosen as the home for Ascent. The answer lies in the city's vibrant ecosystem, which has nurtured passionate talent, provided robust infrastructure support, and continuously improved, attracting a steady influx of skilled professionals. Company's global headquarter based in Nagpur, Ascent has grown to a formidable workforce of 2500 employees.

A growth story built on a backbone of customer-centricity

Ascent's remarkable success can be attributed to its philosophy of 'Delivery first – margins later.' This approach emphasizes the importance of customer satisfaction above all, ensuring that every service and solution provided by Ascent is tailored to meet and exceed client expectations. This relentless focus on customer-centricity has become a part of Ascent's DNA, fueling its drive towards excellence.





DELIVERY FIRST, MARGINS LATER

Profound outcomes delivered

The success story of Ascent is told through the lens of profound outcomes, where the fusion of technology, expertise, and a deep understanding of the healthcare sector converges to deliver unparalleled value. Their clients don't just witness marginal gains; they experience a paradigm shift in revenue growth, operational efficiency that propels them into new realms of financial viability and service delivery.

Their approach has consistently proven to be transformative, achieving up to 50% more efficiency in resource utilization and cost savings compared to their competitors. This substantial margin is not merely a number—it's a reflection of Ascent's mastery in streamlining healthcare operations, a testament to their relentless drive for innovation and excellence.

Their success is measured not just in the substantial cost savings they deliver but in the trust they build and the partnerships they forge. Through a quarter-century of service, Ascent has emerged not only as a provider of solutions but as a creator of outcomes that are as profound in their impact as they are sustainable in their application.

Ascent today

From a humble beginning to becoming a global enterprise, Ascent has a presence in more than 38 states across the United States, serves over 4,500 clients, including nation's top health system chains, hospitals, and ambulatory centers. The company's footprint spans the entire spectrum of healthcare providers, showcasing its commitment to delivering innovative solutions that address the diverse needs



reduces costs, and optimizes workflow.

- Innovative and AI-Powered Platform: The ARMS Ai platform revolutionizes healthcare operations, providing predictive analytics, revenue optimization, and enhanced processes.
- Outcome-Based Digital Transformation: Ascent's focus on delivering outcomes, rather than just products or services, ensures providers achieve measurable success.

By the Numbers

- 25 Years of legacy
- 4,500+ US Clients
- 2,500+ employees
- 30+ Specialties know-how
- 100% client retention record
- 4 Global Centers
- \$15.5 Billion Annual revenue processed

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of the industry.

The Future of Ascent: A Vision of Expansion

Ascent is not just content with its current success; it is on an aggressive growth trajectory with plans to expand its workforce to over 10,000 employees within the next five years. With 25+ years of deep expertise across various healthcare segments, Ascent is poised to make an even more significant impact on the industry and emerge as a global leader.

Ascent at a glance Solutions

- Revenue Cycle Management: Ascent's expertise in revenue cycle management ensures providers achieve sustainable growth and financial success.
- Elevated Patient Experiences: Ascent prioritizes patient-centric care, enhancing patient experiences for better outcomes.
- Extended Operations Office: By leveraging digital solutions, Ascent streamlines operations,



ANKUR SEEDS PRIVATE LIMITED

NURTURING INNOVATION IN AGRICULTURE

Ankur Seeds' distinctive strength lies in its direct engagement with approximately 100,000 farmers annually through dedicated field promotion activities. This direct connection enables the company to understand and address consumers' specific needs. Furthermore, Ankur Seeds' commitment to environmental sustainability is evident in its breeding efforts, focusing on diseasetolerant and resistant varieties that significantly reduce reliance on chemical inputs, making a positive impact on the environment.





n the intricate tapestry of India's agricultural history, Ankur Seeds Private Limited has woven a rich narrative since its inception in 1985. With over four decades of devoted service, Ankur Seeds Pvt. Ltd has evolved into a renowned seed organization, offering an extensive array of seeds in cotton, field crops, and vegetables to farmers nationwide. The commitment to research and development (R&D) has given Ankur Seeds a pivotal role in shaping the nation's agricultural landscape. The company's visionary leadership of Ravi Kashikar, Madhav Shembhekar and Late Laxman Aurangabadkar, innovative spirit, and dedication have propelled it to eminence, leading to comprehensive expansion across marketing, production, and processing. The vast network solidifies Ankur's position as a movement committed to fostering farmers' growth through agricultural innovation.

Setting Benchmarks

By 1993, its R&D division earned recognition from the DSIR, Government of India, setting a benchmark for innovative contributions. Ankur Seeds emerged as a global leader by introducing groundbreaking technologies such as the Ankur 651 cotton hybrid and the revolutionary BT COTTON technology, positioning it among the first three seed companies globally to embrace genetically modified technology for cotton. The year 1996 witnessed Ankur Seeds' excellence being acknowledged with the National Award for Excellent Research and Development achievements, reinforcing its commitment to setting industry benchmarks. The introduction of research-based rice varieties, notably the enduringly popular Paddy Sonam in 1998, further solidified its standing as a leader in the agricultural sector. Exhibiting a holistic approach to agricultural solutions, Ankur Seeds established



Madhav Shembhekar and Ravi Kashikar

Dharti Agrochemicals Pvt Ltd to provide farmers with cutting-edge nutrition technologies.

Leaders in Seed Tech

In 2003, Ankur Seeds marked a milestone with BT COTTON technology, showcasing its commitment to modern agricultural advancements. The 2012 inauguration of a world-class Breeding Support Centre exemplified the company's dedication to innovation. The "Seeing is Believing" initiative synchronized displays of 15 different crops, highlighting Ankur Seeds' commitment to practical knowledge dissemination. The company proudly stands as the first globally to offer GMSbased Cowpea Hybrids. Collaborations with leading universities reflect dedication to bringing in new technologies for higher yields and disease resistance. The product and service portfolio caters meticulously to farmers' needs, addressing climate change challenges. As a farmer-friendly entity, Ankur Seeds engages actively throughout the crop life cycle, guiding agronomy practices for successful cultivation.



Research and Development (R&D)

Ankur Seeds leads in R&D, conducting Extensive Breeding Research on its 300-acre farms. The 60,000 sq ft Breeding Support Centre in Neri near Nagpur, with advanced labs in Molecular Biology, Plant Tissue Culture, and more, spearheads R&D initiatives with a dynamic team of 200 plant breeders. In precision breeding, Ankur Seeds leverages advanced genomics tools, enhancing grain and fruit quality, yield, and disease resistance with Marker Assisted Selection and Classical Breeding. Techniques like Dihaploid and wide hybridization ensure a robust germplasm base and resistance traits against stresses. The company's forward-looking approach extends to transgenic research, aiming to enhance insect resistance, stress



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tolerance, and virus resistance in cotton, rice, and vegetable crops.

Sustainability and Innovation

Committed to sustainable solutions, Ankur Seeds conducts extensive resistance screening, focusing on pests and diseases. The Entomology and Pathology Departments lead wide-scale screenings, while the Plant Physiology Division enhances nutrient and water use efficiency. Innovative technologies, such as Cytoplasmic Genetic Male Sterility (CGMS), showcase Ankur Seeds' dedication to plant biotechnology. Geared towards cost-effective Brinjal seed production, CGMS stands ready for global licensing. The pursuit of a LintlessCotton crop promises to revolutionize production efficiency.

On Future and Cohesive Growth

Having successfully developed specific seed varieties, the company now focuses on large-scale production to meet growing demands, with the invaluable support of partner farmers. Company officials actively monitor the cultivation process, underscoring the symbiotic relationship that has propelled Ankur Seeds to ever greater heights. The company extends gratitude to the seed-growing farmers whose unwavering support has been instrumental in its journey of growth and success. Local businesses grow in parallel with Ankur Seeds, generating employment and business for local vendors involved in printing, food, and gift shops through the company's seed production programs



on farmers' fields. The company takes pride in fostering local growth, supporting products like bamboo, contributing to the development and sustainability of regional economies.

Contribution Towards the Society

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) stands as a cornerstone of Ankur Seeds' commitment to creating a positive impact on society. CSR endeavors extend to providing essential equipment to hospitals and distributing educational materials to rural schools and orphanages. Recognizing the significance of local governance, the company actively contributes by providing necessary equipment to various gram panchayats, supporting grassroots governing bodies.

HR Initiatives

Promoting a healthy and active lifestyle is integral to Ankur Seeds' CSR commitment, supporting sports and yoga initiatives. Benefiting employees is a key focus, with CSR initiatives extending to employee well-being within the Human Resources domain. Health camps within office premises and for those working on the floor in plants provide preventive healthcare measures, ensuring the overall well-being of the workforce.





SONI POLYMERS PVT LTD

PIONEERING INNOVATION IN STATIONERY MANUFACTURING

Fast forward to 2001, and the mantle of innovation was passed to Mr. Rahul Soni, the scion of the Soni legacy. Under his dynamic leadership, the product range expanded to encompass Correction Pens, Whiteboard Markers, Permanent Markers, Highlighters, and nearly 40 other SKUs. The launch of Soni Officemate® in 2002 marked a pivotal milestone, solidifying the company's position as a beacon of innovation in the Indian stationery realm.

Soni Polymers Pvt. Ltd.

n the annals of Indian industry, the story of Soni Polymers Pvt. Ltd. stands as a testament to vision, innovation, and an unwavering commitment to excellence. The journey begins in the early 1970s when Mr Prakash Soni, equipped with a Mechanical Engineering degree from VNIT, Nagpur, and sporting an MS in Industrial Engineering from the prestigious Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, USA, returned to India. Armed with a fervent desire to address the gaps in the Indian stationery market, he laid the foundation of a modest plastic moulding factory in Nagpur. The turning point arrived in 1981 when Mr. Prakash Soni introduced Correction Fluid, a product that not only filled a void but reshaped the stationery industry landscape. The strategic acumen exhibited during this period propelled Soni Polymers into the limelight, leading to nationwide distribution and the birth of the revered brand, Soni Officemate.

A Legacy of Quality and Innovation

For over 37 years, Soni Polymers Pvt. Ltd. has been at the forefront of stationery innovation, producing items that transcend the ordinary. More than mere office tools, these products symbolize the growing demand for quality stationery worldwide. Operating as an ISO 9001 Organization, strategically located in Nagpur at the geographical center of India, Soni Polymers is a beacon of innovation and customer satisfaction.



The company's self-sufficiency is reflected in its comprehensive infrastructure, covering R&D, Designing, Chemistry, Mould development, Moulding, Production, and Packaging CAD/ CAM. The acceptance of Soni-Officemate products has reached far and wide, spanning India, Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe, the USA, and beyond. As an OEM supplier to globally renowned organizations, Soni Polymers is in the process of establishing its fifth unit exclusively for exports. This achievement is a testament to the concentrated efforts of TEAM SONI, a team driven by the vision of making Soni-Officemate a household name worldwide.





Shaping Strategy and Operations

The ethos of Soni Polymers is steeped in the pursuit of innovation, which permeates every facet of its operations. From groundbreaking research and development (R&D) to the creation of newer, products, aesthetic appeal, innovative and affordability, the company remains responsive to the dynamic needs of the market. Technology is a cornerstone of Soni Polymers, with a commitment to zero defects and 100% quality and customer satisfaction. Beyond offering prompt technical support, the company provides customization and comfort testing, leveraging its expertise and infrastructure to manufacture cutting-edge products.

Soni Inks: A Division Dedicated to Excellence

Established in 2001, Soni Inks, a division of Soni Polymers Pvt. Ltd., is an ISO 9001-2015 Certified Company based in Nagpur, India. This specialized division is dedicated to manufacturing high-quality Stationery Inks of international standards, all of which are REACH Compliant. From Ball Pen Ink to Stamp Pad Ink, the diverse spectrum of inks caters to a global clientele, reaching countries such as Turkey, Germany, Brazil, Latin America, Poland, Thailand, Nepal, and beyond. Soni Inks boasts a state-of-the-art plant equipped with modern and high-precision machines dedicated to ink manufacturing. This technical prowess, coupled with skilled personnel, ensures customer satisfaction and contributes to the company's consistent sales growth.

Navigating the Global Landscape

The nationwide marketing network of Soni Polymers is overseen by Dr. Sharad Thombre, a seasoned marketing professional. Under the strategic acuity of Mr. Rahul Soni, the company has expanded its footprint through export ventures spanning over 50 countries worldwide. Active participation in major stationery exhibitions underscores their commitment to global outreach.

Diving into the intricate process of crafting stationery products, Soni Polymers takes pride in its streamlined operations. The state-of-the-art tool room produces molds for plastic parts, complemented by in-house manufacturing of inks for various markers. This integrated approach ensures quality control and product consistency across the diverse product range.





Diversity, Inclusivity, and Customer Satisfaction

to the industry.

One of the distinctive features of Soni Polymers is its unique policy fostering an 80% female workforce, showcasing the company's commitment to diversity and inclusivity. Meticulously crafted policies are geared towards ensuring 100% customer satisfaction, forming the bedrock of the company's enduring legacy. These policies underscore the belief that "People make an Organization," and Soni Polymers is fortunate to have a team that transforms belief into reality.

Awards and Accolades

Soni Polymers proudly holds the ISO 9000:2015 certification, a testament to its commitment to maintaining high-quality standards. The company has been honored with prestigious awards, including the Export Excellence Award 2019 and the Lifetime Achievement Award 2019 from the Pens & Stationery Association of India. These accolades recognize the company's exceptional contributions

The Future Horizon

As Soni Polymers strategically plans for the future, expansion remains a key focus to meet the burgeoning demand in India and abroad. Rooted in the conviction that Nagpur stands as the epitome for manufacturing and distributing products globally, the company is poised for sustained growth and continued innovation. The legacy of Soni Polymers is not just a story of a pioneering past but an evolving narrative of perpetual excellence in the world of stationery.







A GALACTIC ODYSSEY IN THE WORLD OF FURNITURE MANUFACTURING



"Spacewood's success is not just about furniture; it's about people and partnerships. We have always emphasized upon a work environment where goodness and collaboration bring out the best in every individual. Beyond business, we share passion for creation and a mutual respect for each other's strengths, which has fuelled a flourishing partnership for over two decades," says Mr Kirit Joshi, Director of Spacewood Furniture.

r Vivek Deshpande and Mr Kirit Joshi, both Mechanical Engineering graduates from VNIT, Nagpur, embarked on their entrepreneurial journey during college days with V.K. Publishers. After gaining experience in the corporate world, their paths converged again with the founding of Spacewood Furnishers Pvt Ltd. Their journey ever since is a testament to resilience, risk-taking, and unwavering dedication. From being a vendor to Blow Plast Ltd. to establishing their first retail store in Gurgaon in 2010, Spacewood's rise has been nothing short of meteoric.

Born out of a vision to capitalize on the burgeoning modular kitchens industry, the founders embarked on this journey in 1994, armed with a mere Rs. 60,000. The fortuitous timing and their foresight as early entrants propelled Spacewood into a growth trajectory. What sets them apart is their strategic approach to profits. From day one, Deshpande and Joshi opted to draw salaries rather than profits, allowing the company reserves to burgeon. This financial prudence empowered them to take calculated risks and venture into unexplored business territories.

Cultivating a Culture of Trust

For its birthplace Vidarbha, Spacewood Furniture is a synonym of commercial success and innovation. This homegrown venture has not only localized its identity but has also propelled itself into the global arena, setting unparalleled standards in modular furniture manufacturing. With over 750 dealers and 35 stores in 21 major cities, Spacewood has established a vast network. However, the real strength lies in the culture of trust and collaboration within the organization.

Spacewood Group has become the titan of modular furniture in India since its inception. Specializing in Modular Kitchens, home and office furniture, and catering to various institutional needs, Spacewood operates from a state-of-the-art factory spread over 25 acres in Nagpur, strategically positioned as the logistical center of India. Their production capabilities are staggering, manufacturing 100,000 kitchen cabinets, 30,000 bedroom sets, and 50,000 workstations annually, all crafted with the precision of modern European technology.



Design Philosophy: Aesthetic Accessibility

Spacewood's design philosophy is a testament to their commitment to providing modern, functional, and appealing furniture at affordable rates. Their focus is not merely on crafting furniture; it's about creating an experience. The modern, elegant designs cater to a diverse and discerning audience, making tasteful furniture accessible to all.

Beyond Legacy, Toward Perpetuity

While many businesses aim to build legacies, Spacewood is setting its sights on perpetuity. The founders envision Spacewood as a 30-year-old entity, transcending the limitations of a familyowned and heir-run company. Their ambition is for Spacewood to be synonymous with brilliant quality and sustainable practices, creating a lasting impact on the furniture industry.

First-ever FDI in furniture segment

In a groundbreaking move, Spacewood entered into a joint venture with another well-recognized overseas brand, marking the first foreign direct investment in the industry. Beyond the financial infusion, a paradigm shift in the form of precision, punctuality, and hard work ethics was infused into Spacewood's DNA. This further enhanced their technological prowess and instilled a mature, long-term decision-making culture.

Accolades and Certifications

The duo's entrepreneurial prowess has not gone unnoticed.











Awards such as the Sarathi Award 2006, Vocational Excellence Award 2006 by Rotary, DIC awards in 1999, and Corporate Excellence Award by the Hon. President of India in 2009 highlight their commitment to excellence. They have also been winner of the VIA Udyog Gaurav Award for the best Medium Scale Industry in Vidarbha. Active participation in social organizations, including the Rotary Club, underscores their dedication beyond business.Spacewood has also been awarded the ISO 9001:2008, ISO 14001:2004, OHSAS 18001:2007, and IS 12823:1990 certifications from the Bureau of Indian Standards. FIRA UK certification further solidifies their commitment to meeting global standards. The in-house Quality Assurance Laboratory ensures that every piece adheres to FIRA/ BIFMA/BIS standards.

Inference

Spacewood Furniture's journey is a narrative of strategic foresight, calculated risk-taking, and an unwavering commitment to excellence. From pioneering modular furniture in India to embracing a bagging first-ever FDI in their segment, Spacewood is not just crafting furniture; it's crafting a saga of success that reverberates through the halls of the furniture industry. The story of Spacewood is an odyssey, and its trajectory is nothing short of interstellar in the realm of Indian business.

Shashank Garg INFORCEPTS BRIDGING BRIDGING DETWEEN BUSSINESS ANALYTICS



In the fast-evolving landscape of business and technology, Infocepts stands out as a pioneering data solutions firm committed to enhancing business results through the effective use of data, AI, and user-friendly analytics. With a mission to bridge the gap between the business and analytics communities, Infocepts empowers enterprises to overcome data-centric obstacles and unlock the true value of data, ultimately driving business transformation powered by innovative solutions. Team Infocepts would like to identify themselves as leaders in the field of Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence, Business Consulting, Analytics & Data Management, Cloud and Data Engineering, Service Management.

hat sets Infocepts apart is its unwavering focus on addressing business real challenges to produce tangible results. Unlike conventional consultancies, Infocepts offers a three-pronged approach: Advise, Action, and Automate. The Advise stage involves providing leadership and guidance on innovative ways to use data as a catalyst for business transformation. The Action phase is about executing those ideas to address immediate concerns, while the Automate stage optimizes and manages initiatives, freeing up valuable time for businesses to focus on moving forward.

At the helm is Mr Shashank Garg, Founder and CEO of Infocepts, whose visionary leadership

has propelled the company to global prominence. Shashank, a trusted advisor to CXOs of Fortune 500 companies, advocates for a data-driven culture to achieve tangible business outcomes. Under his leadership, Infocepts has grown from a modest start in 2004 to a global consulting firm with over 1,800 associates, earning recognition as a 'Great Place to Work' and Gartner's Customers' Choice for Data Analytics Service Providers.

"Infocepts takes pride in its globally recognized, innovative support model centered on building depth and breadth of expertise within key components of Data and AI success, which is internally referred to as 'Foundational Components.' Supported by four Centers of Excellence, this model acts as a lighthouse,





guiding clients and teams towards a balanced understanding of the present and future," says Mr Garg.

Infocepts' commitment to excellence is reflected in its consistent top position in Gartner's peer reviews for Data & AI Solution Providers for three consecutive years. The company's achievements extend to Everest Group's Peak Matrix for Data and AI solution providers, recognition from The AI Journal, AIM Research, Data Break Through, and more. The recent accolade as the 'Best Organization for Women 2023' by Economic Times showcases Infocepts' dedication to fostering an inclusive workplace.

"We enable our clients to take Better Decisions. Faster. With More Confidence. Our goal is help businesses overcome their most common & complex blockers to using data and AI to inform business decisions. At Infocepts, our mission is to bridge the gap between business and analytics by using data and AI," articulates a confident Mr Garg. He goes on, "We promise business transformation powered by data and AI solutions designed around real business challenges, to produce real business results."

Mr Shashank Garg's commitment extends beyond the corporate realm. As an active member of TIE, the world's largest network of entrepreneurs, he mentors earlystage start-ups, promoting a culture of continuous learning and growth. Shashank's dedication to fitness and philanthropy is evident in his sponsorship of marathons and running his NGO to encourage fitness.

Beyond business success, Infocepts places a strong emphasis on corporate social responsibility through the Infocepts Foundation. The foundation focuses on empowering and impacting communities, aligning with a two-pronged objective: making a difference in the lives of the less fortunate and sensitizing associates about their social responsibilities.

Team Infocepts actively engages in CSR activities, collaborating with NGOs





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to launch impactful projects. The company's culture, rooted in hard work, growth, and breaking norms, is complemented by a comprehensive suite of programs promoting wellness, insurance coverage, generous leave policies, educational opportunities, flexible working hours, and a hybrid work policy. Infocepts fosters an inclusive and diverse workplace where spontaneity, humor, and playfulness are valued.

In conclusion, Infocepts goes beyond being a data solutions provider; it is a catalyst for positive change in the business landscape. Through visionary leadership, a robust threepronged approach, and a commitment to corporate social responsibility, Infocepts not only transforms businesses but also contributes to creating a better, more inclusive world. As it continues to break new ground, Infocepts remains a beacon of innovation and excellence in the realm of data, AI, and analytics.







PIONEERING AGRICULTURAL INNOVATIONS SINCE 1960



PADGILWAR AGRO INDUSTRIES

"With a legacy spanning over six decades, Padgilwar Agro Industries & Padsons Agro have been dedicated to serving farmers since 1960. Our commitment to innovation, quality, and addressing the needs of Indian farmers has positioned us as a leader in the agricultural equipment industry," says Mr Tushar Padgilwar, MD – Padgilwar Agro Industries.

adgilwar Agro Industries, based in Nagpur, has a rich history that began with a small agricultural equipment workshop in Digras Taluka of Yavatmal District of Vidarbha sometimes before 1960. Founded by the visionary Late Shri. Balasaheb D. Padgilwar, a farmer by profession, the company started with the fabrication of sowing equipment. Under his seasoned guidance. company the introduced revolutionary products like Chincholi Perni Yantra and Kadba Cutter.

Shri. Balasaheb D. Padgilwar was affectionately known as "Vidharbha's Kirloskar." Following his legacy, his younger brother and son successfully introduced 'threshers' under the brand Sherpa for the first time in India. The company expanded its product line, including manual and power-operated Sprayers, thereby becoming a major supplier to various states and government agencies.

Continuous Research and Innovations

Padgilwar Agro Industries has prioritized continuous research and innovation to make farming hi-tech, addressing the challenges faced by Indian farmers. The company has evolved into a hi-tech manufacturing unit with a focus on finding solutions for labor shortages and high wages. Their Mini Cotton Harvester/



Breakthrough Innovations by PadSons



Cut Seed Separator

Picker and Mini Crop Cutter, designed for ease of use by almost anyone. This is transformed farming into a more lucrative and less labour-intensive endeavour. Today, Padgilwar Agro Industries manufactures a wide range of products including manual sprayers, battery sprayers, and poweroperated sprayers.

New Ventures

In June 2017, Padgilwar Agro Industries opened a well-facilitated showroom in Nagpur, offering a comprehensive range of equipment from sowing to harvesting under one roof for farmers in Central India. Their commitment to quality was recognized on the 53rd World Standard Day in 2022, where the Bureau of Indian Standards awarded the company for Long-Lasting BIS License, a testament to their consistency in producing quality agricultural products.

Awards and Recognitions

The firm, led by technocrats Mr. Chandrashekhar B. Padgilwar and Mr. Tushar C. Padgilwar, has garnered numerous accolades. Mr. C. B. Padgilwar, a Mechanical Engineer from Manipal Institute of Technology, has been nominated to various central government institutes and committees, including CIAE-Bhopal and BIS-AFDC-43 & FAD-21 Committee. His technical background and practical knowledge earned him the Rashtriya Udyog Pratibha Puraskar Award in 2003. He has represented India at international platforms, including agriculture exhibitions in Israel, Italy, and France, and participated in ISO meetings in Sweden. Mr. C. B. Padgilwar has also contributed to the mechanization of agriculture in SAARC countries. His achievements include a scholarship to attend the Agribusiness Seminar at Harvard Business School and an appointment as a Director on the National Horticulture Board, Ministry of Agriculture, Govt. of India. Mr. Tushar C. Padgilwar, overseeing innovations in agriculture, played a pivotal role in introducing Battery Operated Sprayers in India in 2008. Unveiling PadSons – The Innovators in Agriculture Seeds and Grain Processing

Building on the Legacy

As Padgilwar Agro Industries continues its impactful journey in agricultural machinery, an extension of the family legacy emerges with PadSons, a unit dedicated to breakthrough innovations and new ideas in agriculture seeds and grain processing. Managed by the extended family, PadSons represents a paradigm shift in the agricultural landscape.

Go-Green and Employment Initiatives

PadSons takes pride in its commitment to environmental sustainability. Rainwater harvesting for the entire 88,000 sq. feet plot, extensive tree planting, and a 5000 sq. feet garden reflect their dedication to green initiatives. Furthermore, PadSons prioritizes employee well-being through programs like the "Happiness Program" by the "Art of Living" foundation and investment talks by "Aditya Birla Mutual Fund."

Awards and Achievements

The leadership team of PadSons, including Mr. Shrikant Padgilwar (MD – PadSons Agro), has received numerous accolades and awards, highlighting their contribution to agricultural engineering and innovation. These include awards from the Chief Minister of Maharashtra, the Indian Organisation for Business Research & Development, and the Indian Society of Agricultural Engineers.

Befitting Important Designations

The leadership team is actively involved in various industry committees, such as the Advisory Committee of Akola Industries Association, MCCI Mumbai, and the Directorship of Akola Engineering and Fabrication Cluster under the Government of India Scheme. Their commitment to research and development is further recognized with their status as a registered R&D center by the Directorate of Scientific and Industrial Resources, New Delhi.

Sustainability and CSR Initiatives

With a mission to "Automate Indian Agriculture," PadSons is focusing on developing machinery for



cotton harvesting, turmeric processing, groundnut harvesting, godambi plant, and mild acid delinting plant for cotton seed. Recognizing the practical difficulties faced by farmers, the Padgilwar Group is committed to providing engineering solutions.

PadSons actively participates in the "Mission Jalsetu" project, aimed at ensuring water availability for 12 months for irrigation by building innovative check dams on existing small bridges. Their pilot project in Apatapa Village, 15 km from Akola, has already yielded successful results, enabling farmers to cultivate two crops annually.

Briefly, PadSons, an extension of the Padgilwar legacy, is not only spearheading breakthrough innovations in agriculture but also actively contributing to environmental sustainability, employee well-being, and the prosperity of farming communities through its CSR initiatives. The PadSons story stands as a testament to the family's commitment to excellence and service in the agricultural sector.



Vithoba Healthcare and Research Private Limited

MODERN JOURNEY OF TRADITIONAL DENTAL CARE PRODUCTS

In the vast landscape of oral care products, Vithoba Healthcare and Research Private Limited has emerged as a shining star of success, blending traditional wisdom with modern innovation. Founded in 2001 by three visionary brothers — Mr Manish Shende, Mr Kartik Shende, and Mr Sudarshan Shende — the company embarked on a journey that not only transformed their lives but also contributed significantly to the field of Ayurvedic dental hygiene.

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he roots of Vithoba can be traced back to 2001 when the Shende brothers introduced their flagship product, Vithoba Ayurvedic Dant Manjan, in a small village in rural Maharashtra. Recognizing the challenges faced by the rural population, the brothers aimed to create a product grounded in nature and accessible to everyone, irrespective of their economic background. This marked the commencement of their mission to provide medicinally enriched dental hygiene for all.

The success of Vithoba is not just a corporate tale but a narrative of resilience, determination, and familial bonds. The three brothers, against the odds of growing up in a challenging environment, rose to create a dynamic brand that resonates with authenticity. The journey began in Nagpur, marked by the protective values instilled by their parents, fostering a high sense of morality, ethics, and self-worth.

As the brand grew exponentially, the brothers exemplified a unique leadership style, emphasizing the importance of their team and the larger society. Vithoba's success in the market is attributed to the combination of traditional wisdom, innovation, and the tireless efforts of its people. The brothers, each playing a distinct role in management, marketing, and production, have cultivated an ethos where leadership means "making everybody like you."

In a significant development in 2021-22, Vithoba transformed from a proprietorship to a private limited company, adopting the name "Vithoba Healthcare & Research Private Limited" in July 2021. This change marked the company's evolution and commitment to furthering its impact on the healthcare and research sectors.



Manish Shende, Kartik Shende, and Sudarshan Shende





Over the years, Vithoba expanded its product portfolio, becoming a leader in the Ayurvedic Dant Manjan category of the oral and dental care segment. The company's commitment to quality is reflected in its ISO 9001:2015 certification and a state-of-the-art manufacturing plant built in 2017, spanning across 3 acres and adhering to global standards. Vithoba's products, particularly the Vithoba Dant Manjan, stand out in the market due to their natural Ayurvedic ingredients, offering a 100% result-oriented dental care solution.

The Ayurvedic Dant Manjan addresses a spectrum of dental issues, including sensitive teeth, bad breath, and cavities. The meticulously chosen organic herbs contribute to 24-hour protection against microbial development in gums, preventing post-root canal complications and premature tooth decay. Vithoba's product

range now extends way beyond in the oral hygiene segment with new additions like Vithoba Ayurvedic Premium Toothpaste and Ayurvedic Rootfix apart from the flagship product 'Vithoba Dantmanjan'.

In view of consumers' growing demands in the personal and beauty care products range, Vithoba Healthcare has recently infused products like Vaijayanti saffron soap, ayurvedic hair oil, Keshratna heena mehandi and hair color which are gaining great pace.

Vithoba's success story is not confined to its products but extends to its nationwide presence. With a network of 700 distributors and 60,000 retailers, the company has made its mark in states like Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar Telangana, and Rajasthan. The commitment of the



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team and the support of distributors have propelled Vithoba to achieve remarkable milestones.

The company's achievements include being recognized among the Top 100 Emerging & Fast-Growing Companies in India by MSME, Government of India, in 2017. Vithoba has also received the Business Leadership Award for Industrial Development in 2015 and the Vidarbha SME Business Excellence Award in 2017. The SE-2B rating from CRISIL underscores the company's financial stability and performance capability.

Beyond business success, Vithoba is actively engaged in CSR activities, emphasizing its commitment to social welfare. Initiatives include organizing fun educational summer camps for differently-abled children at Spandan, sponsoring the equipment and training of athletes for the annual Mr. Maharashtra Competition, and contributing to tree plantation during the nationwide lockdown in July 2020. Notably, Vithoba demonstrated a humane approach by ensuring the payment of salaries to all employees during the challenging lockdown period in 2020.

Vithoba Healthcare and Research Private Limited's story is a testament to the transformative power of vision, perseverance, and ethical business practices. From humble beginnings in rural Maharashtra to becoming a national leader in Ayurvedic dental care, Vithoba continues to inspire as a brand that not only cares for oral health but also contributes meaningfully to society through its CSR initiatives. As the company evolves into its new phase as a private limited entity, the Vithoba legacy stands as a beacon of success and commitment to holistic healthcare.





Mangalam Electrodes Pvt Ltd

ILLUMINATING THE HORIZON IN WELDING TECHNOLOGIES

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Mangalam®

The company envisions earning customers' enthusiasm through continuous improvement driven by the integrity, teamwork, and innovation of its people. Our mission is to evolve into an organization with an energetic, innovative, and environmentally conscious team, committed to being a trustworthy solutionsoriented partner to the core industry. The overarching goal is consistent growth to meet all stakeholder expectations," says Mr Shrawan Kumar Malu, Director – Mangalam Electrodes Pvt. Ltd.



Shrawan Kumar Malu



n the expansive realm of the P R Malu Group, Mangalam Electrodes Pvt Ltd stands as a distinguished entity, contributing significantly to the group's multifaceted business activities. Since the inception of its inaugural Welding Electrodes plant in 1992, Mangalam Electrodes has been at the forefront of the welding and manufacturing industry, marking a trail of innovation and excellence that extends across the Indian subcontinent and beyond.

Currently boasting 11 state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities, the company's geographical footprint includes six in Nagpur (Maharashtra), three in Haridwar (Uttarakhand), one in Bhubaneswar (Odisha), and another in Sikkim. Established in 1992. Mangalam Electrodes Pvt. Ltd (MEPL) has earned the prestigious ISO 9001:2008 certification, a testament to its unwavering commitment to producing high-quality products. The company engages in the Manufacturing, Exporting, and Trading of an extensive range of Welding Electrodes, Wires, and Abrasives. These include MS Electrodes, Low Hydrogen Electrodes, SS Electrodes, Hard Facing Electrodes, Cutting Wheels



(available in Single Net and Double Net variants), Grinding Wheels suitable for all kinds of Stone & Glass, Depressed Centre Wheels suitable for Steel, Iron & Alloys, and Flap Discs in multiple grit sizes with plastic and fiberglass backing.

Under the visionary leadership of an experienced team of Directors - Mr. Shrawankumar Malu, Mr. Venugopal Malu, Mr. Radheshyam Malu, and a propulsive President Mr. Bharat Malu - Mangalam Electrodes has not only sustained its legacy in the Welding and Cutting Industry for over 33 years but has also expanded its horizons to include the Abrasives Industry. This strategic diversification has led to the introduction of cutting-edge products such as Cutting Wheels, GC Wheels, DC Wheels, Flap Discs, and more, all crafted with an unwavering commitment to superior quality and high performance.

The company operates under the brand names "MANGALAM" and "HIGH TIDE," names that have become synonymous with reliability and innovation. With five manufacturing sites strategically positioned across India, Mangalam Electrodes ensures that its products cater to the diverse needs of different markets. The company proudly boasts the largest dealer network spread over 20 states in India, facilitating prompt and efficient service to customers and laying the foundation for its ambitious plans of pan-India presence in the near future.

On the global stage, Mangalam Electrodes has exported its products to African, Gulf, and South American countries, creating a distinct niche for itself in global markets. This global recognition has been achieved by consistently adhering to high standards in quality and specifications, as evidenced by the prestigious ISO 9001:2008 certification.

The leadership team at Mangalam Electrodes includes stalwarts such as Mr Shrawan Kumar Malu, a visionary Director overseeing General Administration, Policy, and New Business initiatives. With a rich business background spanning over 40 years, he has played a pivotal role in the Supply, Trading, and Transportation of Coal through Shree Sales Corporation Pvt. Ltd. Additionally, he serves as the Promoter of Sunflame Fuel Pvt. Ltd. and the Promoter Director of Salasar Alloys and Steel Industries Pvt. Ltd., showcasing a diversified business portfolio that includes real estate and share & stock markets.

Mr. Venugopal Malu, Director at Malu Electrodes, is a key figure overseeing Finance, Imports, and General Administration. With 17 years







of business experience, he has risen through the ranks within the Malu Group and actively contributes to the success of Malu Electrodes, Sunflame Fuel Pvt. Ltd., and Malu Paper Mills Ltd., a public-listed company engaged in the manufacture of Kraft Newsprint & Writing Printing Paper.

Bringing 14 years of business expertise to the table, Mr. Radheshyam Malu plays a crucial role as the VP – Purchase at Malu Electrodes. Overseeing Purchase, Imports, and Production, he also serves as the Director of Salasar Alloy & Steel Industries Pvt Ltd. His multifaceted involvement includes interests in real estate and bonds, showcasing the dynamic nature of the Malu Group.

The product range offered by Mangalam Electrodes is a testament to its commitment to meeting varied welding needs. The M.S. Electrodes, for instance, stand out as all-position medium-coated rutile electrodes, facilitating the creation of radiographic quality welds. For applications demanding heightened hardness, the Hard Facing Electrodes take center stage, ideal for welding on components such as shafts, journals, and gear teeth. Rutile-type Stainless Steel Electrodes cater specifically to AISI 301, 302, 305, and 308 Stainless Steel, delivering weld metals with unparalleled resistance to cracking. The Mangalam Mig Wire takes the spotlight in MIG welding, presenting a double deoxidized copper-coated carbon steel MIG filler wire designed for MIG/MAG welding applications. The Mangalam accessories line includes essential tools and equipment, such as Welding Machines, Cutting Wheels, Grinding Wheels, Gauging Torch, Chipping Hammer, and Wooden accessories, providing a comprehensive solution for welding and related processes.

The company holds approvals from esteemed institutions like BHEL, Bureau of Indian Standards, BureauVeritas, DASTURCO, DNV, GOI, Lloyds Register, ONGC, PDIL, Rail Agradoot, Thermax, and TUV India. Mangalam Electrodes takes pride in its esteemed clientele, which includes prominent names such as WCL, TOPWORTH, Sunil Hi Tech, Simplex Infrastructure Limited, SESA Group Vedanta, NECO, NCC-Nagarjuna Construction Company, LANCO, L&T, KEC International Limited, JCO Gas pipe limited, JAIN irrigation, Grasim Industries Ltd., Bajaj Electrical Limited, Bharat Earth Movers Limited, Aditya Birla Group, ABG Shipyard Limited, AARTI Industries Limited, BHEL, and many more.

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SRI BHAGIRATH TEXTILES LTD.



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"Vidarbha is a major producer of cotton. Our company identified the various portfolios which can be catered by processing cotton. We began exploring and experimenting based on research and market requirements. Today, Sri Bhagirath Textiles Ltd. is a leading textile brand of Vidarbha in Ginning, Spinning & Knitting having exports within country and overseas. Use of advanced technology, sophisticated infrastructure, high standard quality checks and cost-effective products sets us apart," says Mr. Ramesh Rander, Managing Director, Sri Bhagirath Textiles Ltd.

stablished in 1996 with humble spinning unit located in Mohali village, Nagpur, Sri Bhagirath Textiles has evolved into a diversified ISO 9001:2008 certified company. Over the past 5 years, the company has significantly expanded its capacity, tripling from 37,728 to 90,000 spindles. Additionally, it has incorporated 2,160 rotors of the latest Schlaforst make (SE-12), specializing in open-end yarn, 100% polyester yarn, poly-viscose yarn, viscose yarn, and knitted fabrics. This diverse product range caters to the needs of industries such as fabrics and apparel manufacturing. The company ensures the secure storage of raw materials and finished yarns through its warehouse. Holding the status of a Two Star Export House, Sri Bhagirath Textiles is affiliated with prominent organizations like Texprocil, SRTEPC, FIEO, Vidharbha Industries Association, and the Confederation of Indian Industries.

Visionary Leadership

Managing Director Mr. Ramesh Rander has venerable experience spanning over 3 decades. He is one of the most renowned personalities in the Indian cotton trade. A perfectionist by nature, his drive to scale up the business has led the company to professionalizing the operations and administration. Director, Mr. Naveen Rander, has been instrumental

Ramesh Rander



in introducing new technologies in the company's operations and in the diversification plans of the S B Rander Group.

Journey Towards Excellence

The year 1999 marked the initiation of cotton trading operations, as the company sourced cotton from various regions of India and supplied it to both local and international clients. In recognition of its commitment to quality, SBTL was honoured with the ISO 9001:2000(8) quality management certification in the year 2000.

Building on its success, the company achieved a significant milestone in 2005 when it was granted a two-star export house status by DGFT, underscoring its consistent export sales. In 2006, SBTL doubled its capacity by incorporating 2,200 rotors, introducing India's first 100% viscose open-end plant, thereby expanding its production of open-end yarns.

In 2008, the company diversified its operations with the establishment of the merchant export division, operating under the name Alliance Textiles Pvt. Ltd., based in Ahmedabad. This strategic move further strengthened its position in the market. Subsequently, in 2010, Sri Bhagirath Textile achieved another milestone by setting up a completely automated cotton ginning plant with an impressive annual capacity of 70,000 bales, solidifying its presence as a key player in the textile industry.

Global Vision

Envisioning a global conglomerate, our commitment is rooted in the relentless pursuit of excellence in customer service across diverse sectors. Uncompromising quality, cutting-edge infrastructure, rigorous quality assurance, costeffective solutions are the four pillars that keeps our foundation strong and going. Sri Bhagirath Textiles currently exports its products to various international markets, including Morocco, Iran, Brazil, USA, and China. Moreover, it has expanded horizons in domestic markets such as Ichalkaranji, Bhilwara, Malegaon, Mumbai, Tirupur, and other major textile-consuming centers. The company boasts a substantial clientele comprising most







corporate buyers in the textile industry.

Robust Infrastructure

The advance machinery and Infrastructure includes Blow Room, Foreign Particle Detector, Carding with Chute Feed, Drawframe-Breaker, Drawframe-Finisher, Lap Former, Comber, Speed Frame, Auto Roving Transport System, Ring Frame(Compact), Autoconers(Link Coner), Yarn Clearer, Auto Packing Machine, Humidification with waste collection system, Air Compressor with Piping, Yarn conditioning, Cotton Testing and Yarn Testing set up.

Product Portfolio

- Viscose/Tencel/Modal with count range 10s-60s, TFO Doubled avilabe
- Viscose Slubs with count range 10s-40s
- Open End-(1800-2200 CSP) with count range10s-24s,30s against order
- Ring Spun- Knitting (KHC & CHC) with count range 16s-60s
- Cotton/Viscose, Cotton /MOdal Blends with count range 20s-40s
- Ring Spun Slubs with count range16s-60s

Social Responsibility

SBTL conducts multiple CSR activites through its group charitable trust under the name "Sri Barjibai Rander Charitable trust" focused in empowering the under privileged by facilitating education, gau seva etc. Apart from this, the promoters are also associated with various charitable institutions like Maheswari Seva Sangh, Ram Ratan Medical Foundation etc.

Recognitions and Associations

Sri Bhagirath Textiles Ltd. has been honoured by "Lifetime Achievement Award" at the 5th edition of the VIA-Solar Vidarbha Udyog Gaurav Awards, and also at Star Export Awards. SBTL is proudly associated as member with Texprocil, Synthetic Rayon and Textile Export Promotion Council, Federation of India Export Organizations, Vidharbha Industries Association, Confederation of Indian Industries, Textile Association of India & Cotton Association of India.





SANVIJAY ROLLING & ENGINEERING LTD.

AMALGAMATING EXCELLENCE INTO

STEEL MANUFACTURING

"Those bound to go far never rush, but keep a rapid speed. On the long path of creating value and undertaking responsibility, our pursuit knows no end and our steps are as firm as ever. From being a humble steel trading business to setting up nine rolling mills and further diversification into casting and sponge iron plants, we have come a long way with steady steps, without faltering in any significant manner. That is how we continue our legacy, marked by business acumen, extensive industry knowledge, and significant contributions to society," says Mr Sanjay Puranlal Agrawal, Director, Sanvijay Rolling & Engineering Limited.



Late Puranlal Agrawal Founder Sunvijay Group



Sanjay Puranlal Agrawal

anvijay Rolling & Engineering Ltd. (SREL), based in Nagpur, has emerged as a stalwart in the steel industry with manufacturing units at Hingna and Butibori MIDC Estate. Established by the visionary Mr. Puranlal Agrawal in 1971 as a modest trading firm, SREL has grown into one of India's largest and most respected multiproduct steel rollers. Today, SREL boasts six rolling mills with a remarkable installed production capacity of 4,80,000 MT per annum. The Steel Melting Shop (SMS) complements this with the infrastructure for special steels, stainless steel, and various other regular mild steel and high tensile capabilities. SREL's strength lies in its 'conversion agency' status for Steel Authority of India Ltd.

(SAIL), over 15 years of experience in steel rolling, and successful exports to various countries. Notably, it is the only mill in India with Power Grid approval for the complete range of Angles & Flats for Power Grid Transmission Line Tower Projects. This recognition make it a preferred supplier for communication and microwave tower manufacturers. The steel melt-shop and billet caster allow the production and rolling of special-grade steel as per requirements, reflecting the company's adaptability and innovation.

Expansion Roadmap:

The acquisition of Varro Autokast Pvt Ltd in 2023 marked a strategic move for SREL diversifying







them in the aluminium industry. This acquisition raised their Aluminium Bending Capacity to 1,00,000 MT per annum and their Aluminium Extrusion Capacity to 30,000 MT per annum.

Adding another dimension to its portfolio, SREL's sister company, Sanvijay Infrastructure Pvt Ltd (SIPL) located at Butibori MIDC Nagpur engages in fabrication, galvanizing, and supply of lattice galvanized towers, power transmission towers, telecom towers, windmill towers, switchyard structures, and allied applications. SIPS's state-ofthe-art facilities contribute to its fabrication capacity of 48,000 MT per annum and galvanizing capacity of 48,000 MT per annum.

Quality Certifications

Quality is embedded in the culture of Sanvijay, evident through its ISO 9001:2008 certification. External approval agencies such as ABS, LRS, DNV, TUVRheinland, Bureau Veritas, NTPC, MSEB, and others have consistently endorsed SREL's manufacturing processes and products. SSEPL also shares the ISO 9001:2008 certification, reinforcing its commitment to quality.

Diverse Clientele

Sanvijay Rolling and Engineering Limited is a key player in the production and sale of high-quality stainless steel and specialty steels. The company's products find applications in critical industries such as forging, telecom, infrastructure development, auto components, and more. The ability to withstand extreme environments underscores the reliability of Sanvijay's offerings. SREL proudly serves a diverse clientele, including industry leaders like KEC International Ltd., MahaTransCo, BNC Power Projects Ltd., and more.

Present-Day Leadership

Mr. Sanjay Puranlal Agrawal, carrying the family legacy forward, serves as the active Director





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of Sanvijay Group. His dynamic career, spanning 30 years, has seen the installation of multiple rolling mills and the establishment of a steel plant in Butibori and a DRI plant in Chandrapur under the name Grace Industries Limited (GIL). His commitment extends beyond business to social causes, making him a respected figure in Central India.

Social Responsibility

Beyond business success, Mr. Sanjay Puranlal Agrawal actively contributes to society. Holding positions like Director of Care Hospital & Research Institute, Nagpur, and ex-President of Vidharbha Steel & Hardware Chamber, he supports healthcare institutions and religious trusts, emphasizing the company's commitment to social responsibility.

Vision and Future Plans

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achieving product

specifications as per customer requirements and ontime delivery. With plans to upgrade capacity to 1 Million Tons per annum, the company emphasizes self-sufficiency through backward integration. Ambitions extend to the development of special grades for industries like automotive and stainless steel, positioning Sanvijay as an internationally acclaimed one-stop supply organization.

Concluding notes

Sanvijay Rolling & Engineering Ltd. stands as a testament to visionary leadership, technological innovation, and a commitment to quality. With a rich history, diverse capabilities, and a clear vision for the future, Sanvijay continues to shape the steel industry in Vidarbha and beyond.







PIONEERING SUSTAINABLE HEALTHCARE THROUGH INNOVATION AND COMMITMENT

"Our vision is very direct and simple – We wish to make sustainable healthcare affordable through drug delivery solutions focusing on patient convenience and adherence. In the past 30 years, ZIM Laboratories has transformed from a small company into a global player," reflects Mr Neeraj Dhariwal, Director of Business Development, ZIM Laboratories Limited, emphasizing innovation, research and development, and adherence to business ethics.

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Dr. Anwar Daud

n the ever-evolving landscape of pharmaceuticals, where innovation is the lifeline, ZIM Laboratories Limited has emerged as a pioneer, setting new benchmarks in pharmaceutical innovation, nutraceuticals, and advanced drug delivery systems. Nestled in Nagpur, ZIM Labs has strategically positioned itself as a global leader in the development, manufacture, and supply of innovative and differentiated generic pharmaceutical and nutraceutical products.

ZIM Laboratories: A Journey of Resilience and Innovation

ZIM Laboratories Limited embarked on its journey in 1989, gaining WHO GMP Status



for its manufacturing site, marking the inception of an extraordinary trajectory. The company's commitment to innovation and in-house research has resulted in several technological milestones. In 1993, ZIM Labs revolutionized the pharmaceutical landscape with Pellets Technology, showcasing a commitment to pushing boundaries in drug development. Taste Masking Technology was introduced in 2000, marking another leap forward in pharmaceutical formulation. The strategic expansions in 2005 and 2010, including the addition of Cephalosporin Blocks, reinforced ZIM Labs' position as a pharmaceutical powerhouse.

The year 2013 witnessed the unveiling of a cutting-edge facility for manufacturing Orally Disintegrating Strips, demonstrating groundbreaking innovation and a commitment to excellence. The pinnacle was reached in 2014 when ZIM Labs proudly attained WHO GMP Status for its Orally Disintegrating Strip Manufacturing Facility. Subsequent years brought prestigious EU GMP Accreditation in 2015 and triumph in the EU GMP Audit in 2018, achieving "EU GMP Re-Accredited" status.

Navigating Complexities and Shaping Resilience

"We faced formidable challenges in navigating the intricate web of regulatory complexities, staying agile in the face of ever-evolving market dynamics, and fostering a culture of relentless innovation amid rapid technological advancements. However, these challenges became crucial milestones in the company's journey, shaping its resilience and determination to lead in the pharmaceutical industry," informs Mr Dhariwal.

Association with Government and Industrial Bodies: Contributing to Healthcare Growth

ZIM Laboratories actively aligns with government healthcare initiatives and collaborates with industrial bodies to contribute to the growth of the pharmaceutical sector. The company plays a pivotal role in advancing healthcare agendas and adhering to regulatory standards.

Uniqueness: Innovation at the Core

ZIM Labs' success is rooted in its strong and experienced in-house R&D capabilities, recognized by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Government of India. The company's subsidiary, ZIM Health Technologies Limited (ZHTL), has been established to accelerate R&D efforts in product development, manufacturing, and supplying complex generic and high-end pharmaceutical and nutraceutical products.

One of ZIM Laboratories' standout offerings is the fast-dissolving Oral Thin Films (OTF) using Thinoral® technology. This innovative drug delivery platform is designed not only to cater to patients with special needs but also to bring advantages to diverse patient groups, including pediatrics, geriatrics, those with swallowing difficulties (dysphagia), and individuals without easy access to water.

Alongside OTF, ZIM's New Innovative Products (NIP) represent complex and smart generic products developed using in-house proprietary technologies and non-infringing manufacturing processes which aim to provide bio-equivalent formulations with value addition over existing innovator products. ZIM's portfolio encompasses various delivery techniques, ensuring enhanced drug efficacy, reduced dosage frequency, improved bioavailability, and increased patient convenience and treatment adherence.

Creating Opportunities for Local Businesses: Fostering Symbiotic Relationships

ZIM's collaborations and sourcing strategies create a ripple effect, generating opportunities for local suppliers and businesses. This collaborative approach fosters a symbiotic relationship within the local ecosystem, aligning with the company's





Recognizing Excellence in Innovation

ZIM Laboratories' commitment to innovation and quality has earned it several prestigious awards, including Excellence in Pharma Global Business (April 2023), Global Nagpur Awards (December 2022), Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) Award (December 2022), Strategy Execution Award (October 2021), and Maharashtra Best Employer Award (July 2019).

commitment to sustainable growth.

Impacting society through CSR and employee-friendly initiatives

ZIM Laboratories Limited believes in giving back to society and empowering vulnerable and marginalized communities. The company has partnered with various NGOs, government agencies, and implementing organizations to create a positive social impact.

In January 2023, ZIM Labs played a significant role in supporting India's largest conclave, organized by the Indian Pharmaceutical Congress Association (IPCA). ZIM Labs' financial backing facilitated knowledge-sharing activities, empowering attendees with insights into affordable access to healthcare products. ZIM's collaborations extend to initiatives with CHIP Foundation, supporting education through Round Table India Trust (RTIT), providing clean and safe drinking water, and upgrading infrastructure at rural hospitals like Kalmeshwar.

At ZIM Laboratories, the importance of its employees is paramount, as the company acknowledges that their expertise in diverse domains including pharmaceutical science, technology, marketing, legal, manufacturing, intellectual property, and commercialization is foundational to the company's achievements. The company thus offers a range of unique initiatives designed to ensure the well-being of its employees.







MAKING LIVES EASIER THROUGH PHARMACEUTICAL INNOVATIONS

"Pharmaceutical sector is a highly complex sector demanding utmost precision. Innovation is an ongoing process here as we are committed to make peoples life simpler and easier by providing quality ingredients required in medicines. At Nitika, we adopt the right 'Niti' (policy) that incorporates high standards, safety, innovation and cutting-edge technology to give best output. We wish to pin Nagpur on the global map as a centre of pharma innovations," says the Managing Director of Nitika Pharma, Mr. Ravleen Singh Khurana.



n the dynamic and ever-evolving landscape of pharmaceuticals, Nitika Pharma has emerged as a lighthouse of excellence, making significant strides in the global market and impacting human lives positively. Established in 1991, the company has evolved over the past 15 years, adapting to rapid technological changes, and has successfully carved a niche as a leading manufacturer of pharmaceutical excipients.

Nitika Pharma's journey is marked by several milestones reflecting its commitment to innovation and quality. Adoption of highquality standards and adherence to guidelines got the FDA approval for company in 1993. Since then, it has continually adapted to global standards, obtaining ISO 9001:2000 and ISO 14001:2004 certifications, and WHO-GMP approval in 2009.

Under the highly visionary leadership of Mr. Ravleen Singh Khurana, Nitika Pharma has developed it as a prestigious brand. As a true entrepreneur, Mr. Khurana's commitment to fineness is reflected in Nitika Pharma's numerous accomplishments, including being the first to file a DMF of Magnesium Stearate from Asia. His leadership extends beyond Nitika Pharma, with active involvement in various associations and committees, demonstrating a commitment to the industry's growth and development.

Nitika Pharma's diverse range of highquality pharmaceutical excipients includes lubricants, super disintegrants, binders, surfactants, coating materials, glidants, and antacid actives. Their forward-looking approach is evident in their 2005 initiative to build a plant meeting WHO-GMP and US-FDA requirements. As the first company in Asia and the second globally to have a Drug Master File (DMF) No. for Magnesium Stearate, Nitika Pharma stands out as a pioneer in providing

Ravleen Singh Khurana.



specialized excipients for the pharmaceutical industry. The same product also received the coveted US-DMF, highlighting its dedication to meeting stringent regulatory standards. The company's commitment to quality is further underscored by certifications such as KOSHER and EDMF No. 1252 from European authorities.

"Today, we operate in over 90 countries, underscoring our commitment to making a global impact. The company's robust network and distribution channels ensure that its high-quality pharmaceutical excipients reach diverse markets, including South Asia, the Middle East, and the United States. The company's success can be attributed to its unwavering focus on customer satisfaction, achieved through the provision of topnotch products at reasonable costs, coupled with timely deliveries and comprehensive after-sales support. For this, we must not forget the determined efforts of our researchers, scientists, production facility workers, support staff, logistics, human resources team and our network partners,' observes Mr. Khurana.

Nitika Pharma's state-of-the-art facility at Waddhamna, Nagpur follows the stringent quality standards, meeting ICH Q7, EUGMP, IPEC, Excipact, and WHO-TRS requirements. The company has implemented a comprehensive quality management system, encompassing change control management, deviation management, market complaints, internal audits, process validation, and more. Their manufacturing capabilities are automation, capacity, characterized by and adherence to environmental standards. Their manufacturing facility has a daily capacity of 10 MT of Magnesium Stearate, utilizing advanced



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technologies such as flow share mixers, micronizers, magnetic separators, and purification lines.

Mr. Khurana goes on to share that, "Our commitment to quality and innovation has earned the trust of leading global brands and agencies, including Mylan, Sanofi, Abbott, Glaxo Smith Kline, Pfizer, and more. Certifications from regulatory bodies like FDA, ISO, GMP, Halal and Excipact have further strengthened our reliability as a trusted pharmaceutical excipients provider."

The company's dedication to excellence is further acknowledged through numerous awards, including the "Vidharbha Ratna Award" for Mr. Ravleen Singh Khurana, the Managing Director, recognizing his outstanding contributions. Nitika Pharma has been recognized as the "Most Promising Brand in Pharmaceutical Excipient" in July 2016 and received the "Star Export House Certificate" by the Government of India in 2016.

In conclusion, Nitika Pharma's journey is a testimony of its firm commitment to innovation, quality, and customer satisfaction. As a global leader in pharmaceutical excipients, the company continues to positively impact human lives by providing essential ingredients for the pharmaceutical industry worldwide. The company is setting new milestones each time delivering up to the mark ingredients as per the everchanging needs of pharma industry. This shows the dynamic attitude of Team Nitika which is putting tireless efforts to contribute its best.





CREATING THE SYNAPSE IN SEMICONDUCTOR LANDSCAPE

"We realised early that services focusing on the niche technology are there to stay. Also, now it is becoming feasible and mandatory as well to push major part of software solution into silicon for the obvious advantage, and that is where a rich knowledge of System level design gives us the much necessary edge. We are happy to have foreseen this and invested our years of experience and venture into a technology startup company", says Nitin Naik, CEO – Blueberry Semiconductors. A Reliable partner of Semiconductor Chip Company, offering Design Services right from 'Logic on Chip' to 'Logic in Software' to align with (GOI) Indian vision of achieving Global leadership in Semiconductors domain.

Nitin Naik, CEO

he semiconductor industry has undergone significant transformations globally, necessitating adaptation to scientific innovations, design complexities, and evolving business models. Blueberry Semiconductors, under the able leadership of Mr Nitin Naik, identified these points early enough to dedicate a startup in the semiconductor domain. Today, Blueberry Semiconductors Pvt Ltd. stands as a powerhouse of innovation in the semiconductor industry, driven by a relentless pursuit of excellence and a commitment to pushing the boundaries of technological advancement. Founded by seasoned entrepreneurs with a collective experience surpassing 100 years, this Bangalore-based startup is leaving an indelible mark on the semiconductor, embedded systems, and IoT landscape.

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Founding Success

Prior to establishing Blueberry, the founders successfully incubated and grew Orange Semiconductor, which garnered recognition in ASIC/SOC verification and IoT. This venture was eventually acquired by MosChip Semiconductor Technology Pvt. Ltd. in 2016. The founders, equipped with a wealth of experience, have channelled their expertise into Blueberry Semiconductors, focusing exclusively on Very Large-Scale Integration (VLSI) Design and Verification.

Core Competencies & Application Portfolio

Blueberry Semiconductors distinguishes itself with unparalleled expertise in ASIC/SoC engineering, boasting a track record of over 300 successful tape-outs that have left a profound impact on sectors like Storage, Networking, Consumer Electronics, and Aerospace. The company's commitment to excellence is evident in its rigorous design and verification methodologies, setting industry benchmarks in Silicon Validation, FPGA Implementation, and Advanced Technology Integration, covering RISC-V, AI, and ML technologies. Beyond ASIC/SoC, Blueberry's service portfolio comprehensive spans Semiconductor Design Development, Verification, Embedded Software & Hardware design, Machine Learning, Industrial IoT Applications, Artificial Intelligence, and Industrial Automation. The company's prowess in offering tailor-made solutions, particularly in Customized Industrial Solutions featuring advanced wireless sensor networks and edge device development, positions Blueberry Semiconductors as a versatile and leading provider, driving innovation across the semiconductor landscape.

Global Reach

Blueberry Semiconductors has solidified its global presence with significant projects spanning the USA, Japan, Israel, and IDCs. Its services cater to diverse sectors, from Avionics to Automotive, Industrial Automation to Consumer Electronics. The enduring relationships with top-tier clients underscore the company's commitment to excellence and customer satisfaction. The company is considered a SoC design services partner, specializing in ARM, RISC-V, FPGA, and ASIC processors design, enabling clients to develop applications across Aerospace, Automotive, AI, 5G, Industrial, Medical, Consumer, Smart home, and data center chip design. Blueberry has also extensively worked on Core Embedded software





development, covering everything from device driver layers to application layers, with expertise in implementing software on Multi-Core CPUs, Industrial Automation, SCADA-based solutions, Fieldbus/Modbus/RTU implementations, MES Configuration and Deployment, Data Analytics, and Alarm Generation.

Setting New Targets

Blueberry Semiconductors has garnered accolades as India's Fastest Growing Brand, recognized by AsiaOne Magazine. The visionary leadership of Mr. Nitin Naik, the CEO, has been instrumental in redefining industry benchmarks and fostering a culture of innovation, acknowledged with the prestigious India's Greatest Leaders 2022-23 Awards.

Progressive Approach

Blueberry Semiconductor's success can be attributed to high-impact, intuitive decision-making



and an ability to anticipate future needs with greater accuracy. In just six months, the company has acquired projects from Israel and the Asia Pacific regions, setting up an office in Yokohama, Japan. The company actively contributes to the Make in India Campaign, partnering with the Indian Defence Force to meet their requirements.

The forward-looking approach of Blueberry Semiconductors positions it not merely as a participant in the industry but at the helm, guiding it toward a future where every innovation is impactful, and every design is a step towards a smarter world. The company envisions becoming a 100-million dollar Indian tech giant by 2022, showcasing its ambitious growth plans and confidence in its capabilities.

Road Ahead

In conclusion, Blueberry Semiconductors has proven itself as a dynamic force in the semiconductor landscape, demonstrating expertise, innovation, and a commitment to customer satisfaction. With a comprehensive suite of services, a global footprint, and a visionary leadership team, Blueberry Semiconductors is well-positioned to continue redefining the semiconductor industry, setting new standards for excellence and contributing significantly to the technological renaissance of the 21st century.





LOGISTICS PARK (INDIA) PRIVATE LIMITED

LEADERS IN SUSTAINABLE WAREHOUSING

"The heart of Logistics Park beats with the dedication of our people. I personally attribute the excellence in our services to our workforce. The emphasis is on the impact of the smallest precautions in a people-centric industry. Our organizational structure fosters accessibility and open communication, ensuring that every employee's voice is heard," says Dr Viren Thakkar, Founder & CMD - Logistics Park (India) Private Limited.

ith a vision to provide Seamless, Efficient, & Value - for - money Warehousing Operations and a Mission to provide End-to-end Logistics Services that Exceed client expectations, a thought of having an Integrated Warehousing and Logistics Industry was conceived in the year 1993. Since then, Logistics Park (India) Private Limited has been on a remarkable journey towards redefining warehousing and logistics in Central India.

30 Years of Sustainable Solutions and Excellence

Customer service has always been one of the focus areas for the organization. Having an excellent portfolio of Logistics Services including tailor-made warehousing solutions, Sustainable Warehousing Practices, freight management, transport solutions and other valued added services, establish credibility of the organisation. "We aim to see ourselves as a new age digital logistics company focussing on long-term relationship and immense flexibility to meet the customers' expectations by providing superior services efficiently by reducing the cost and increasing the high satisfaction level. Company's unwavering commitment to excellence and a vision for seamless, efficient, and value-driven services have propelled the organization into a legacy spanning three decades. Our dedication, making determination and sustainable difference to our principals' business has made us undisputed choice of Corporates for Logistics Services," claims Dr. Thakkar.

Leveraging Locational Benefits

Logistics Park (India) Private Limited stands as an exemplar of exponential growth, fuelled by unwavering commitment and support from its valued associates. "With an expansive operational warehousing space exceeding 2.5 million sq. ft. across 50 warehouses spanning 100 acres, we've emerged as a prominent player in integrated third-party logistics. Our strategic location, offering connectivity to road, rail, and air transport systems, provides a competitive edge. The world-class infrastructure, fortified with cutting-edge technology, ensures service



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excellence, emphasizing safety and quality control," says Dr Thakkar.

Catering to a diverse clientele of over 50 national and multinational companies, their dedicated workforce of 850+ skilled team members orchestrate seamless logistics solutions across pharmaceuticals, FMCG, FMCD, automotive, and industrial sectors. Logistics Park proudly showcases its ISO Certification, symbolizing 30 years of expertise in providing 3PL services, adhering to industry standards and securing our position as a trusted leader in the field.

Ecological Sustenance

Logistics Park (India) Private Limited is committed to sustainability through effective waste management and eco-friendly practices. The company actively reuses materials like wooden and plastic pallets, reducing costs. Recycling carton boxes minimizes landfill use, curbing greenhouse gases and deforestation. Yard waste composting enhances soil quality, prevents erosion, and conserves water. The company's holistic sustainability approach includes initiatives like installing Solar Panels, Sky Light projects, Roof Heat Insulation, Turbo Ventilators, and ongoing plantation drives. Recognized for its efforts, Logistics Park received the "Sustainable Organization Award 2023," solidifying its commitment to sustainable practices as a way of life.

Social Responsibility

The company engages its team through initiatives "Khulla Manch," like promoting open communication with management and ensuring employee well-being through services like subsidized transportation, rations, and a dedicated canteen. Safety, health, and environment (SHE) programs, along with training initiatives, enhance work quality and safety. In a recent milestone, the inauguration of a new bus stop shed at the 14th mile in Village Chinch bhavan marked progress and community safety. Logistics Park actively promotes responsible water usage through Water Awareness Initiatives, with events like "Jal Pratigya" encouraging team members to conserve water. The



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company's commitment to gender equality is exemplified by the "Pink Warehouse" initiative, where women lead the entire supply chain management, setting a benchmark for inclusivity and diversity. Recognizing these efforts, Logistics Park was honoured with the "CSR Leadership Award 2023," reflecting its transformative impact on the lives of communities in and around.

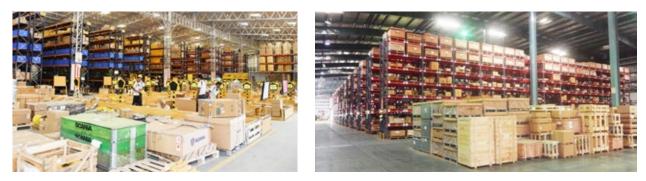
R & R

Dedicated to delivering excellence and offering innovative solutions, our company has been honoured with over 280 prestigious awards and accolades from both government and nongovernment bodies. Among the notable recognitions are the Rajiv Gandhi National Quality Award, IMC Ramakrishna Bajaj National Quality Award, Global Achievers Award, Golden Peacock National Award, CII National Award, Bharat Gaurav Award, Global Leadership Award, Sustainable Organization Award 2023, CSR Leadership Award 2023, Global Nagpur Award 2023, VIA – SME Award, and Vidarbha Ratna Award. These accolades underscore our commitment to quality, innovation, and sustainable practices, reflecting our continuous pursuit of customer delight.

Future Expansion and Vision:

With an eye on the future, Logistics Park (India) Private Limited plans to expand its 3PL services to strategic cities across India. As they embark on Phase 4 and work on Phase 5, they reinforce their presence in the logistics and warehousing industry. Logistics Park (India) Private Limited is now a symbol of excellence and sustainability. Our commitment to reducing carbon footprint, waste management, community engagement, and gender equality serves as an exemplary model for the industry. As we continue to expand and innovate, we invite our partners and supporters to join us in shaping a greener, more sustainable future for warehousing and logistics.





DIFFUSION INNOVATIVE SUPERCONDITIONING SOLUTIONS

COLOSSAL ENGINEERING SOLUTIONS

"Diffusion stands as a testament to innovation, excellence, and social responsibility in the engineering solutions industry. Even since its inception in 1982 to its current position as a global player with strategic expansions and forward integration, the company has consistently evolved and adapted to the changing landscape. We are committed to systematic R&D, quality and sustainability. We position ourselves as solution-providers rather than a manufacturing company, thereby making a lasting impact on our customers. industries and communities alike. With our solutions, our customers are able to run their industrial assets longer with significantly lower maintenance and total costs," says Mr Prashant Garg, CMD - Diffusion Engineers Limited.



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stablished in 1982, Diffusion Innovative Superconditioning Solutions has emerged as a trailblazer in the engineering solutions industry. Led by the vision of its Founder Chairman. Late Mr. NK Garg, and the dynamic leadership of Mr. Prashant Garg as the Managing Director, the company's journey has been characterized by continuous evolution, strategic growth, and a commitment to quality and innovation. From its roots as a manufacturer of special purpose welding electrodes in 1993, Diffusion Engineers has systematically expanded its capabilities, fostering synergistic business models that focus on forward integration.

Evolution and Strategic Growth

The company's journey began with the production of special purpose welding electrodes in 1993, gradually diversifying into the manufacturing of flux-cored wires by 1997 which could enable automation in maintenance welding. Further, recognizing the critical role their products played in upkeep, maintenance manufacturing of large industrial and equipments, Diffusion embarked on a path of forward integration in 2016. This strategic move allowed them to offer not only quality consumables welding but also comprehensive welding services for core industries including manufacturing of wear plates, wear parts, and heavy engineering capability.

Key Products and Services

Diffusion Engineers boasts a diverse range of key products and services. Its entire offering can be divided in 3 baskets – Anti Wear Consumables, Wear Plates and Wear

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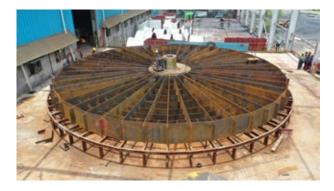
Parts and Heavy Engineering. Wear Consumables include special purpose welding electrodes, fluxcored wires, thermal spray Nickel and Cobalt Powders, high temperature nickel alloys and cold repair compounds. Wear Plates and Parts include standard weld over lay wear plates with wear resistant properties and custom made wear parts made as per customer requirements. Heavy engineering includes manufacturing of large industrial equipment's such as air separators, high pressure grinding rollers, FD fans, mill bodies, RAPH rotors, catering to the varied needs of its clientele. Apart from this, Diffusion also provides in-situ repair services for reclamation and breakdown repair. It has a team of skilled and experienced technicians and state of art tools used for industrial breakdown repair work.

Forward Integration and Manufacturing Facilities

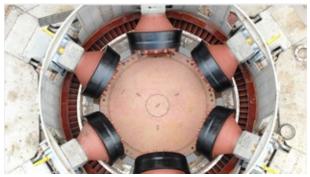
The strategic move towards forward integration is evident in the expansion of the company's manufacturing facilities. All of its facilities are located in Nagpur, Maharashtra. Positioned at the heart of the country, these facilities enjoy a central location, providing significant advantages for streamlined logistics operations and easy access to industries across various sectors. The strategic positioning allows Diffusion Engineers to efficiently serve diverse industries and segments, minimizing transit times for shipments and positively impacting the overall cost structure.

Giving Back to the Society

Diffusion Engineers believes that the CSR initiatives reflect a heartfelt commitment to societal well-being. Through the NK Garg Foundation, Diffusion has been carrying out philanthropic activities to make a positive impact in the local regions closer to its roots. It had sponsored the supply and installation of the Oxygen Generation plant during Covid at Swami Vivekanand Medical Mission (SVMM) Nagpur. Further initiatives include installation of Sanitary Napkins Vending Machine, built Toilet Blocks, and engaging in regular tree plantation drives for environmental



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preservation. It also supports the Brain Tumor Support Group (BTSG) provides non-medical support to those facing challenges from Brain Tumours.

Further efforts include a host of other activities such as physiotherapy equipment and solar lights for Sanjiwan Vriddhashram and providing medical services in villages like Monda and Chichbhavan in Hingna. Their efforts continue with sponsoring a borewell for Gat Panchayat Nimji, and contributions to Bharat ke Veer Fund and PM Care Fund. Additionally, they also support skill development through initiatives like the General Duty Assistant Course and the N.K.Garg Scholarship Program for students at a couple of engineering colleges in and around Nagpur. Their commitment to sports development is evident in the contribution to the Inspire Institute of Sport under the JSW Foundation.

Accreditations and Awards

Diffusion Engineers has garnered numerous accolades, accreditations, and recognitions, underscoring its commitment to excellence. Awards such as Best Employer Brands, Vidharbha Udyog Gaurav, India SME 100, and Brand Leadership Award by World Marketing Congress highlight the company's outstanding contributions to industrial development. Recognized as a Great Place to Work, with accreditations from the National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories, Diffusion continually reaffirms its commitment to quality and competence.

Innovation and Research & Development

The company's business mantra revolves around continuous innovation and investing in research and development (R&D) activities. With a dedicated DSIR-approved R&D facility equipped with advanced laboratory infrastructure, Diffusion Engineers creates differentiating factors in its welding consumables, ensuring sustainability and meeting specific client requirements. The company's certifications, including ISO/IEC 17025:2017, ISO 9001:2015, ISO 45001:2018, and ISO 14001:2015, further attest to its commitment to stringent quality checks and environmental management.





FABRICS FOR THE NATION, LITERALLY



"Vikamshi has established itself as a reputable brand specializing in Rubberized Coated Fabrics, Rubber Sheets and Inflatable products. What sets us apart is our steadfast commitment to technical and customized product offerings, positioning ourselves as a prominent player in this arena. We are proud of having one of the largest capacities for manufacturing Rubberized Coated Fabrics in India, a testament to our dedication to excellence in the industry." – Mrs Geetika Jayesh Vikamshi, Managing Director – Vikamshi Fabrics Pvt Ltd.





ounded in 1989 by Damjibhai A. Vikamshi and his sons Jayeshbhai Vikamshi and Anilbhai Vikamshi. Vikamshi Fabrics Pvt. Ltd. has emerged as an inspiration in the realm of rubberized coated fabrics. Currently helmed by Chairman Tilakbhai K. Vikamshi, Managing Director Geetika Jayesh Vikamshi, and Executive Director Swar Jayesh Vikamshi. The company boasts a rich history spanning 35 years marked by consistent and robust business growth.

A Notable Saga

The journey of Mrs Geetika Vikamshi, is an inspiring tale of resilience and determination. Following the sudden demise of her husband and company founder, Shri Jayesh Vikamshi, Mrs. Geetika Vikamshi took charge, transforming adversity into opportunity. Actively involved in administration, finance, Taxation, HR and company law matters for 30 years, Mrs. Geetika Vikamshi has steered the company towards continued success, extending her contributions to social initiatives, women's empowerment committees, and educational institutions.

Aiming Higher

The strengths and core expertise of Vikamshi lie in its wealth of experience, state-of-the-art infrastructure, and cutting-edge technologies showcasing them as one of world's rare companies catering rubber products for Land-Air-Water-Space. Aiming to be a one-stop destination for a complete range of polymer coatings on textile/coated fabrics, Vikamshi envisions a growth trajectory targeting with an average year-on-year growth rate of 11.5%.

Shri. Jayeshbhai D.Vikamshi

FOUNDERS



Founde by Visionary Shri. Damajibhai A. Vikamshi with his sons



Shri. Anilbhai D.Vikamshi

LEADERS



Smt. Geetika JayeshVikamshi Managing Director

Shri. Tilakbhai K. Vikamshi Chairman

Shri. Swar JayeshVikamshi Executive Director

Association with ISRO for Chandrayan and other various prestigious missions

Collaborating with the VSSC Team, Vikamshi achieved a milestone by developing a thermal screen for GSLV MK3, encompassing the entire process from designing special rubberized fabrics to shaping them into a flexible inflatable membrane. This thermal shield serves a dual purpose, providing thermal insulation while effectively isolating the satellite from propellant fumes and gases.

Noteworthy among Vikamshi's achievements is its integral role in the Chandrayan 3 project, providing structural test bladders for the heat shield and nose cone used in ground testing. The company's contributions extended to supplying essential components for the flight, such as rubberized insulating material for thermal boot section, rubberized sealing collars and the thermal shield placed exactly below the Vikram Lander and Pragyan Rover.

Vikamshi's involvement in the project underscores its significant contributions to space exploration, maintaining a steadfast association with ISRO for the past 2 decades.

Innovation & Indigenization for Nation

With a strategic focus of supporting the Indian Defense forces, Vikamshi has proactively embarked on initiatives aimed at developing and indigenizing vital products tailored to meet their specific requirements. This commitment underscores Vikamshi's prowess in crafting specialized solutions for esteemed entities such as the Indian Air Force, Indian Navy, Coast Guard, Ordnance Factory Board and Disaster Management.

Notable contributions include:

- Rubberized Bags for storing and transporting propellant dough of guided missiles.
- Rubberized fabrics essential for constructing Floats/Pontoon Bridges
- Tie-straps for the Brake-parachute systems of fighter jets.
- SU30-MKI and other fighter jet's Canopy covers, under Make-in-India
- Clad Insulation sheet for Submarine tubing's meeting Naval Standards
- IACS Member Indian Register of Shipping Type Test Approved – Rigid Inflatable Boat Materials for Rescue Missions
- Very first "MADE IN INDIA" Rubberized S.P.I. Boom for Oil Spill Response meeting the stringent requirements and specifications set by the International Spill Control Organization (ISCO)

By pushing the boundaries of technological advancements, Vikamshi successfully designed and supplied extremely gas tight, robust Helium Storage bladders for Nuclear Power plants withstanding Radioactive environments.

In a groundbreaking move towards nation's self-

sustainability and environmentally friendly energy practices, vikamshi designed a unique non-corrosive rubberized bag specifically for the storage of methane and biogas, which is used to generate Renewable Green Energy.

With the supply of world's first patented underwater inflatable surf reef in 2019 to Australia, today vikamshi has challenged the established norms.

Presently, Vikamshi stands in collaboration with a distinguished clientele comprising elite private multinational companies and is proudly catering rubberized products to diverse sectors such as Aerospace, Aviation, Marine, Automotive, Mining, Irrigation, Defense, Oil & Gas, Industries, Healthcare, and Protection-Rescue.

Vikamshi's versatility shines through these products, reflecting its contribution to the overall strength of the nation's capabilities.

People First

In response to the unprecedented challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the company swiftly adapted its working environment to navigate these uncertain times. Classified as an essential service. Vikamshi meticulously adhered to all local body permissions, protocols, guidelines, and implemented frequent checkups for the entire workforce, ensuring the uninterrupted production of critical hospital rubber sheet mackintosh. Despite challenging circumstances, the company remained dedicated to supplying the requirements of various government hospitals under Rate contracts, contributing to the healthcare sector's ongoing needs. Recognizing the financial strain on employees, Vikamshi took proactive measures by providing a comprehensive Covid health insurance policy, aiming to alleviate the burden on their shoulders. Furthermore, prioritizing the safety of the workforce, Vikamshi organized a Vaccination Camp within the factory premises, extending this vital protection not only to the employees but also to their extended families. These initiatives underscore the company's commitment to the wellbeing of the team members and their loved ones during these challenging times.



Laurels and Accolades

In recognition of its excellence, Vikamshi has received several awards and accolades, including the Udyog Gaurav Award 2021 and the Kutch Shakti National Award 2022 for Udyog Ratna. These honours highlight the company's active contributions, including its pivotal role in the 'Chandrayan 3' project and outstanding achievements in indigenization and business excellence.

Vikamshi Fabrics Pvt. Ltd. stands as a shining example of entrepreneurial spirit, innovation, and social responsibility. As the company continues to navigate challenges, the commitment to excellence and forward-thinking leadership positions it for sustained success in the dynamic landscape of rubberized coated fabrics.



CHAITANYA GROUP OF INDUSTRIES

BREATHING 'VITALITY' INTO INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY



"Chaitanya, means 'Awareness' or 'Consciousness'. At Chaitanya, we believe that it is necessary to be aware of how we can contribute towards creating a self-sustained community. We blend the best of technologies and conscious human factor to create sustainable businesses which in-turn are the building blocks for sustainable communities," observes a proud Mr Prasanna Ashok Deshpande, Director (Operations) of Chaitanya Group of Industries. He further shares, "We have around 700 products which are developed in-house under the guidance of our top management and are sold across more than 90 countries in the world and are totally developed by the local researchers."

estled in an otherwise industrially underdeveloped Buldana district Maharashtra, of Chaitanya Group of Industries pioneers in manufacturing diverse products. The term "Chaitanya," resonating with the essence of vitality, perfectly encapsulates the dynamic spirit and commitment of this conglomerate. From food ingredients, Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), Certified Organic Inputs for organic agriculture, to animal feed ingredients, microbiology and biotechnology inputs, and the cutting-edge ReadyMED Dehydrated Culture Media - the group stands at the forefront of innovation.

Groundbreaking R&D and Local Empowerment

Chaitanya's commitment extends to its welldeveloped Research and Development facility, equipped with cutting-edge tools like the Inductively Coupled Plasma, BSL-2 Microbiology Lab, Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy, and High-Performance Liquid Chromatography. The group firmly believes in providing locals with opportunities to work to international standards, preventing the brain drain.

Founding Vision and Growth Odyssey

Dr. Ashok Govindrao Deshpande, Mr. Santosh Prabhakar Borgaonkar, and Mr. Prasanna Ashok Deshpande form the stellar leadership of Chaitanya Group. Founded in 1987 by technocrats Dr. Ashok Govindrao Deshpande and Mr. Santosh Prabhakar Borgaonkar, Chaitanya Group began its journey with Chaitanya Chemicals. Challenges faced as first-generation entrepreneurs included technical sophistication and the need for











specialized skills in an underdeveloped industrial district. Today, Dr. Deshpande, the visionary mentor, Mr. Borgaonkar, the discipline maestro, and Mr. Prasanna Deshpande, the dynamic second-generation entrepreneur, steer the group towards continual success.

Diversification and Global Impact

Confidence grew, leading to ventures into speciality Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients and Speciality Food Ingredients. The group expanded further with Chaitanya Agrobiotech Pvt Ltd in 2008. Just before the pandemic, Chaitanya entered Microbiology and Biotechnology, launching the successful ReadyMED Dehydrated Cell Culture Media – now a leading brand in the African Market. Even as we are reading this, Chaitanya Chemicals, Chaitanya Biologicals Pvt Ltd, and Chaitanya Agrobiotech Pvt Ltd are offering unique products, from nutritional supplements and pharmaceuticals to nutraceuticals and organic inputs. The recent foray into Dehydrated Culture Media under the aegis of ReadyMED marks yet another milestone. With 700 unique products, Chaitanya Group's global footprint is fortified by certifications such as WHO-GMP, FSSC 22000, NOP, NPOP, and ISO 9001:2015. Compliant with SMETA 6 standards for sustainable business, Chaitanya ensures all employees work at par with international standards.

Community Engagement and Gratification

Beyond business, Chaitanya Group actively engages with local NGOs, contributing significantly to the well-being of various societal strata. Employee morale is boosted through awards, including Employee of the Year, and incentives for cycling to work, promoting a healthy lifestyle.

Chaitanya's journey is adorned with accolades,



Santosh Borgaonkar

Prasanna Deshpande

from Best SSI Unit award in Buldana District to the 'Jewel of LIT' Award in 2021 for Mr. S.P. Borgaonkar. International recognition at conferences and platforms showcases the group's commitment to excellence.

Client Trust and Continuous Expansion

With a commitment to providing the highest standard products and services, Chaitanya Group has added numerous national and international clients to its esteemed clientele. The policy to satisfy customers' present and future needs resonates across Pharmaceuticals, Food, Flavor, Agriculture, Animal Feed, Aquaculture, Poultry, Microbiology, Fermentation, and Cosmetic Industries.

In essence, Chaitanya Group of Industries isn't just a conglomerate; it's a testament to human ingenuity, resilience, and a commitment to making a positive impact on industries, communities, and the world at large.





IN PURSUIT OF BUSINESS EXCELLENCE

"Ever since the inception of our organization, we have been catering to the needs of customers with perfection, which has generated their faith in us. The group has evolved more than ever before in the last few decades. Rejuvenating existing plants, commissioning new ones, ideating breakthrough products and expanding into various markets are a few of the initiatives that we have undertaken till now. The pursuit of business excellence has become the norm and there is a focus on innovation. What has not changed is the Group's emphasis on ethical business practices." – Mr Siddharth Ruhatiya, Managing Director - Kaluram Foods Pvt. Ltd.



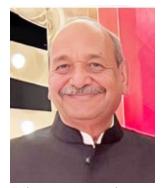
he Ruhatiya Group's rich history is marked by a commitment to innovation and an unwavering dedication to taking their traditional business from Akola to overseas markets. Founded in 1957 by the visionary Late Shri Kaluramji Ramkisanji Ruhatiya, Ruhatiya Group of Industries stands as a testament to the indomitable spirit of entrepreneurship and exceptional leadership. The group's revered founder laid a robust foundation with dauntless entrepreneurial spirit, steering the conglomerate through diverse ventures and establishing its brand, "Vitthal," as one of India's most trustworthy names in agroproduct manufacturing.

Kaluramji Ruhatiya, the founder, married to Narmada Devi, paved the way for a family legacy that now includes six sons and one daughter. Noteworthy among them, Mr. Shivprasad, the second son, brought engineering prowess to the family business. His foray into metal powder production and the establishment of Ambika Ginning and Pressing Factory in Andhra Pradesh marked the beginning of the group's diversification.

Mr. Siddharth, representing the third generation, infused technological acumen by establishing Kaluram Foods Pvt. Ltd. The company, a beacon of customer trust, ventured into the 'Soya Solvent Plant' and introduced diverse products under the brand 'Vitthal,' ranging from edible oils to cashews, detergent, and more. Mr. Siddharth emphasizes the importance of diversification in business, a philosophy that has



A Legacy of Innovation and Global Presence



Shivprasad Ruhatiya





propelled the group's expansion to countries like Indonesia, Bangladesh, China, Dubai, and several others.

Diverse Portfolio

The group comprises distinguished entities such as Kaluram Food Products Ltd, Narmada Solvex Pvt Ltd, Ruhatiya Cotton and Metal Pvt Ltd, Ruhatiya Spinners Pvt Ltd, Omprakash Shivprakash Shrivijay Industries, and Om Sri Lakshmi Venkeshwara Agro Boards Pvt. Ltd. The Ruhatiya Group's extensive list of commodities, including cotton, cotton yarn, cattle feed, soybean products, refined oil, lecithin, cashew, rice, and more, exemplifies its versatility. The integrated nature and strategic locations of its units provide a significant advantage over competitors, both organized and unorganized.

Overview of Group Companies

The flagship firm of the Ruhatiya Group, Omprakash Shivprakash boasts an illustrious 70year history in business. With a turnover exceeding 170 Crores (21.5 Million USD), the company operates two dal mills in Akola, producing toor dal. Its product range spans soybean, edible oil, cotton, pulses, and rice, exported to countries worldwide, including Republic of Benin, Republic of Togo, Ukraine, and others. The company has not only excelled in exports but also ventured into the chartering business in recent years, with a sister concern in Dubai named SAASSY Commodities Pvt Ltd.

Ruhatiya Cotton and Metal Pvt Ltd, with a production capacity of 8 tons per shift of raw cashew nuts, showcases a blend of automation and skilled labor. Known for premium quality cashews, the company has diversified into manufacturing Cashew Nut Shell Oil (CNSL) and detergent under the brand "Vitthal Fresh." Their commitment to quality is evident in the loyalty of customers across various Indian states.

As the flagship company of the group, Narmada Solvex Private Limited boasts a turnover of over 500 crores (63 Million USD). Since its inception in 2008, the company has been a leading manufacturer of soybean crude oil and soya meal. Strategically located and highly integrated, the manufacturing units provide a significant advantage, ensuring the company's success in both domestic and international markets.

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Incorporated in 2014, Kaluram Food Products Pvt. Ltd. contributes significantly to the group's success with a turnover of over 400 Crores. The company's diverse range of products, including refined soybean oil, lecithin, fatty acid, and other soya products, are widely accepted under the brand "Vitthal." The company's commitment to ecofriendly and non-GMO manufacturing, along with its online presence, has solidified its position in the market.

Certifications and Commitment to CSR

Ruhatiya Group's commitment to excellence is underscored by certifications such as ISO22000, FSSC 22000, Star K KOSHER, and Halal. The group actively engages in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and philanthropy, contributing to the construction of educational institutions, temples, and various charitable activities through the Shri Kaluram Ruhatiya Charitable Trust. The Ruhatiya family, under the guidance of Late Shri Kaluramji, adopted a broad perspective on life, viewing it as a flourishing tree with branches representing the diverse products added to their business. This philosophy led to the establishment of various companies, providing new opportunities for family progress. In recognition of his charitable and religious contributions, Kaluramji was honored with the 'Agra Bhushan Award.'

Ruhatiya Group of Industries thus continues to thrive as a symbol of legacy, innovation, and philanthropy. With a focus on ethical business practices, a commitment to quality, and an everexpanding product portfolio, the group looks set to leave an indelible mark on the agro-industry landscape for generations to come.





FORMULATING SPECIALITY CHEMICALS ALONGWITH

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSCIOUSNESS



MULTI ORGANICS

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"The company's business mantra revolves around the belief that Sustainability and Profitability can coexist harmoniously. Driven by a passion for innovation and a commitment to a better world, Multi Organics places sustainability at its core. The organization actively embraces the 4R Principle - Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Recover - as part of its relentless focus on increasing resource efficiency" – Mr Abhijeet Birewar, Managing Director, Multi Organics.

ulti Organics, founded in 1976 by the visionary Late Shri BV Birewar, originated from the humble setting of Village Shirpur, Taluka Chimur, Dist. Chandrapur (MS). Despite being born into a modest farming family, Mr. Birewar's intelligence, hard work, and determination led him to attain advanced degrees in Chemical Engineering, earning him a gold medal from Vidarbha's Laxminarayan Institute of Technology (LIT), Nagpur, and alumni status from the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Mumbai. After garnering experience in various global MNCs, he established Multi Organics in Chandrapur, driven by a desire to contribute to the region of his birth. Today, managed by Mr. Birewar's family and a dedicated leadership team, his son, Shri Abhijeet Birewar, oversees the day-today operations, holding advanced engineering degrees from both India and the US.

Aiming High

Multi Organics has evolved into a 47-year-old leading manufacturer of Speciality Chemicals and Advanced Intermediates with a global customer base. The company's prowess lies in innovative process chemistry, scale-up, and process engineering, coupled with a sharp focus on resource efficiency, ensuring the production of globally competitive products. Commencing with a modest



Abhijeet Birewar

300MT per year plant in 1976, Multi Organics has exponentially grown to manufacture over 25,000 MT per year of Specialty Chemicals and Advanced Intermediates. Currently valued at Rs. 400+ Cr, the company is undergoing a major expansion program, aiming to surpass 50,000 MT/y capacity in the coming years.



Product Portfolio

The product portfolio of Multi Organics spans a wide spectrum, specializing in the manufacturing of Specialty Chemicals and Intermediates Advanced used in Pharmaceuticals / APIs, Agrochemicals / AIs, Colorants (Pigments, Dyes, Food Colors), Electronic Chemicals, Aviation Chemicals, and Paper Chemicals. Collaborating with over 50 Global Chemical Companies for their Raw Material requirements and Custom Synthesis / Contract Manufacturing projects, Multi Organics exports more than 60% of its manufactured products.

Nature Care

Moreover, Multi Organics has undertaken significant initiatives in social responsibility, boasting a rich legacy of 30 years in in-house Charity and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) projects. In line with its commitment to combat climate change, Multi Organics has set a target to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030-2035. Progress towards this ambitious goal is already underway, with 10% expected to be achieved by the end of 2024. The company employs carbon sequestration techniques through large-scale dense afforestation, contributing to a more sustainable environment. Notably, Multi Organics planted 100,000 trees within 24 months as part of its Carbon Sequestration strategy, utilizing Miyawaki Urban Dense Forestation programs in MIDC, Chandrapur, and the surrounding area.

Rewards and Recognitions

Recognition for Multi Organics' excellence comes in the form of the Chemexcil Top Exporter Speciality Chemicals Large Sector award, a prestigious accolade earned for five consecutive years.







This achievement not only company's underscores the quality commitment to and innovation but also establishes its leadership position in the specialized chemical industry. Additionally, in 2023, Multi Organics received the MIDC Top Industry award, further solidifying its reputation as an industry leader.

Accreditations

Certifications serve as a testament the company's unwavering to commitment to quality, environmental sustainability, and social responsibility. Holding the ISO 9001 certification, Multi Organics emphasizes high standards in quality management. The ISO 14000 certification reflects the company's dedication to environmentally responsible practices, while the ISO 18000 certification ensures a safe and secure working environment for its team. The Ecovadis certification Organics' acknowledges Multi commitment to corporate social responsibility and sustainable business practices.

To Conclude

In conclusion, Multi Organics' journey from its humble beginnings in a small village to becoming a globally recognized leader in the production of Speciality Chemicals and Advanced Intermediates is a testament to its founder's vision and the collective dedication of its leadership and team. With a focus on sustainability, innovation, and social responsibility, Multi Organics continues to shape the future of the chemical industry.



CEASELESS ASPIRATIONS FOR A HOLISTIC GROWTH



DAGA GROUP

"The group's success is attributed to our strategic diversification across various sectors. Our commitment to innovation is evident in the establishment of diverse ventures, showcasing adaptability to market trends and changing consumer needs. At Daga Group, we focus not only on business profitability but lay equal emphasis on social impact. Providing employment and livelihood to regional population highlights the group's commitment to community development. This approach goes beyond traditional business goals and aligns with the broader vision of societal wellbeing." – Mr Rajesh and Mr Kamlesh, Daga Group.

eadquartered in Amravati, Maharashtra, The Daga Group stands as a testament to visionary entrepreneurship, innovation, and a commitment to societal well-being. With a diverse portfolio spanning manufacturing, healthcare, Infratech, energy distribution, skills development, and education, the group has become one of the fastest-growing diversified industrial conglomerates in the Vidarbha region. Employing approximately 1000 individuals and directly impacting 300 families, the Daga Group has not only transformed the business landscape but also aligned itself with the Prime Minister's Skill India mission, contributing significantly to vocational education.

Diverse Business Verticals

Established in 1977, Rajesh Gas Service has been a stalwart in LPG distributor for Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. With over four decades of experience, the company specializes in the distribution of both domestic and commercial LPG cylinders. Recognized for its reliability and commitment to safety, Rajesh Gas Service has played a pivotal role in ensuring a steady and secure supply of LPG to households and businesses.

Pioneering since 1989, Plasti Surge Industries has carved a niche in the manufacturing and distribution of a diverse range of healthcare products. From Disposable Medical & Surgical Products to Customized Healthcare Kits, PSI has consistently delivered quality products to meet the evolving needs of the medical and healthcare industry. The company's commitment to innovation and stringent quality standards has positioned it as a trusted player in the market.





Daga Infratech Pvt. Ltd. (DIPL) stands out as a unique real estate developer committed to enhancing the quality of living and infrastructure development. The flagship project, Daga Sapphire, holds the prestigious 'IGBC' green building certificate, marking it as the first of its kind in Amravati. This reflects DIPL's dedication to sustainable and ecofriendly development practices.

Digital Rural India Mission Pvt. Ltd. (DRIM) has been dedicated to collaborating with various sectors, and specializes in the establishment and installation of vocational labs. With vast experience in implementing over 5000+ labs across multiple trades, DRIM's contribution to skill development aligns with the nation's emphasis on vocational education.

More than just a brand, Greenware is a vision for a sustainable future. Focused on providing



alternatives to single-use plastic, Greenware aims to manufacture and market sustainable products with an emphasis on regeneration-based and carbon-free economy. The brand's dedication to creating products with a minimal environmental footprint makes it a frontrunner in the pursuit of a greener world.

Leadership and Entrepreneurial Legacy

Mr Rajesh Daga has been a visionary entrepreneur, and has significantly shaped the business landscape of the Vidarbha region. Beginning his transformative journey at 21 within the family's LPG distribution business, Daga's leadership brought about a radical evolution, turning the enterprise into a technologically advanced conglomerate spanning multiple sectors. The establishment of Plasti Surgi Industries marked a diversification beyond LPG, and his foray into Infratech with 'Daga Sapphire' redefined luxury living in Amravati.

Undaunted by challenges, Mr Daga ventured into renewable energy with windmills in Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan. Recalling his entrepreneurial journey, he started with a meagre capital in biogas, faced setbacks, but rebounded with a second venture, the biogas hotplate, expanding across Vidarbha and Marathwada. Beyond Rajesh Gas Service, Daga Sapphire, and Plasti Surgi, his ventures showcase entrepreneurial acumen and a commitment to enriching every interaction.

Mr Kamlesh Daga, epitomizes success and inspiration in the region. With a post-graduation in commerce and an MBA, he seamlessly integrates technology into his ventures. Partnering with his

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brother Rajesh, Kamlesh embarked on a unique journey in the manufacturing industry, focusing on 'soil testing' kits after recognizing the potential during global travels. A committed professional, he prioritizes end users, evident in the design of products. Beyond his role at Plasti Surge Industries, Kamlesh delves into soil testing, aligning with PM Modi's Skill India Vision. His global reach now extends to industrial products worldwide, emphasizing a social commitment to farmers' prosperity. An eternal optimist, Kamlesh envisions an agro revolution by 2025 and contributes beyond business, such as the construction of Daga Sapphire. Following in the footsteps of his father and brother, Kamlesh navigates entrepreneurship successfully, bringing innovation to soil testing and skill development.

Awards and Recognition

Plasti Surge Industries Pvt. Ltd. received the 1st Prize of the "BEST INDUSTRY AWARD 2010" from the Government of Maharashtra under the District Industries Centre award scheme for its outstanding performance in the SSI sector.

Carving a Great Future

The Daga Empire, under the visionary leadership of Rajesh and Kamlesh Daga, exemplifies a commitment to innovation, sustainability, and societal impact. From pioneering ventures in healthcare, real estate, and environmental responsibility to contributing significantly to skill development and vocational education, the Daga Group has become a symbol of holistic and responsible business practices. As the group aims for a Rs 1,000 crore turnover in the next 2-3 years, its diverse ventures continue to shape the industrial landscape of the Vidarbha region, leaving an inspiring legacy for future generations.







PIONEERING EXCELLENCE IN

RESISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR AUTOMOTIVE INNOVATION

Rushad Patel

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HI TECH RESISTORS PVT LTD



Areez Patel

'Located in in the heart of Central India, Hi Tech Resistors Private Limited is an IATF 16949:2016 Certified Manufacturing Company offering full spectrum of resistor technologies along with custom engineered solutions. HTR's success can be attributed to a set of guiding principles that have been ingrained into its corporate ethos,' says Rushad Patel, Founder & Managing Director, Hi Tech Resistors Pvt Ltd

stablished in 1988, Hi Tech Resistors Pvt Ltd (HTR) has emerged as a global leader in manufacturing wire wound resistors. current sense shunts. aluminium-housed resistors, braking resistors, load banks, and electron beam welded battery management shunts. With a robust presence in 50 countries, HTR is a name synonymous to quality and innovation in the automotive sector. The wide product range includes Wire Wound Resistors, Current Sense Resistors, Surface Mount Resistors, Automotive and Custom-made Resistors. The advanced manufacturing facility at Nagpur produces

top quality power resistors for different industries that are crafted to meet the highest possible standards. Areez Patel, after joining as Director has maintained the legacy of founder and has rather added new dimensions with new vision. His skills are asset to company which is taking often leaps in guidance of Founder & Managing Director Rushad patel.

History and Global Presence:

Since its inception, HTR has expanded its footprint globally, reaching customers in fifty



countries through direct sales, representatives, and distributors. Approximately 70% of HTR's revenue comes from exports, underlining its international prominence. The state-of-the-art manufacturing facility in Nagpur, India, produces a diverse range of resistors daily, meeting the stringent standards of UL approval, ROHS compliance, and AEC-Q200 qualification.

At the core of HTR's business philosophy is the commitment to delivering the perfect product at the right price point. The company's in-house Research and Development (R&D) facility, furnished with precision instruments, works in tandem with the Application Engineering department to present a comprehensive package of "Product, Information, and Service." Embracing the automotive 'Product Part Approval Process' methodology, HTR ensures that quality is ingrained at the very source, underscoring its dedication to delivering excellence.

Guiding principles

From prioritizing quality and fair competition to fostering cooperation among departments and respecting cultural diversity, HTR's principles reflect a commitment to sustainable growth.

Accolades and Certifications

Designated as a "Small Enterprise" within the

MSME sector, HTR proudly holds the esteemed "ZED GOLD" Certificate from the Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, underscoring its unwavering dedication to sustainability. The company's commitment to excellence is further underscored by its compliance with internationally recognized standards, including IATF 16949:2016 and ISO 14001:2015. These certifications position HTR as a benchmark in both quality assurance and environmental management.

Differentiation and Technological Advancements

Setting itself apart, HTR boasts UL-approved, ROHS-compliant, and AEC-Q200 Qualified resistors available in various mounting and housing configurations. The company's in-house R&D facility, staffed with experienced professionals, ensures the capability to provide customized solutions. HTR's innovative approach extends to the launch of the "HTR Resistor Finder" mobile app, a first in the resistor industry.

Environmental Stewardship and Social Accountability at HTR: Guided by a commitment to societal well-being, HTR actively engages in environmentally conscious initiatives and demonstrates social responsibility. The company places a strong emphasis on environmental stewardship, as exemplified by its ISO 14001:2015



certification. Recognized and endorsed by the Maharashtra Pollution Control Board, HTR operates as a green category company, making positive contributions to the surrounding environment.

Furthermore, HTR's dedication to corporate social responsibility is evident in various initiatives, particularly in the promotion of occupational health and safety. Notably, the company embraces inclusivity by employing approximately 20% of its workforce from the physically challenged community, thereby making a tangible impact on social inclusiveness and responsibility.

Supporting Local Businesses and Awards

HTR believes in 'Rising together'. It actively contributes to the growth of local businesses by purchasing parts from local vendors, establishing their processes according to HTR's quality standards. The company's dedication to local sourcing extends to packaging materials. HTR's initiatives have not gone unnoticed, with awards like the Gaurav Chinha plaque from the Government of Maharashtra in 1993 and the "Excellence in Electronics" Award from Hon'ble Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee in 1996.

In conclusion, Hi Tech Resistors Pvt Ltd has transcended boundaries to become a globally

recognized name in the field of resistive technology. With a commitment to quality, innovation, and social responsibility, HTR continues to shape the future of automotive electronics, setting the standard for excellence in the industry.





NAGPUR START-UP ECO SYSTEM

Shashikant Chaudhary

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Nagpur, often referred to as the "Orange City" for its vibrant fruit markets, is increasingly gaining recognition for a different kind of vibrancy – its burgeoning startup ecosystem. At the heart of this ecosystem are the key ingredients that make any entrepreneurial landscape thrive: educational institutions, industry hubs, incubators, experienced entrepreneurs, and angel investors.

entral to this ecosystem is TiE, a global organization, and Headstart India, which have been instrumental in nurturing young businesses. Supporting them are prominent incubators like InFED, Raisoni, RCOEM, Nagpur University, LIT, ISRO, and the Agritech incubator at VNIT. These incubators offer not just space but also mentorship and resources, essential for early-stage startups.

The city is also home to a plethora of educational institutions like IIM, IIIT, VNIT, AIMS, National Law School, IMT, and Symbiosis. These institutions are not just academic havens but also breeding grounds for innovative ideas and entrepreneurial spirit. The Siemens Center of Excellence at VNIT, a 180 crore setup, exemplifies the city's commitment to cutting-edge technology and industry 4.0. Similarly, the RCOEM-TATA Technologies' Centre of Excellence in emerging technologies stands as a testament to the city's industrial prowess.

Angel networks in Nagpur, such as Venture Catalyst, VNIT Angels, TiE Angels, and Vidarbha Angels, play a pivotal role in fueling the startups with much-needed capital and guidance. With over 100 angels in these networks, the financial backbone of Nagpur's startup scene is robust and diverse.

Moreover, the government's support through various startup funding schemes like Aspire, SISF, and Nidhi EIR adds a layer of stability and encouragement for budding entrepreneurs. This is complemented by initiatives like the TiE Women Program and the IIM Women Program, which focus on empowering female entrepreneurs.

The availability of flexible coworking spaces at very reasonable rates in these incubators further lowers the entry barrier for new startups. Programs like TiE Nurture offer structured mentoring by seasoned entrepreneurs, while courses on entrepreneurship in various colleges foster early interest in business and innovation.

The ecosystem is buzzing with over 350 startups in Vidarbha alone, a number that speaks volumes about the fertile ground Nagpur offers. The city's entrepreneurial spirit is further nurtured by active E-cells in various colleges and numerous Tinkering Labs in schools, which encourage innovation from a young age.

In summary, Nagpur's startup ecosystem is a dynamic and evolving landscape, enriched by a harmonious blend of educational excellence, industry collaborations, supportive incubators, a strong network of angel investors, and government backing. It stands as a beacon of entrepreneurial success, promising a bright future for its vibrant startup community.

Please get in touch with Shashikant a serial entrepreneur, currently cofounder of BabyVerse. app and Happyeaters.club, his 10th venture. Angel Investor with more than 30 startups, LP in four funds like Blume and IIFL. Conducting Master class on "Art of Angel Investing" at various cities and Credit course on Entrepreneurship at VNIT for last 7 years. He is on Board of Advisors of various incubators including IIM Nagpur, RCOEM and Raisoni. He has been instrumental in bringing Nagpur on IT map of India.

He was Managing Director, India for GlobalLogic. Managing more than 4000 engineers in India. Globallogic was acquired by Hitachi for a valuation close to 9.6 Billion.



GRANHEET

REVOLUTIONIZING FARMING FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

In the heartlands of India, where farming sustains millions but often leads to dire circumstances, GramHeet emerges as a beacon of hope. This innovative social enterprise is on a mission to transform the fate of smallholder farmers by offering integrated post-harvest services that address the root causes of distress sales, prevent food grain losses, and ultimately bolster farmers' incomes.



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The Genesis of Change

For the co-founders, Pankaj Mahalle and Shweta Thakare, the struggles of their own smallholder farming families ignited a fire to bring about tangible change. Raised amidst the challenges of agrarian life in India's distressed regions, their resolve to make farming profitable birthed GramHeet. With a vision fueled by personal experiences, Pankaj and Shweta set out to disrupt the status quo and empower those entrenched in the farming community.

Empowering Farmers, **Transforming Lives**

At its core, GramHeet focuses on alleviating critical challenges faced by smallholder farmers. In a country where farming is the backbone of the economy but plagued by insufficient post-harvest infrastructure, GramHeet's services become a lifeline. The lack of storage facilities leads to annual foodgrain losses of around 10%, contributing to food scarcity for millions. GramHeet steps in, offering decentralized storage, post-harvest credit, and market connections, preventing these losses and increasing farmers' income by up to 40%.

The leadership

Pankaj Mahalle, the CEO, brings an intimate understanding of the struggles faced by farmers, having emerged from a smallholder farming family in the distressed Yavatmal district. His cofounder, Shweta Thakare, boasts over a decade of experience in the agriculture sector and a relentless drive to create impactful solutions. Their leadership has earned recognition from prestigious institutions and global platforms, acknowledging their commitment and innovative approach.

A Pledge for Transformation

GramHeet's journey epitomizes the fusion of technology, compassion, and strategic vision. Their commitment to rural communities and sustainable agriculture is a testament to their ethos. As they scale their operations, forge partnerships, and diversify across crops, GramHeet remains steadfast in its pursuit of transforming the lives of smallholder farmers, offering a brighter, more prosperous future for India's agrarian backbone.

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Shweta Thakare **Ambitious Growth for Impact**

TO WATCH

Over the next two years, GramHeet charts an ambitious roadmap:

FARMER OUTREACH:

Extending post-harvest services to 50,000 smallholder farmers.

INCREASED INCOME:

Elevating the income of these farmers by up to 40% through various strategies.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Preventing foodgrain losses to save 5000 metric tons of CO2eq greenhouse gas emissions.



EMPOWERING WOMEN FARMERS:

Enabling 20,000 women farmers to benefit directly from GramHeet's services.

EXPANSION AND PARTNERSHIPS:

Spreading operations to three new states and nine districts, focusing on high farmer suicide regions.



ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT: Onboarding 250 Village Entrepreneurs and creating revenue streams for FPOs.



TRUSCHOLAR FORGING TRUST IN ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS THROUGH INNOVATION

TruSchola

DIGITIZE INDIA'S

As tech gets democratised, the lines between real and fake continue to blur. In an era of scams unrecognisable to the unsuspecting, credibility is an every growing concern and requirement. In the realm of academic credentials, where authenticity is often challenged, TruScholar emerges as a transformative force. Pioneering blockchain technology in India's education landscape, this platform, co-founded by Samit Singhai and CA Mayur Zanwar, is revolutionizing academic credential management.

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Redefining Academic Integrity

TruScholar's key offering is a secure blockchain platform for institutes, edtech firms, and universities to issue tamperproof digital certificates. The co-founders Samit and Mayur recognized the rampant issue of fraudulent academic credentials and sought to create a system that eradicates this risk, ensuring the credibility and authenticity of academic achievements.

Visionaries Driving Change

At the helm of TruScholar is Samit Singhai, a visionary mechanical engineer with a master's in industrial engineering from the USA. His passion for technology and commitment to secure credentialing processes have steered TruScholar's success. Alongside him, CA Mayur Zanwar, a seasoned finance professional and Chartered Accountant, brings strategic insight and financial acumen, fortifying the company's growth trajectory.

TruResume

Introducing TruResume, a platform that revolutionizes recruitment by empowering individuals to create dynamic, verified digital resumes. This innovation provides employers with an authentic view of candidates' skills and achievements, enhancing employability prospects.

TruSkillsForce

Innovation continues with TruSkillsForce, a visionary platform connecting organizations with a pool of skilled and verified talent. This initiative streamlines hiring, ensuring precise matches between skill sets and job requirements.

Benefits of the Vision

Enhanced Employability:

TruResume equips individuals with transparent tools to showcase skills, fostering trust in hiring.

Efficient Hiring:

TruSkillsForce streamlines recruitment, tapping into a verified talent pool, reducing time and costs.

A Commitment to Innovation

TruScholar's emphasis on innovation, transparency, and credibility cements its position as a leader in reshaping educational ecosystems. As they push boundaries and set new benchmarks in the edtech space, TruScholar remains dedicated to transforming how credentials are managed, resumes are presented, and talent is discovered.





Samit Singhai

CA Mayur Zanwar

A Trailblazing Journey

TruScholar's journey is marked by milestones and accolades:



2021

Best Startup Award by VIA and Sola

2022 Best Startup Award at the World Congress of Accountant at JIO BKC



Selection in EMERGE 50 Startups by NASSCOM Deep Tech Domain

Beyond Technology: Community Engagement

Samit and Mayur's involvement in industry associations and forums showcases TruScholar's commitment to nurturing innovation and entrepreneurial spirit within the community. Under their leadership, TruScholar looks beyond secure credentialing:



LUCID IMPLANTS REVOLUTIONIZING PATIENT-SPECIFIC SURGICAL SOLUTIONS



In the summer of 2013, a journey began with Dr. Pranav Sapkal, a mechanical engineering graduate from VNIT Nagpur, seeking a challenging yet rewarding doctoral subject. Little did he know, this journey would lead to the founding of LUCID Implants, a company dedicated to offering high-quality, affordable, and personalized surgical solutions.



The Genesis of LUCID

Pranav's tryst with innovation began when he joined the BETIC project at IIT Bombay and VNIT Nagpur in 2014. Focused on indigenous, innovative, and affordable products, the project aimed to transform healthcare through technology. Pranav, alongside Prashanth Ray, embarked on a bone tissue engineering project, delving into advanced ceramic 3D printing for creating bone scaffolds.

As fate would have it, Dr. Nitin Bhola, returning from Germany with insights into game-changing patientspecific implants, crossed paths with Pranav and Prashanth. Recognizing the need for affordable yet highquality solutions in India, they collaborated, leading to successful clinical case studies and the formation of LUCID Implants in March 2018.

Bridging the Healthcare Gap

LUCID Implants took root from a profound realization. While oral cancer cases surged in India, the available solutions were inaccessible to the majority. The top 30% could afford imported implants, leaving the lower layers of society, most affected by cancer and trauma, without viable options. LUCID set out to reverse this by offering affordable, personalised implant solutions tailored to the needs of the bottom of the pyramid.

Transformative Impact and Recognition

In their 4+ years at BETiC and with 11 clinical case studies, the LUCID team recognized the urgent need for personalised surgical solutions. Their dedication garnered awards, including an INR 10 Lakhs grant from IIGP 2.0 and support from Dassault Systèmes after winning the Global 3DEXPERIENCE Pitch in 2019. In November 2020, they inaugurated a state-of-the-art polymer implant manufacturing facility, ISO-certified for quality and cleanliness.

Funding and Growth

Late 2020 and early 2021 marked significant milestones for LUCID as they secured INR 1.1 crores in seed funding from multiple angel investors and entrepreneurs. The company's growth trajectory showcases their commitment to transforming lives, with over 200 positive impacts by July 2021. Looking forward, they aspire to impact and transform 3500 more lives in the next 2 years.

A Vision for Tomorrow

For LUCID Implants, success is measured not just in awards and certifications but in the lives they touch, save, and improve. With a steadfast commitment to bridging healthcare gaps and offering personalized solutions, LUCID envisions a future where affordable, high-quality implants become the norm, ensuring that everyone, irrespective of their socio-economic background, has access to life-transforming healthcare solutions.



AGILE CONNECTS REVOLUTIONIZING ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR COMMERCIAL SPACES

In an era where sustainability is paramount, Agile Connects steps in as a beacon for companies striving to meet their ESG goals through enhanced energy efficiency. This AI/ML-enabled IoT platform is meticulously designed to optimize HVAC operations in commercial spaces, offering a solution that not only saves energy but significantly contributes to environmental sustainability.

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Addressing Core Challenges

The staggering energy consumption attributed to HVAC systems in commercial spaces poses a global challenge. AgileWorks recognizes this, acknowledging that HVAC accounts for a staggering 60% of energy usage in such environments. Moreover, maintaining thousands of HVAC units across distributed operations becomes an arduous task, leading to inefficiencies, increased costs, and compromised indoor air quality (IAQ).

Innovative Solutions at Scale

Agile Connects isn't just a concept; it's a game-changer. By leveraging AI/ML and IoT technologies, it optimizes HVAC operations, saving up to 15% of total energy consumption for commercial spaces. The platform doesn't stop there; it provides centralized monitoring, offering a comprehensive view of HVAC performance across multiple locations. This facilitates predictive and preventive maintenance, preventing costly breakdowns and ensuring optimal functioning. Additionally, Agile Connects tackles IAQ concerns by automating demand control ventilation, enhancing indoor air quality in these spaces.

The Driving Force: Inspiration and Founders' Expertise

The inspiration behind Agile Connects lies in the mission to innovate in India and positively impact the climate. The co-founders - Nitin Nistane, Arvind Khungar, and Anand Aurangabadkar - each bring over 30 years of expertise to the table. Nitin and Arvind, both BITS Pilani Engineering graduates, complement their technical prowess with extensive entrepreneurial experience, while Anand, a Chartered Accountant, adds financial acumen and entrepreneurial expertise to the mix.

Accelerated Growth and Recognition

With an installation base spanning 1000+ locations across India, Agile Connects anticipates tripling its reach within the next 2-3 years. Their remarkable journey has been adorned with accolades including prestigious CII Award for Most Innovative Energy Saving Product, NASSCOM recognition as India's top DeepTech Startups, IoT2020 Award for Resource Optimization and Conservation.

Agile Connects envisions a future where energy efficiency isn't just an ideal but a reality. Their commitment to innovation and sustainability drives them forward. By providing tangible solutions to reduce energy consumption, cut costs, and improve indoor air quality, Agile Connets positions itself as a leader in reshaping how commercial spaces approach HVAC operations, exemplifying the transformative power of technology in fostering environmental responsibility.







Anand Aurangabadkar



Arvind Khungar



Nitin Nistane





TSECOND TECHNOLOGIES LIMITED



second Technologies Limited emphasizes empowering its people, considering talent as the driving force behind its mission. As a hub for talented individuals, Tsecond Generation is dedicated to fostering a technological revolution with a focus on reliability, trust, efficiency, and innovation," says Sahil Chawla, CEO and Founder, Tsecond Technologies Limited.

In the year 2014, Mr Sahil Chawla, the visionary CEO and Founder of Tsecond Technologies Limited, embarked on a remarkable journey that led him to the forefront of the technology landscape. His commitment to innovation and positive change is reflected in the mission of Tsecond – reforming the global datasphere. Sahil's relentless pursuit of groundbreaking technologies and his belief that the present is an investment to live the dreams of the future have become the guiding principles of Tsecond.

E-funnel's Global Success

E-funnel, Tsecond Generation's patented electronic fluid gauging system, gained international acclaim, earning the title of the world's first US patented system. Awards and investments followed, showcasing Tsecond Generation's commitment to cutting-edge innovations. In 2018, Tsecond Generation was listed among the best start-ups at the Collision Conference in New Orleans and billed in the Top 20 Most Promising Hardware Start-ups in India by Silicon India Magazine. Collaborations with international entities like iGenesis Myanmar and funding from LEPL USA Inc. further solidified its global presence.

Advent of Tsecond Inc.

Tsecond Inc. which was established in the Bay Area in 2020, shares the same values as Tsecond Generation. With Bryck as its flagship offering, Tsecond Inc. strives to reform the global datasphere, integrating technologies seamlessly into people's lives.

BRYCK®: The Revolution in Data Movement

Tsecond Inc.'s flagship product, BRYCK®, stands as a testament to Sahil's vision. Launched in 2020, Bryck is a high-density, high-speed storage device that revolutionizes the way organizations handle big data. Designed as a portable, universally compatible data capture/ process/movement platform, Bryck addresses the challenges associated with capturing, processing, and transferring large volumes of data from

REVOLUTIONISING DATA MOVEMENT

edge locations to data centers or the cloud. BRYCK® challenges traditional data storage and transfer methods on multiple fronts. Tailored for edge environments, Bryck offers small, lightweight, and durable solutions, addressing the specific demands of diverse industries. Overcoming bandwidth constraints, Bryck ensures a fast and cost-effective transport of large datasets, optimizing data movement from edge to data center or cloud. Operating at an impressive 40 Gbps, Bryck guarantees blazing fast throughput, setting a new standard for data transfer speeds. Its rugged design not only ensures efficient transport of large datasets but also facilitates cost-effectiveness through standard shipping practices. The simplicity and security of Bryck's interface, coupled with high-speed encryption, provide a robust defense against breaches, ensuring the integrity and confidentiality of the transferred data. In the realm of technological innovation, Tsecond Generation (India) emerges as a hub, further solidifying Tsecond's commitment to revolutionizing the way data is handled globally.

Universal Impact

Bryck, with its capacity to hold one petabyte of big data in a compact polymer block, finds diverse applications in aerospace, defense, autonomous vehicles, media & entertainment, industrial IoT, surveillance, and security. Tsecond Inc. is aligned with Tsecond Generation's philosophy of empowering people to drive technological change. The company believes in creating innovative and effective products that break deadlocks in the day-to-day lives of enterprises and individuals.

Tsecond Generation (India) complements Tsecond Inc.'s global mission. Focused on simplifying day-to-day activities and enhancing productivity, Tsecond Generation has become a beacon of technological innovation. In the heart of Silicon Valley, Tsecond Inc. is spearheading a revolution in the global datasphere. Established in 2020, Tsecond Inc. is an avant-garde datatech innovation startup that focuses on transforming the way data is transferred, stored, and processed in workplaces and homes worldwide.



Envisioning the Future

To summarize it all, Tsecond Technologies is at the forefront of revolutionizing the way data is handled globally. Sahil Chawla's vision, coupled with innovative products like Bryck and E-funnel, positions Tsecond as a driving force in the tech industry. With a commitment to empowering people and fostering a technological revolution, Tsecond envisions a future where technology is a beautiful tool to empower humanity. As they continue to innovate and break new ground, Tsecond Technologies is undoubtedly shaping the future of data innovation.





VALUABLE SUPPORT



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Avinash Ghushe

The Man with a Mission Mode! Always busy handling multiple tasks, incessantly helping others and yet keeps surrounding atmosphere light by his witty quips. He is a task master, excellent organizer, planner and the one who keeps eye on the minutest detail.



Atul Mandlekar

Mister Cool and Master Coordinator. Deeply rooted in the public life of Nagpur, he has a connect with various walks of life, especially medical and pharmacy field. Humble and loving by nature, he is the one who handles complex responsibility with ease.



Shailesh Pande

One of the most respected Editor and Writer. He has a tremendous command on Marathi, English and Hindi. When it comes to ideation for any document, he is there to help out with all his might. Always engrossed with some documents, he is an intellectual at par.





Ashish Kale President

The dynamic Managing Director of Provincial Automobile, he epitomizes the spirit of legacy and innovation. Steering the 90-year-old family business into new frontiers, he has not only expanded the group's automotive presence but has also diversified into insurance broking across five states. Currently at the helm of the AID, he continues to be a driving force in shaping the region's industrial landscape, embodying trust, honesty, and empathy in every endeavor.

TEAM AID



Girdhari Mantri Vice President

A modern Renaissance leader, conducts a symphony of roles, from shaping cultural and educational institutions to influencing politics, corporate ventures, and sustainability initiatives. His journey reflects a dynamic tapestry of experience, from Plastics to Agriculture, Solar installations, Sugar production, and more. A well-rounded personality, he not only excels in the boardroom but also in sports.



Pranav Sharma Vice President

Young and dynamic force behind the success of the Baidyanath Group! He is not a typical corporate leader, he brings a unique blend of academic rigor and practical insight to the business arena. He is the second generation bid of Baidyanath who has expand the group in various segments. His strategic vision extends beyond the conventional, steering the group towards new heights.



Dr. Vijay Sharma Secretary

A dedicated professional, passionate reader, creative writer and music lover! As a Executive Director of Shivayu Ayurved Limited, he brings his expertise in marketing Ayurvedic Pharmaceutical and Dietary products. Apart from his professional pursuits, he is deeply involved in various social, trade, and industrial organizations, showcasing his dedication to community and industry development.



Prof Rajesh Bagdi Treasure

In the vibrant tapestry of civic leadership and social service, he emerges as a stalwart figure, weaving together a legacy of multifaceted contributions. As the Treasurer for the BJP and Khasdar Sanskrutik Mahotsav Samiti and Director at the National Cancer Institute (NCI), he has made substantial contributions to political, cultural, healthcare, and social spheres, leaving an indelible mark on the civic life of Nagpur.



Dr. Mahendra Kshirsagar Executive Member A luminary in the realm of pharmaceutical sciences, he stands as a beacon of innovation and leadership in the industry. Armed with a doctoral degree, his journey began in the

hallowed halls of multinational companies, where he honed his skills and accumulated a wealth of experience. He embarked on a remarkable entrepreneurial venture, birthing Genetek Lifesciences Pvt. Ltd.



Prashant Ugemuge Executive Member The mastermind steering the ship of innovation ! He holds the prestigious title of Managing Director at Vidarbha Infotech Pvt Ltd, Prosound Innovations Pvt Ltd and Business Algorithms Pvt Ltd. He is a dynamic force shaping the landscape of IT, construction and hospitality. He is not just a captain; he is a visionary conduction, orchestrating symphonies of digital transformation and groundbreaking solutions.



Pradeep Maheshwari

Executive Member The man with extensive experience and contributions in the mining and minerals processing field, is working with the VED council. His strategic insights and efforts have played a significant role in promoting

economic development and creating opportunities in the region. As a strategist for the leading Iron Ore mining company, dedication to the betterment of Vidarbha and contributions to the natural resources sector are truly noteworthy.



Ravindra Boratkar Executive Member

His journey unfolds as a narrative of impactful leadership, steering organizations toward success, fostering agricultural advancement, and contributing significantly to the socio-economic fabric of the region. His diverse roles reflect a holistic approach to leadership, bridging corporate governance, community engagement, and economic development. A luminary in the corporate and socio-economic spheres, he holds a multitude of influential roles.



Nikhil Gadkari Executive Member

With a rich history spanning Administration, Banking, Finance, and Sales, his expertise shines in the Agro and Infrastructure Industry. As a distinguished manufacturer of Sugar, Ethanol, FMCG, and IQF, he is also a pivotal

figure in global trade, importing LPG & Diesel, ADC12, and Soybean. His business network spans Central and Southern India, UAE, Qatar, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Nigeria, Russia, Canada, reflecting a legacy of success that transcends borders.



Rajesh Rokade Executive Member

A luminary in the jewellery industry, as the Director of Rokde Jewellers, his leadership shines. Beyond business, he plays a pivotal role nationally as the Vice Chairman of the All India Gems and Jewellery Domestic Council and as a Director of the Gems and Jewellery Skill Council of India,

contributing to policy and skill development. In recognition of his outstanding contributions, he has been honoured with the Vidharbha Ratna Award, a testament to his exceptional leadership.

BACK OFFICE SUPPORT



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Vijay Fadnavis Senior Executive

An Automobile Engineering Diploma holder, he leads with energy and positivity as the President of Shivray Foundation. His ever-smiling face and enthusiastic approach shine in his role as an Admin at the Association for Industrial Development, creating a dynamic and vibrant work environment.



Pankaj Bhokare Executive Secretary

A dynamic professional with expertise in industry-government liaison, event management, and office administration, he is well versed with the common issues of the industry, with work experience at a reputed national chamber, industry association and industry.



Nivedita Atalkar Executive

Specializing in crafting event contracts, vendor agreements, and captivating promotional materials, she navigates the intricate worlds of Events & Sports, LPO, and export houses. She is the ideal choice for projects that demand a unique blend of all.

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