

Skipper Limited enters Southern Market with new Polymer Pipes manufacturing facility in Hyderabad

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Hyderabad, July, 22nd 2016: Skipper Limited, one of the market leaders in the Polymer Pipes business, has announced its debut in the southern part of the country by setting up its new manufacturing plant in Hyderabad. The state-of-the-art manufacturing unit has come up at Medak district near Bollaram, Jinnaram Mandal to produce Plumbing and Agriculture pipes.

Spread over nearly *2.25 acres*, the plant will have a manufacturing capacity to produce 6000 MTPA of both Plumbing and Agriculture pipes.

The company has already hired 100+ employees and implemented recruiting and training programs since last couple of months. Production from the project's first phase will begin later this month.

Sharing his thoughts on the occasion **Mr. Devesh Bansal, Director, Skipper Ltd.** said, "At Skipper Limited we are constantly in pursuit of innovation and have dedicated our resources to expand our cutting-edge products and value added propositions to the rest of the country." He further added, "Our confidence for the state of Telangana and the city of Hyderabad has been a tremendous driving force behind our manufacturing scale-up. Our local employees and partners have worked hard to start up this facility on an extremely fast timeline, and we are excited to expand our manufacturing presence in this part of the country."

Mr. Siddharth Bansal, Director Skipper Limited added, "The Hyderabad Unit is an excellent example of how we continue to invest in our national presence. This factory will contribute to accelerate the production capacities and illustrates our forte of producing Polymer Pipes of international standards which combines strong and sustainable production efficiency". He also added, "Telangana is crucial for our growth and we are looking at achieving a substantial market share in the next few years."

In the recent past Skipper Limited also had been awarded with the contract of delivering the mega flag project for the occasion of Telangana Formation Day i.e. June 2nd, 2016. The height of the flag pole is 291 ft., while the bottom diameter is 1800 mm; 16 mm Solid Steel sheets are used to create this mammoth structure.

With the setting up of this new plant in Hyderabad, Skipper Limited aims to support the Prime Minister's initiative of 'Make In India'. With this policy, India will be the next manufacturing hub and a competitive market globally. The company has chosen Hyderabad to target the entire southern region Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka and Kerala market. The hassle free industrial policy of Govt. of Telangana has helped the company in successfully establishing the manufacturing unit in a very short span. Also, the smart and talented workforce of the state makes this place a great destination for business establishments. Skipper Ltd.'s PVC Pipes manufacturing units are currently spread across 5



locations including Uluberia (Howrah), Guwahati, Sikandrabad, Ahmedabad and the newly launched Hyderabad.

Skipper's PVC business has been registering 100% growth and has already captured a significant share of the national market. The company also has an initiative of excellence "Skipper Saathi" that trains semi-skilled and unskilled plumbers. Through this initiative, the company aims to contribute to the growing requirement of trained manpower in plumbing and farming sectors.

ABOUT SKIPPER LIMITED

Skipper Limited established in 1981 is one of the leading companies in the Power Transmission & Distribution and the Polymer pipes segment. With over 35 years of domain knowledge it is among the top 3 in India and among top 10 globally basis the manufacturing capacity. Skipper differentiates its offerings with high quality but cost effective solution for infrastructure providers and telecom operators.

Its international footprint spans across continents such as Latin America, Europe, Africa and is spread across 20 countries with presence across sub-segments such as towers, EPC, monopoles and poles. The company has been recently recognized as one of the fastest growing Transmission Tower companies in India on various forums.

Skipper Limited is a powerhouse in the Polymer Pipe business nationally. Under the brand name of 'Skipper', the company manufactures premium quality PVC pipes & Fittings which serve both the agricultural as well as plumbing sectors.

Skipper Limited is listed at BSE (538562) and NSE (Symbol: SKIPPER) in 2014 & 2015 respectively.