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Vestas Opens New R&D Test Centre in India

Vestas has expanded its Technology R&D capabilities in India with the opening of a state-of-the-art test centre for wind turbine components in Chennai to further ensure the reliability of Vestas products.

The test centre is located at Rajiv Gandhi Salai, adjacent to the existing Technology R&D office that opened in 2008. It continues Vestas' development in India, one of the world's fastest growing wind energy markets, and a key market for Vestas.

"The new Test Center will play an important role for Vestas. This new facility adds to our global testing and verification of wind turbine components to further improve their reliability and performance," says Servet Sert, Vice President of Test, Verification and Quality for Vestas Technology R&D.

Commenting on the Vestas Technology R&D operations in India, Michael Høgedal, Managing Director, Vestas Technology R&D Chennai, says: "Vestas Technology R&D is continuing to invest in the huge pool of engineering talent available in Chennai. Together with our technology centre, this test centre forms a crucial part in ensuring Vestas continuing its role as a world-class supplier of wind energy solutions."

The test centre will generate more "green jobs" locally in Chennai, where employees research on competitive answers to combat CO2 emissions and rapidly growing huge energy needs of India. In addition to the opening of the test centre, Vestas Technology R&D is also expanding its existing office space at Chennai by an additional 35,000 square feet.

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About Vestas:

A pioneer of 30 years in wind energy, with the world's largest R&D centre, real-time monitoring of thousands of turbines and over 20,000 people worldwide focusing solely on wind, Vestas strives to bring wind on par with oil and gas. Vestas is the leading producer of high technological wind power solutions and has installed over 43,000 wind turbines in 66 countries on 6 continents. Vestas' core business comprises the development, manufacture, sale and maintenance of wind technology that uses the energy of the wind to generate electricity. The company has a talent pool of more than

20,000 people worldwide which works towards one pure goal: generating the greatest and most sustainable return on wind for its customers.

About Vestas India (www.vestas.in): Vestas Wind Technology India Private Limited is a 100% subsidiary of Vestas Wind Systems A/S Denmark, the global leader in wind energy. In India, Vestas has been present for over a decade and has an installed capacity of over 2400 MW. Vestas competencies cover the entire value chain from site studies to construction and commissioning, developing the infrastructure (road, power evacuation, substations, etc.), liaising with government agencies and turbine monitoring with Lifetime comprehensive Operation and Maintenance Services. Vestas has installed turbines in wind rich states like Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Gujarat, Kerala and Rajasthan. Vestas has world class manufacturing facilities in Chennai and Puducherry. Established in August 2007, Vestas Technology R&D in Chennai is the largest Technology R&D centre for wind energy in India and it employs over 300 specialists in Chennai who carry out cutting edge R&D into all aspects of wind turbine engineering and design.

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