

Press information

Statkraft BLP inaugurates one of the largest “in-campus” solar power plants in Tamil Nadu

Bengaluru/Chennai, 22nd February 2018. Statkraft BLP Solar Solutions, one of the leading customer-focused solar solution providers and independent power producers in India, inaugurated a 5 MWp solar park on 13th February 2018 for SRF’s manufacturing plant in Gummidipoondi (Tamil Nadu).

The project is one of the largest in-campus solar power projects in Tamil Nadu and will reduce electricity costs and CO₂ emissions of SRF’s production plant for polymer-based technical textiles significantly: It is estimated to generate 7,500 MWh clean energy per year.

“We are proud to have set up one of the largest “in-campus” solar projects in Tamil Nadu that provides a high quality solar solution for SRF Limited. This will further enhance our position as a unique service provider in the solar sector, and is another step to contribute to reach India’s renewable energy targets by 2022”, **says Tejpreet S. Chopra, CEO of Statkraft BLP Solar Solutions.**

“SRF has always been at the forefront of adopting technologies that aim at delivering quality to the customer on a sustainable basis and simultaneously promote green manufacturing in our business. Climate change and rising energy demand intensify the need for greater usage of clean and green energy in order to ensure environmental protection. With the successful commissioning of the 5 MWp solar park we are making our operations both green and more sustainable,” **said Sanjay Chatrath, president and CEO Technical Textiles Business, SRF Limited.**

“The solar park we built for SRF is a milestone project for us where innovative design helped overcome technical challenges that we faced in setting up such a large project within an operating factory. The project has accounted for more than 1 Lakh hours of employment without any safety violation incidents, which proves that we follow our world-class health and safety standards rigorously” adds **Pratyush K. Thakur, COO of Statkraft BLP Solar Solutions.**

Statkraft BLP Solar Solutions has previously commissioned several roof top and ground mounted projects, including a 5 MWp open access solar plant in Tumkur District, Karnataka.

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About SRF

Established in 1970, SRF Limited with an annual turnover of ₹5100 crore (US\$ 790 million) is a chemical based multi business entity engaged in the manufacturing of industrial and specialty intermediates. The company's diversified business portfolio covers Technical Textiles, Fluorochemicals, Specialty Chemicals, Packaging Films and Engineering Plastics. Anchored by a strong workforce of more than 6,300 employees from different nationalities working across 12 manufacturing plants in India, two in Thailand, and one in South Africa, the company exports to more than 75 countries. Equipped with State-of-the-Art R&D facilities, SRF has filed 125 patents for R&D and technology so far, of which Eleven have been granted. A winner of the prestigious Deming Prize for two of its businesses namely, Tyre Cord and Chemicals, SRF continues to redefine its work and corporate culture with TQM as its management way.

About Statkraft BLP

Statkraft BLP Solar Solutions Private Limited (SBSS) is a joint venture between Statkraft and Bharat Light & Power. SBSS has been set up for developing solar projects in India with focus towards serving industrial and commercial customers. SBSS also provides a variety of financing structures, whereby consumers can convert their solar CAPEX into an attractive per unit cost of solar energy, enabling consumers to reduce their carbon footprint and lower energy costs.

About Statkraft

Statkraft is a leading company in hydropower internationally and Europe's largest generator of renewable energy. The Group produces hydropower, wind power, solar power, gas-fired power and supplies district heating. Statkraft is a global company in energy market operations. Statkraft has 3,600 employees in 16 countries.

About Bharat Light & Power Pvt Ltd:

Bharat Light & Power Pvt Ltd (BLP) is one of the leading renewable energy generation and technology companies in India. It has three verticals. BLP Energy, a joint venture with Enel Green Power builds, owns and operates utility scale renewable energy power plants to generate clean energy through wind and solar technologies. SBSS, a joint venture with Statkraft provides distributed solar solutions to large corporates, industries and institutions in India. Lastly, BLP through its Orion platform provides monitoring,

reporting and predictive intelligence solutions to global utilities through its control centre in Bangalore by leveraging big data, the cloud, mobility and advanced analytics. This enables Orion's customers to build smarter operations, better real time visualization and improve operational efficiency of the renewable power plants.