

L&T Wins Contracts in MP

**NEW DELHI:** L&T on Wednesday said its construction arm has won large contracts in Madhya Pradesh. The company, however, did not specify the exact amount of the contract. As per its specifications, a large contract varies between ₹2,000 crore to ₹5,000 crore. "The Water & Effluent Treatment business has secured multiple EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) orders for the execution of rural piped water supply schemes in various districts of Madhya Pradesh. The projects are part of Jal Jeevan Mission and cover the districts of Guna, Ashoknagar, Shivpuri, Agar Malwa and Singrauli," the company said in a statement. P.T.I.

'Serum Ready for Vaccine Rollout'

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**Mumbai:** Serum Institute of India (SII) is ready for an end-to-end rollout of its Covid-19 vaccine and will start the distribution as soon as it receives a marketing nod from the drug regulator, said an official from the company to ET. SII has already manufactured around 50 million doses of the Covid vaccine branded as Covishield and which is based on the vaccine technology of the drugmaker AstraZeneca and Oxford. "Everything is ready for rollout and we are only waiting for regulators to give us the go-ahead," said an official from Serum who did not wish to be quoted. SII earlier this week has submitted data from its phase 3 trials, the subject expert committee will be examining the data on safety and whether the vaccine managed to induce immune response in its participants. In November, the company had submitted data to the SEC which did not grant marketing authorization because of lack of data, and asked the company to provide data from the AstraZeneca/Oxford study that was submitted to the UK regulators. A nod from the UK regulator, the AstraZeneca/Oxford vaccine, is official approval in India, official aware of the development told ET. In an email response to ET last week, the UK regulator Medicines and Healthcare Regulatory Agency (MHRA) said that its rolling review of the AstraZeneca/Oxford Covid-19 vaccine was ongoing.

"We will rigorously assess the data in the shortest time possible, without compromising the thoroughness of our review," the MHRA spokesperson had said. The spokesperson added that its process for approving vaccines was designed to ensure that "any Covid-19 vaccine authorized meets the expected high standards of safety, quality and effectiveness."

The MHRA is reviewing two data sets from AZ/Oxford, one that is two doses with around 63% efficacy, the other with half and full doses with over 90% with half and full doses with over 90% efficacy. The general efficacy benchmark for vaccine approval is 50%. SII has submitted data for two dose vaccines.

Countries such as the US, UK, Canada and the Covid-19 vaccine which is considered to be one of the largest adult immunization programmes is underway. These countries have started administering vaccines of Pfizer and Moderna. Singapore, UAE, Saudi Arabia are expected to start their Covid-19 vaccination programmes this week. According to numbers from OurWorldInData, the total vaccine doses of Covid-19 have reached 2.36 million. China has done the maximum number of vaccine doses so far at 1.1 million doses, followed by the US, UK and Russia.

Frenzy at Mumbai Airport Over Quarantine Guidelines

Passengers complain some were left off while others were taken to hotels

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**Mumbai:** The third day of fresh quarantine rules in Maharashtra saw continuing confusion and chaos at the Mumbai airport, as passengers didn't want to be quarantined and accused that some were randomly left off and others were taken to hotels. Flights from the UK have been banned since midnight Wednesday (11:59 pm Dec 23) but the Maharashtra government since Tuesday has additionally mandated that all passengers from Europe and Middle East should be quarantined. Those symptomatic will be taken to Covid facilities. Others will be taken to hotels. Mumbai is preparing to receive 2,500 such passengers daily at least for the first two days, ET reported on Wednesday.

Yanors of angry passengers were posted on Twitter. A passenger Kapil Patil posted regular updates on Twitter that his wife and 4 month old baby had been stuck at the airport for 78 hours after the flight landed at 4 am on Tuesday. Other tweeted videos of passengers protesting.

"Flights that are landing are taking 3 hours to clear which will create additional delays. What's more many passengers are randomly left once they show their RT-PCR test results while others are taken to hotels. The rule, according to the Maharashtra government circular is that all passengers will stay at the hotels for 7 days when the viral load is supposedly high. "It's no one's fault," said an airport executive. "It's a new strain of the virus and we have to take precautions. At the same time passengers coming in from abroad didn't know about the new rules and are desperate to reach home and be with family. We are just the providers of infrastructure," he said. In a corollary to the new rule, the Maharashtra government late Tuesday

added transit passengers would not be quarantined if they had a negative RT-PCR report from test conducted within 72 hours of boarding the flight. Those who didn't have a test would have to undergo a test at airport and then let go if their report showed up negative. According to the Maharashtra government circular from chief minister Uddhav Thackeray, passengers

from other countries will be checked, have their hands stamped and asked to isolate themselves at home. He also said that those traveling from Europe and the Middle East should inform the authorities if they have flown within the country. The state government will impose a curfew in the municipal areas from 11 pm to 6 am from Wednesday until January 5.

11 Travellers to India Test Positive

**NEW DELHI:** Eleven passengers who arrived in India on two separate flights from London have tested positive for Covid-19, officials said on Wednesday, writes Teena Thacker. This comes amid rising fears over a new strain of coronavirus that has been detected in the UK, leading to travel restrictions by several nations, including India, in the past few days.

India's ban on flights from the UK, comes into effect from Wednesday, and will last till December 31. Till then, the government has said all passengers arriving from the UK will be tested on arrival at airports.

On Wednesday over 950 passengers from London were tested at the Delhi airport and out of them 11 tested positive for Covid-19.

According to officials aware of the matter the samples have been government's nodal NCDC, Delhi for further research using genome sequencing.

"It takes 3-5 days to ascertain the results," a government official said. 50 passengers were sent for institutional quarantine center. "Passengers sitting in same row or nearby rows on the flight might have been asked to be quarantined," the official further said.

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TOTAL CASES IN INDIA 10.10M (+1,022)

Active 287,826 (1347) Recovered 9,67M (417) Deaths 146,887 (118)

Samples Tested so far 164.27 MILLION 1.10M in last 24 hours

POSITIVE TESTS 6.16%

5 Main Metro Total Cases Active Recovered Deaths

Delhi (618747) 8735 Bengaluru Urban (383816) 9148 Mumbai (287816) 7650 Chennai (222888) 3025 Kolkata (120503) 3860

GLOBAL COUNT Total Cases 78.40 M Deaths 1,726,648 Recovered 55.25 M

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Godrej Plans Cold Storage Solution for Ultra-low Temperature Vaccines

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**Mumbai:** Mumbai-based Godrej Appliances is developing the cold storage solution for vaccines that require ultra-low temperature. The company is developing a solution that could pave the way for the launch of vaccines by Pfizer and Moderna. The medical refrigerator is expected to be ready by January at roughly cost of ₹7 lakh. It is for 200 liter storage capacity. "We are more or less ready to supply the 70 cold storage facility, which is a part of the Pfizer vaccine. We are geared up for that product from January, but those are expensive ones," said Ajit Kamal, Managing Director, Godrej Appliances in an interview with ET.



A 200-liter container can store up to 50 thousand units of vaccine. The Pfizer vaccine has about 97% efficacy and is currently part of the immunization programme of countries such as the UK, USA and Canada. In India though Pfizer has approved a marketing approval, government officials are unlikely to pick it up for the vaccination drive due to the stringent cold storage requirement and price of the vaccine. However, there might be a possibility that the vaccine is distributed through private channels.

immunize close to 300 million adults by June 2021, if the vaccine gets approved in the country.

The current vaccines that are under development in India require cold storage facilities of 2-8 degrees. Godrej recently won a national tender from the Indian government of ₹56 crore to supply 12 thousand medical refrigerators and chest freezers that have storage temperature of 2-8 degrees.

The company is anticipating orders from state governments such as Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Meghalaya who have started charting plans for vaccination. "We had installed a capacity of 10,000 appliances per annum, given Covid-19 vaccination drive we are re-looked at our capacity and have increased up to 25,000 per year," said Jaishankar Narayan, head, new business development Godrej Appliances.

Narayan explained that when the company is devising storage solution, it is looking in mind tropical weather conditions that could keep the temperatures intact for three to ten days even without electricity.

EAST COAST ENERGY PRIVATE LIMITED - IN LIQUIDATION

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO ACQUIRE ASSETS/THERMAL POWER PLANT. The Form for submission of EOI and brief details of the assets are available on the website of ECEPL. The first for the same is given below. In case of any further queries, the interested parties may communicate at: liquidator@eastcoastenergy.com

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FORM B INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- Name of the corporate debtor: Techa Forge Limited
- Date of incorporation of corporate debtor: 28.08.1979
- Authority under which corporate debtor is incorporated / registered: Registrar of Companies, Ahmedabad, India under the Companies Act, 1956
- Corporate identity number / limited liability identification number of corporate debtor: L28910GJ1979P0010368
- Address of the registered office and principal office of corporate debtor: 1002 GDC Estate, Ankeshwar, - Bharuch 390002, Gujarat
- Insolvency commencement date of the corporate debtor: 02.07.2020
- Date of initiation of expression of interest: 24.12.2020
- Eligibility for resolution applicants under section 230(3)(b) of the Code is available at: Can be provided on request to Email: jpbhavishah@gmail.com
- Norms of eligibility applicable under section 238 are available at: Same as stated in (i) above
- Last date for receipt of expression of interest: 08.01.2021
- Date of issue of provisional list of prospective resolution applicants: 13.01.2021
- Last date for submission of applications to provisional list: 18.01.2021
- Date of issue of final list of prospective resolution applicants: 28.01.2021
- Date of issue of information memorandum, evaluation matrix and request for resolution plans: 08.01.2021
- Number of intending prospective resolution applicants: 08.01.2021
- Enquirer of obtaining request for resolution plans, evaluation matrix, information memorandum and further information: Same as stated in (i) above
- Last date for submission of resolution plans: 16.02.2021
- Manner of submitting resolution plans to resolution professional: By Speed post or by hand delivery in sealed cover followed by email confirmation.
- Estimated date for submission of resolution plan to the Adjudicating Authority for approval: 04.03.2021
- Name and address of the resolution professional: CA Shashi Shrivastava Shah Reg No: 8889A/191P-IND/20017-981521 CA Shashi Shrivastava Shah 201, Eshwar Apt, Dr. V.S Road, Ahmedabad - 380015 Email: jpbhavishah@gmail.com
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