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ROLLS-ROYCE OPENS MARINE SERVICE FACILITY IN MUMBAI

Rolls-Royce today formally opened its marine service facility in Mumbai to support the growing shipping industry in India.

The inauguration ceremony graced by the traditional Hindu ceremony of “lighting of the lamp” was attended by ship owners and other customers.

Located at Navi Mumbai, the new facility, which employs 60 people, will offer comprehensive support services and undertake repair and upgrading of Rolls-Royce products in the region.

For example, a highly successful cylinder head exchange programme currently popular in Europe for Rolls-Royce Bergen engines will become operational from Mumbai. This will ensure that customers benefit from lower maintenance costs and shorter docking time.

John Paterson, Rolls-Royce President - Marine said: *“Rolls-Royce is known worldwide for the excellence of its products and engineering services. We have developed a technically equipped facility for our customers in India which will result in significant operational efficiencies and improved service quality. This is a big step forward in strengthening our presence in India.”*

Srinivas Duvvuri, Rolls-Royce Regional Director for India said *“Although Rolls-Royce has a distinguished history of more than 75 years in India, it is planning new programmes which will ensure a long and worthwhile future. Our investment in a new service facility exemplifies that we not only regard India as an important market but a vital partner for mutual expansion.”*

Rolls-Royce has more than 1,300 engines in service in India, mainly as a result of long-term programmes. All four of the company’s global market sectors – civil aerospace, defence aerospace, marine and energy – are well represented in the country.

In the Indian marine sector, there are more than 60 Rolls-Royce UT Design vessels in service and over 300 vessels operate with Rolls-Royce marine equipment. A further 39 vessels of UT design are currently under construction at various Indian shipyards where Rolls-Royce also supplies all major equipment. Presently there are over 30 vessels operating with Rolls-Royce equipment in service with Indian Navy and Coast Guard.

Note to Editors:

1. Rolls-Royce, the world-leading provider of power systems and services for use on land, at sea and in the air, operates in four global markets - civil aerospace, defence aerospace, marine and energy. It is investing in technology and capability that can be exploited in each of these sectors to create a competitive range of products.
2. The success of these products is demonstrated by the company's rapid and substantial gains in market share over recent years. The company now has a total of 54,000 gas turbines in service worldwide. The investments in product, capability and infrastructure to gain this market position create high barriers to entry.
3. Rolls-Royce has a broad customer base comprising nearly 600 airlines, 4,000 corporate and utility aircraft and helicopter operators, 160 armed forces and more than 2,000 marine customers, including 70 navies. The company has energy customers in nearly 120 countries. Rolls-Royce employs around 38,800 people, of which 40 per cent are based outside the UK.

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