## Press release



# Bosch supports India's skilling agenda with new development center in Bangalore

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- The center is created at the Government I.T.I. at Dairy Circle, Bengaluru
- It houses seven learning facilities along with two labs developed in association with Samsung
- The center will help upskill current and future I.T.I students and prepare them for future endeavours

**Bengaluru** – As Indian industries continue to evolve; it has become necessary for the workforce today to upskill themselves in order to improve their technical knowledge. Bosch Limited has come forward to support the development of such a workforce through the creation of a new 'Skill Development Center' at the Government Industrial Training Institute (I.T.I.) at Dairy Circle in Bengaluru. The center, named Model-Block 1, was inaugurated by Mr. Rajesh Aggarwal, Additional Secretary, Director General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Government of India, and Mr. Soumitra Bhattacharya, Managing Director, Bosch Limited and President, Bosch Group India. It forms a part of India's larger skill development agenda and will upskill both current and future I.T.I. students with industry-relevant skills.

Bosch's model Skill Development Center houses seven learning facilities within it, including a Mechatronics Lab, a Modern Manufacturing Lab, a Modern Carpentry Lab and an Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Lab. Further, two other labs have been developed in partnership with Samsung, namely the Hand-held Phone and Audio-Visual Lab and Home Appliances Lab.

Speaking at the inauguration, Mr, Rajesh Aggarwal said, "I am very happy to see the transformations that are happening in I.T.Is across India. An important aspect for these institutes is to have an industry connect and it is evident here in this I.T.I. I am confident that with further investments from the state and central government, we will see more of such development centers in the coming future."

"The evolving landscape of the industry in India has created the need for a workforce that is capable of adapting to not only current but also future trends. The purpose of

this I.T.I is to address this need on an ongoing basis. Public-private partnerships such as Bosch's Skill Development Center are the best way to ensure the success of this endeavour and we are proud to be able to aid the Government in the training of the country's future workforce," said Mr. Bhattacharya, Managing Director, Bosch Ltd.

The Skill Development Center is the latest addition to Bosch's skilling endeavours that look to support the industry by improving the workforce. The dignitaries also met a few trainees of this program after the inauguration ceremony. Ensuring the employability of unprivileged school dropout youth is an important thrust area for Bosch Limited. Among company's other major initiatives, BRIDGE program aims to make underprivileged youth more employable through short-term training courses.

Bosch's partnership with the Government of India is part of a larger initiative launched by the government to upgrade a total of 1396 I.T.I.s through public-private partnerships (PPP). The Government of Karnataka has also identified 28 I.T.I.s in the state and allotted Rs 10 crore to each of them to be developed as "Model I.T.I.s".

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In India, Bosch is a leading supplier of technology and services in the areas of Mobility Solutions, Industrial Technology, Consumer Goods, and Energy and Building Technology. Additionally, Bosch has in India the largest development center outside Germany, for end to end engineering and technology solutions. The Bosch Group operates in India through twelve companies, viz, Bosch Limited, Bosch Chassis Systems India Private Limited, Bosch Rexroth (India) Private Limited, Robert Bosch Engineering and Business Solutions Private Limited, Bosch Automotive Electronics India Private Limited, Bosch Electrical Drives India Private Limited, BSH Home Appliances Private Limited, ETAS Automotive India Private Limited, Robert Bosch Automotive Steering Private Limited, Automobility Services and Solutions Private Limited, Newtech Filter India Private Limited and Mivin Engg. Technologies Private Limited. In India, Bosch set-up its manufacturing operation in 1951, which has grown over the years to include 18 manufacturing sites, and seven development and application centers. Bosch Group in India employs over 31,000 associates and generated consolidated revenue of about ₹.21,450 crores\*

(2.66 billion euros) in 2018 of which ₹. 15,824 crores\*(1.96 billion euros) from third party. The Group in India has close to 18,000 research and development associates.

In India, Bosch Limited is the flagship company of the Bosch Group. It earned revenue of over ₹. 12,460 crores (1.54 billion euros) in 2018. Additional information can be accessed at www.bosch.in

#### **About Bosch Group**

The Bosch Group is a leading global supplier of technology and services. It employs roughly 410,000 associates worldwide (as of December 31, 2018). The company generated sales of 78.5 billion euros in 2018. Its operations are divided into four business sectors: Mobility Solutions, Industrial Technology, Consumer Goods, and Energy and Building Technology. As a leading IoT company, Bosch offers innovative solutions for smart homes, smart cities, connected mobility, and connected manufacturing. It uses its expertise in sensor technology,

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