

BPCL Champions Sporting Excellence at 7th PSPB Inter-Unit Squash Meet

Pune, February 26, 2026: **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)**, a Fortune Global 500 company and a Maharatna PSU, is hosting the 7th PSPB Inter-Unit Squash Tournament at the renowned Maharashtra Squash Academy, Undri, bringing together some of the finest squash talent from across the oil and gas sector.

Organised under the aegis of the Petroleum Sports Promotion Board (PSPB), the tournament underscores BPCL's sustained commitment to promoting sporting excellence and encouraging a competitive sporting culture within the industry.

The tournament was inaugurated by **Mr. Thomas James, Head – Retail (West), BPCL**, in the presence of **Mr. Lalit Watts, Advisor, PSPB**, along with senior officials, players, and sports enthusiasts.

Emphasising BPCL's long-standing commitment to sports development, **Mr Deepak Jain, Head of Sports, BPCL, said**, *“At BPCL, we view nurturing sporting talent as an investment in the nation's future. Our endeavour is to provide young athletes with the right platform, structured mentoring, and sustained developmental support to help them realise their full potential. Today, we are supporting nearly 100 budding sportspersons through dedicated scholarship programmes, and with the upcoming Sports Academy in Kochi, we aim to institutionalise our grassroots efforts and build a strong, sustainable pathway for sporting excellence.”*

The tournament features leading squash players, including Rahul Baitha (India No. 9), Mayyappan (India No. 15), along with BPCL's promising talent Reiva Nimbalkar, ensuring a high-intensity and competitive showcase of the sport.

This edition also carries special significance as it marks the final PSPB Squash appearance of Mr. Rajkumar Dubey, Director (HR), BPCL, ahead of his superannuation. A distinguished squash player and three-time consecutive Veterans Category Champion at PSPB tournaments, Mr. Dubey's participation adds an emotional and inspirational dimension to the event.

By hosting national-level tournaments and investing consistently in athlete development, BPCL continues to strengthen India's sporting ecosystem while reinforcing its belief that excellence in energy and excellence in sport go hand in hand.

About Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL):

Fortune Global 500 Company, Bharat Petroleum is the second largest Indian Oil Marketing Company and one of the integrated energy companies in India, engaged in refining of crude oil and marketing of petroleum products, with presence in the upstream and downstream sectors of the oil and gas industry. The company attained the coveted Maharatna status, joining the club of companies having greater operational & financial autonomy.

Bharat Petroleum's Refineries at Mumbai, Kochi and Bina have a combined refining capacity of around 35.3 MMTPA. Its marketing infrastructure includes a network of installations, depots, fuel stations, aviation service stations and LPG distributors. Its distribution network comprises over 23,500+ Fuel Stations, over 6,200+ LPG distributorships, 500+ Lubes distributorships, 80 POL storage locations, 54 LPG Bottling Plants, 79 Aviation Service Stations, 5 Lube blending plants and 5 cross-country pipelines.

Bharat Petroleum is integrating its strategy, investments, environmental and social ambitions to move towards a sustainable planet. The company has Electric vehicle charging stations at 6500+ Fuel Stations. With a focus on sustainable solutions, the company is developing an ecosystem and a road-map to become a Net Zero Energy Company by 2040, in Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions. Bharat Petroleum has been partnering communities by supporting several initiatives connected primarily in the areas of education, water conservation, skill development, health, community development, capacity building and employee volunteering. With 'Energising Lives' as its core purpose, Bharat Petroleum's vision is to be an admired global energy company leveraging talent, innovation & technology.

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