



EDITORIAL

A POETIC PAUSE WITH NATURE INTO THE SECOND QUARTER, RACING IN THE RAIN

Schools and colleges have started in full swing. And we are well into the second quarter of FY 2025-26. Project sites take a natural pause when the rains take over. But the works go on, in a studied pace. On the other side, it's energising to see youngsters splashing their way through the rain, oblivious to life and all its urgencies. Nothing beats the merry mirth of racing in the rain.

In a race, recently won by Kochi Refinery, we brought home triple laurels in manufacturing competitiveness. We have also crossed milestones in the PP & REJP Project and started strategic initiatives in CPO and OM&S to drive operational excellence. Read on for more in this edition.

We pledged to go more-green as part of the World Environment Day 2025. A resolute commitment we make every year, and comply with gracious respect for mother nature. It is refreshing to note that our following on social media is rising slowly, with the eventful updates that we share. So, while you are nestled in the warmth of your home, on a simple rainy day, do follow the social media reports you may have missed, and buzz in the likes.

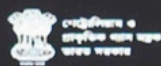
In a world that often demands action and speed, rain gently urges us to look out the window, breathe deeper, and feel more. Very clearly it teaches us that growth – like the green that follows it – takes time, care, and patience. Let us listen closely when it rains. Not just to the sound, but also to the message

Wishing all of you good health and safe times.

Warmly
Editor

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HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER LAID THE FOUNDATION STONE OF CITY GAS DISTRIBUTION PROJECTS IN WEST BENGAL

It was a momentous occasion for Bharat Petroleum as the Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, laid the foundation stone for BPCL's City Gas Distribution (CGD) project in the Alipurduar and Coochbehar districts of West Bengal.

In his address, the Prime Minister emphasized that this initiative is not just about building infrastructure - it's about empowering over 2.5 lakh households with clean, safe and affordable piped gas. With the construction of CNG stations, green fuel will now be more accessible - saving time, money and the environment. This project, which is expected to generate over 22 lakh man-days of employment and reduce emissions equivalent to planting 50 lakh trees, will propel Eastern India toward a sustainable and energy-secure future.

As a significant step towards expanding the City Gas Distribution (CGD) network in India, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today laid the foundation stone of the CGD project in Alipurduar and Coochbehar districts of West Bengal. The project, with a total cost of over Rs. 1000 Crores, aims to provide Piped Natural Gas (PNG) to over 2.5 Lakh households, 100+ commercial establishments and industries besides providing Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) to vehicular traffic by establishing minimum 19 CNG stations. The project is scheduled to be completed by 30th September 2030. The tap-off point for taking Natural Gas is situated at Ambari and Ghoksadanga tapoff stations of M/s GAIL situated in the Coochbehar District, West Bengal.

The project's key objective is to build a robust gas distribution infrastructure by laying steel pipelines, MDPE pipelines and other equipment for providing PNG connections to households, commercial establishments and industrial customers and CNG to vehicular traffic by establishing CNG stations. Impact of the Project : The project is expected to have a significant impact on the environment, employment, and the community. It aligns with India's net-zero emission goals, promoting natural gas as a cleaner alternative to conventional fuels, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 27%. During the 25-year project period, there will be a reduction of approximately 98 TMT of greenhouse gas emissions, which is equivalent to planting around 50 lakh trees.

The project is also expected to create over 22 lakh man-days of direct and indirect employment thereby boosting local economic growth. Once fully operational, over 42 lakh population in these districts will enjoy a convenient, reliable, environment-friendly and cost-effective fuel supply. The provision of a robust and efficient City Gas Distribution infrastructure, sets the stage for creating a healthier environment and boosting sustainable development in the districts of Alipurduar and Coochbehar of West Bengal.



BIG WINS FOR BPCL REFINERIES AT NAMC 2024-25

Triple honours for Kochi Refinery and double for Bina Refinery at NAMC 2024-25, charting big wins for BharatPetroleum Refineries. At the 11th edition of the National Awards for Manufacturing Competitiveness (NAMC 2024-25), Kochi Refinery brought home the Gold medal, Diamond Trophy and Aatmanirbhar Factory Recognition Program (AFRP) awards instituted by the International Research Institute for Manufacturing (IRIM), India while Bina Refinery bagged the Gold medal and Aatmanirbhar Factory Recognition Program (AFRP).

The prestigious awards were presented by Dr. A Sivathanu Pillai, Founder, Managing Director, Brahmos Missile to the Kochi Refinery team led by Mr. A Mahendiran, Chief General Manager (Operations) and comprising of Mr. Baburajan, Chief Manager (Maintenance) and Mr. Sasi P K, Chief Manager (Environment) in Mumbai on 14 June 2025. The Bina Refinery team was led by Mr. Sanjeev Varma, General Manager (Mfg), Mr Shahnawaz Khan, Manager (M&C- Planning) and Mr. Gaurav Pathak, Assistant Manager (Technical Services)

This prestigious award recognizes the competitiveness based on a thorough assessment conducted by the International Research Institute for Manufacturing. This recognition truly reflects the team's unwavering dedication to excellence, innovation and will further motivate continuous pursuit of manufacturing competitiveness.



HEARTY CONGRATS STANDOUT PLAYER OF INDIA- JEROME

Congratulations to our colleague Jerome Vinith for being awarded the Standout Player of the Tournament, as the Indian Volleyball Team clinched the silver medal at the Central Asian Volleyball Nations League in Uzbekistan.

The team displayed remarkable skill, unity, and resilience throughout the tournament. In a hard-fought final against Iran, India delivered a commendable performance, underscoring the rising stature of Indian volleyball on the international stage.



WIDENING THE SAFETY ROAD FOR BPCL PP PROJECT

The ceremonial initiation of the widening of R2 Road extending from FACT Main Gate to Kochi Refinery PP Site Entry, for a stretch of 1.7 KM within FACT Area was organised in the gracious presence of Mr. Sankar M, Executive Director (KR), Mr. George Thomas, CGM (HR) and Mr. Satheesh Kumar KP (Projects-PP), and other senior officials of BPCL, along with the Director (Finance & HR) and senior officials of FACT.

The total project cost is Rs 19.5 crores (including taxes). The job has been awarded to M/s Amity Projects and Construction (APCON, with a completion period of 12 months). The project involves widening the existing road to 22 meters, with a 15-meter-wide tarred surface, for a total length of 1.7 km, along with the construction of RCC retaining walls, drainage systems, lighting facilities, and other related infrastructure works.

BPCL officials explained the criticality of the project to the senior officials of FACT, highlighting that it fulfils the contractual obligations under the land agreement. BPCL also sought FACT's wholehearted cooperation to complete the project within the stipulated timeline. FACT officials assured their full support, expressed their happiness, and appreciated BPCL's efforts in finally initiating the long-awaited project despite several challenges.

This road widening is of strategic importance, as it will not only fulfill BPCL's long-pending contractual obligation under the land purchase agreement with FACT but also facilitate the ongoing Polypropylene (PP) project construction by serving as an emergency route and providing a corridor for the movement of PP products and other future developments on BPCL's available land at FACT area.

YOGA FOR ONE EARTH, ONE HEALTH



Mr Sankar M, Executive Director led the 11th International Yoga Day observance at Kochi Refinery. Marking the observance of YOGA for One Earth One Health, an exclusive yoga practice session was organised by practitioners from Patanjali College of Yoga on 21 June.

Mr. Sankar M, stressed on the relevance and importance of practising yoga for a healthy lifestyle. "Physical, mental and social stability is equally crucial along with financial stability," he said. Senior leadership of the Refinery joined the practice session organised by the KR Learning and Development Team. The session comprised of breathing exercises and several asanas for preventing common lifestyle disorders. The faculty urged to make yoga a part of the daily routine as it requires only minimum time and energy, but gives maximum benefits to those who really invests time for it.

Students at the SDI, Angamaly also joined the national drive for yoga.





ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY KR PLEDGE FOR SWACHH BHARAT, HARIT BHARAT

Team Kochi Refinery led by Executive Director Mr. Sankar M joined the World Environment Day pledge taking ceremony at the Refinery on 05 June 2025. In his address, the Executive Director urged everyone to continue their commitment to building a cleaner and greener Nation. Earlier, the pledge was administered in Hindi by Ms. Shraddha Jaitly, Chief General Manager (Finance) and in English by Mr. Mahendiran A, CGM(Operations).

Around 300 tree saplings were planted at various locations. At the Coke Dome area, the first saplings were planted by Mr. Sankar M, ED(KR) and Mr. Ravi L, CGM CPO (Ref) and members of the KR Refinery Council Members. At the RODM plant the pledge was administered by Mr. Sumit Saha, CGM (P&U) who also initiated the saplings in that area. Team members of M/s Ion Exchange also joined the activity. Mr. Satheesh Kumar K P, CGM I/C (Project PP) led the pledge and the tree planting at the Poly Propylene project site and Mr. Venugopal T, CGM(E&C) did the same at the CBG site. Trees were also planted at the CISF Quarters.

Corporate HSSE Webinar “Green Technologies for Sustainable Future (Nature Based Solution)” by Dr. Indra Kant Jha, IIT, Bombay (on MStTeams) and a short film at the KR Auditorium were other highlights of the campaign coordinated by KR HSE- Environment Team.





FGH BAY COMMISSIONED

A significant milestone was achieved on 15th May 2025 at the Truck loading PDPP gantry with the flagging off of the first Food Grade Hexane (FGH) truck from the newly modified bay. The bay was ceremoniously flagged off by Mr. Vinod PL, General Manager (OM&S)

One of the existing bays at the PDPP gantry has been successfully converted into a dedicated FGH bay, tailored to meet stringent food-grade handling requirements. The upgraded bay is specially designed to handle ISO containers, enabling the facility to cater to a broader customer base and expanding the market potential for FGH.

STRATEGIC OUTLOOK BY CPO-KR

The CPO-Kochi Refinery (CPO-KR) Business Plan Review Meet for FY 2025-26 was organised on 05 June 2025. The meet brought together senior leadership and key stakeholders for a structured review of the previous year's performance and strategic planning for the year ahead.

The session was led by Mr. L. Ravi, CPO-Refineries, who addressed the gathering with an encouraging message, commending the CPO-KR team for their outstanding performance during Shutdown 2024. He emphasized the importance of sustaining high performance standards and shared feedback from a recent discussion with CMD Mr. Sanjay Khanna, where the team's contributions were specifically acknowledged.

Mr. D.R. Kadu, Procurement Leader, presented the key business highlights and achievements of the previous financial year. This was followed by Mr. Rajesh B K, Procurement Leader, who outlined the targets and strategic roadmap for the current financial year, aligning the team towards operational priorities and performance goals. A focused presentation on digital initiatives was delivered by Mr. Shyam George, Procurement Manager, highlighting the team's ongoing efforts in driving procurement digitalization and process efficiency.

The meet also witnessed active participation from the user departments. Mr. S. Saha, CGM – P&U, Mr. Thomas K. Abraham, GM I/c Maintenance, and Mr. Kubade, GM – Technical, expressed appreciation for the CPO-KR team's responsiveness, support, and consistent delivery in enabling critical plant functions. The ensuing discussion threw light on possible scope for improvement in future activities of CPO.

The session concluded on a high note, with renewed alignment and motivation across teams—further reinforcing the shared commitment to excellence, innovation, and collaborative growth in procurement.



Mr. L. Ravi, CPO (Refineries)



Mr. Jomy Sebastian,
CGM(CPO)-KR



Mr. D.R. Kadu, Procurement
Leader, presents key business
highlights



REJP TEAM CROSSES ONE MORE MILESTONE

One step at a time, Team REJP is crossing each milestone and celebrating it as well, reflecting the progress and technological strength of the ongoing works.

The REJP Project marked a significant milestone with the successful inauguration of the PLC (Programmable Logic Controller) and DCS (Distributed Control System) marshalling and system cabinets on 23rd June 2025 at the Mounded Bullet SRR (MBSRR). Mr. Karthikeyan PG, General Manager (Projects) did the honours along with senior officials from associated teams. Mr. Karthikeyan P.G. (GM-Projects) in the presence of key project personnel. The support and coordination with Maintenance-Instrumentation, and OM&S teams played a vital role in the smooth execution of the Project's Instrumentation jobs.



K-SHARING FOR DRIVING OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

"Knowledge sharing is a selfless and powerful tool to help everyone grow," shared Mr. Mahendiran A, Chief General Manager (Operations). He was inaugurating the Knowledge Sharing Session, an internal initiative of the Oil Movement & Storage (OM&S) Department to promote a culture of learning and continuous improvement. This initiative is aimed at creating a collaborative platform where operational experiences and technical learnings could be shared across teams. CGM(Ops) also stressed on the power of such sessions in promoting a safety-focused, learning culture and fostering innovation, accountability, and team alignment. He also urged greater participation to enhance institutional knowledge.

Mr. Vinod PL, General Manager (OM&S) chaired the opening session and explained that focus of the session is mainly on KPIs like (1) Facilitate structured knowledge exchange on real-time operational scenarios; (2) Reinforce a proactive and preventive approach to safety and (3) Capture and institutionalize key learnings from critical events. The session was actively supported by senior leadership of OM&S including Mr. Rajeev K. (DGM), Mr. Vinu Narayan (DGM), Mr. Joseph Rajan (CM), Mr. Rajesh K (CM) and Mr. Ashwin C.P (CM). whose insights added depth and relevance to the discussion. More than 45 employees across OM&S Department participated in the on day one where the first topic of discussion was on the *Overflow Incident of YT113*.

A detailed analysis of the incident was presented by Mr. Abhishek Saini, Asst. Executive (OM&S), highlighting root causes, response, and lessons learned. It served as a learning model to improve operational controls and risk awareness. The key takeaways of the session included clear insight into the YT113 overflow case, importance of real-time monitoring and timely escalation, need for preventive checks and procedural discipline and value of collaborative learning and documenting best practices.

The knowledge sharing session is a testament to the organization's focus on transforming experiences into expertise. With continued commitment to such knowledge-driven initiatives, the OM&S team is paving the way for a more informed, agile, and safety-conscious operational ecosystem



GOK APPROVES BPCL CBG PLANT AT KOZHIKODE

The Kerala government has approved the establishment of a 150-tonne-per-day (TPD) Compressed Biogas (CBG) plant by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) in Kozhikode. The project aims to convert organic waste into renewable energy and organic fertiliser, addressing both energy needs and waste disposal challenges.

The plant will be constructed on 7 to 8 acres of land at Njeliyanparambu, leased to BPCL by the Kozhikode Municipal Corporation for a nominal annual fee of ₹1,000 for 25 years, with an option to extend for an additional 10 years. BPCL will invest ₹99 crore in the project, which is expected to process 150 to 180 tonnes of organic waste daily. The biogas produced will be marketed to GAIL, and a fuel station will be established near the plant to supply vehicles operating within the facility. Additionally, 20 to 25 tonnes of organic fertiliser will be generated daily as a by-product. The project is part of BPCL's broader initiative to establish CBG plants in various parts of Kerala, including Thiruvananthapuram and Kochi. In Kochi, a similar 150 TPD CBG plant is nearing completion at Brahmapuram, with operations expected to commence soon.

The establishment of these plants aligns with Kerala's commitment to sustainable development and renewable energy. By converting organic waste into biogas and fertiliser, the projects aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, promote waste-to-energy solutions, and support organic farming practices. The success of these initiatives could serve as a model for other regions in India seeking to address waste management and energy challenges. The Kozhikode CBG plant is expected to become operational within 24 months of receiving final government approval. Once operational, it will play a crucial role in enhancing the city's waste management infrastructure and contributing to Kerala's renewable energy goals.

This development underscores the growing importance of public-private partnerships in advancing sustainable urban solutions and highlights the potential of biogas technology in transforming waste into valuable resources.

ENERGISING YOUNG MINDS

How does the Refinery maintain its Safety protocols? Why are turnarounds critical? How do HR managers tackle disciplinary issues? Is performance rating applicable for all categories of employees? What are the compliances apart from ISO standards? The questions were plenty from the batch of post graduation students specialising in HR Management from the prestigious Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha. The final year students are the first batch to be visiting the largest PSU Refinery as part of the Industry Academia initiative of Kochi Refinery for Energising Young Minds under the aegis of **BPCL 50 Years of Shaping The Future** celebrations in 2025, post the mega turnaround of the Refinery last year.

A batch of 22 students and 3 faculty members joined the half day programme that included presentations by subject matter experts from the Refinery and a plant visit. Mr. George Thomas, Chief General Manager (HR) addressed the students at the closure and presented the certificate of participation for the Institution to student representative Ms. Niya Fathin



THE DIGITAL SHIFT IN PROJECT MONITORING: “THE NPCB DASHBOARD”

“What gets measured gets improved. With the right data at the right time, success becomes predictable”

In an era where precision, agility, and accountability define institutional excellence, the NPCB Project Monitoring Dashboard emerges as a flagship digital innovation—redefining how complex, multi-stakeholder projects are governed, tracked, and delivered.

Conceived as a strategic enabler, the NPCB Dashboard brings together the best of data intelligence and user-centric design to drive real-time, insight-led project execution. This tool represents more than just a monitoring system - it is a paradigm shift in how project performance is measured, communicated, and improved across departments.

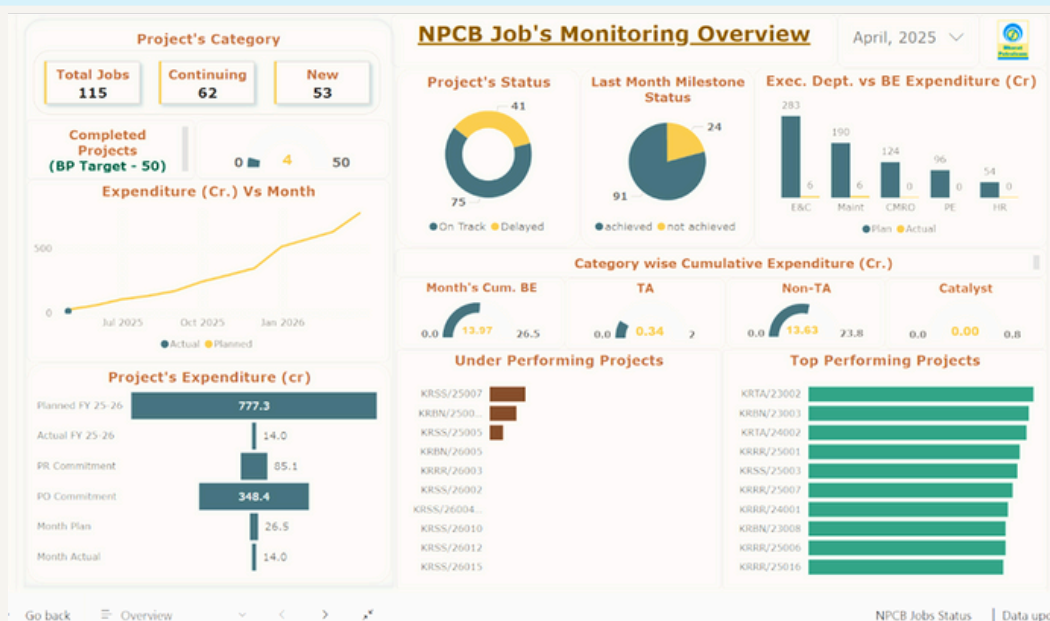
At its core, the Project Performance Intelligence Dashboard offers a unified, panoramic view of all initiatives. It delivers nuanced fiscal insights through planned vs. actual expenditure trends, status diagnostics (on-track vs. delayed), milestone tracking, and performance benchmarking—illuminating both top-performing and at-risk projects.

What sets this platform apart is its deep-dive analytical capability, enabling stakeholders to slice and dice project data dynamically by department, timeline, and type. Whether it's a broad portfolio analysis or a micro-level task investigation, users can interact with intuitive filters and customizable views to surface the signals that matter. With activity-level timeline tracking, the dashboard brings surgical precision to project sequencing and schedule adherence. Meanwhile, the real-time daily activity monitoring module provides granular, day-specific visibility into planned starts and completions, seamlessly scaling across business units. This is complemented by the milestone performance evaluation engine, which rigorously monitors milestone completion rates to instil execution discipline and facilitate agile course correction.

Strategic Impact: Five Pillars of Transformation

1. **Transparency Redefined:** The dashboard transforms fragmented data landscapes into a unified source of truth, drastically reducing manual reporting overhead and elevating stakeholder confidence.
2. **Proactive Decision-Making:** Early-warning intelligence on delays and deviations empowers leadership to act with foresight.
3. **Resource Optimization:** By illuminating category- and project-level expenditure variances, the platform enhances fund optimization and fiscal discipline.
4. **Accountability:** Clear visibility into planned vs. actual timelines reinforces ownership and accelerates corrective action.
5. **Scalability:** The dashboard's modular architecture ensures effortless integration of new projects, KPIs, and future functional layers.

In recognition of its strategic value, the NPCB Dashboard is also shared with MR and BR teams - ensuring alignment across refineries and reinforcing its role as a trusted decision-support system. The NPCB Dashboard is more than a reporting tool - it's a digital governance framework designed to scale with ambition. By embedding transparency, agility, and accountability into the DNA of project monitoring, the NPCB Dashboard is not only setting new benchmarks - it's defining the future of project governance.



15 YEARS

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THIS MONTH

SHAH HIMANSHU KUMAR
Joined BPCL in 1988 and is retiring
General Manager (Vigilance) Kochi
Refinery.



POSH ACT AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR APPRENTICES

An exclusive workshop on POSH Act 2013 (Prevention of Sexual Harassment to women at the work-place) for Apprentices was conducted on 25 June 2025 at KR Auditorium. Noted HR Consultant Adv. Varkiachan Pettah highlighted the law that protects women from sexual harassment in the workplace including government, private and non- government organizations.

ENERGY MANAGEMENT IN PROCESS UNIT

Mr Divin K, Chief Manager (Energy), facilitated the specialised session for KR o on Energy Management in Process Unit. The topics covered include *Enron measures, F&L, Preheat, Run-down temp, Energy Balance, Fouling, over flash, Burner Alignment, Furnace Eff Monitoring etc.*

BUILDING CORE COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Exclusive session for newly promoted officers facilitated by seasoned communication ambassadors of the Toastmasters International. The training program designed to Enhance Speaking Skills, Develop Leadership and Foster Self-Improvement had 30 participants from different departments.

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

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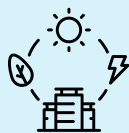
A unique session to equip engineers with the skills to design & analyze structural connections efficiently, ensuring code compliance and best practices was organised in June.

CENTUM VP OPERATIONS-VPOP

The program designed to equip operators and engineers with knowledge and skills to efficiently operate, maintain, and troubleshoot centum VP systems, ensuring optimal process control, reliability, and safety. Programme was delivered for 2 batches.

REFINERY ECONOMICS & FISCAL GOVERNANCE

Designed for understanding of refinery economics, fiscal policies, and governance frameworks to optimize refinery operations, manage costs, and ensure compliance with regulatory requirements. The programme was organised at the BPLC Annexe.



PRITHIVI KUMAR BIDS ADIEU

My organization has given me the best opportunities to grow and develop in all areas,” says **Prithivi Kumar D A**, who joined KR in the Projects Department in 1992 and is retiring as Chief Manager from Technical Dept.

He is mesmerized by the collaboration and support at KR. In 2015 he met with a road accident while returning from duty after night shift. He remembers with gratitude, the colleagues who donated their blood to save his life and the OHC team for the entire support throughout his recovery. Again, during the COVID spell, the medial team of KR supported him during his hospitalization and recovery. His thanks know no bounds.

His wife P. Amuthavalli, did her Bachelors in computer science. They are blessed with two sons. The elder one, P. D. Gowtham Paul, B. Tech, is managing an SSI unit on EOU basis in Tuticorin SIPCOT since 2020. His wife Archana completed her B. Sc (nursing) and is preparing for competitive exams. The younger son, P. A. Prince Yogesh is an M. Tech, working in Amazon as senior analyst, CO Bangalore and married to Monica, who completed her B-Tech and is working as senior programmer in Accenture, Bangalore. Prithvi along with his batch mates from school and college who are retiring from various public and private companies, plan to start a trust to support poor children by coaching them academically to join the government service sector. *Jwaladhwani wishes Prithivi and his family happy years ahead.*

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ASHIE JOSEY SAYS GOODBYE

Ashie Josey feels happy and proud for being a part of this prestigious organisation for the last 30 years. He joined erstwhile KRL in May 1995 in the Quality Control Department and after 6 years he was transferred to the OM&S Department and now he is retiring as an Operator A from the same Dept. He represented KRL in many PSCB Volleyball tournaments all over India since 1995 and was a member of Works Committee representing OM &S for 2 consecutive terms.

“This organisation helped me in building up a significant status and financial stability and which paved my family's well-being. Cochin Refineries School had the most important role in shaping my children's education and career,” says Ashie. “Post retirement I'm looking forward to spending quality time with my family, getting back to my roots through some peaceful farming, and exploring new places. It's a new chapter, and I'm excited to embrace it at a relaxed pace.”

Ashie's wife Fillis is working as Secretary in the Local Self Government Department. They are blessed with two children. Their eldest son, Alan is a mechanical engineer and currently working as a site supervisor in the Middle East. Their daughter, Alna, just graduated as a physiotherapist, and they are totally excited for her as she begins this meaningful and rewarding career. *Jwaladhwani wishes Ashie and his family many more happy years ahead.*

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HELPING CHILDREN WELCOME A NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

WIPS KR UNIT EXTENDS SUPPORT

The Kakkanad Children's Home, operating under the Women and Child, Social Justice Department of the Government of Kerala, is home for several children between the ages of 8 and 18. Most of them are survivors of various forms of violence, abuse and trauma. They represent one of the most emotionally fragile sections of our society—those who have been denied the safety, love, and protection that every child deserves. Despite being under government care and supervision, the home faces limitations in meeting the basic personal needs of these children.

Rising to the call, the members of **Women In Public Sector (WIPS), Kochi Refinery unit**, volunteered to extend financial support to meet their educational and personal requirements at the start of the new academic year. Representatives of WIPS (KR) presented boxes of educational items, dress material and personal supplies, purchased with the Rs.80,000, collected from WIPS -KR members. A small team of members spent 2 hours with the children and handed over the essential items to help them happily welcome a new academic year.



SCHOOL REOPENING FESTIVAL



As part of School Reopening Festival, the **Federation of Central Government SC/ST Employees BPCL- Kochi Refinery**, distributed scholastic items including school bags, umbrella and stationery pouches for students of Government High Schools in Irumbanam, Thiruvankulam, and Chottanikkara. The event was organised at the Federation's office, Ambedkar Bhavan, Chitrapuzha. Chief Guest Mr. Mahendiran A, CGM (Operations) inaugurated the ceremony and the distributions to 50 students.

Mr. Shibu Kumar, CM(IA) and Federation Treasurer Mr. K.P. Subramannian addressed the students at the event presided over by Federation President Mr. Ramdular Paswan. Mr. T.S. Manoj Kumar welcomed the gathering and Mr. Sanju proposed the vote of thanks. Krishna, Nandana and Avanthika, children of the KR family sang and anchored the show.



CELEBRATING THE STARS OF CRS

Cochin Refineries School hosted a vibrant felicitation ceremony on 13 June 2025 to honour the top performers of the 2024–25 SSCE and SCE examinations. Organised by the Students' Council 2024–25, the event was a celebration of excellence, recognizing the hard work, dedication, and remarkable achievements of the outstanding students.

Principal Mr. Vinumoan K. Mathew formally welcomed the gathering, setting the tone for the ceremony. Vice Principal Ms. Premlata Shaji and Primary Section Head Ms. Nalini N extended their heartfelt felicitations to the toppers and expressed sincere appreciation to the Smrithi Alumni Association for their invaluable support.

The event was graced by School Coordinator Mr. Dinesh S B, Smrithi members Mr. Anilkumar, Mr. Vinod P., and Mr. Philip Jackson Biveira and PTA Vice President Mr. Joseph Dennis and Executive Member Mr. Pradosh. The highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of medals, mementos, certificates, and cash prizes to academic toppers and proficiency awardees by the PTA. Students from Classes 9 to 12 were honoured for their subject-wise achievements as well as overall academic excellence.

An engaging interactive session with the toppers inspired the audience, as they shared valuable insights into their study strategies, time management techniques, and personal experiences, inspiring other students to strive for excellence. Special recognition was accorded to Allen Shaji and Sai Sankar of Class 10B for securing a position among the top eight teams at the prestigious Innovation Competition held at NIT Calicut.

The school extended heartfelt gratitude to the Smrithi Alumni Association for their generous support in enhancing the facilities at Atal Tinkering Lab (ATL), a contribution that continues to foster innovation and creativity among students. The programme concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks delivered by Leeshma Sudeesh of Class 12B.

CLEAN CRS, GREEN CRS - WORLD ENVT DAY CAMPAIGN



Cochin Refineries School celebrated World Environment Day 2025 through a collaborative initiative involving the BPCL Credit Society, CRS Science Department, and ATL -CRS. The event featured the planting of plantain saplings and the distribution of plant saplings to student representatives of the Love Green Club, reinforcing the school's commitment to environmental stewardship.

Principal Mr. Vinumoan Mathew delivered the Environment Day message while dignitaries including Mr. Ajith Sen L. S. (President, BPCL Credit Society), Mr. Jagadeesh Kumar (Secretary), Board Members and representatives from the Young India Talir initiative offered their felicitations, lending significance and encouragement to the event.

The celebration also marked the launch of the "Clean CRS, Green CRS" campaign, supported by the BPCL Co-operative Credit Society. As part of this initiative, winners will be awarded a badge of honour, a shield and eco-friendly jute bags.

The event featured vibrant student performances and widespread sapling plantation across the school campus. Retiring staff were honoured with plant saplings as a symbolic gesture of gratitude, while KR- HR Estates team actively participated in the greening efforts, reinforcing the shared commitment to sustainability.





BAY FEST – BEGINNING OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-26

The dawn of a new academic year at Cochin Refineries School was marked by BAY FEST—a joyful celebration titled "Beginning of the Academic Year". The programme commenced with a soulful prayer, the school pledge, and the symbolic lighting of the lamp by Principal Mr. Vinumoan Mathew, Vice Principal Ms. Premlatha, Primary Head Ms. Nalini, and PTA members—signifying the light of knowledge and the spirit of new beginnings.

Principal Mr. Vinumoan Mathew's inspiring inaugural address motivated students and staff to strive for excellence. The school extended a warm welcome to the new students, embracing them as part of the CRS family.

The highlight of the day was a series of enchanting performances that delighted the audience. The adorable first standard children stole hearts with their lively presentation, followed by a captivating musical performance that filled the air with melody and charm. A vibrant dance sequence added a burst of rhythm and energy, making the celebration truly memorable.

The celebration concluded on a patriotic note with the rendition of the school song, evoking a shared sense of pride and unity. BAY FEST perfectly set the stage for a promising year ahead, one filled with learning, creativity, and meaningful milestones.

TINY PRAYERS FOR A GREAT BIG MISSION



The Kindergarten section of Cochin Refineries School reopened on Wednesday, 4 June 2025, in an atmosphere filled with joy and excitement. The campus sprang to life as the little ones arrived with bright smiles, marking the joyful start of their academic journey.

The day began with a formal gathering graced by Principal Mr. Vinumoan, Vice Principal Ms. Premlata, and Primary Head Ms. Nalini. Following the welcome function, children, accompanied by their parents, proceeded to their respective classrooms. To help the kids settle comfortably into their new environment, the school created a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Classrooms were thoughtfully set up with colorful toys, engaging charts, and interactive activities. Parents were also given a brief orientation outlining the daily schedule and safety measures in place. The KG corridor echoed with cheerful laughter and excited chatter as children explored their vibrant learning spaces. The reopening marked a truly memorable beginning—filled with warmth, wonder, and the promise of a joyful year ahead for our tiny tots.



SCHOLARSHIP FOR YOUNG TALENT

CRS Student Secures Prestigious CCRT Scholarship for Mridangam

T. Abhiram Krishna Prabhu of Class 7 (S/o Smt Suma Rajeswary), has been awarded the prestigious CCRT Scholarship for the year 2024-25 by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. The scholarship, offered by the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT), recognises Abhiram's exceptional talent and dedication in the field of Mridangam. His achievement is a proud moment for the school, reflecting the rich cultural engagement and artistic excellence nurtured at CRS.





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