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Milestone year celebrations special

Some milestones celebrate how far we have travelled; others inspire us to imagine how much further we can go. As Kochi Refinery marked its 60th Foundation Day amid the high point of our Diamond Jubilee celebrations, the occasion became a powerful reminder of six decades of resilience, innovation and collective achievement. We also celebrated the milestone of 10 years of IREP on this special day.

In this edition we are delighted to present the special messages from our C&MD and also the message given by ED(KR) on the special occasion, both acknowledging the refinery's remarkable journey and reassuring our pride and duty towards building the nation.

The specatcular day also witnessed special performances by employees and the felicitation of winners of the Kochinoor KR One Quiz.

The special visits in the last month by the Union Minister for Skill Development and BPCL Director (Marketing) further underscored the refinery's strategic importance and its role in India's evolving industrial and energy landscape. These engagements offered valuable opportunities to showcase capabilities, exchange perspectives and strengthen the connection between organisational vision, skill development and operational excellence. As the industry transforms, investing in people, competencies and innovation will remain central to our progress.

We bring you the special moments and initiatives that marked the glorious 60 years of Kochi Refinery and we also invite you to follow the Kochi Refinery on social media to stay updated that the milestones that reflect the many dimensions of Kochi Refinery: a centre of industrial excellence, a hub of learning and innovation, a responsible environmental steward and an organisation that places people at the heart of progress.

Warmly,
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Greetings from Chairman & Managing Director

Heartiest congratulations to the entire Kochi Refinery family, past and present, on the momentous occasion of completing 60 years of excellence, resilience and nation-building.

For me, this milestone carries special significance. I count myself fortunate to have spent a very important phase of my career at Kochi Refinery, a place that teaches you very quickly that its greatest strength is not its infrastructure, technology or scale, but its people.

My tenure as Executive Director of Kochi Refinery in 2021 remains one of the most memorable chapters of my professional journey. It was a period marked by unprecedented challenges as we navigated the severe impact of the COVID-19 pandemic while simultaneously pursuing the commissioning of two projects of immense strategic importance.

Amid uncertainty and adversity, the Kochi Refinery team displayed extraordinary commitment, courage and teamwork, often going far beyond the call of duty to ensure the safety of our people, continuity of operations and progress on critical projects

What remains particularly close to my heart is how Kochi Refinery stepped up for the community during the pandemic. In partnership with the District Administration and the National Health Mission, Cochin Refineries School was transformed into a major COVID care facility, while our FCC oxygen plant was adapted to supply medical-grade oxygen, supporting over 8,000 patients.

It was a powerful reminder that Kochi Refinery's strength lies not only in its operational capabilities, but also in its ability to come together with compassion, innovation and a deep sense of responsibility towards society.

Looking back, I realise that this spirit did not emerge overnight. It is the result of a culture nurtured over six decades by generations of Kochi Refiners who built this institution with dedication, perseverance and pride. I take this opportunity to thank these respected senior Kochi Refiners with profound gratitude. They poured their sweat, passion and commitment into building an institution that gave future generations the confidence to dream big, push boundaries and achieve more than they themselves could have imagined. Every milestone we celebrate today stands on the foundation they created, and every step forward is our way of honouring and advancing their legacy.

As we celebrate this milestone, our focus is not only on how far we have come, but also on the limitless possibilities that lie ahead. The energy, talent and commitment of the Kochi Refinery family will continue to power BPCL's growth and support India's evolving energy aspirations for decades to come.

Congratulations once again to every member of the Kochi Refinery family, past and present, for a journey that has been nothing short of extraordinary.

The first sixty years built a legacy. I am confident that the years ahead will shape an even greater future.

Sanjay Khanna
Chairman & Managing Director
On Linked.in



Greetings from ED(KR) & BPCL Director (R), Designate

23rd September 1966 was a Friday. This I realized recently when I chanced upon the image of the first page of Kottayam edition of Malayala Manorama newspaper published on Saturday 24th September 1966. Prominently displayed in the page was the headline: 'Oil Refinery will change the face of Kerala, says Indira.' Side by side with the headline was the photo of the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in all smiles holding a ceremonial plaque with the photo of our first Crude Distillation Unit engraved which was presented to her by Stanley Lerned, the President of Philips Petroleum, USA.

Indira Gandhi entered the Refinery area in an open car through the Procon Company Gate. Thereafter the public function commenced. Indira Gandhi clicked a button to mark the inauguration. As she clicked the button, a siren was sounded and decorated lorries with new oil tanks gave a ceremonial parade. As per the report, the PM said that this oil refinery which was built at a cost of Rs 30 Crores will become a precursor to further development including a fertilizer factory, petrochemical unit, thermal station and one of the largest shipyards in the country. She said the siren which was sounded was the trumpet call for development.

In many ways her words spoken exactly 60 years ago have come true! Here we are celebrating that historic day that triggered the saga of development. Most of us including me have been born after that auspicious day. But all of us have come together to celebrate the great day when Kochi Refinery went on stream.

Our journey began under the leadership of expatriate engineers led by John W. Loy, the first Managing Director of CRL, who established a culture of informality, professionalism, flexibility and hard work. The refinery demonstrated resilience during the 1971 oil shock by adapting to process multiple crude varieties, a capability that continues to serve us well today.

The decades that followed saw continuous expansion and modernization. From commissioning of the LPG Plant, FCCU and CDU-II to introduction of advanced process controls, ERP and SAP systems, Kochi Refinery steadily strengthened its capabilities. Integration with BPCL in 2001 and amalgamation in 2006 opened a new chapter of growth. Landmark projects such as SPM and CEMP-II, expanded capacity and enhanced competitiveness.

Our most significant transformation came through the Integrated Refinery Expansion Project (IREP). Today we are also commemorating 10 years of IREP which has been a game changer for Kochi Refinery. The foundation stone was laid by the then Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh on 7 January 2013. With a workforce of more than 20,000 and innovative industrial relations practices, IREP was successfully completed in 2016, making us the largest PSU refinery in India. On 27 January 2019, Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated IREP to the nation and laid the foundation stone for PDPP.

In recent years, we have continued to rise to new challenges. During the COVID-19 pandemic, we established one of the largest makeshift treatment centres in Kerala and supplied oxygen to support healthcare services. We commissioned PDPP and the Motor Spirit Block Project, contributed to Kochi's environmental sustainability through the Brahmapuram biogas initiative, invested in skill development, and are now progressing steadily with the Polypropylene Project. Through all this, we have ensured uninterrupted fuel supplies despite global geopolitical uncertainties.

In this span, we celebrated our Silver Jubilee on 23 September 1991 and Golden Jubilee on 23 September 2016. And now here we are celebrating the Diamond Jubilee.

Today on this auspicious day we have with us our Director (Finance) Mr. VRK Gupta who has taken out time from his busy schedule to grace the occasion. He has always been a pillar of support for value added developmental activities of Kochi Refinery. It is my privilege to welcome you Sir to this celebration.

We are also fortunate to have with us today our Chief Vigilance Officer Mr. Ved Prakash Verma for this memorable event. I should acknowledge his keen interest in our activities as evident from the visit he undertook to the Refinery as soon as he assumed charge as CVO. I welcome you sir to this occasion.

We also have with us our senior leaders who have been part of the IREP story and have contributed for the successful completion of the project. I extend a warm welcome. I also welcome all colleagues and everyone else who have gathered here. Our Chairman & Managing Director Mr. Sanjay Khanna could not make it to the event due to pressing engagements and has sent his warm wishes on the occasion.

Dear former leaders and colleagues,

This remarkable sixty-year journey has been made possible by generations of employees, contractors, contract workers and stakeholders. As we celebrate this milestone, let us honour their contributions and renew our commitment to taking BPCL Kochi Refinery to greater heights.

It is especially fitting that we celebrate this legacy on a site once associated with Burmah Shell, which later became Bharat Petroleum, our parent organization.

Every great institution has its great leaders. Starting with John W. Loy with his visionary leadership and the successive illustrious leaders, Kochi Refinery has focussed on building world class assets for the country investing in National priority areas utilizing the strength of our people. At the same time, we have remained committed to the society through community development activities such as Compressed Bio-gas plant for treating Municipal Solid Waste for the City, Ambalamugal Medical Aid Society which is now being upgraded into a 24x7 medical centre, Skill Development Institute which ensures 100% placement even for differently abled, and first meal for around 40,000 students.

And as we celebrate 60 years of glorious services to Nation building, we acknowledge the contributions of our leading minds and all the employees who have made this day possible. As you are aware, BPCL is now celebrating 'Gratitude Week' from 21st to 25th September. Therefore, this is a right occasion to express our deep gratitude to our past leadership and stake holders.

While we look back with a sense of pride and satisfaction, this is also a moment to rededicate ourselves to the vision we have cocreated for BPCL Kochi Refinery. May we continue to reach for greater heights and to the dreams set in motion 60 years ago ensuring that BPCL Kochi Refinery remains a symbol of progress, pride and service to the National and generations to come.

Warmly,
Chacko M Jose
Executive Director (KR)

60 YEARS
REFINING EXCELLENCE

KR@60 moment at the Marine Drive complex courtyard on 23 Sept 2026



A HISTORIC CELEBRATION OF SIX DECADES OF REFINING EXCELLENCE

Sixty years is more than a milestone. It is a story of vision, perseverance, innovation and, above all, people. From the first drop of crude in 1966 to the energy power-house we are today, Kochi Refinery has evolved with the times while staying true to its purpose. It is with immense pride and gratitude that team Kochi Refinery gathered to mark the closing ceremony of Kochinoor – the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Kochi Refinery on the KR Foundation Day, 23 September 2026.

Kochi Refinery was deeply honoured with the gracious presence of Mr. VRK Gupta, Director (Finance) and Mr. Ved Prakash Verma, Chief Vigilance Officer, BPCL who along with Mr. Chacko M Jose, Executive Director (KR) and Director (Refineries) Designate, BPCL, did the honours at the special moments of the celebrations of Kochi Refinery@60. The grand evening brought together BPCL Senior Leadership, Refinery Council members, former leaders, employees and guests to celebrate the important milestones of KR@60 and IREP@10.

The dignitaries, Director (Finance), BPCL and CVO, BPCL were accorded a royal welcome by ED(KR) and together with the senior leadership of Kochi Refinery, they released BPCL balloons symbolising the aspirations and continuing journey of Kochi Refinery. Mr. Chacko M Jose, extended the official welcome to the historic day and unforgettable evening at the BPCL Township, Marine Drive Complex, Kochi. The distinguished guests along with the Refinery Council members lit the ceremonial lamp to mark the auspicious beginning of the celebrations.

A commemorative etched painting of Kochi Refinery, which stood in all grandeur at center-stage, was unveiled by the distinguished dignitaries; who were then joined by the Refinery Council for cutting the 6-tier Diamond Jubilee cake - both pivotal moments of the celebrations.







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Among the visual moments that left a lasting impact, were the Kochinoor - KR Foundation Day AV, "Refining Legacy, Transforming Tomorrow," that traced the refinery's six-decade journey, followed by an engaging theatrical presentation by employees who brought the 60-year story alive through a gripping personal narrative of the Refinery. The employee performances that won every heart included the patriotic song and the Kerala vanchipattu, both performed by winners of recent contests for employees. Prize winners of the Kochinoor KR One Quiz, the KR Brand quiz, were also felicitated at this ceremony. Video messages from employees were also screened intermittently, echoing their love and gratitude for Kochi Refinery.

In a separate segment, the 10 years of the Integrated Refinery Expansion Project (IREP) was also celebrated, taking the spirit of the KR Foundation Day to a higher level of emotional bonding. Introducing the milestone was the IREP@10 AV that revisited the landmark project's journey, followed by the felicitation of leaders who contributed to making IREP possible and a unique panel discussion with former Heads of IREP that offered very interesting reflections and insights from the project's journey. The panel discussion was moderated by Mr.. Vishwas Khobragade, CGM(Technology).

The KR@60 celebrations concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Mr. Ravindra Kubade, Chief General Manager (Operations) bringing the historic day to a moment of graceful gratitude. The evening culminated with a lively musical show with the talented Siddarth Menon after a sumptuous celebrative dinner. Volunteers from departments accross the Refinery supported in making the Foundation Day event one of the most memorable ones.

23 September 2026, will be cherised as a beautiful day that brought friends and colleagues to a unique anniversary that only happens once in 60 years!





Over the six-decade journey of refining excellence, Kochi Refinery continuously evolved, and the Integrated Refinery Expansion Project marked a defining turn – transforming the scale and complexity of the refinery, opening new avenues for growth, including petrochemicals and future ready technologies. Behind every milestone of IREP were countless efforts, challenges overcome and moments that have shaped this journey. We were delighted to celebrate the milestone with ED(KR) and BPCL Dir (R) designate at the Main Control Room and at the diamond jubilee celebrations of Kochi Refinery on 23 September 2026. It was indeed a special moment to look back and cherish the remarkable effort by leaders and team members who made IREP possible.

A vision truly creates impact when it continues to evolve, adapt and deliver value. Over the years, IREP has done exactly that; responding to changing realities through innovation, operational excellence and continuous improvement.

What began just as an expansion project, today has grown into a platform for sustained performance and value creation. Through a short AV, we experienced the transformation that IREP underwent along these 10 years in terms of capacity enhancement, energy efficiency and how we converted adverse situations to BPCL's strength.

We also welcomed the *Leaders who made IREP possible*, at the ceremony. Director (Finance), Mr. VRK Gupta, CVO Mr. Ved Prakash Sharma and ED(KR) & BPCL D(R) designate Mr. Chacko M Jose, honoured them with the traditional ponnada and the IREP@10 memento for the contributions and leadership support for the successful commissioning and operations of the IREP. Further, **in an exclusive panel discussion, senior leadership team shared their experiences, and innovative approaches in a very interactive session moderated by Mr. Vishwas Khobragade, CGM(Technology).** Team IREP curated the content and sequence of the very enriching IREP@60 segment.





BPCL Director (Finance), Mr. VRK Gupta; CVO Mr. Ved Prakash Verma, and ED(KR) & Director (Refineries) designate, Mr. Chacko M Jose, acknowledged the presence and invaluable contributions of the former leaders of IREP. In a fitting tribute to their vision and leadership, each of them were honoured on stage, with a brief description of how their timely decisions, strategic foresight and unwavering commitment helped shape the success of IREP, one of BPCL's most transformative projects.

Standing to the left of the dignitaries :

Vijayagopal P : A true combination of technocrat and commercial acumen, he was the Director (F) of BPCL during the IREP project, he was also the Managing Director at Petronet CCK Limited and Vice-President (Finance) at Bharat PetroResources Ltd. His quick decisions helped in getting the approvals for IREP without any project over run.

Suresh John : A hard-core construction man & a project management professional over time. He played a pivotal role in executing various Projects in Kochi Refinery like IREP, CEMP Phase-1, Single point Mooring and Shore Tank Farm Project, (CEMP) Phase-2 and lastly PDPP in Kochi.

Pius Mathew: A hardcore finance professional who was the head of Project Finance during IREP. He was instrumental right from project conceptualisation, evaluation of tender proposals till closure of the project.

A Unnikrishnan: As the head commissioning Offsite- Utilities he delivered meticulously with his team, especially the new demountable Flare system and the VHP steam system, which were the key and vital systems of IREP project.

Mahendiran A : Cometh the hour cometh the man. Till his last day in service as CGM (Operations), he was passionately involved in resolving perennial issues, water recycling in KR is now a reality just because of his efforts. He is a man who believes that all jobs are very simple and all problems can be tackled by applying 5D's.

George Thomas: A great sports man with a good team spirit; an Arjuna awardee, pride of KR, he was inspirational and instrumental during the IREP project, liaisoning with all government offices for the smooth conduct of the project such as ODC movement, Contractor management. His efforts were instrumental in getting IREP site declared as No Strike zone.

Standing to the right of the dignitaries

Kumaraswamy P.: Heading Project Dept in KR during IREP he was an expert in revamp projects having vast and vibrant network with vendors and the people involved. His negotiation skills were utilised to its maximum in IREP. For him, a Project is all about creation; creation with a new way of thinking; new methods under good leadership and support of followers.

Ajithkumar K: Our destiny depends with what one makes out of the opportunities that come to us, and Ajith sir is a clear example. The person who announces his presence with his sheer voice and command. His contribution to PFCCU and more importantly during the 2022 turnaround is still something all of us look up with reverence and cherish of former ED(KR).

Murali Madhavan P : The person who spearheaded the conceptualisation & finalising the IREP project configuration as part of project Technical team. The man who converted the vision to reality. He proved that even a soft spoken person can carry out demanding jobs like heading the commissioning team in IREP.

A. Mohanlal: The passionate Cricketer that he is, his team spirit was clearly evident when he led his team thru various milestones like Commissiong of GTs, substations & cooling towers during the project. A person to whom we all could run to in search of solutions and seek help at crisis situations.

George Paul: Fondly called as GP, he was the 1st batch of engineers who joined in erstwhile CRL in 1981. A gentleman who contributed not only to IREP but also to the petrochemical dreams of KR, earning the tag of "the petrochemical man of KR"

Babu Joseph: He strongly believes in systems rather than human interventions. He had played an active role in IREP, the biggest project of BPCL as part of the P&CS team. He is a great team player, with relaxed mind but with sharp focus on the core subject.





SKILL DEVELOPMENT : BPCL'S COMMITMENT PRAISEWORTHY SAYS UNION MINISTER



Minister of State (Independent Charge) for the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and the Minister of State for the Ministry of Education, Mr. Jayant Chaudhary visited the BPCL Skill Development Institute (SDI) on 20 September 2026. Union Minister expressed that the commitment demonstrated by BPCL for the past 10 years in providing skill development training suitable for the Industrial sector through the Skill Development Institute is commendable. He was interacting with students at the SDI in Angamaly, which is run as part of BPCL CSR scheme. He also held discussions with hearing- impaired students.

Ministry of Skill Development Secretary Mr. Sujit Kumar was also present. ED(KR) , Mr. Chacko M Jose, GM(HR) Mr. N Meganathan, SDI CEO G.S Shivakumar and GM(Admn & Brand), Mr. Johnson K were also present.

Started in 2016, SDI has so far certified 2100 diploma holders, providing employment to 98% of them. The fee for the 6- month residential program is only Rs. 5,000. Training is provided in courses such as industrial Electrician, industrial Welder, Electronics Manufacturing, Fitter Fabrication and Process Instrument Operator courses.





KOCHI REFINERY TO JETTY PIPELINES COMMISSIONED

Commissioning of the Kochi Refinery to Jetty Pipelines carrying ATF, HSD and MS and the maiden Coastal Loading of ATF scripts another historic moment in the annals of BPCL's 50 years of shaping the future. The inauguration by Mr. Subhankar Sen, Director (Marketing) on 07 September 2026 marks the beginning of a new logistics avenue for servicing Aviation markets across the country.

The inaugural ceremony was held at the Ernakulam Jetty in the presence of Mr. Chacko M Jose, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), Mr. Pardeep Goyal, Executive Director (Retail), Mr Sanjeev Kumar, Executive Director (Aviation), Mr Biju Gopinath, Executive Director (Pipelines), Mr. Karunanidhi M, Chief General Manager (SCO), Mr. Karthikeyan PG, Chief General Manager (KR Projects), Mr. Satish Honnakotte, Deputy Chairperson Cochin Port Authority, Mr. Bhaskar Kunju, Dock Master, Mr. Ankit Kapoor Captain of vessel MT Sanmar Santoor; along with senior officials from BPCL and CoPA.

After the traditional prayer offerings, Mr. Chacko M Jose, ED(KR) opened the main valve for initiating the flow of ATF through the newly commissioned pipeline and loading of vessel.

The newly commissioned 12-inch, 10.5-km ATF pipeline forms a key component of Kochi Refinery's Replacement & Extension of Jetty Pipelines (REJP) Project. Under this, the existing Jetty pipeline network has been modernized with a new 12-inch ATF pipeline and a 20-inch HSD pipeline, each extending 10.5 km. The project also included the laying of a 24-inch White Oil Sub-Sea Pipeline connecting NJRP and COT through Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) technology.

The ATF Coastal Loading ex Kochi was a part of the recommendations of ATF Infrastructure Taskforce headed by Mr. Dinabandhu Mandal, then CGM Logistics I/c, Retail along with Mr. Prabir Das, GM (Logistics) Aviation, Mr. Raguraman Iyer, GM (Logistics) RHQ and Mr. Rajarshi Bhawal, Chief Manager (SCO).

A major credit for this achievement goes to the Kochi Refinery Projects Team, which successfully executed the project despite significant implementation challenges. The laying of the 10.5-km pipeline corridor through the heart of Ernakulam, one of Kerala's busiest and most densely populated urban centres, required extensive planning, stakeholder coordination, traffic management and meticulous execution. The successful completion of the project stands as a testament to the team's commitment and engineering excellence. KR OM&S Team played a pivotal role in the commissioning of the facilities and ensured a safe and seamless transition to operations. Their efforts, supported by the Quality Assurance and Aviation Team, were instrumental in achieving operational readiness and the successful commissioning of the pipeline system.

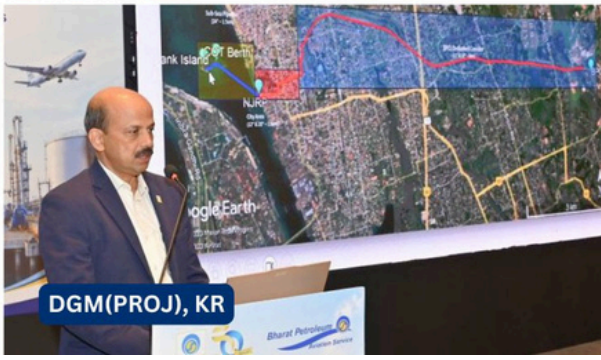












Following the inauguration at the jetty, a commemorative function was organised in Kochi where BPCL leadership and various teams came together to celebrate the milestone moment. The programme featured presentations by the KR Projects, KR OM&S and Aviation Logistics teams, showcasing the project's journey, key milestones and operational benefits. Addressing the gathering, Mr. Subhankar Sen, Director (Marketing), Mr. Sanjeev Kumar, ED (Aviation) and Mr. Pardeep Goyal, ED (Retail) appreciated the collaborative efforts of all teams involved in successfully delivering the project before time and within allotted budget.

The commissioning also strengthens BPCL's aviation fuel supply network by enabling direct coastal movement of ATF to locations across the country. Further enhancing supply flexibility, the ATF pipeline has been extended up to the Irimpanam Installation, facilitating supplies to key Aviation markets such as Bengaluru and Hyderabad. The phenomenal support extended by Retail Logistics in enabling coastal evacuation and downstream distribution of ATF will help ensure reliable product availability while providing greater flexibility in servicing growing aviation demand.

The successful commissioning of the Kochi Refinery-Jetty ATF Pipeline is the result of the collective efforts of teams across Kochi Refinery, Aviation, Retail, Projects, OM&S, SCO and Quality Assurance. Beyond creating a new coastal loading facility for ATF, the project reinforces BPCL's commitment to developing robust infrastructure, enhancing supply chain efficiency and supporting the continued growth of India's aviation sector.

Kudos to the entire team on crossing this remarkable milestone in the diamond jubilee year of Kochi Refinery while echoing BPCL's 50 years of shaping the future.





DIRECTOR (M) VISITS PP SITE AT KOCHI

A project of this scale is built not merely with steel, concrete, and technology, but through the dedication of hundreds of professionals working towards a common vision, said Mr. Subhankar Sen , Director (Marketing), giving the PP Project story another shot of energy. The visit underscored the significant strides made in safety, digitalization, sustainability, and project execution. It was also a moment of encouragement for the project team, whose efforts continue to drive one of BPCL's most ambitious petrochemical ventures towards successful completion. Mr. Sen reviewed the progress across various facilities, including the state-of-the-art Automated Storage and Retrieval System (ASRS) warehouse and critical process units.

Safety First: A Culture, not a Metric

One of the most inspiring aspects of the PP Project is its safety culture. At a time when thousands of workers and multiple contractors are engaged across numerous construction fronts, the project has achieved 2.68 million LTA-free manhours, demonstrating that safety remains the foremost priority.

The achievement is the result of a comprehensive safety management system that goes beyond compliance. Daily toolbox talks, work-at-height training, rescue drills, lifting and rigging workshops, safety observations, and continuous awareness programmes have fostered a culture where every individual takes ownership of safe work practices. Digital safety display boards provide real-time safety messaging and performance indicators, reinforcing awareness throughout the worksite.

The message across the project remains clear: every activity, irrespective of its magnitude, deserves the same level of attention to safety and quality.
Digitalisation Driving the Project Forward

The PP Project is also emerging as a showcase for the adoption of digital technologies in project execution and future operations.

At the heart of this digital transformation stands the Automated Storage and Retrieval System (ASRS) Polymer Warehouse, a facility that is set to redefine product handling and warehousing practices within BPCL. Unlike conventional warehouses, the ASRS is designed to operate with minimal manual intervention, using automated stacker cranes and intelligent inventory management systems to store, retrieve, and dispatch finished polypropylene products efficiently.

Once commissioned, the facility will provide storage for approximately 30,000 MT of finished products, enabling seamless movement of material while maintaining complete inventory traceability. The warehouse will be linked with automated truck loading systems and digital controls, ensuring greater operational efficiency, faster turnaround times, and improved safety by reducing manual handling activities.

> As the Polypropylene Project moves closer to realization, it continues to inspire confidence that BPCL is not merely constructing a new facility but creating a benchmark for project execution and laying the foundation for the next chapter in its petrochemical growth journey.
>
> – Subhankar Sen, Dir(Mktg)



Mr. Subhankar Sen, Dir (Marketing) interacts with Mr. Satheesh Kumar KP, CGM i/c (PP) and Projects the team at PP site

The ASRS serves as an excellent example of how digital technologies are being integrated into the project from the design stage itself, laying the foundation for a smart and future-ready manufacturing ecosystem.

Progress Visible Across Every Work Front
A walk through the project site today presents a vastly different picture from what existed only a few years ago. Towering structures, process equipment, pipe racks, substations, utilities, and offsite facilities are steadily taking shape.

During the site visit, various construction fronts were reviewed, including major process units, utility systems, and offsite facilities. Critical equipment erection activities have gathered momentum, while engineering and procurement efforts have achieved significant milestones. The coordination among engineering, procurement, construction, inspection, and planning teams is enabling multiple activities to progress simultaneously across the project.

Preparations for the PFCCU Revamp Turnaround are also progressing steadily, with pre-turnaround activities already underway, major contracts awarded, and a substantial portion of equipment received at site.

A Testament to Teamwork
Perhaps the biggest takeaway from the visit was the spirit of collaboration visible across the project. Engineers, construction teams, planners, safety professionals, consultants, and support functions are all working towards a common goal. The appreciation and encouragement from senior management serve as recognition of these collective efforts and reinforce confidence as the project moves into its next phase of execution.

Today, the PP Project stands as much more than a construction site. It is a living example of BPCL's commitment to building world-class assets through innovation, digitalization, sustainability, and an uncompromising focus on safety. From the adoption of advanced digital technologies such as the ASRS Polymer Warehouse to the achievement of 2.68 million LTA-free manhours and the creation of expansive green spaces, every milestone reflects the dedication of the people behind the project.

As structures rise, equipment is installed, and systems take shape, the project is steadily transforming from drawings and plans into a future-ready petrochemical complex. The challenges encountered along the way have only strengthened the team's resolve, proving that with teamwork, agility, and shared purpose, even the most complex projects can be executed successfully.

The visit of Director (Marketing) served not only as a review of progress but also as an acknowledgment of the passion and perseverance demonstrated by the project team. It reinforced a simple yet powerful message: when safety guides every action, digital innovation drives every decision, and people remain at the heart of every achievement, excellence becomes inevitable.





ED OISD VISITS KOCHI REFINERY

Mr. Sanjib Biswas, Executive Director (OISD) appreciated the new initiative taken up by BPCL at project construction sites in Kochi, particularly the Digital Safety Management System during his visit to Kochi Refinery on 22 September 2026.

ED(OISD) was given a warm welcome by Mr. Chacko M Jose, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) & BPCL Director (Refineries) designate, who also shared about the various HSSE initiatives and developments at the Refinery. ED(OISD) was accompanied by Mr. Arul Muthuraman, ED(Corporate HSSE) for the HSSE review at Kochi Refinery on 22 September 2026.

Mr. Sanjib Biswas interacted with the HSE team, emphasizing the importance of strengthening safety culture, enhancing process safety practices and driving continual improvement in HSE performance. The Poly Propylene project team briefed ED(OISD) on best safety practices at the project site especially the recently introduced 'Digital Safety Management System'.

Mr. Arul Muthuraman, Executive Director (Corporate HSSE) reviewed the Corporate HSSE Business Plan targets, discussed progress against key deliverables, and visited project sites to assess the status of ongoing works and implementation of HSSE requirements.

The visit reinforced the importance of maintaining high standards of safety and HSSE performance, while encouraging continued focus on operational excellence and sustainable growth. During the visit, saplings were planted by Mr. Sanjib Biswas, Executive Director (OISD) and Arul Muthunathan V , Executive Director (Corporate HSSE), symbolizing BPCL's commitment towards environmental sustainability and green initiatives.





CMRO HOSTS RELIABILITY WEEK AT KOCHI REFINERY



CMRO team successfully organised Reliability Week 2026-27 at BPCL Kochi Refinery from 7th to 11th September 2026, reinforcing BPCL's commitment to operational excellence, asset reliability and a proactive maintenance culture.

The week was inaugurated by Mr. Kubade R K, Chief General Manager (Operations), Kochi Refinery, in the presence of Mr. K. Rajashekar, CGM (CMRO), Kochi Refinery RC members and senior officials. The inauguration marked the beginning of a week dedicated to strengthening the refinery's reliability culture through technical excellence, innovation and employee engagement.

The week featured a series of technical sessions, awareness programmes and competitions focused on enhancing equipment reliability and operational excellence. Industry expert sessions were organised in collaboration with M/s Schneider Electric, VAS Tribology, EQUITY, ABB and Emerson providing valuable insights into Lubrication Management, Integrated Condition Monitoring, Predictive Analytics, Internal Corrosion Prediction, Electrical Reliability and Instrumentation Reliability.

Awareness sessions were also conducted on Lubrication Management, Predictive analytics, Advisories and Electrical Maintenance guidelines across all Control rooms & Substations and for new recruits to promote reliability best practices. A major highlight of the week was the Reliability Skit Competition, in which seven teams participated enthusiastically, creatively promoting the importance of reliability culture. Team PDPP emerged as the winners for their outstanding performance.





At the closing ceremony on 11th September 2026, outstanding process plants and individuals were recognised for their contributions towards reliability excellence. In addition to Unit Awards under various parameters, special recognition for individual contributions were also given for Outstanding Contribution in ODR Analytics & Action Forum, Predictive Analytics Implementation and in Lubrication Management System (LMS) Implementation.



The event witnessed enthusiastic participation, recording 128 quiz participants, 77 crossword participants, 186 Reliability Reward Scheme (RRS) nominations, and over 1000 employees engaged through technical sessions, awareness programmes and competitions.

Reliability Week 2026–27 concluded with the valedictory address by Mr. Chacko M Jose, Executive Director, (Kochi Refinery) & Director (Refineries)-Designate, in the presence of KR senior management, with a renewed commitment towards safe, reliable and efficient operations, reinforcing the belief that: "Reliability is each one's Responsibility."



MOTIVATION PROGRAMME

AN INITIATIVE OF KR SC/ST EMPLOYEES FEDERATION



Mr. R. Praveen Kumar, Deputy General Manager (HR), BPCL Kochi Refinery inaugurated the Motivational & Subject Orientation Program organised by the Federation of Central Government SC/ST Employees, BPCL Kochi Refinery Unit, for 58 students of Classes X, XI and XII from Model Residential School (MRS), Keezhmad, Aluva.

The program at the Alpha Plus Training Hall of the BPCL Employees' Credit Society, Tripunithura was inaugurated by The program was presided over by Mr. P. Krishnamoorthy, President, SC/ST Employees Federation, BPCL Kochi Refinery. Mr. TS Manoj Kumar, Secretary, SC/ST Employees Federation, delivered the welcome address. Smt. Sonia, Principal, MRS Keezhmadu, Aluva Smt. V. Boby, Headmaster; and Smt. Ammini A.A. offered felicitations. Mr. Sanju C. Madhavan, Joint Secretary, SC/ST Employees Federation, proposed the vote of thanks.





ED(KR) engages with the young minds – engineering students from various colleges

IEW CURTAIN RAISER AT KOCHI

Kochi joined the India Energy Week 2027 conversation with a regional gathering that brought together energy voices, industry perspectives and ideas around the future of India's energy landscape. The Kolkata event was graced by Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri, Hon'ble Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, and Mr. Suvendu Adhikari, Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal.

Mr. Chacko M Jose, Director (Refineries) Designate gave the key note address at Kochi highlighting the importance of a platform like India Energy Week and the increasing importance of renewable energy. Mr. Vishwas Khobragade, CGM (Technology), Kochi Refinery, other senior officials from BPCL and students also attended the event.

The gathering provided a platform for meaningful dialogue across the energy sector, while a live link connected Kochi with the main Curtain Raiser in Kolkata. The exchange of perspectives added to the momentum building towards India Energy Week 2027. The Kochi gathering further enriched the dialogue around India's energy future, bringing regional perspectives into the larger conversation.



Mr. Vishwas K, CGM(Tech), KR addresses the gathering



Mr Chacko M Jose, ED(KR) appreciates a student for his interest in the Energy Industry. Along with him are Ms. Sheilagh Nair, GM(Brand), BPCL and Mr. N Meganathan, GM(HR), KR.





API & TPI AUTOMATION COMMISSIONED AT ETP-5

ETP-5 was originally installed in 2017 to treat refinery effluents, relying on API and TPI separator bays for primary oil removal. These systems use manual skimming operations, which often led to excess oil carrying over into the downstream biological treatment system. This caused process upsets and poor water quality, heavily reducing the plant's ability to recycle water to RODM. To solve this, automation was implemented where a PLC-based oil removal mechanism using sensors and motorized skimmers across 5 API and 8 TPI bays.

On September 21, 2026, the new **API and TPI Automation system at ETP-5** was successfully inaugurated. The ceremony was held in the gracious presence of Mr.. Chacko M. Jose, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery), who officially inaugurated the facility. During the event, a detailed briefing was given to the ED regarding the working and operation of the newly installed system. He was joined by Mr. Kubade R.K., CGM (Operations), Mr. Vishwas Khobragade, CGM (Tech), Mr. Jomy Sebastian, CGM (E&AS), Mr. Theo Rajan, CGM (E&C), Mr. Vinod P.L, GM(OM&S) and Mr. Georgi Varkey Abraham, GM (E&C).

The project Execution and co-ordination was carried out by Mr. Sanil kumar T, Manager (E&C). It was executed in collaboration with the vendor, M/s Bio Petro Clean, who supplied the complete automation systems.







Mr. Ravindra K Kubade
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Mr. Vishwas Khobragade,
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REJP: A RESOUNDING JOURNEY OF SUCCESS & COOPERATION

The successful completion and commissioning of the Replacement & Extension of Jetty Pipelines (REJP) Project of BPCL Kochi Refinery marked a significant milestone in the journey towards strengthening the refinery's jetty pipeline infrastructure. An achievement that was celebrated on 18 September 2026 along with the leadership, Team REJP, employees, project partners, consultants, stakeholders and several others who had contributed to the project at different stages of its journey.

The evening was graced by senior leadership including Mr. Vishwas Khobragade, CGM Technical; Mr. Ravindra Khubhade, CGM Operations; Mr. Jaikishen C Nath, CGM Projects, Mr. Satheesh Kumar, CGM I/C Projects, Mr. Karthikeyan P G, CGM Projects who shared about the magnitude and reach of this BPCL project that has made recorded an exceptional milestone in project execution. Their presence and words of appreciation added significance to the occasion and acknowledged the collective efforts behind the successful completion of the project.

Mr. Venu R, CGM (IS, Digital & Optimisation) and Mr. Jomy Sebastian, CGM(E&C) were also present. The celebration also recognized the valuable contribution of M/s Tractebel Engineering Private Limited and the numerous project partners and stakeholders associated with the project. Their collaboration, along with the dedication of Team REJP and the wider BPCL family, played an important role in overcoming the challenges encountered during the project journey.

More than a project completion, the occasion represented a celebration of teamwork, perseverance and collective ownership. It was an opportunity for everyone associated with REJP to come together, look back on the journey and celebrate the achievement they had collectively created. Mr. George Simon KJ DGM(Projects), delivered the expression of gratitude on behalf of Team REJP. The evening continued with an engaging magic performance by Mr. Premadas Kizhakkancheri, followed by dinner.

The commissioning of REJP marks not merely completion of a project, but a story shaped by countless contributions, challenges overcome and a shared determination to turn purpose into progress. Its true legacy lies not only in the infrastructure it leaves behind, but in the spirit of collaboration and commitment that brought it to life.







60 TREES FOR KR@60

To commemorate the 60th Anniversary of Kochi Refinery, 60 tree saplings were planted within the refinery premises. The initiative was inaugurated by Mr. Chacko M. Jose, Executive Director (Kochi Refinery) and Director (Refineries)-Designate, on 23 September 2026. As part of the programme, all members of the Refinery Council participated in the plantation drive by planting saplings of fruit-bearing trees, reinforcing the refinery's commitment to environmental sustainability and a greener future.



A SPECIAL STORY OF THE 60 YEAR JOURNEY OF KOCHI REFINERY

A personal narrative of the Refinery was presented by members from various departments at the grand KR Foundation Day celebrations. The script penned by Vineeth M Varghese, DGM(L&D) was enacted by : Abhishek Saini(OM&S), Lakshmi Sahithi (MGF I), Shyam Mohan(Petchem), Balan P(P&U), Ashlok(MT), Mridul (MT), Anoop K S(Petchem), Patil Dipesh Ramesh(P&U), Sooraj S(Maint), Renjith, Samyukta(MGF II), Ajaykumar M (Petchem), Keerthana B(Tech), Nikhil(MGF II)



A TRIBUTE TO THE NATION

A powerful patriotic song performed by KR team Raga Dhwani at the KR Foundation Day celebrations making every heart rise to their rythymic call for the Nation. The team includes : Justin Antony(Mfg II),Sujith N V(OM&S), Ajikumar P K (Mfg I), Manjulal K K(Mfg II), Rajeev K C (HSE), Pribin Thomas (Mfg I), Ramachandran N(AS- Inspection), and Rahul E R(Mfg II)

VANCHIPATTU - THE BEATS OF KERALA

Vanchipattu, the traditional Malayalam folk song of Kerala, sung by oarsmen to maintain a synchronized rhythm while rowing snake boats was performed by winning team from P&U. Performers include Nidhin P S, Shiyas K I, Shinoj K, Krishnakumar T R, Arun V, Vaisakh K, Jithesh K, and Rajesh R





A THRILLING FINALE TO KR BRAND QUIZ, A CELEBRATION OF KNOWLEDGE

The Grand Finale of the Kochinoor KR One Quiz, held on 21 September 2026, brought the Diamond Jubilee celebrations of Kochi Refinery to a thrilling close with an exhilarating contest of knowledge, teamwork and quick thinking. Conducted by professional Quiz Master Mr. Arjun R Sankar, the finale featured five exciting rounds that kept participants and the audience including, the RC members, on the edge of their seats.



Mr. Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta, Director (Finance), BPCL. presented winners trophy to TEAM URJA represented by Poluri Sriya and Adhun Mathew of Mfg Dept.



Mr. Ved Prakash Verma, Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO), BPCL, presented the second prize to TEAM SPEED represented by Sumit Kumar & Shahul Hameed KM (Mfg)



Mr. Chacko M Jose, ED(KR) presented the third prize to TEAM U-Fill represented by Beson George S (Mfg) and Shykumar TC (OM&S).

A flagship initiative under the Kochinoor KR Diamond Jubilee Celebrations, the KR One Quiz was driven by the KR Brand Champions, with enthusiastic participation and support from departments across the Refinery. The initiative brought employees together through a unique team format pairing one management employee with one non-management employee, reinforcing the spirit of collaboration and the belief that Every Employee is a Brand Ambassador.

The journey began last year with departments contributing to the development of an extensive quiz bank covering a wide range of subjects. On 5 August 2026, the team formation process was formally launched by ED(KR), along with the Refinery Council (RC) members. The Brand Champions subsequently took on the mammoth task of creating 900 teams across the Refinery through a lucky draw.

The response was remarkable. Around 600 participants checked in for the first round, from which 239 teams qualified for the second round. A further challenge awaited the 123 teams that advanced to the pre-finals, where they had to tackle 100 questions in just 20 minutes. The competition intensified during the final elimination round, with 16 teams scoring 90 and above battling it out for a place among the Top Six teams. Finalists with the senior leadership of KR are seen in photo above, and photo below the winners and Brand champions are delighted to share a joyful moment at the 60th KR Foundation Day celebrations.

The grand finale celebrated not just the winning teams but also the collective enthusiasm, knowledge and camaraderie of Kochi Refinery's workforce. More than a quiz, KR One Quiz emerged as a powerful platform for employee engagement and brand awareness, demonstrating how a shared passion for learning can bring people together and strengthen the spirit of Team KR.





DRP RELAUNCHED AT KOCHI REFINERY

We are pleased to share the successful relaunch of the Discover Refinery Programme (DRP) of Kochi Refinery, a unique HR initiative that provides employees with an opportunity to bring their family members to the Refinery and familiarize them with its operations and activities.



Mr. N. Meganathan, GM (HR) addresses BPCL family members at DRP relaunch

The first session of the relaunched DRP was conducted on Saturday, 12 September 2026, with the participation of 46 family members of 12 KR employees. Mr. N. Meganathan, GM (HR), KR addressed the gathering and emphasized the important role played by the family in an employee's life. It is worth mentioning that the DRP has been relaunched in the month of September, when Kochi Refinery is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee, making the occasion even more special.

The programme commenced with a safety briefing by Mr. Bimal Raj VL, DGM (Fire & Safety), followed by an insightful presentation on BPCL and Kochi Refinery by Mr. M. Venkata Sudhakar, Chief Manager (Process Engineering). This was followed by a guided plant visit, during which the participants were briefed on the functioning of various process units and gained a better understanding of the Refinery's operations. As part of the visit, the participants also visited the LPG Plant, where they had the opportunity to witness the Kochi LPG bottling operations firsthand.

The successful relaunch of the DRP marks another step towards strengthening employee–family engagement and providing families with a closer insight into the workplace and the operations of Kochi Refinery.

SERVICE CITATION

30 YEARS



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Rajamanickam M
Joined KR in March 1989 in the S&OM Dept is retiring from OM&S



Jayakumar B
Joined KR in March 1997 in the Manufacturing dept is retiring from P&U



NAYI UDAAN: PREPARING MANAGERS FOR NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

Nayi Udaan – Managerial Transition Workshop was extended to 35 Kochrefiners during 24-25 September at the BPCL Annexe, Kochi. Faculties of reputed management educators XIME facilitated the programme. The programme was designed to equip newly transitioned officers with the competencies required to excel in supervisory and leadership roles in a rapidly evolving business environment.

The workshop was inaugurated by General Manager (HR) Shri N. Meganathan, who encouraged participants to embrace the changing industrial landscape, adapt to emerging technologies, and cultivate a mindset of continuous learning. Addressing the participants, he highlighted the importance of agility, innovation, and people-centric leadership in navigating the future of the energy sector.

The programme commenced with sessions on managerial transition, focusing on the shift from individual contributor to working manager, changing role expectations, accountability, and ownership. Through self-assessments and workplace scenarios, participants gained insights into the responsibilities associated with leadership positions.

A major focus of the workshop was developing people management capabilities. Sessions on leading and supervising non-management staff, communication and influencing skills, and giving and receiving feedback enabled participants to understand effective delegation, active listening, assertive communication, and constructive performance management. Interactive case studies, role plays, and simulations provided opportunities to practice real-life workplace situations.

The workshop also emphasized the role of emotional intelligence in managerial effectiveness. Participants explored self-awareness, empathy, emotional regulation, and stress management techniques through reflection exercises and group discussions. An engaging session on dining etiquette and social graces introduced the fundamentals of formal dining etiquette and professional interactions.

On the second day, participants focused on operational leadership through sessions on safety, quality, and productivity, highlighting the critical role of managerial leadership in maintaining high standards of operational excellence. Programmes on decision-making and problem-solving equipped attendees with structured approaches to fact-based and risk-based decision-making.

Recognizing the importance of business acumen, the workshop included a module on basics of finance, helping managers understand budgets, operational costs, and the financial implications of workplace decisions. Additional sessions on time management and prioritisation, team management and conflict resolution, and discipline and professional etiquette provided practical tools for balancing technical responsibilities with supervisory duties while fostering positive workplace relationships.

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SANJEEVANI : PROMOTING HEALTH, WELLNESS AND PREVENTIVE CARE

A healthy workforce is the foundation of a resilient organisation. Reinforcing this belief, BPCL Kochi Refinery observed Sanjeevani Fortnight from 1 to 25 September 2026, transforming its focus on employee well-being into a sustained programme of preventive healthcare, early screening and health awareness. In association with reputed hospitals and healthcare institutions, the initiative brought specialised medical services closer to employees, contract personnel, CISF staff and refinery township residents.

The programme featured cardiac, dermatology, urology, orthopaedic, vascular health and Ayurveda consultations, along with general medical check-ups and eye screening camps. A general medical camp in association with Welcare Hospital benefited 45 employees, while the dermatology clinic conducted with Apollo Adlux Hospital attended to 61 employees. Eye screening programmes also benefited school staff and refinery employees.



An exclusive blood donation camp was organised on 23 Sept 2026, where 60 employees donated blood to mark the 60th Foundation Day of KR.

Emphasising emergency preparedness, *Basic Life Support and First Aid Training*, including hands-on *CPR demonstrations*, was conducted in association with Aster Integrated Emergency Services, with 36 employees participating. A Health Quiz further encouraged awareness of health and wellness. A special session on "Fatty Liver – The Silent Lifestyle Warning", led by Dr Vishnu Girish of Lakeshore Hospital, highlighted the importance of healthy lifestyle choices and early detection. The fortnight also included physiotherapy consultations, tuberculosis screening for contract personnel and dietician consultations in association with Aster Medcity, encouraging healthier dietary habits and lifestyle practices.

Through this comprehensive initiative, Kochi Refinery reaffirmed its commitment to preventive healthcare, early diagnosis and the well-being of its employees and their families.



स्वच्छता केवल एक अभियान नहीं, बल्कि स्वस्थ समाज, सुरक्षित पर्यावरण और जिम्मेदार नागरिकता की आधारशिला है। इस सोच को जनभागीदारी के माध्यम से साकार करते हुए, बीपीसीएल कोच्चि रिफाइनरी ने स्वच्छता ही सेवा 2026 के अंतर्गत एर्नाकुलम और त्रिशूर जिलों में विविध स्वच्छता, पर्यावरण संरक्षण और सामुदायिक जागरूकता कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन किया। विद्यालयों और अस्पतालों से लेकर समुद्र तटों, तीर्थस्थलों और सार्वजनिक स्थानों तक फैली इन पहलों ने समाज के विभिन्न वर्गों को एक साझा उद्देश्य से जोड़ा–स्वच्छता को जनआंदोलन बनाना और आने वाली पीढ़ियों के लिए स्वच्छ, स्वस्थ एवं टिकाऊ पर्यावरण का निर्माण करना।

बीपीसीएल कोच्चि रिफाइनरी ने एर्नाकुलम और त्रिशूर जिलों में स्वच्छता अभियान, पर्यावरण जागरूकता कार्यक्रमों तथा सामुदायिक पहलों की एक श्रृंखला के माध्यम से स्वच्छता ही सेवा मनाया। विद्यार्थियों, कर्मचारियों, सफाई कर्मियों, स्थानीय निकायों और सामुदायिक संगठनों की सक्रिय भागीदारी से इस अभियान ने स्वच्छता को सामूहिक जिम्मेदारी बनाने का संदेश दिया।

कुझुप्पिल्ली समुद्र तट पर तटीय स्वच्छता अभियान (19 सितंबर)

तटीय स्वच्छता अभियान में लगभग 426 प्रतिभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया। अभियान का उद्घाटन उप महानिरीक्षक श्री वरुण उपाध्याय ने किया। इस अवसर पर अर्जुन पुरस्कार से सम्मानित श्री टॉम जोसेफ भी उपस्थित थे। एसएनएम कॉलेज के विद्यार्थियों, रोटरी क्लब के सदस्यों, स्थानीय जनप्रतिनिधियों, निवासियों और बीपीसीएल कर्मचारियों ने मिलकर 72 बैग कचरा एकत्र किया तथा तटीय पर्यावरण के संरक्षण में योगदान दिया।

विद्यालयों और महाविद्यालयों की अग्रणी भूमिका

विद्यालयों और महाविद्यालयों में जागरूकता सत्र, स्वच्छता शपथ, जादू के शो, प्रश्नोत्तरी, वाद-विवाद, चित्रकला एवं निबंध प्रतियोगिताओं, वेस्ट-टू-आर्ट गतिविधियों, बायोचार प्रदर्शन, कचरा पृथक्करण के प्रदर्शन तथा वृक्षारोपण कार्यक्रमों का आयोजन किया गया। स्थानीय स्वशासन संस्थानों में भी स्वच्छता और जिम्मेदार अपशिष्ट प्रबंधन को बढ़ावा दिया गया। इस अवसर पर सफाई कर्मियों और हरित कर्म सेना के सदस्यों को स्वच्छता किट एवं वर्दियाँ वितरित की गईं।





गांधी स्क्वायर में वॉकथॉन (27 सितंबर)

पूनिथुरा स्थित गांधी स्क्वायर में आयोजित वॉकथॉन में 96 प्रतिभागियों ने हिस्सा लिया। स्थानीय नगर निकायों के अध्यक्षों ने इसका उद्घाटन किया। इस अवसर पर बीपीसीएल कोच्चि रिफाइनरी के मुख्य प्रबंधक (कर्मचारी संतुष्टि संवर्धन) लेफ्टिनेंट कर्नल आर. मुरुगैयन उपस्थित थे। स्थानीय निकायों, स्वास्थ्य संस्थानों और सामुदायिक संगठनों ने इस पहल को समर्थन दिया।

स्वास्थ्य सुविधाओं में स्वच्छता को बढ़ावा

पेरुंबावूर स्थित तालुक मुख्यालय अस्पताल और आलुवा स्थित जिला अस्पताल में स्वच्छता अभियान तथा जागरूकता सत्र आयोजित किए गए। इन पहलों के माध्यम से स्वस्थ वातावरण बनाए रखने में स्वच्छता और कचरे के उचित निपटान के महत्व पर प्रकाश डाला गया।

साइक्लोथॉन और पर्यावरण संबंधी जागरूकता

परवूर से फोर्ट कोच्चि तक आयोजित साइक्लोथॉन के माध्यम से स्वच्छता का संदेश व्यापक समुदाय तक पहुँचाया गया। वहीं, त्रिप्पुनिथुरा स्थित गवर्नमेंट बॉयज़ हायर सेकेंडरी स्कूल के विद्यार्थियों ने नेट्टूर स्थित 100 एमएलडी केरल जल उपचार संयंत्र का दौरा किया। इस दौरान उन्होंने जल शोधन की प्रक्रिया और पर्यावरण संरक्षण के विभिन्न पहलुओं की जानकारी प्राप्त की।

स्वच्छ भविष्य की ओर एक सामूहिक कदम । जनभागीदारी, शैक्षणिक संस्थानों तक पहुँच और व्यावहारिक पर्यावरणीय पहलों के माध्यम से स्वच्छता ही सेवा 2026 ने स्वच्छता के संकल्प को सामूहिक कार्रवाई में परिवर्तित किया। इस अभियान का समन्वय श्री टॉम जोसेफ, प्रबंधक (सीएसआर) तथा श्री मोहम्मद निज़ार, सहायक कार्यपालक (सीएसआर) द्वारा किया गया। इस अभियान ने सतत समुदायों के निर्माण तथा स्वच्छ एवं स्वस्थ पर्यावरण को बढ़ावा देने के प्रति बीपीसीएल कोच्चि रिफाइनरी की प्रतिबद्धता को पुनः रेखांकित किया।




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