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Dear Sir/Madam,

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Subject: Press Release and Investor Presentation – Financial Results

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the Press Release and Investor Presentation on the Unaudited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter and nine months ended on December 31, 2023.

The above is for your information and records.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

For KEC International Limited

Amit Kumar Gupta Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

Encl: as above



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#### FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR QUARTER & NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## **KEC delivers Robust growth in Revenue and Profitability**

Revenue grows by 14% in Q3 and 17% in 9M

EBITDA grows by 54% in Q3 and 51% in 9M; EBITDA Margin expands by 160 bps to 6.2% in Q3

PAT grows by ~6 times in Q3 and ~2 times in 9M

Record Order Book + L1 of over Rs. 38,000 crore

Mumbai, January 30, 2024: KEC International Ltd., a global infrastructure EPC major and an RPG Group Company, today announced its results for the third quarter (Q3 FY24) and nine months (9M FY24) ended December 31, 2023.

#### **Consolidated Financial Performance:**

Q3 FY24 v/s Q3 FY23	9M FY24 v/s 9M FY23
Revenue: Rs. 5,007 crore against Rs. 4,375 crore	Revenue: Rs. 13,749 crore against Rs. 11,757 crore
EBITDA: Rs. 308 crore against Rs. 200 crore	EBITDA: Rs. 827 crore against Rs. 546 crore
EBITDA Margin (Y-o-Y): 6.2% against 4.6%	EBITDA Margin: 6.0% against 4.6%
EBITDA Margin (Q-o-Q): 6.2% against 6.1%	
Interest as % to Revenue: 3.3% against 3.4%	Interest as % to Revenue: 3.6% against 3.2%
PBT: Rs. 121 crore against Rs. 11 crore	PBT: Rs. 233 crore against Rs. 75 crore
PBT Margin: 2.4% against 0.3%	PBT Margin: 1.7% against 0.6%
PAT: Rs. 97 crore against Rs. 18 crore	PAT: Rs. 195 crore against Rs. 104 crore
PAT Margin: 1.9% against 0.4%	PAT Margin: 1.4% against 0.9%





#### **Standalone Financial Performance:**

Q3 FY24 v/s Q3 FY23	9M FY24 v/s 9M FY23*
Revenue: Rs. 4,398 crore against Rs. 3,868 crore	Revenue: Rs. 12,082 crore against Rs. 10,452 crore
EBITDA: Rs. 211 crore against Rs. 180 crore	EBITDA: Rs. 564 crore against Rs. 644 crore
<b>EBITDA Margin (Y-o-Y):</b> 4.8% against 4.7%	EBITDA Margin: 4.7% against 6.2%
EBITDA Margin (Q-o-Q): 4.8% against 4.6%	
Interest as % to Revenue: 3.3% against 3.2%	Interest as % to Revenue: 3.6% against 2.9%
PBT: Rs. 56 crore against Rs. 28 crore	PBT: Rs. 71 crore against Rs. 203 crore
PBT Margin: 1.3% against 0.7%	PBT Margin: 0.6% against 1.9%
PAT: Rs. 44 crore against Rs. 15 crore	PAT: Rs. 55 crore against Rs. 151 crore
PAT Margin: 1.0% against 0.4%	PAT Margin: 0.5% against 1.4%

<sup>\*</sup>PBT of 9M FY23 included an exceptional item of Rs. 76 Cr towards provision for impairment of subsidiary in SAE Brazil

#### **Consolidated Order Intake and Order Book:**

#### **Order Intake:**

YTD Order intake of ~Rs. 13,000 crore, with significant contributions from T&D and Civil businesses.

#### **Order Book:**

YTD order book + L1 position stands at a record level of over Rs. 38,000 crore (Including L1 position of over Rs. 8,000 crore).

#### **Consolidated Net Debt and Net Working Capital:**

- Net Debt including Acceptances stands at Rs. 6,045 Cr as on 31 Dec'23, a reduction of ~Rs. 300 Cr vis-à-vis 30 Sep'23; despite a sequential increase in revenue of over Rs. 500 Cr.
- Net Working Capital (NWC) stands at 129 days as on 31<sup>st</sup> Dec'23 Reduction of 4 days vis-à-vis 30<sup>th</sup> Sep'23.

**Mr. Vimal Kejriwal, MD & CEO, KEC International Ltd. commented**, "We have delivered an impressive performance for the quarter, marked by robust revenue growth, a noteworthy increase in profitability and positive developments in working capital. The Transmission and Distribution (T&D) and Civil businesses have been the primary growth drivers. Our EBITDA margins continue to show an upward trajectory with an improvement every quarter with the margins increasing by a good 160 basis points, from 4.6% in Q3 FY23 to 6.2% in Q3 FY24. SAE Towers delivered a positive Profit Before Tax (PBT) for the third consecutive quarter. With a record order book & L1 position of over Rs 38,000 crore and a promising tender pipeline, we are confident of concluding the year with a healthy growth."





#### **About KEC International Limited**

KEC International is a global infrastructure Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) major. It has presence in the verticals of Power Transmission and Distribution, Railways, Civil, Urban Infrastructure, Solar, Smart Infrastructure, Oil & Gas Pipelines, and Cables. The Company is currently executing infrastructure projects in 30+ countries and has a footprint in 110+ countries (includes EPC, Supply of Towers and Cables). It is the flagship Company of the RPG Group.

#### **About RPG Enterprises**

RPG Enterprises, established in 1979, is one of India's fastest growing business groups with a turnover of US\$ 4.4 Billion. The group has diverse business interests in the areas of Infrastructure, Tyres, Pharma, IT and Specialty as well as in emerging innovation-led technology businesses.







# **KEC International Limited**

## Investor Presentation - Q3 FY24

## **30 January 2024**



Power T & D

Civil









Railways

Oil & Gas Pipelines

Solar

**Cables** 





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One of India's leading tyre manufacturers



Global technology consulting and IT services company



Integrated pharma company in formulations and synthetic APIs

## Raychem RPG

Technology solutions company catering to energy and infrastructure



One of India's
largest
plantation
companies
producing tea,
rubber, etc.





## **KEC International: Building Infrastructure for the World of Tomorrow**

Transmission & Distribution





**Urban Infra** 

Oil & Gas Pipelines

Cables













Solar









FOOTPRINT IN

110+

COUNTRIES



300+
ONGOING
PROJECTS



\$2.1
BILLION
GLOBAL EPC

**MAJOR** 



8
MANUFACTURING
FACILITIES



**7500+ EMPLOYEES** 



35+
NATIONALITIES





## **Diverse Portfolio of Offerings**

**Transmission Lines** 



**Substations** 



OHE



Solar



**Cables** 



**Factories** 



**Residential Buildings** 



**Track Laying** 



**Tunnel Ventilation** 



**Depot & Workshops** 



**Underground Cabling** 



S&T



**Railway Bridges** 



Warehouses



**Smart City** 



Water



Metros - Civil



**Data Centre** 



**Defence** 





**Airports** 



**Metros - Tech** 



TCAS - Kavach



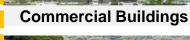
**Speed Upgradation** 



Oil & Gas Pipelines



**Newly Added** 





**Automatic Signalling** 



**Converter Stations** 







## **Board of Directors**



H. V. Goenka Chairman, Non Executive Director



Vimal Kejriwal
Managing Director
& CEO



A. T. Vaswani Non Executive Independent Director



D. G. Piramal
Non Executive
Independent Director



M.S. Unnikrishnan Non Executive Independent Director



Nirupama Rao Non Executive Independent Director



R. D. Chandak
Non Executive
Independent Director



S. M. Trehan
Non Executive
Independent Director



Vikram Gandhi Non Executive Independent Director



Vinayak Chatterjee Non-Executive, Non-Independent Director





## **Management Team**



Vimal Kejriwal Managing Director & CEO



Rajeev Agarwal
Chief Financial Officer



Neeraj Nanda President – Emerging Businesses



Anand Kulkarni Executive Director – Business Operations



Kaushal Kodesia Executive Director – Railways



Manjit Singh Sethi Executive Director – Cables



Nagesh Veeturi Executive Director – Civil



Sanjeev Agarwal
Executive Director –
International T&D



Rakesh Gaur CEO - SAE & ED - T&D (Africa and CIS)



Mayank Agrawal Chief Executive – Oil & Gas Pipelines



Rajinder Gupta SVP & Business Head (T&D) – India & Sri Lanka



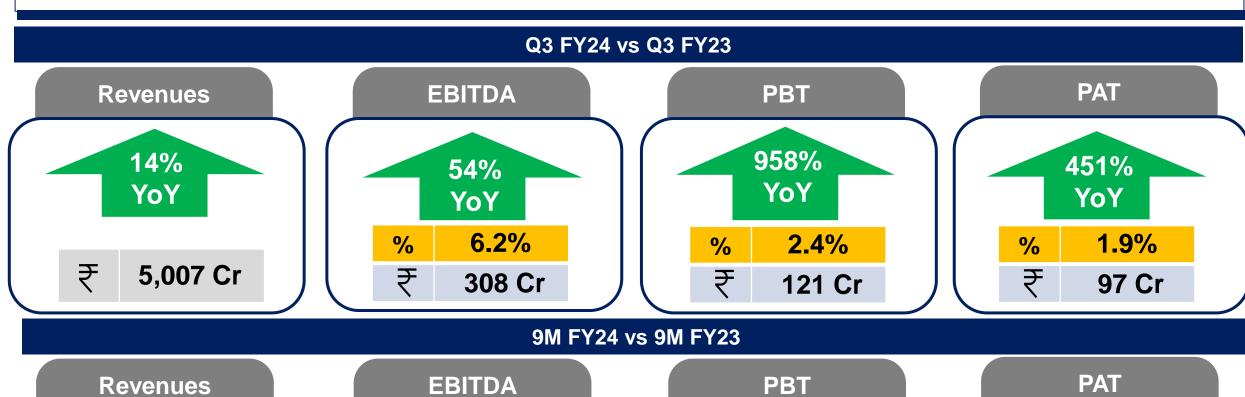
Milind Apte Chief Human Resources Officer



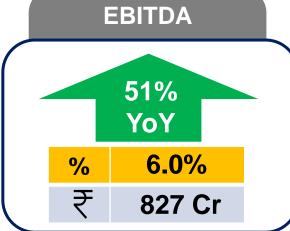


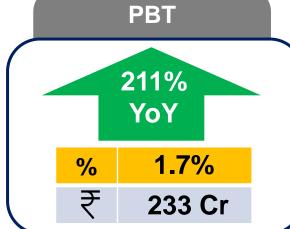


## Financial Highlights Q3 & 9M FY24 – Growth Across Parameters







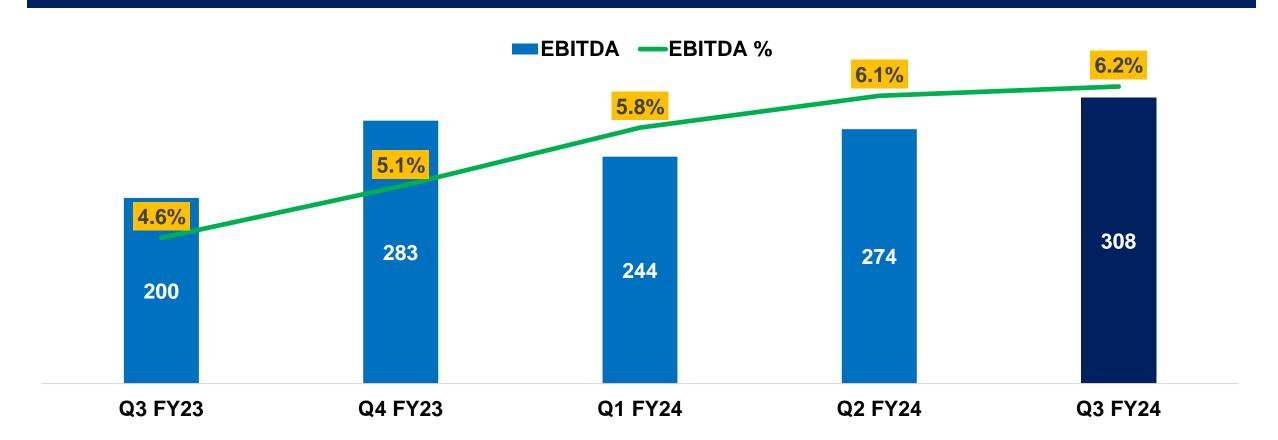








## **Improving Trajectory of Margins**



- EBITDA Margins continue to show an improvement over the last few quarters
- EBITDA Margins for Q3 have increased by 160 basis points from 4.6% in Q3 FY23 to 6.2% in Q3 FY24
- We expect the EBITDA Margins to continue to improve over the next quarters





## Key Business Highlights – Q3 FY24



#### T&D

- Revenues of Rs. 2,723 Cr, growth of 22% YoY
- •SAE continues to deliver turnaround performance with positive PBT
- Record order book & L1 of over Rs. 22,000 Cr
- Commenced the process of setting up Aluminium Conductor capacity with an overall capex of Rs 60 Cr



## Civil

- Revenues of ~Rs. 1,100 Cr, a healthy growth of 30% YoY
- •YTD Order intake of over Rs. 2,500 Cr industrial, commercial & residential buildings, public spaces & data centres
- Breakthrough orders in Hospital and FMCG segments



## Railways

- Revenues of Rs. 653 Cr for the quarter
- •YTD Order intake of over Rs. 850 Cr Subdued owing to increase in competition from Tier II/ III EPC contractors and clientele changing from PSUs to Zonal Railways
- Actively pursuing International opportunities



## Oil & Gas

- Revenues of Rs. 182 Cr with a good growth of 15% YoY
- Secured an order for composite station works
- Exploring international opportunities and have been approved by a leading global energy company based in the Middle East



#### Solar

- Execution in progress of our largest solar project of 600 MWp in Karnataka
- Continue to bid actively for select opportunities in line with the sustained commitment of the government to promote renewable energy



#### **Cables**

- Achieved Revenues of Rs. 383 Cr, a growth of 4% vis-à-vis last year
- Delivered highest ever profitability for the nine-month period of the year
- Developed unique products such as EV Charging cable and Green Cable





Tax Rate %

**PAT Margins** 

PAT



(₹ crore)

## **Profit and Loss Summary (Consolidated)**

Growth Q3 FY24 Q3 FY23 (Y-o-Y)5,007 4,375 14% Revenues **EBITDA** 308 200 54% **EBITDA Margins 6.2%** 4.6% (+) Other Income 26 (-) Depreciation 49 41 10% (-) Interest 149 164 Interest as % to sales 3.3% 3.4% **PBT** 121 11 958% **PBT Margins** 2.4% 0.3% Tax\* 24 -6

9M FY24	9M FY23	Growth (Y-o-Y)
13,749	11,757	17%
827	546	51%
6.0%	4.6%	
45	26	
137	120	
501	377	33%
3.6%	3.2%	
233	75	211%
1.7%	0.6%	
38	-29	
16.4%	-38.3%	
195	104	88%
1.4%	0.9%	

<sup>\*</sup>Tax for 9M FY23 includes a one-time reversal of provision in the second quarter of the previous year

19.8%

97

1.9%

-54.0%

18

0.4%

451%





(₹ crore)

## **Profit and Loss Summary (Standalone)**

The and Loss Summary (Standarone)

	Q3 FY24	Q3 FY23	Growth (Y-o-Y)
Revenues	4,398	3,868	14%
EBITDA	211	180	17%
EBITDA Margins	4.8%	4.7%	
(+) Other Income	29	3	
(-) Depreciation	38	32	
(-) Interest	146	123	19%
Interest as % to sales	3.3%	3.2%	
Operational PBT	56	28	102%
Operational PBT Margins	1.3%	0.7%	
Exceptional Item*	0	0	
PBT after Exceptional Item*	56	28	102%
PBT Margins After Exceptional Item*	1.3%	0.7%	
Tax	12	13	
Tax Rate %	21.2%	46.9%	
PAT	44	15	199%
PAT Margins	1.0%	0.4%	

9M FY24	9M FY23	Growth (Y-o-Y)
12,082	10,452	16%
564	644	-12%
4.7%	6.2%	
50	28	
107	95	
436	299	46%
3.6%	2.9%	
71	279	-75%
0.6%	2.7%	
0	-76	
71	203	-65%
0.6%	1.9%	
16	52	
22.8%	25.7%	
55	151	-64%
0.5%	1.4%	

<sup>\*</sup>Exceptional item of Rs. 76 Cr in Q2 last year is provision for impairment of subsidiary in SAE Brazil

#Shift in margin profile from standalone to consolidated due to the substantial growth in revenue and margins from UAE subsidiaries, SAE and KEC Spur





## **Businesswise Revenue Performance (Consolidated)**

Particulars	Q3 FY24	Q3 FY23	Growth (Y-o-Y)
T&D:	2,723	2,234	22%
- T&D (KEC)	2,383	1,889	26%
- SAE Towers	340	345	-2%
Non T&D:	2,475	2,309	7%
- Civil	1,099	845	30%
- Railways	653	910	-28%
- Oil & Gas Pipelines	182	159	15%
- Cables	383	368	4%
- Others*	157	27	479%
Inter SBU:	-192	-168	
Total Net Sales	5,007	4,375	14%
T&D Share	54%	51%	
Non T&D Share	46%	49%	

9M FY24	9M FY23	Growth (Y-o-Y)
7,072	5,924	19%
6,091	4,993	22%
981	931	5%
7,180	6,265	15%
3,108	2,183	42%
2,193	2,502	-12%
414	332	25%
1,185	1,176	1%
280	72	287%
-502	-433	
13,749	11,757	17%
51%	50%	
49%	50%	

<sup>(₹</sup> crore)

<sup>\*</sup>Others include Solar/ Cabling





## **Borrowings & Working Capital (Consolidated)**

Particulars	31-Dec-23	31-Dec-22	Increase/ (Decrease)
I) Net Debt	4,445	3,432	1,013
II) Interest Bearing Acceptances	1,600	2,185	-585
Total (I + II)	6,045	5,617	428

30-Sep-23	Increase/ (Decrease)
4,491	-46
1,848	-248
6,339	-293

31-Mar-23	Increase/ (Decrease)
2,872	1,574
2,113	-513
4,985	1,061

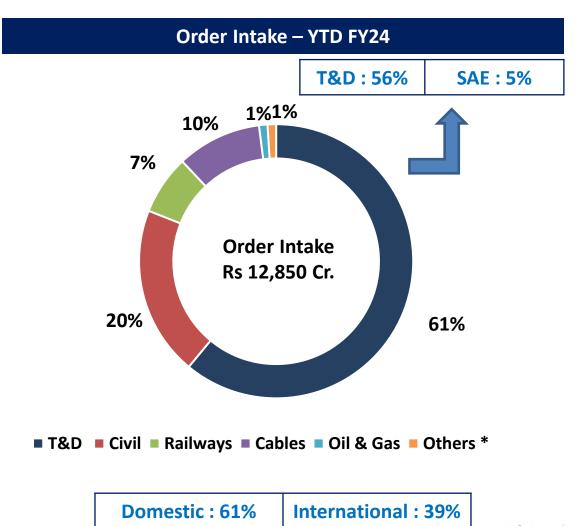
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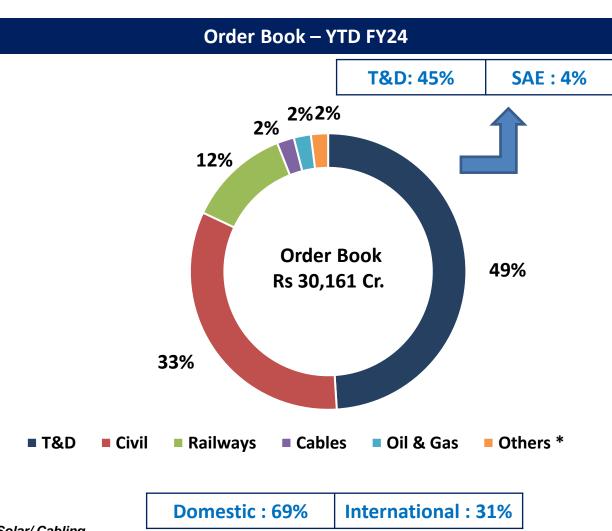
- Net debt including acceptances stand at Rs. 6,045 Cr as on 31 Dec'23, a reduction of Rs. 293 Cr vis-à-vis 30 Sep'23. This is despite a sequential increase in revenue of over Rs. 500 Cr.
- Net Working Capital (NWC) has been brought down by 4 days to 129 days as on 31 Dec'23 vis-a-vis 133 days as on 30 Sep'23. We continue to focus on below initiatives to optimize working capital:
  - Judicious monitoring of cash flows through daily/ weekly war rooms
  - Setting up Cross Functional teams for collection of high value AR especially retention
  - Concerted efforts on expediting commercial closure of projects
  - Enhancing digitalisation efforts





## **Order Intake & Order Book (Consolidated)**









## **Business Outlook**

## **TAILWINDS**





## **HEADWINDS**

- Government's focus on infrastructure expected to continue
- GCC capex momentum to sustain
- Uptick in private capex, especially Real Estate and Metals & Mining
- Significant traction in India T&D backed by thrust on renewables
- SAE turnaround with positive PBT in three consecutive quarters
- T&D and Civil will be the growth drivers
- Significant demand in tower supply from North America & Australia
- International opportunities in Railways, Civil and Oil & Gas
- Improving working capital scenario

- Sustained high interest rates
- Continued geo-political unrests
  - Red Sea issue impacting logistics
- Subdued performance in Railways
  - Increased competition
  - Delayed collections

- ✓ Continuous improvement in EBITDA Margins increased by 160 bps from 4.6% in Q3 FY23 to 6.2% in Q3 FY24
  - ✓ Record Order Book and L1 Position of over Rs. 38,000 Cr
  - ✓ Tenders under Evaluation & Tenders in Pipeline of over Rs. 130,000 Cr







## **ESG & Sustainability Goals and Status**



# **Happiness Quotient**

**Target:** Increase Happiness Quotient to 85% by FY26

#### **Status:**

Happiness Quotient for FY23 has increased to 81% vis-à-vis 80% for FY21



## Diversity & Inclusion

**Target:** Increase in diversity by 25% by FY26

#### **Status:**

Diversity has increased by 39% in FY23 vis-à-vis FY21



# Occupational Heath & Safety

**Target:** Work towards the goal of achieving Zero accidents

#### **Status:**

LTIFR has reduced to 0.25 in FY23 vis-à-vis 0.68 in FY21, a reduction of 63%



# Corporate Social Responsibility

Target: Reach 2 lac CSR beneficiaries by FY 26

#### **Status:**

CSR beneficiaries for FY23 are 5.7 lakh (includes COVID-19 response beneficiaries of 2 lakh)



## **Circularity**

**Target:** Zero waste to landfill by FY 26 for manufacturing plants

#### **Status:**

Waste to landfill has reduced by 51% in FY23 vis-à-vis FY21



## Water Positive Approach

**Target:** Reduce water consumption intensity in manufacturing plants by 20% by FY26

#### **Status:**

Water consumption intensity has reduced by 16% in FY23 vis-à-vis FY21



# **Energy Consumption**

**Target:** Reduce energy consumption intensity of manufacturing plants by 15% by FY26

#### **Status:**

Energy consumption intensity has reduced by 27% in FY23 vis-à-vis FY21



# **Carbon Emission**

Target: Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions intensity of manufacturing plants by 20% by FY26

#### **Status:**

GHG emission intensity has reduced by 18% in FY23 vis-à-vis FY21



# Sustainable Procurement

**Target:** 100% of key suppliers to be assessed under ESG criteria by FY23

#### **Status:**

100% of key suppliers have been assessed under ESG criteria





## Sustainability Roadmap – Key Initiatives and Approach



# Happiness **Quotient**

- Various initiatives being deployed across Work Life Balance, Career Velocity and Connectedness
- Introduced Employee Emotional Wellness programme, in collaboration with an online counselling platform



## **Circularity**

- Substituting wood-based packaging with flexi recyclable packaging material for transmission towers, structures, and cables
- Installation of closed loop pre-flux regeneration plants and acid recovery plants



- Dedicated focus on recruiting candidates from diverse ethnic backgrounds for key positions
- Sustained focus on hiring persons with disabilities



# Water Positive Approach

- Usage of tube well water in project sites for domestic and curing purposes
- Installation of water meters to monitor consumption



Safety

- Deployed safety systems at high-risk operations to achieve the goal of zero accidents
- Enhanced focus on safety training by onboarding reputed consultants



### **Decarbonisation**

## Reducing energy consumption & carbon emission

- Development of new products such as EV Charging cable and Green cable
- Shifting / re-planting of trees that are affected by construction activities



- Vocational skills training for entry level job roles in Handloom industry
- Upliftment and revival of sites, which are of historical significance



# Sustainable Procurement

- Formulated the Code of Conduct (CoC) based on sustainability / ESG criteria
- Formulated Sustainable Procurement Policy





# **THANK YOU**





\*Includes EPC and Supply

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