

In KINFRA Industrial Park, Kasargod

Strategic Electronics Manufacturing Factory of HAL getting ready for launch

Kasargod: The Strategic Electronics Manufacturing Factory of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), based in the KINFRA Industrial Park, Kasargod is all set and ready for inauguration. HAL, the premier aviation company in India, one of the leading Public Sector Undertakings of the country and a Navratna enterprise has set up the Strategic

Electronics Manufacturing Factory of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Hyderabad is engaged in the manufacture of a wide variety of electronic equipment encompassing the areas of Communication, Radar, Navigation, Computers and Electronic Warfare. These products are being

supplied for fitment on various Aircraft and Helicopters that are supplied to Indian Armed Forces. Apart from these, the Division is also meeting the requirements of Avionics for the space applications. In addition to the assembly, testing and manufacture of the above types of systems, the Division is also providing repair maintenance support for these avionics which are fitted across various aircraft platforms.

environmental chamber & vibration system. A built up area of 4000 Sq. meters is envisaged for the new unit."

The entire facility will be located in the ground floor which includes functional departments like assembly / testing, planning, IMM and customer services. The building will be airconditioned and the assembly and testing fa-



ctic Electronics Manufacturing Factory in 200 acres of land in the KINFRA Park in Seethangoli, Kasargod District. HAL is scheduled to invest Rs.200 crore in this venture.

The new factory is planned, initially, as an extension of HAL's Hyderabad Avionics Division. This facility may be expanded to include new projects arising out of the future aircraft pro-

grammes, and converted into a full-fledged Division in course of time. Avionics Division of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Hyderabad is engaged in the manufacture of a wide variety of electronic equipment encompassing the areas of Communication, Radar, Navigation, Computers and Electronic Warfare. These products are being



jecting. Keeping in view the large requirement of these systems over the next 6 years, the new facility in KINFRA Kasargod is being created as a separate Assembly and Test facility which would eventually take up the additional load from the Division.

"KINFRA is providing the required land on a 90 year lease to HAL in view of the futuristic possibilities involved in the project", explains Sri S. Ramnath, MD-KINFRA. "The facility will have state-of-the-art assembly and testing facilities, tools, industrial furniture and

facilities will have all necessary standard elements like antistatic flooring, false ceiling and wooden paneling required for electronics assembly and testing.

HAL currently has 19 Production Units and 9 Research and Design Centres in 7 locations in India. The Company has an impressive product track record - 12 types of aircraft manufactured with in-house R&D and 14 types produced under license. HAL has manufactured over 3550 aircraft, 3600 engines and overhauled over 8150 aircraft and 27300 engines.

Pioneers in Progress

In KINFRA Export Promotion Industrial Park (KEPIP)

Nirmal Info Park: The NRK initiative with an American flavour

History has come full circle. KEPIP, when it was created in the late 1990s, was intended to be a facility to house leading IT export companies. Circumstances stood in the way, and for over a decade KINFRA focused on other export enterprises. Destiny has now willed that KEPIP be the mentor and guiding light of a major development in IT, namely Nirmal Info Park, which has been set



up in the KEPIP Campus offering the latest in infrastructure to enable IT entrepreneurs to walk in and operate.

"Nirmal Info Park is the first-ever successful venture of Non-Resident Keralites (NRK) from the USA", pointed out Sri S. Ramnath, MD-KINFRA. "Its promoters

have proven track records in industrial, business and professional areas, which would come in handy to make Nirmal a NRK success story."

Mr. John Titus, head of the Seattle, USA-based Aero Controls that supplies spares to the Boeing Aircraft Company, Mr. Antony Thaliath, well known for his association with the Gandhi Peace Foundation in Atlanta, USA and Dr. Stephen Puthumana, MD of the Baltimore, USA-based Tidewater Group, constitute the NRK trio behind the innovative effort. While Mr. Titus is the Chairman of Nirmal, Dr. Stephen is its Managing Director.

"KEPIP is ideal location for an IT park, and being part of Cochin, the emerging metropolis, Nirmal will be able to function with utmost efficiency", says Mr. V.N.P. Kaimal, Chairman-KEPIP.

"We are partners in progress, KINFRA and Nirmal", adds Mr. V.R. Balu, MD-KEPIP. "KINFRA pioneered the industrial infrastructure revolution in Kerala, and now, Nirmal joins us with a progressive project, with all the ingredients to strike gold."

Poojaa Garments in KIAP

The 21st century garment factory powered by technology

Poojaa Garments is one of the largest, skilled and professionally managed manufacturer and exporter of garments from India. The company has graphed an enviable growth rate through excellence of performance, constantly updating technology and upgrading quality.

"Our stability roots to our solid customer base", says Dr. Usha Umesh, the Proprietor, holding a doctorate in Industrial Economics. "Poojaa Garments is a 21st century garments factory that is powered by state-of-the-art technology. Possessing a built-in space of 54,000 sq ft, Poojaa Garments can create 25,000 pieces of tops/bottoms a day - each a sartorial masterpiece, a symphonic work of art. Striving for perfection is second nature to us."



The unit is located in KINFRA's International Apparel Park, Kazhakkuttam, Trivandrum, with 58 cents of land on lease and 54,000 sq ft of built up factory area.

Backed by the strength of 1250 working personnel, 600 machines and endless enterprise, Poojaa Garments is on the threshold of expansion aiming to double the current output. The company is employing women below poverty line, imparting training and making them good workers. The facilities offered include subsidized food and transportation facility for day scholars. Hostel facility is arranged by KINFRA at a reasonable rate. Workers are eligible for PF, ESI, Insurance and Bonus.