



Tata Metaliks signs MoU with Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development to set up Skill Development Centre in Midnapore

Kolkata, Sept 15 /-/ Tata Metaliks Limited (TML), one of India's leading foundry grade Pig Iron and Ductile Iron Pipes manufacturers, today signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development (PBSSD) to set up a Skill Development Centre (SDC) in Midnapore district as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility and Affirmative Action initiative.

The MoU was signed by Mr Sanjiv Paul, Managing Director, TML, with PBSSD in the august presence of Ms Mamata Banerjee, Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal, at Nabanna, the State's administrative headquarters.

The Chief Minister expressed her happiness on the occasion and assured full support of the State government for the success of the Skill Development Centre.

PBSSD is an autonomous body under the Department of Technical Education, Training & Skill Development, Govt. of West Bengal.

This initiative will equip the underprivileged youths of the local community in and around TML's plant at Kharagpur with skills that will enable them to earn a sustainable livelihood either through employment or as entrepreneurs.

As per the MoU, the SDC will operate from a building belonging to PBSSD located within the campus of ITI, Midnapore. TML will train 1000 - 1200 youths annually through a reputed National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) approved training partner in short-term vocational courses. The initial focus will be on Plumbing, Electrician, Carpentry, Beauty & Wellness, Hospitality and Security courses. Besides training in state-of-the-art laboratories for various trades, all trainees will also be provided soft skills and basic computer training.

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The SDC will be scaled up with more courses and number of trainees in due course. All successful trainees will receive NSDC certification and support for placement/ entrepreneurship opportunities.

Speaking on the development, Mr Sanjiv Paul said: “As part of company’s CSR initiative, Tata Metaliks seeks to launch a transformative intervention and help the surrounding community to move up the socio-economic ladder at a rapid pace. Our vision is to equip the unemployed and under-employed youth with right skills and competency, support them in their entrepreneurship efforts and, thereby, lead them to sustained livelihoods”.

TML believes that skill development is the key to India's economic growth in the future as the country transforms itself into an internationally competitive economy.

About Tata Metaliks

Tata Metaliks Limited, a subsidiary of Tata Steel Limited, is one of India’s largest manufacturers of foundry grade Pig Iron, which is used as raw material for manufacture of industrial castings by foundries. The Company, through its 100% subsidiary, Tata Metaliks DI Pipes Limited, is also one of the leading manufacturers of Ductile Iron Pipes used for conveyance of water and sewage. Tata Metaliks’ pig iron, known as “Tata eFee”, and ductile iron pipes, known by the brand “Tata Ductura”, produced at the state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities, are known for their superior quality standards amongst the customers in the industry.

Fostering a customer-centric culture across all its operations, the Company, for its pig iron business provides an end-to-end service bouquet for foundries which includes supplying customised feedstock and providing technical services. For its ductile iron pipe business, the company’s product portfolio includes wide range of ductile iron pipes in terms of diameter, pressure and thickness class, and types of internal lining and external coating. Combining customer-centricity with technical efficiency, Tata Metaliks is the supplier of choice for pig iron as well as ductile iron pipes and is on a steady growth curve with latest capacity expansion.

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