

BHARAT HEAVY ELECTRICALS LIMITED

BHEL has been hosting awareness campaigns to promote COVID appropriate behaviour across the company as well as in all locations with BHEL presence. Rapid response teams have been constituted in all major units and divisions of BHEL, which are taking care of emergency hospitalisation, oxygen supplies, ambulance, medical supplies, food and other necessities of COVID affected employees and their families. Doctors and medical staff at BHEL are also available for online medical consultation. Special medical programmes for home care of COVID patients has also been introduced with leading hospitals that benefit all employees, retired employees and their dependents.

BHEL Haridwar has a capacity to produce 24,000 CuM oxygen per day for captive use through internal pipelines. With the shortage in medical oxygen in the country, the plant created cylinder filling capacity for over 3000 cylinders per day in one week and has filled 55,000 cylinders till date (over 3,00,000 CuM). Initiatives to curtail the spread of COVID-19 during and post Kumbh Mela were also undertaken, which included sanitization of ghats and roads, setting up KumbhCOVID dispensary, distribution of sanitisers and masks, provision of transport facilities/vehicles/ambulances and relief material.

BHEL's Bhopal plant has so far supplied over 1,53,000 CuM of oxygen, which is over 23,000 cylinders to various hospitals in Bhopal and Madhya Pradesh. The Trichy Unit of BHEL has provided 8000 N95 masks, 8500 medical gloves and 600 PPE kits worth INR 7 lakh to Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Government Hospital in Trichy. Trichy Exclusive Fever Clinic is operated in BHEL main hospital to cater to diagnosed employees while COVID care centres have been opened for isolation purposes. A COVID vaccination drive was launched for age 45+ employees and their dependents, and COVID Testing facilities have been arranged in coordination with government authorities for employees at factory and township premises.

The Bengaluru unit has donated safety materials like sanitiser bottles and face masks to Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), Jayanagar. A free COVID Vaccination drive was organised by EDN's Occupational Health Centre, and 212 vaccines were administered in the 45+ age group.

BHEL Ramachandrapuram has converted its industrial oxygen facility to medical oxygen storage facility. A COVID Vaccination drive for employees, dependents, and residents is being carried out. COVID Response Teams consisting of hospital staff, HR team, and departmental coordinators have been formed for all around support to employees and dependents. Volunteer teams have also been formed to support retired employees.

The Transformer Plant in Jhansi has converted its ET hostel into a L1 COVID treatment centre, consisting 50 non-ICU beds and 40 oxygen cylinders. It also has a provision for oxi-flow meters. FSIP, Jagdishpur is utilizing its industrial facilities to fill medical oxygen cylinders and transport them to COVID hospitals in nearby towns. An average of 160 cylinder per day, with a total of 3500 B and D type cylinders have been filled till 24th May. BHEL has also provided 55 D type cylinders to District Hospital Amethi.

In the corporate office and township at Delhi NCR, a 20 bed COVID isolation ward with oxygen and all-around support has been set to help employees. A dedicated COVID helpdesk at Noida township for exigent medical aid and a rapid response team has been constituted. Extensive vaccination drives are being carried out, and online medical supervision is extended to employees and their dependents.