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L&T to double capacity at Automation Facility

Mumbai, October 5, 2006: As part of its aggressive growth plans, engineering and construction major, Larsen & Toubro Limited (L&T) is doubling capacity at its automation facility at Mahape, Navi Mumbai. From its existing 50,000 sq. ft., the control and automation (C&A) facility will be enlarged to 120,000 sq. ft., and is scheduled for completion by May 2007. L&T's Chairman & Managing Director, Mr. A. M. Naik and President of the Electrical & Electronics Division and Whole-time Director, Mr. R. N. Mukhija, laid the foundation stone for the new facility on Monday, October 2, 2006.

Mr. Naik said, "Our vision, strategy and action are in line with the ongoing growth in business automation integration. Our plan is to have the necessary base infrastructure with a long-term perspective in mind. The new capacity at Mahape will help L&T's C&A business unit reach the revenue target as envisaged in our strategic growth plan."

Mr. R N Mukhija said "Our automation business has shown robust growth in recent years, with over 40% CAGR. This performance and the growing market requirements have generated confidence that this business will continue to grow in the next 4-5 years. We need additional capacity to meet the growing market demands."

One of the key focus areas of C&A business will be providing electrical and automation solutions for the burgeoning Oil & Gas, Water and Infrastructure segments in GCC. The new sprawling state-of-the-art facility will house fully equipped system integration and FAT (Factory Acceptance Test) to cater to the needs of both international and domestic customers.

Named 'Project Unnati' the new C&A facility will seek to achieve the highest level of *Green Certification* and will have features like efficient use of water and energy, eco-friendly equipment, recycled/recyclable material, building management system and FDVS on the shop floor. Food Court and Employee Rejuvenation Centre are some of the highlights of the facility.

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Mr. R. N. Mukhija, President of L&T's Electrical & Electronics Division and Whole-time Director, performing the ground breaking ceremony for expansion of the company's control and automation facility at Mahape, Navi Mumbai. Seen to Mr. Mukhija's immediate right is Mr. A. M. Naik, CMD, L&T.