Press Release

Messe Muenchen India is proud to join hands with KDCL and GCA for Gujarat CONEX

As one of the <u>largest state economies</u> in India, Gujarat offers exciting opportunities for the construction equipment and heavy vehicles industry to deliver innovative technologies for the multibillion-dollar infra projects currently under construction in the state today. With vast experience in serving this industry through bauma CONEXPO INDIA, Messe Muenchen India is delighted to launch **Gujarat CONEX 2023** with co-organiser K and D Communication Ltd (KDCL), in association with the Gujarat Contractors Association (GCA) as the joint organiser.

This inaugural edition of Gujarat CONEX will serve as the satellite show for the western region of India, while the main show bauma CONEXPO INDIA will continue serving the pan-Indian market through its main edition in Greater Noida every alternate year. Gujarat CONEX will be held on **21-23 September 2023** at the Helipad Exhibition Centre in Gandhinagar.

With some of the most critical connectivity projects currently being executed in Gujarat, this exhibition will serve as the right platform to bring together local industry insights and international technology solutions through conferences, networking opportunities, buyer-seller forums, and many more such touchpoints. Gujarat CONEX will also bring together the region's leading infra development companies, project advisors, and decisionmakers, thereby bridging opportunities between buyer and supplier groups.

In keeping with the country's \$1.4 trillion investment in infrastructure development under the National Infrastructure Pipeline (NIP), Gujarat is currently executing 25 megaprojects including the Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC), Ahmedabad Mumbai Bullet Train, Dholera International Airport, and many others. Such complex projects need state-of-the-art construction equipment, and Gujarat CONEX 2023 will create the right platform to deliver latest technologies and solutions to the domestic ecosystem.

Arvind Garg, Chairman, bauma CONEXPO INDIA, and Senior Vice President & Head Construction & Mining Machinery Business, Larsen & Toubro Ltd, said, "We are happy to support to this inaugural edition of Gujarat CONEX. The western region of the country is witnessing vibrant construction activity towards improved connectivity and infrastructure development. We are delighted to exchange ideas with the local industry and reach out to this market with latest construction technology. I extend best wishes to the organizing team and look forward to a successful maiden edition of Gujarat CONEX."

Bhupinder Singh, CEO, Messe Muenchen India, said, "Gujarat has one of the most advanced construction and infrastructure development ecosystems in the country today. Through Gujarat CONEX, we want to facilitate further growth through knowledge sharing and partnerships. Today, the equipment industry is rapidly innovating to meet the country's needs of indigenisation, cost competitiveness, energy-efficiency, and sustainability. In this regard, we are delighted to launch Gujarat CONEX in collaboration with KDCL."

On behalf of the Joint Organisers, Arvind Patel, Chairman, Gujarat Contractors Association (GCA) and Managing Director, Patel Infrastructure Limited, said, "The Indian construction industry is one of the most developed in the world, and the level of exhibitions organised in the country today are at par with global standards. For example, bauma CONEXPO INDIA 2023 brought together latest construction equipment and solutions under one roof, thus delivering time and cost savings for the

Indian ecosystem. This inaugural edition of Gujarat CONEX will demonstrate the massive opportunities unfolding in the state's infra sector and the strong potential for innovation displayed by the local industry."

Co-organiser, Kamlesh Gohil, Chairman & Managing Director, K and D Communication Limited (KDCL) said, "As an experienced exhibitions company from Gujarat, we are happy to collaborate with international trade fairs organizer Messe Muenchen India and joint organiser Gujarat Contractors Association. The infrastructure industry is an important nation builder and employment generator today, and we are delighted to serve this market by curating a locally relevant trade show at par with global standards."

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