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## **Suzlon achieves a milestone by surpassing 2,000 MW installations in Maharashtra**

- Suzlon surpassed 2000 MW of installed capacity in Maharashtra with over 1900 wind turbines connected to the grid
- Electricity produced by the wind turbines annually powers ~ 1.2 million households and curbs ~ 4.33 million tonnes of CO2 emissions annually in Maharashtra
- Suzlon commenced operations in Maharashtra in 1998 with manufacturing units in Chakhan and Dhule

**21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2015, India:** The Suzlon Group, one of the leading wind turbine manufacturer, announced that it has achieved a significant milestone of 2000 MW (2 GW) of cumulative installations in Maharashtra during the first half of the year. Suzlon has a long standing presence in Maharashtra and commands a leading market share contributing significantly towards Maharashtra's sustainable energy mix. Suzlon's technological knowhow, its best in class OMS (Operation & Maintenance Services) and its end to end solutions approach gives it the competitive edge.

With over two decades of operating history, the Suzlon Group has a cumulative installation of over 14 GW of wind energy capacity, presence in 19 countries and a customer base of over 1700.

Suzlon's projects in Maharashtra are spread across 8 districts in over 40 sites. These projects are set up for a diverse group of customers from different sectors such as **IPPs, Corporates, Retails, PSUs, MSMEs, etc.** Suzlon has come a long way since its maiden turbine installation in this state in 1998 with a turbine of rated capacity 350 kW. With an increased demand in clean energy solutions in Maharashtra, Suzlon evolved its product offerings to higher rated capacity turbines such as the robust 2.1 MW product platform.

**Mr. Tulsi Tanti, Chairman, Suzlon Group said,** *"Suzlon's operations in Maharashtra commenced in 1998 when we installed our first wind turbine at Satara. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our customers, investors and our employees for their continuous belief and relentless support in this long journey spanning over 17 years.*

*Suzlon continues to leverage its technological edge to introduce path breaking products aimed at higher yields and ROI to customers. Our S9X product suite belonging to our proven 2.1 MW platform highlights Suzlon's continuous technological evolution. The 2.1 MW platform products have a presence in Maharashtra as well.*

*Maharashtra has played an integral part in enhancing Suzlon's growth. Suzlon is committed to contribute to the state's energy security and at the same time work towards mitigating the carbon footprint."*

Today, Suzlon in Maharashtra employs ~ 2000 people. Aligned to its vision of ‘**Powering a Greener Tomorrow**’, Suzlon prides itself in championing the cause of sustainable energy. Electricity generated from Suzlon turbines in Maharashtra light up **~1.2 million households** and also contributes to reducing the **state’s carbon footprint by eliminating ~ 4.33 million tones of CO2 emissions annually**.

Additionally, an all-round sustainable development of the society is the motto of Suzlon’s Corporate Social Responsibility programme. Suzlon Foundation efforts have had the following positive impact so far in Maharashtra:

- 302 villages covered under CSR outreach program
- 28055 families directly benefiting
- 88 schools covered and targeting approximately over 14,651 students
- 27676 trees planted
- 22 hectares of land treated for land and soil conservation
- 1020 SHGs ( Self Help Group)& community based organizations formed and strengthened

**About Suzlon Group:**

The Suzlon Group is a leading wind turbine manufacturer in India having a global presence extending across Asia, Australia, Europe, Africa and North and South America. With over two decades of operating history, the Group has cumulative installations of over 14 GW of wind energy capacity, operations across 19 countries, a workforce of over 7000 and a vertically integrated, low-cost manufacturing base and strong in-house R&D set up in Germany, Netherlands, Denmark and India. Suzlon has over 8600 MW of cumulative installations in India which is the largest in the country. The Group – headquartered at Suzlon One Earth in Pune, India – comprises Suzlon Energy Limited and its subsidiaries. Visit us at [www.suzlon.com](http://www.suzlon.com)

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- **Numbers are dated as on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

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