

# VISIT OF HON'BLE RAKSHA MANTRI TO BEML ON 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2017

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Shri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri made his maiden visit to the Production Complexes of BEML LIMITED, a Defence PSU, today.

At first, the Hon'ble Minister visited the KGF Complex of the Company and Rolled-out the 180 Ton Hydraulic Excavator – BE1800D & 850 HP Bulldozer-BD475-1, products designed and developed by in-house R&D efforts in-line with Govt. of India's 'Make in India' initiatives. The first Hull of T-72 Tank variant was handed-over by BEML to Chairman OFB, in the august presence of Hon'ble Minister. Later, the Minister visited the Defence Hangar, wherein, indigenously developed Defence Products were displayed, which was followed by witnessing of Equipment Demonstration. Thereafter, the Hon'ble Minister visited Bangalore Complex of the Company and inaugurated the 3rd line Metro Manufacturing facilities and visited Metro Manufacturing Hangars.

The Hon'ble Minister, on arrival, was received by Shri Deepak Kumar Hota, Chairman & Managing Director & Functional Directors of the Company. The Hon'ble Minister complemented BEML Team for their good efforts in producing indigenous products, duly reflecting the 'Make in India' policy and the exemplary skill levels possessed by the Company.

The special features of the equipment / facilities rolled out by Hon'ble Minister are as under:

#### **BULLDOZER (BD475-1):**

BD 475-1, an 850 Horse Power Giant Bulldozer with Ripper attachment is the biggest dozer in the world and BEML has entered into this segment, hitherto dominated only by MNCs. The unique feature of this dozer is that coal, bauxite seams and other minerals can be exposed by removing the overburden without blasting. This is particularly useful in mines located close to densely populated

areas, where blasting will not be permitted. This import substation equipment is a feather in the cap of BEML and saves huge amount of foreign exchange to the exchequer.

### **Hydraulic Excavator (BE1800D):**

Similarly, the biggest ever 180 Ton (BE1800D) Hydraulic Excavator, indigenously designed & developed by BEML with over 90% indigenous content serves as an import substitution for application in mega mines. BEML was making excavators upto 160 tons and this addition will enable it to serve the customers with a model which can help in loading high capacity dump trucks in the country.

In the Earthmover segment, 30% of BEML's sales is to private sector companies like Reliance, Adani, Mine Developers & Operators and other mid-sized contractors.

## **Hull for T 72 Tank Variants:**

In its effort to increase contribution to Armed forces, BEML has collaborated with OFB for various projects, one amongst them being manufacturing of Hull for T 72 Tank variants. This will help in supplementing production of hulls at OFB.

#### 3rd Line Metro Manufacturing Facility:

BEML, a PSU is the first Indian Company to manufacture & supply state-of-the-art Metro Cars in India and has supplied over 1200 Metro Cars to various Metro Corporations like Delhi, Bangalore & Jaipur. In its efforts to address the growing demand and keep its leadership position, BEML has further increased its production capacity from 18 cars per month to 27 cars per month by augmenting the jigs, fixtures & machines and at the same time ensuring highest quality standards associated with manufacture of Metro Cars.



BEML CMD handing over Memento to Raksha Mantri at BEML Bangalore.



BEML CMD handing over Memento to Raksha Mantri at BEML KGF. Also seen MP Kolar and Secretary, Defence Production and Chairman OFB



Hon'ableRaksha Mantri Shri Arun Jaitley inaugurating T72 Hull in presence of Kolar MP Shri KH Muniyappa, Secretary Defence Production Shri AK Gupta, Chairman OFB, Shri SC Bajpai and BEML CMD Shri DK Hota



Shri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Raksha Mantri handing over BD475 Dozer to Dr TK Chand, CMD, Nalco in the presence of Shri DK Hota CMD BEML.



Inauguration of BE 1800D Excavator and BD475-1 Dozer by Hon'ble Raksha Mantri Shri Arun Jaitleyand handing over of BD475-1 Dozer to Dr TK Chand, CMD, Nalco in the presence MP, Kolar, Secretary Defence Production and CMD BEML



Inauguration of 3<sup>rd</sup> Line Metro Facilities by Raksha Mantri at BEML Bangalore also seen Secretary Defence Production and BEML CMD



Hon'able Raksha Mantri seen with Secretary Defence and CMD BEML after unveiling the plaque