

Capital Goods Skill Council Launched

Mr. Praful Patel, Union Minister for Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises, launched the Capital Goods Skill Council at New Delhi on August 8, 2013.

L&T played a lead role in the formation of the Council, of which Mr. K. Venkataramanan (KV), our CEO & MD, is President.

The Council is a joint initiative of the Department of Heavy



Union Minister Mr. Praful Patel flanked by FICCI President Ms. Naina Kidwai and Mr. K. Venkataramanan, President of the Capital Goods Skill Council.

Industries and the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI). Formed under the PPP (Public-Private Partnership) model, it is funded by the National Skills Development Council and leading companies.

At the inauguration, KV emphasised that finding the right trainers was critical to the success of the project. He added that India is now adopting IT-enabled training technologies, and that training needs to be imparted in both manual and electronics-aided skills.

In the next ten years, the Council will train five million people in trades like welding, fitting, machining, mechatronics, tools & die making and fabrication. These skilled tradespeople will find employment in sectors like power equipment, process plant machinery, machine tools, engineering goods and plastics machinery.

Skill-training is an integral part of L&T's corporate social initiatives. In addition to L&T-run Construction Skills Training Institutes, the L&T Public Charitable Trust has set up a number of Vocational Training Institutes countrywide.