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SOLAR PLANT ON STREAM AT BHARATHI CEMENT FACILITY
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Solar plant on stream at Bharathi Cement facility

HYDERABAD

Bharathi Cement on Monday commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant at its manufacturing facility in Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. A release said commissioning of the solar plant is part of the company's plan to transition to renewable energy sources. This plant will generate close to 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help cut Bharathi's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on Thermal power. The project was executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy, in a record 60 days, the release said.

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Bharathi Cement sets up 10 MW solar unit in Kadapa

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Hyderabad, September 16

Bharathi Cement has commissioned a 10 MW, ground-mounted solar power plant at its manufacturing facility in Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh.

This is part of the cement company's long-term plan to transition to renewable energy sources.

This plant, executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy, in a record 60 days, is expected to generate 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help cut Bharathi's overall energy costs.

The plant, for captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acres in Bharathi Cement's 5MTPA manufacturing unit in Kadapa. French construction major Vicat Group owns 51 per cent in Bharathi Cement and operates this facility.

Guy Sidos, Chairman of Vicat Group, inaugurated the 10 MW plant, "This investment into the solar plant here reiterates our global commitment towards renewable energy and sustainable development. We are present in 12 countries and have already initiated the switch to solar power across India and Senegal. This is one more contribution towards our sustainability story."

Anoop Kumar Saxena, CEO, Vicat India & Bharathi Cement, said, "With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependency on thermal power and have entirely fulfilled our internal solar renewable purchase obligation. This is in line with the objective of the International Solar Alliance, initiated by India and France in 2015."

NEW SOLAR UNIT AT BHARATHI CEMENTS PLANT IN AP
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New solar unit at Bharathi Cements plant in AP

Cement manufacturer Bharathi Cement on Monday said it has commissioned a 10MW ground-mounted solar power plant at its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in AP as part of its long-term plan to transition to renewable energy sources. This project, spread over 41 acres and was executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy in 60 days, will generate around 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help reduce overall energy costs by reducing reliance on thermal power.

FOURTH PARTNER ENERGY EXECUTES 10-MW SOLAR PLANT PROJECT FOR BHARATHI CEMENT

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Fourth Partner Energy executes 10-MW solar plant project for Bharathi Cement

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"With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependence on thermal power and have fulfilled our internal solar [renewable](#) purchase obligation," said Anoop Kumar Saxena, chief executive officer, Vicat India, a subsidiary of the Vicat Group and Bharathi Cement.

Speaking about the experience of installing large-scale solar plants in AP, Vivek Subramanian, co-founder, Fourth Partner Energy said that they have executed over 20 projects in the state for clients such as [Walmart](#), Andhra Bank, D-Mart and [Visakhapatnam Smart City](#).

He further added that his company will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve the state's target to add 5 gigawatt of solar capacity by 2024.

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Fourth Partner Energy Executes 10-MW Solar Plant Project For Bharathi Cement

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Bharathi Cement Turns to Solar with a 10 MW Solar Project at its Facility in Andhra Pradesh

The project was executed by Fourth Partner Energy

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Bharathi Cement, a leading cement manufacturer, has commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power project in its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh. The project is a part of its long-term plan for transition into renewables.

The project will generate nearly 10.6 million units of electricity annually and help reduce Bharathi's overall energy cost by reducing its reliance on thermal power, the company said in a statement.

When contacted, the company, however, did not reveal the exact value of investment in the solar project.

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Speaking about the experience of installing solar projects in Andhra Pradesh, Vivek Subramanian added, “Fourth Partner Energy has executed over 20 projects in this state for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart, and Visakhapatnam Smart City. Andhra Pradesh aims to add 5 GW of solar capacity by 2024 and Fourth Partner Energy will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve this target.”

Fourth Partner Energy has an operational portfolio of over 180 MWp of distributed solar assets across 23 states; and an additional capacity target of 350 MWp for the financial year (FY) 2020.

According to the [India Solar Market Leaderboard –2019](#), Fourth Partner Energy was second in terms of rooftop installations in India in 2018.

Fourth Partner Energy, raised a \$70 million investment from The Rise Fund, a global [impact investment fund](#) managed by TPG Growth last year. [Fourth Partner Energy](#) had then said that it would use this investment to strengthen its position in this emerging sector and accelerate its growth through the RESCO model across industrial and commercial corporate and public-sector clients.

FOURTH PARTNER COMMISSIONS 10 MW SOLAR PLANT AT BHARATHI CEMENT'S KADAPA FACILITY

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Fourth Partner commissions 10 MW solar plant at Bharathi Cement's Kadapa facility

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This 10 MW Solar plant for Captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acres in Bharathi Cement's 5-MTPA manufacturing unit in Kadapa. French Construction conglomerate, the Vicat Group owns 51% stake in Bharathi Cement and operates this facility. Guy Sidos, chairman of NYSE-listed Vicat Group inaugurated the 10 MW plant and said, "This investment into the solar plant here reiterates our global commitment towards Renewable energy and Sustainable development. We are present in 12 countries and have already initiated the switch to Solar Power across India and General. This is one more contribution towards our Sustainability story."



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Prior to this solar installation, Vicat Group also engaged Fourth Partner Energy last year to set up a 1 MW Solar plant at our Bharathi Polymers facility – their excellent execution capabilities and in-house Asset management expertise made them our obvious choice in this Sustainability journey."

India is the second largest producer of Cement in the world, manufacturing over 500 MT in 2018. Vivek Subramanian, Co-Founder and ED at Fourth Partner Energy said, "Cement manufacturing is an extremely energy-intensive process. Moreover, the Centre's focus on better infrastructure and affordable housing to all by 2022 implies this segment is ripe for growth. Our aim is to help businesses like Bharathi make the transition to cleaner energy sources, while saving on their electricity bills. Bharathi's proactive on-site support from their operations team was instrumental in helping our personnel execute this large installation in just 2 months."

Speaking about the experience of installing large-scale Solar plants in Andhra Pradesh, amidst the controversy over renegotiating PPAs in the State, Vivek Subramanian added, "Fourth Partner Energy has executed over 20 projects in this State for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart and Visakhapatnam Smart City. Andhra Pradesh aims to add 5 GW of Solar capacity by 2024 and Fourth Partner Energy will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve this target."

Fourth Partner Energy has an operational portfolio of over 180 MWp of distributed solar assets across 23 states; and an additional capacity target of 350 MWp for FY20. Fourth Partner Energy has forayed into Open Access, as well as expanded its footprint to international markets across South Asia, South East Asia and the Middle East, in recent months.

The company is also working on energy storage solutions and developing EV infrastructure across the country. Fourth Partner Energy is backed by TPG's The Rise Fund which has invested \$70mn in the firm.

BHARATHI CEMENT GOES SOLAR WITH 10 MW FACILITY IN ANDHRA

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Bharathi Cement Goes Solar With 10 MW Facility in Andhra

By Ayush Verma / Updated On Tue, Sep 17th, 2019 [f](#) [t](#) [in](#)

Bharathi Cement has commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant in its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh



One of India's leading Cement manufacturer, Bharathi Cement has announced that it has commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant in its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh, as part of its long-term plan to transition to Renewable Energy sources.

The 10 MW facility will generate close to 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help reduce the company's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on Thermal power. The project was executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy (FPE), in a record 60 days.

This 10 MW Solar plant for Captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acres in the firm's 5 MTPA manufacturing unit in Kadapa. French Construction conglomerate, the Vicat Group owns a 51 percent stake in Bharathi Cement and operates this facility.

Guy Sidos, chairman of NYSE-listed Vicat Group inaugurated the 10 MW plant today and said, that the investment in the solar plant reiterates the firm's global commitment towards [renewable energy](#) and sustainable development.


"We are present in 12 countries and have already initiated the switch to solar power across [India](#) and Senegal. This is one more contribution towards our sustainability story," he said.

BHARATHI CEMENT COMMISSIONS 10 MW SOLAR UNIT IN ANDHRA PRADESH

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Bharathi Cement commissions 10 MW solar unit in Andhra Pradesh

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Bharathi Cement has commissioned 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant in its manufacturing facility located at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh on 16 September 2019. This is part of the cement company's long-term plan to transition to renewable energy sources.

The plant has been executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy, in a record 60 days. The solar power plant is expected to generate 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help reduce Bharathi Cement's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on thermal power.

The 10 MW solar plant, for captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acre in Bharathi Cement's five million tpa manufacturing unit in Kadapa.

French Construction conglomerate the Vicat Group owns 51 percent stake in Bharathi Cement and operates this facility. Prior to this solar installation, the Vicat Group also engaged Fourth Partner Energy in 2018 to set up a one MW solar plant at its Bharathi Polymers facility.

Fourth Partner Energy has executed over 20 projects in Andhra Pradesh for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart and Visakhapatnam Smart City.

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Bharathi Cement commissions 10MW solar power plant



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India's Bharathi Cement has commissioned a 10MW solar power plant at its 5Mta cement works in Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh. The facility is expected to help cut the company's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on thermal power.

The project was delivered by Fourth Partner Energy in a record 60 days, according to a company press release. The power plant is part of Bharathi's long-term plan to transition to renewable energy.

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Bharathi Cement has recently commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant at its manufacturing facility in Kadapa, Andhra Pradesh.

The plant has been established as part of the cement company's long-term plan to transition to Renewable Energy sources.

The plant was constructed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy in just 60 days and is expected to reduce Bharathi Cement's overall energy costs and reliance on Thermal power.

The 10MW plant is spread across 41 acres at Bharathi Cement's 5 million tpy manufacturing unit in Kadapa. Vicat Group holds a 51% stake in Bharathi Cement and operates the facility.

Guy Sidos, Chairman of Vicat Group, was quoted as saying: "This investment into the solar plant here reiterates our global commitment towards Renewable energy and Sustainable development. We are present in 12 countries and have already initiated the switch to Solar Power across India and Senegal. This is one more contribution towards our Sustainability story."

Anoop Kumar Saxena, CEO, Vicat India & Bharathi Cement stated that: "With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependency on Thermal power and have entirely fulfilled our internal Solar Renewable Purchase Obligation. This is in-line with the objective of the International Solar Alliance, initiated by India and France in 2015."



Anoop Kumar Saxena, CEO, Vicat India & Bharathi Cement added, "With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependence on thermal power and have entirely fulfilled our internal Solar RPOs (Renewable Purchase Obligation)."

Prior to this solar installation, Vicat Group had also engaged with FPE last year to set up a 1 MW Solar plant at our Bharathi Polymers facility.

India is the second-largest producer of Cement in the world, manufacturing over 500 MT in 2018. Vivek Subramanian, co-founder and ED at FPE said, "Cement manufacturing is an extremely energy-intensive process. Our aim is to help businesses like Bharathi make the transition to cleaner energy sources while saving on their electricity bills. Bharathi's proactive on-site support from their operations team was instrumental in helping our personnel execute this large installation in just 2 months."

Speaking about the experience of installing large-scale Solar plants in Andhra Pradesh, amidst the [controversy over renegotiating PPAs](#) in the State, Vivek Subramanian added, "FPE has executed over 20 projects in this State for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart and Visakhapatnam Smart City. Andhra Pradesh aims to add 5 GW of solar capacity by 2024 and FPE will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve this target."

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Fourth Partner Energy's 10 MW solar plant at Bharathi Cement's manufacturing facility in Andhra Pradesh

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Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy has commissioned a 10 MW ground-mounted solar power plant for Bharathi Cement at its Kadapa cement manufacturing facility in Andhra Pradesh. This plant was executed in a record 60 days, and will generate close to 1.6 crore units of electricity annually.

The solar plant, for captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acres in Bharathi Cement's manufacturing unit in Kadapa.

India is the second largest producer of cement in the world, manufacturing over 500 MT in 2018.

Highlighting solar's importance for the cement industry, Fourth Partner Energy co-founder and ED Vivek Subramanian said, "Cement manufacturing is an extremely energy-intensive process. Moreover, the Centre's focus on better infrastructure and affordable housing to all by 2022 implies this segment is ripe for growth. Our aim is to help businesses like Bharathi make the transition to cleaner energy sources, while saving on their electricity bills."

"Bharathi's proactive on-site support from their operations team was instrumental in helping our personnel execute this large installation in just 2 months."

On their plans for Andhra Pradesh amidst power purchase agreement renegotiation controversy, Vivek Subramanian added, "Fourth Partner Energy has executed over 20 projects in this State for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart and Visakhapatnam Smart City. Andhra Pradesh aims to add 5 GW of Solar capacity by 2024 and Fourth Partner Energy will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve this target."

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Vicat India and Bharathi Cement CEO Anoop Kumar Saxena added, "With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependency on thermal power and have entirely fulfilled our internal solar renewable purchase obligations. This is in-line with the objective of the International Solar Alliance, initiated by India and France in 2015.




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Bharathi Cements commissions 10 MW solar power plant at its Kadapa unit in AP

Hyderabad, Sept 16 (UNI) Bharathi Cement, India's leading Cement manufacturer, on Monday announced the commissioning of 10 MW Ground-Mounted Solar Power plant in its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh.

This plant will generate close to 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help reduce Bharathi's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on Thermal power.

The project was executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy, in a record 60 days, the company said in a release here.

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Bharathi Cement has announced that it has commissioned a 10 MW Ground-Mounted Solar Power plant in its manufacturing facility at Kadapa in Andhra Pradesh, as part of its long-term plan to transition to Renewable Energy sources. This plant will generate close to 1.6 crore units of electricity annually and help reduce Bharathi's overall energy costs by reducing its reliance on Thermal power.

The project was executed by Hyderabad-based Fourth Partner Energy, in a record 60 days.

This 10 MW Solar plant for Captive electricity consumption, is spread across 41 acres in Bharathi Cement's 5MTPA manufacturing unit in Kadapa. French Construction conglomerate, the Vicat Group owns 51% stake in Bharathi Cement and operates this facility. Guy Sidis, chairman of NYSE-listed Vicat Group inaugurated the 10 MW plant today and said, "This investment into the solar plant here reiterates our global commitment towards Renewable energy and Sustainable development. We are present in 12 countries and have already initiated the switch to Solar Power across India and Senegal. This is one more contribution towards our Sustainability story."

Anoop Kumar Saxena, CEO, Vicat India & Bharathi Cement added, "With this solar plant, we have reduced our dependency on Thermal power and have entirely fulfilled our internal Solar RPOs (Renewable Purchase Obligation). This is in-line with the objective of the International Solar Alliance, initiated by India and France in 2015.

Prior to this solar installation, Vicat Group also engaged Fourth Partner Energy last year to set up a 1 MW Solar plant at our Bharathi Polymers facility – their excellent execution capabilities and in-house Asset management expertise made them our obvious choice in this Sustainability journey."

India is the second largest producer of Cement in the world, manufacturing over 500 MT in 2018. Vivek Subramanian, Co-Founder and ED at Fourth Partner Energy said, "Cement manufacturing is an extremely energy-intensive process. Moreover, the Centre's focus on better infrastructure and affordable housing to all by 2022 implies this segment is ripe for growth. Our aim is to help businesses like Bharathi make the transition to cleaner energy sources, while saving on their electricity bills. Bharathi's proactive on-site support from their operations team was instrumental in helping our personnel execute this large installation in just 2 months."

Speaking about the experience of installing large-scale Solar plants in Andhra Pradesh, amidst the controversy over renegotiating PPAs in the State, Vivek Subramanian added, "Fourth Partner Energy has executed over 20 projects in this State for clients like Walmart, Andhra Bank, D-Mart and Visakhapatnam Smart City. Andhra Pradesh aims to add 5 GW of Solar capacity by 2024 and Fourth Partner Energy will continue to work with the government and businesses to help achieve this target."