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## **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated Jumbo Covid Care Facility at RINL VizagSteel**

Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon"ble Minister of Petroleum and Natural gases and Steel, Govt. of India inaugurated the Jumbo Covid Care Facility with 300 beds (Phase-1) out of the planned 1000 bed facility for treatment of Covid Patients at Gurajada Kalakshetram and Hostel-1 at RINL Vizag Steel today through virtual mode.



Photo Caption: Gurajada Covid Care Centre

In his keynote address, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan applauded the efforts of RINL-Vizag Steel for raising to the occasion in the national interest by relentlessly working and becoming the savior of many lives panIndia during this pandemic time. He praised the team RINL for making swift and dedicated efforts in sending the first oxygen express to Maharashtra. He also thanked the Govt. of AP for extending all kinds of support required to start this Jumbo Covid Care facility in the premises of RINL-Vizag Steel. Shri Faggan Singh Kulaste, Hon"ble Minister of State for Steel, Govt. of India attended the ceremony. He complimented team RINL for providing timely relief to the suffering Covid patients with the supply of LMO and now with this Jumbo Covid Care Facility with the support of Govt. of AP and Ministry of Steel, GOI. Sri Alla KK Srinivas, Hon"ble Dy. Chief Minister and Minister, Health, Family Welfare & Medical Education, Govt. of AP , Sri P Ramachandra Reddy, Hon"ble Minister, Mines, Govt. of AP, Sri M.Goutham Reddy, Hon"ble Minister, Industries , Govt. of AP, Sri Vijayasai Reddy, Hon"ble MP, Rajyasabha and Dr.BV Satyavathi, Hon"ble MP (LS), Anakapalle attended the inauguration ceremony in virtual mode. They appreciated RINL-Vizag Steel for setting up of Jumbo Covid Care facilities at Vizag Steel. They also thanked Govt. of India and Ministry of Steel in particular for taking initiative for the

Supply of Liquid Medical oxygen which is the dire necessity for the welfare of the people of AP and also for providing all the support and necessary guidance in establishing these Covid Care facilities at RINLVizag Steel. The dignitaries present in the ceremony include Shri PK Tripathy, Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Steel and Shri Adityanath Das, Chief Secretary, Govt. of AP. Earlier in his welcome address, Shri PK Rath, CMD, RINL thanked the govt. of AP and Ministry of Steel for all the support they provided in starting the phase-1 of 1000 bed Jumbo Hospital facilities. He informed that all the necessary measures are being taken by RINL to combat Covid pandemic and till date 15,000 People have been vaccinated among the RINL fraternity. He also said that around 6,700 tons of LMO has been supplied till date by RINL to AP, Maharashtra and Karnataka during this 2nd wave of Covid. Shri KC Das, Director (Personnel) proposed vote of thanks. Directors and CVO of RINL, other Senior Officials of Govt of India and AP and RINL fraternity across India also witnessed the ceremony. The salient features of the Jumbo Covid Care Facility The salient features of the Jumbo Covid care facility of RINL, Visakhapatnam Steel Plant at Ukkunagaram Township which is ready with 300 Oxygen bed in the first phase include 100 Bed at Trainees Hostel-1 and 200 Bed at Gurajada Kalakshetram. The Gurajada Kalakshetram complex is equipped with centralized Air Conditioned Covid wards, Central Oxygen supply with back up of 300 Jumbo Oxygen cylinders and 20 oxygen concentrators & 10 CIPAP machines. All beds are provided with Oxygen humidifiers with distilled water & flow meters. Spacious reception/ registration block with a Triage area is being manned by Doctors & paramedical staff. Wheel chair, Trolley with Oxygen cylinder & mask at the entrance and well stocked pharmacy with all emergency & routine drugs are arranged. Medical supervision by Intensivist & Pulmonologist along with a trained team of Doctors, Nurses & other paramedical support staff are there for the round the clock service. Free food facility is being provided for all on duty medical & paramedical contractual staff. Along with an Ambulance facility for emergency transfer of patients other facilities like new toilet blocks and Hot & cold RO drinking water facility etc. are also made available.



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