

## **Green movement in Mansa, Punjab!**

### **Vedanta subsidiary TSPL sets world record by planting 2 lakh saplings in 1 hour!**

**Mansa, Punjab, October 30, 2015:** Talwandi Sabo Power Limited (TSPL) in Punjab, a subsidiary of Vedanta Limited today attempted to create the world record for planting 2 lakh saplings within an hour. Over 5,800 supporters from schools, surrounding villages and locals volunteered to make this feat possible. TSPL will apply to the ‘The Guinness Book of World Records’ to feature as the record holder for the highest number of plantations within an hour. With this massive plantation drive, TSPL has achieved more than the previous record of 100,450 plantations within one hour, which is held by ‘Men of the Trees’, at the Whiteman Park, in Perth, Australia. The plantation began at 11.35 am, and within less than an hour, by 12.27 pm, 2,06,000 saplings were planted on 200 acres land. Considering the small forest cover in Punjab, these additional trees will help improve the biodiversity in the region and specifically in Mansa.

“TSPL is deeply committed to the sustainable economic development of the progressive state of Punjab. This massive plantation drive is not only a symbol of our deep connect with the state but also a personification of our motive to make it one of the most promising regions globally. With a Guinness Book of World Records entry, the district of Mansa and the state of Punjab will become even more prominent across the world”, said Mr. Philip Chacko, COO, TSPL, adding that, “Today the people of Punjab have tried to beat the existing record made in Australia. We had taken a target of 2 lac saplings.”

“There was high level of energy and enthusiasm among the participants. Our college students acted as stewards for this historic event. Congratulations to TSPL for this feat,” said Raghveer Kaur, a student of B.Sc., Agriculture.

An ISO 9001 and OHSAS certified company; TSPL is the largest Greenfield Power Project in Punjab. An exemplary corporate citizen it is one of the very few companies that has constructed supercritical plants, which employ energy efficient technologies and are environment friendly.

TSPL has set the benchmark for environmental compliance by developing 222 acres of green cover (as of March 2015) around the periphery of the plant and installing Zero Discharge Unit, Sewage Treatment Plant and High Concentration Slurry Disposal (HCSD) system.

### **About Talwandi Sabo Power Limited**

Talwandi Sabo Power Limited (TSPL) is implementing the largest Green field Power Project in Punjab, India, which is also the largest private sector investment in the state of Punjab. TSPL was incorporated as an SPV by Punjab State Electricity Board, now Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) with the purpose of constructing a 1980 (3x660) MW thermal power plant at District Mansa. The company was selected as the developer of the project based on the Tariff Based International Competitive Bidding Process (Case-2) on Build Own & Operate basis for supply of 100% power to PSPCL for 25 years. The first unit of 660 MW was dedicated to the people of Punjab on 25 November 2013. TSPL, known in North India as a greenest thermal power plant because of its environment friendly technologies like Zero Discharge, HCSD system, Ash Pond with HDPE lining, NDCT, Hybrid ESP, RO System in DM plant, 700 acres of green belt and installation of state-of-the-art Dust Extraction and Suppression System.

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