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## ŠKODA AUTO India invests in a 'GREEN FUTURE'

- › ŠKODA AUTO India inaugurates 980 KW Advanced Solar Power Generation Project at its production facility in Aurangabad
- › Solar panels with higher efficiency to generate 1,475 MWh of power per annum
- › Unique car port structure will cover 30 per cent of the plant's annual energy consumption
- › 922 ton per annum reduction in carbon dioxide emissions from the production process

**Aurangabad, 17 October 2018:** Built in line with the 'GREEN FUTURE' strategy of ŠKODA AUTO and commissioned as part of the 'INDIA 2.0' project, ŠKODA AUTO India inaugurated the Advanced Solar Power Generation Project, with a capacity of 980 KW, at its manufacturing facility in Aurangabad. Strengthening its commitment to environmental responsibility, the unique car port structure of the designated system, will cover 30 per cent of the plant's annual energy consumption by generating 1475 MWh of power per annum. This contributes to a significant 922 ton per annum reduction in carbon dioxide emissions from the production process.

**H. E. Mr. Milan Hovorka, Hon. Ambassador of the Czech Republic to India** said that *"I feel great pride to represent the country where ŠKODA was founded. Whether by developing alternative powertrain technologies for future models or an award-winning work to reduce the environmental impact of its factory, ŠKODA has been praised world over for its environment friendly practices – and today is no different. I am delighted to be here at the inauguration of the advanced solar power generation project in Aurangabad and wish ŠKODA luck for future endeavours."*

**Mr. Nandakumar Ghodele, Hon. Mayor of Aurangabad** said that *"I am honoured to chair the inauguration ceremony of the advanced solar power generation project and appreciate ŠKODA AUTO India for their contribution towards the 'Green Energy' revolution in Aurangabad. This project epitomizes adoption of new technologies towards environment friendly development and the plant demonstrates how energy needs of the local manufacturing bodies can be met through clean and renewable sources like solar."*

**Mr. Gurpratap Boparai, Managing Director, ŠKODA AUTO India Private Ltd.** said that *"The installation of the Advanced Solar Power Generation Project at our production facility in Aurangabad reinforces our commitment towards building a 'GREEN FUTURE'. We have taken a small but significant step towards contributing to India's commitment to the world in reducing carbon footprint. With a vision of reducing the negative impact of our manufacturing operations towards the environment, we will endeavour to implement more environmentally sustainable projects in the future."*

ŠKODA AUTO India is making headway towards its pursuit of sustainable development, resource conservation, carbon footprint reduction, and cost optimisation as part of the 'INDIA 2.0' project. With the ever-changing environmental scenario, it has become essential for the Indian Automotive Industry to demonstrate their commitment towards supporting the environment.



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This project will not only help reduce carbon footprint in and around the vicinity of Aurangabad, but will also create an example for other automobile OEM's in the country.

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ŠKODA AUTO India inaugurated the unique car port structure of the Advanced Solar Power Generation Project at its manufacturing facility in Aurangabad. The designated 980 kW system will cover 30 per cent of the plant's annual energy consumption and contribute to a significant 922 ton per annum reduction in carbon dioxide emissions from the production process.

Source: ŠKODA AUTO India

## ŠKODA AUTO India

- › Has been operating in India since November 2001 as a subsidiary of ŠKODA AUTO a. s. Czech Republic which is one of the oldest automobile companies in the world with its headquarter in Mladá Boleslav
- › ŠKODA AUTO India has 4 models on sale in India – ŠKODA SUPERB, ŠKODA OCTAVIA, ŠKODA RAPID and ŠKODA KODIAQ
- › Has a network of 68 sales and 67 service outlets across the country
- › For more information please visit [www.skoda-auto.co.in](http://www.skoda-auto.co.in)
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