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# Hazira Complex Becomes L&T's First Single-Use-Plastic-Free Campus

The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) has certified L&T's A M Naik Heavy Engineering Complex (AMNHEC) at Hazira in Gujarat as a single-use-plastic-free campus. With this, AMNHEC becomes L&T's first campus to achieve this significant sustainability feat.

The 750-acre campus houses several L&T businesses and around 15,000 people operate out of the campus.

The seeds of the initiative were sown with a beach-cleaning drive that AMNHEC teams undertook in 2024, which drew attention to the havoc wrought on the environment by single-use plastic (SuP). Subsequently, they formed a team with members from across AMNHEC, including those from EHS, Stores and Purchase departments, to tackle the menace on a war footing.

With inputs from CII and the concerted efforts of the team, AMNHEC surmounted the menace through elimination, reduction and substitution. This led to an overall reduction of 45 metric tonnes of single-use plastic per annum. They replaced office dustbin liners

with compostable materials, substituted tetra packs and plastic straws of soft drinks with recyclable PET bottles, packaged drinking water with steel bottles and glasses, and prepare buttermilk in-house instead of procuring in plastic pouches.

CII subsequently carried out a stringent audit at AMNHEC, and on being satisfied, awarded the single-use-plastic-free certification to the campus on 25 March.

Anil V Parab (Whole-time Director & Sr EVP - Heavy Engineering & L&T Valves) congratulated the AMNHEC family on the feat. "It is an honour to be recognised by CII for SuP-free complex. By embracing sustainable initiatives, our teams have demonstrated their strong commitment to transforming AMNHEC as a role model green complex."

L&T's Chief Sustainability Officer Santosh Kumar Singh said that AMNHEC's feat will inspire other L&T campuses to stop the use of single-use plastic. "The achievement in eliminating single-use plastic at AMNHEC marks a significant step towards a sustainable future. I hope this will inspire all our establishments to follow suit, creating a ripple effect of positive environmental impact."

